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Indiana Canine Disc State Championships

This year's hosts for the Indiana Canine Disc State Championships, on October 26, 27, and 28 were Ron and Amy King. They picked Boondocks Farms in Knightstown, IN as this year's arena for our State Championships. The weather was predictably cold and damp. Boondock's boast "160 Acres of Fun" and fun it was. Boondocks offer hayrides, primitive camping, a haunted trail, corn maize, farm animals, a farm market, 18-hole disc golf coarse, a bonfire nightly and the best brats ever and much, much more! IDDC started off

the weekend on Friday with a fun competition of disc golf. Those who played doubled up with a partner – Mark Muir & Adrian, Amy & Ron, Pat Sharon, Chip & & Marshall, Shaun & Tony, and Matt & Joe Bilderback. Amy and Ron were the team ahead of Sharon and me. If it weren't for Amy our disc golfing would have been over in short order. A

few times Sharon and I threw our discs into the, I'm sure, snaky thickets. Amy volunteered to brave the snakes and retrieve our discs. The disc golf winners, with a score of 54, were Mark & Adrian. A few hearty members pitched their tents along the field perimeter. Mark and Stacey Muir came all the way from Atlanta to compete in our Championships. Mark and his dog Rocket faired very well. They won first place in Pro Freestyle with a score of 75.35 and first place in Overall with a score of 96.85. Congratulations Mark and Rocket.

Saturday's competition made for a long day. Those of you who were in Atlanta for this year's Skyhoundz World Championship witnessed Tracy Custer's surprise intruder during her freestyle routine. Well it seems intruders are following Tracy everywhere. She and Raccoon Jack had just started their round when Sister Mary Jo, dressed in a long black habit, stormed the field frantically waving a yardstick at poor Tracy. I chuckled a bit because it brought back memories of my days at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic grade she'll take you out every time. lol Tracy managed to foil the good Sister and continue with her routine. Everyone had a good laugh when they found out Tracy's intruder was prankster Mary Jo Corso. She did a good job bringing her own memories of grade school and the nuns to the field.

school. You don't mess with a nun because

On Sunday, the time trials and distance competition took place. Rocky and Sharon were a hit in Women's Distance. The



Rick announcer. Kimball, proclaimed their round as a new event called Rapid Fire. The club also had their annual Doggie Costume Halloween The entries Contest. Chip and Lexi were: as characters from the movie 'National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation...Chip was the low on brains and seasoned redneck slob

Cousin Eddie and Lexi his dog Snots. Lexi had fake snot dripping from her torso. Margaret and Ripley came as piles of leaves...Ripley even had a full size rake dragging behind the leaves on her back. Sharon and Randy came as firemen - Too cute. Mary Jo was a cowboy and Murphy Brown was a sheep. Rick was impressive in full make-up and dress as Dracula - Dugan was his every scary bat. Rocky came as the Devil – Duh. Christy Duff's dog Crash was Louisville's finest – A policeman. Deneane had Ares sporting a white stripe down his back – depicting cartoon character Pepe LePew. The contest was a lot of fun and people never fail to go all out for this event. The contest winners were Chip & Lexi for Funniest....Margaret & Ripley for Most Creative and Sharon & Randy won Best Overall. To keep things Kosher Ron picked two spectators as judges.

Boondocks Farms proved to be an excellent choice for Indiana States. Hopefully we can make this site a tradition.

2007 HyperFlite/Skyhoundz World Championships

By Patricia Daugherty

It's was a warm autumn morning in Atlanta. The dawn was peeking through the darkness, as my party approached Piedmont Park. My watch read 6:00 a.m. September 22, 2007. This is a huge park and it took us several tries before we found the competition field, The Meadows. This is where Skyhoundz holds its annual World Championship Event. Finally we spied familiar faces huddled together in the semi-darkness. Scores of folded Pop-up tents laced the pavement along the perimeter of the field. As we joined our fellow IDDC friends, people were beginning to take their pop-ups to the field. Everything was going smoothly and as a few pop-ups unfolded we were hit from all sides with streams of strong gushing water. It didn't take long to realize we had encountered the park's automatic sprinkling

system. About thirty wet people dived under one little pop-up. I heard one female competitor reply, "The things we do for our dogs." Disc doggers are a hardy group and we all set up between the gushes of water and Hail Mary's.

