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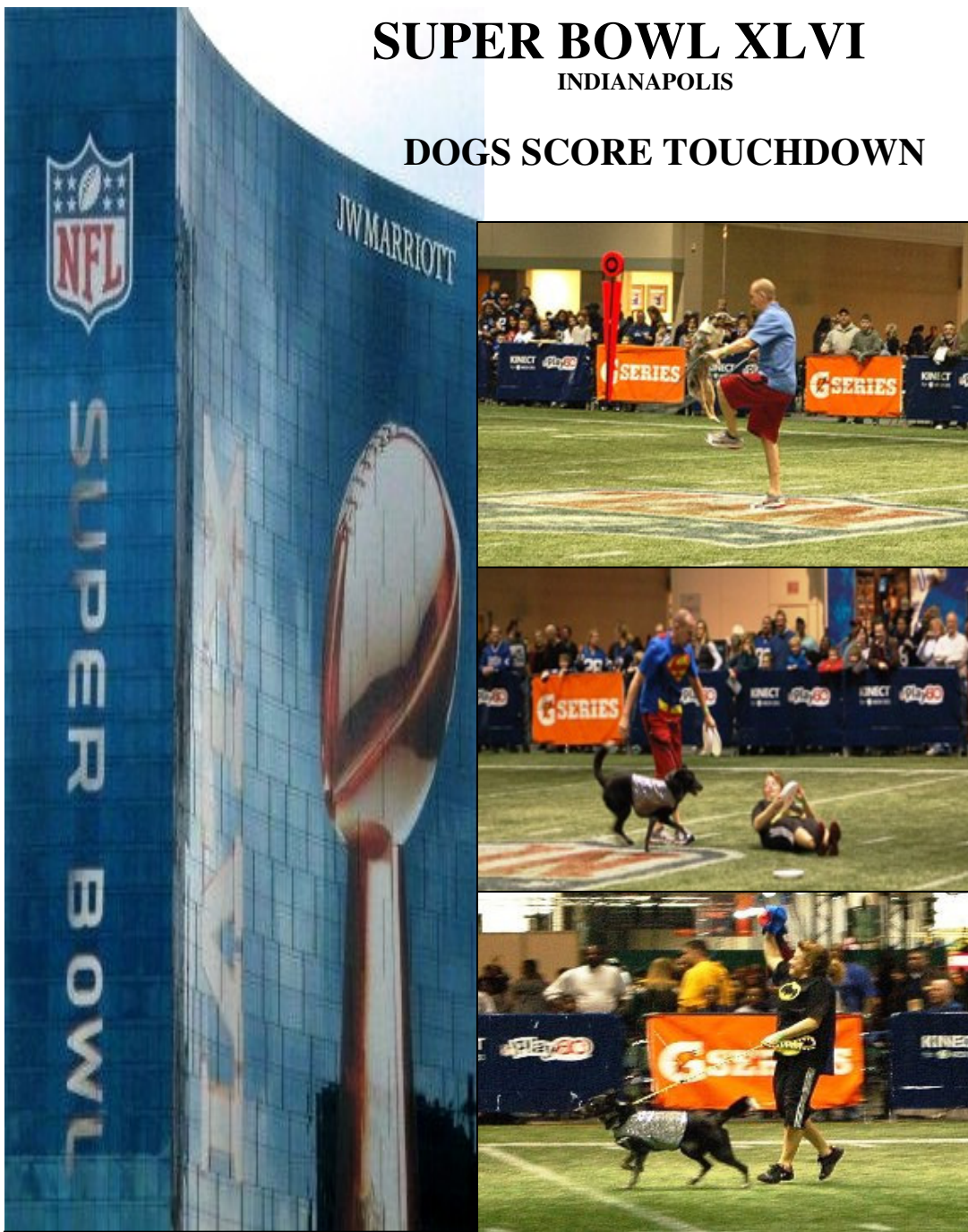
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SUPER BOWL XLVI INDIANAPOLIS

DOGS SCORE TOUCHDOWN



Indianapolis went to the dogs! Disc dogs that is. Christina Curtis, Tony Hoard and their dog teams helped keep the entertainment electricity flying all week at the Super Bowl XLVI village.