The day went from warm to muggy and everyone watched the competition through their sunglasses. IDDC was well represented. Danny Eggleston, Tony Hoard, Christina & Chandler Curtis, and Bill Marion, were among those competitors who entertained the crowd. When Tracy Custer

A Dogs Purpose In the Eyes of a 6 Year Old

As a veterinarian, I was called to examine a ten-year-old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife, Lisa, And their little boy, Shane, were all very attached to Belker, and they Were hoping for a miracle.

I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure in their home.

As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for six-year-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience. The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away.

The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a while after Belker's death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that animals lives are shorter than human lives. Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why." Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation.

He said, "People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life -- like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The six-year-old continued, "Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."



and Raccoon Jack stepped onto the field to do their freestyle routine they got a surprise. A gentleman, who had been sitting

calmly on the edge of the competition field, suddenly sprang up. No doubt he was so "enamored" with Tracy's sneakers he just had to tell her NOW and THEN! He was within arms length of Tracy when she saw him. For a nanno second a startled look came across her face replaced with a laugh as she continued without a hitch. The sneaker freak was quickly escorted off the field and Tracy and Raccoon Jack went on to win third place in Expert Freestyle. Danny Venegas and Jumpin' Jack won first place. Danny also won second place with Oreo. Christina Curtis and Danny Eggleston won third place in freestyle pairs. Bill Marion and Blaze

won third place in Expert D/A. Scott Jones and Bolero came in second and Danny and Guinan came in fourth. Bill Marion also won the Rising Star Award.

The banquet was held Saturday night, on September 22nd, at Jeff Perry's Flying Dog Ranch in Cummings, GA. It was a repeat of last year's grand gala. I think this year it was even better. There was a bottle of fine red wine on everyone's table.

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Over the wail of the Event announcer and on the wings of a wafting breeze thru the stream of pop-ups one could hear the

Raffle Drawing

At the Indiana States Championships the annual Rescue Fund Raffle Drawing took place. This year's winner was Patricia Daugherty. Patricia won a \$50.00 gift card to Sahm's Restaurant.

Words from the President



Well folks we are nearing the election of officers for 2008. I have decided to take myself out of the running for any club office. Before I leave office I want to say what a fabulous ride I have had being your President. I am so proud of all the members of the club. When Amy and I started the Indy Dog & Disc Club, it was always our dream to have the best disc dog club in the country. We have put a lot of blood, sweat and tears into building a top notch disc dog club and with the help of many dedicated members I think we have succeeded. IDDC has always strived to be true to our motto: "Where having FUN is more important than winning." I can't tell you how good that makes us feel. That has always been Amy and my main objective for IDDC. Also, we're not only a disc dog club but an animal humanitarian concern. Many club members devote their time and energy saving dogs' lives every year. That is something for which we should be very proud.

I can't believe IDDC is eight years old. We have come a long way since a Mr. Microphone and a card table. At our first event I actually yelled the running order because our Mr. Microphone didn't work. Now we have our own trailer and a smokin' PA system. Two items the club needed badly. Along the way you all have given Amy and me many wonderful memories. Your quickness to rally when the club lost its first trailer was mind boggling. I was totally overwhelmed by your tremendous support. That display of club spirit put us back on top in fast order, and gave our club an added inner strength. In the

competition arena our club is known for kickin' booty and bringing home the hardware. We have also built a reputation for being an honest, fun loving club who never takes herself too seriously. Amy and I, along with our sons, are excited to start another eight years of memories and growth with our IDDC family.

Now that I have stepped down, I will be able to devote more time to my growing family. Also, Monty Boy and I are looking forward to more time on the playing field amongst our friends. I would like to thank all those who have been there over the years to help me be the best president I could be for our club. You all know who you are and I will always be indebted to you. Let's all make 2008 a banner year for IDDC!!!!!

Sincerely,

Ron King

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

Indiana Canine Disc State ChampionshipsResults						
Pro 1. Mark Muir & Rocket 2. Danny Eggleston & Guinan 3. Tony Hoard & Zaniee "J"	Open 1. Don Lang & Shelby	1. Don Lang & Shelby 2. Misty Wright & Sampson		Recreational 1. Misty Wright & Turk		
Toss n Fetch Winners						
Advanced 1. Adrian Custer & Six 2. Tony Hoard & Zaniee "J" 3. Mark Muir & Rocket	Intermediate 1. Chip Hershey & Lexi 2. Deneane Hart & Aison 3. Renee Owens & Storm	Novice1. Stacey Muir & 02. Alice Stetzel &3. Stacey Muir & 0	Diamond	Junior 1. Kaylee Long & Nitro 2. Kaylee Long & Pee Dee 3. Anastasie Beasley & Diamond		
	Time T	rial Winners				
Advanced 1. Tony Hoard & Rory	Novice 1. Stacey Muir & Rocket		Team 1. Danny Eggleston/Christina Curtis with Guinan			
 Chip Hershey & Lexi Jeff Duff & Jesse 	2. Don Lang & Lily 3. Stacy Muir & Gippe	 Don Lang & Lily Stacy Muir & Gipper 		 Mark & Stacey Muir with Rocket Marshall Smith/Amy King with Bud 		
	Distar	nce Winners				
Men's 1. Matt Bilderback & Buddy	Women 1. Deneane Hart & Ares		Team 1. Matt Bilderback & Buddy Deneane Hart & Aison			
2. Shaun Johnson & Royal	2. Deneane Hart & Ais	2. Deneane Hart & Aison		2. Adrian Custer & Six		
3. Adrian Custer & Six	3. Christy Duff & Cras	3. Christy Duff & Crash		Natalie Moore & Diamond 3. Shaun Johnson & Royal Deneane Hart & Ares		
	Overall Winner	: Mark Muir & R	ocket			
	Spec	ial Awards				
Best Small Dog: Ares (Miniatur IDDC Vol	•	Hart Crowd Plea		e "J" owned by Tony Hoard Sharon Galema		

2007 HyperFlite/Skyhounds Regional Championships

July 28 & 29, 2007 New Castle, Indiana

Tony and Sarah Hoard hosted The North Central Regionals Championships on July 28 & 29 at Osborne Park in New Castle, IN. It was a very active weekend with competitors vying for spots in the Hyperflite/Skyhoundz World Finals held in September. Club members Tony Hoard with Rory, Zaniee "J", & Seven, Chandler Curtis with Loco, Christina Curtis with Nitro and Danny Eggleston with Guinan on qualifying positions for the Skyhoundz World Championships.

		Regional Champions	
	Freest	yle Winners	
Expert	Novice Micro Dog		Pairs
1. *Tony Hoard & Rory	1. Chip Baker & Seeker	1. *Tony Hoard & Seven	1. *Danny Eggleston/Christina Curtis with Guinan
2. *Chandler Curtis & Loco	2. Don Lang & Lily	2. *Gary Boggs & Duchess	2. *Melissa LaMere/Dave Talbot with Tag
3. *Christina Curtis & Nitro	3. Misty Wright & Sampson	3. Melissa LaMere & Tyde	3. Christina &Chandler Curtis with Captain Jack
4. *Tony Hoard & Zaniee "J"	4. Mary Jo Corso & Rudy	4. Deneane Hart & Ares	4. Jim Foley/Mary Jo Corso with Ducie Ann
		ion D/A Winners	
Expert	Novice	Master	Team
1. *Melissa Lamere & Reckon	1. Jeff Duff & Crash	1. Adrian Custer & Dingo	1. Danny Eggleston/Christina Curtis with Nitro
2. *Tony Hoard & Rory	2. Melissa LaMere & Tyde	2. Bill Marion & Katie	2. Matt Maynard/Heather Bednar with Anabelle
3. *Scott Jones & Bolero	3. Cheryl Ives & Morgana	3. Bill Marion & Star	3. Randy & Cheryl Ives with Morgana
4. *Bill Marion & Blaze	4. Sjoujke Janssen & Rave	4. Bill Marion & Duke	4. Ron & Amy King with Monty Boy
		Youth 1. Neo King & Monty Boy	
	Extreme Di	stance Winners	
Exper	Expert Men Exp		
1 Adrian Custer & Dingo	213.42 Feet	1. Kathy Mills & Stewart	154.75 Feet
2. Matt Bilderback & Buddy	192.08 Feet 186.50 Feet	 Christina Curtis & Capt. Jack Deneane Hart & Ares 	145.58 Feet 139.92 Feet
 Jeff Wright & Sadie Chip Baker & Seeker 	178.58 Feet	4. Christina Curtis & Nitro	139.83 Feet
From a set	-	rial Winners	
Expert 1. Danny Eggleston & Guinan	Novice 1. Paula Kebel & Pee Dee	Master 1. Ron King & Monty Boy	Team 1. Adrian Custer/Natalie Moore with Six
2. Nate Bednar & Marcy	2. Jamie Eggleston & Guinan	2. Adrian Custer & Dingo	 Jeff & Misty Wright with Sampson
3. Randy Ives & Morgana	3. Don Lang & Lily	3. Marshall Smith & Bud Ghristina Curtis/Danr Eggleston with Nitro	
4. Cheryl Ives & Morgana	4. Mary Jo Corso & Lily		 Rick Kimball/Mary Jo Corso with Dugan

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Every time this little girl opens a new "door" things happen!

Did You Know?

In Germany and Switzerland man's best friend truly is the DOG. Anywhere you go you can take Fido along. That means the food market, restaurants, taverns, hospitals, department stores, boutiques, office buildings, libraries, post offices etc. Imagine my surprise when this Yankee from Indy USA was standing at the grocery check-out counter in Triberg, Germany when I felt something wet and cold on my leg. As I peered downward the shiny black nose on a beautiful Schnauzer was sniffing me. His mom greeted me with a cheery, Guten Morgan. (Good Morning)

In Grindelwald, Switzerland a pretty frauline escorted our party to a cozy table in one of the town's nicer restaurants. There at the next table was a man and his German Shepherd. I was delighted to share my space with this lovely diner. However, I did find myself pining for Jackie and Rocky.

If a Dog Be Well Remembered

In loving memory of Roxanne

We are thinking now of a setter, whose coat was flame in the sunshine and who, so far as we are aware, never entertained a mean or an unworthy thought. This setter is buried beneath a cherry tree, under four feet of garden loam, and at its proper season the cherry strews petals on the green lawn of his grave. Beneath a cherry tree or an apple or any flowering shrub of the garden is an excellent place to bury a good dog.

Beneath such trees, such shrubs, he slept in the drowsy summer or gnawed at a flavorous bone or lifted head to challenge some strange intruder.

These are good places, in life or in death. Yet it is a small matter. For if the dog be well-remembered, if sometimes he leaps through your dreams actual as in life, eyes kindling, laughing, begging, it matters not at all where the dog sleeps. On a hill where the wind is unrebuked and the trees are roaring, or beside a stream he knew in puppyhood, or somewhere in the flatness of a pastureland, where most exhilarating cattle graze. It is all one to the dog and all one to you, and nothing is gained and nothing is lost --if memory lives.

But there is one best place to bury a dog. If you bury him in this spot, he will come to you when you call--come to you over the grim, dim frontiers of death, and down the wellremembered path, and to your side again.

And though you call a dozen living dogs to heel they shall not growl at him, nor resent his coming, for he belongs there. People may scoff at you, who see no lightest blade of grass bent by his footfall, who hear no whimper, people who may never really have had a dog. Smile at them, for you shall know something that is hidden from them, and which is well worth the knowing.

The one best place to bury a good dog is in the heart of his master.

From the Portland Oregonian, Sept. 11, 1925. By Ben Hur Lampman

Overheard

Shaun Johnson revealed that he was mistaken for Nova's dad at Indiana States. It seems Neo asked Amy were Nova's mom was. He then added: Mommy there's her dad as he pointed to Shaun.



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Rocky's Holiday Wish List

Holiday Theme Dog Collars

www.hotdogcollars.com Easter, St Patty's Day, 4th of July, Halloween, Christmas, Chanukah, etc.

Christmas Sweaters for Your dog

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Custom Pet Art Gifts

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Holiday for Dogs

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Holiday Dog Accessories

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At this year's North Central Regionals 13 year old Chandler Curtis became the youngest qualifier for the Hyperflite/Skyhoundz World Championships in Atlanta, GA



Memories



PFC Fireman Randy



Cousin Eddie & Snots



Fall Foliage



Dracula and his Bat

The Dog Thief and little buckaroos. Characters from the book "Nop's Trials."



The Devil Fireman

Pepe LePew Policeman Jesters



Mark Muir & Rocket Overall Champs



Proud Papa King and newest family member son Pre. Pre was born July 6, 2007.