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Club Presidents – Past and Present
L to R: Ron King, Don Lang, Rick Kimball and Chip Hershey

This year we have 2 new faces serving on the 2012 Indy Dog and Disc Club Board – Mike Curtis and Robin Herman. Mike isn't new to the club. He has been an active member for many years. Robin actively joined the club in 2011. The Indy Dog and Disc Club is excited to welcome Mike and Robin and the added energy they will bring to the board.
"Old and new fabric make for an interesting and strong quilt"...Editor

Photo Courtesy of Chip Hershey

2012 COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Event	Location	Date	Format
Disc Dogs of Michigan's 3 rd Annual Frost Bite Fling	Lapeer, MI	February 18, 2012	Toss N Fetch and Freestyle Indoor Competition
DDOM Almost Spring Event	Lapeer, MI	March 17, 2012	UFO Local Indoor Competition
Derby City Disc Dogs	Louisville, KY	April 14-15, 2012	Discdogathon and Extreme Distance
Kansas City Disc Dog Club's Spring Shootout	Gladstone, MO (Suburb of Kansas City)	April 21, 2012	Skyhoundz Discdogathon World Qualifier
Blue Grass Area Disc Dog's Black Jack Memorial	Versailles, KY	April 28, 2012	Disc Dog Contest (Barrels of Fun)(
DDOM Annual Stetson Cup	Lake Orion, MI	May 5, 2012	Annual Stetson Cup will be awarded to the top Toss N Fetch Team
Gretchen Invitational	Kokomo, IN	May 19-20, 2012	Day 1 – Quad Day 2 – UFO Local
DDOM Dog Bowl	Frankenmuth, MI	May 26-27, 2012	Toss N Fetch, Freestyle and Distance Competitions
Derby City Disc Dogs	Shelvyville, KY	June 2-3, 2012	UFO Local and Discdogathon
SOFK9's Event	TBA	June TBA	AWI Qualifier and DiscDogathon Qualifier
KDDC's Land of OZ II Kansas State Disc Dog Championship	Lawrence KS	June 16-17, 2012	Day 1 – Skyhoundz DiscDogathon World Qualifier Day 2 - Quad
DDOM State Championship Weekend	Hastings, MI	June 9-10, 2012	Day 1 – UFO Local Day 2 – Skyhoundz DiscDogathon World Qualifier
Indiana Disc Dog Classic	Fishers, IN	June 23-24, 2012	Day 1 – UFO Major Day 2 – AWI Qualifier
SOFK9's Ohio Cup	TBA	July TBA	TBA
Skyhoundz NC Regional Qualifier and Hyperflite DiscDogathon Qualifier	New Castle, IN	July 21-22, 2012	Day 1 – Skyhoundz NC Regional Qualifier Day 2 – Skyoundz DiscDogathon World Qualifier
F2 Throwback	Fishers, IN	September 8, 2012	Toss N Fetch Competition
Derby City Disc Dogs	Mt. Washington, KY	October 27, 2012	DCDD Format

*** An Indy Disc Dog Club Event

SOUTHERN OHIO FLYING K9'S, INDY DOG & DISC CLUB, DERBY CITY DISC DOGS, AND BLUEGRASS AREA DISC DOGS (BADDOGS). YOUR SUPPORT OF THESE TRI-STATE CLUBS IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED.

IDDC 2011 HOWLIDAY PARTY

On January 7, 2012, after the hustle and bustle of the busy Christmas season, the Indy Dog and Disc Club hosted its 2011 Annual Christmas (Howliday) Party and Year-End Awards Celebration. A glorious and unseasonably warm day greeted us all. It was a delight to have the couple who started it all, Ron and Amy King and their children sharing in on the celebration this year. Oldest son Neo was so handsome sporting a dress shirt and tie. Neo's own idea. This year we were back at an old haunt, a building at the Marion County Fairgrounds. As I stepped inside the building, a dé já vu of many past IDDC Howliday parties celebrated there came rushing over me. It was a grand day spent with old and new IDDC members and friends.

As every year, the banquet table groaned with good food. There were sliced cukes with dressing to munch on before the feast began. Dinner consisted of mac & cheese, pulled pork and barbecue sauce, cheesecake, delicious cookies, potato salad and a cream pie. A pasta salad, two cheese balls with crackers, a festive dip nestled in hollowed-out round bread, mini quiches and baked beans added more delicious weight to the groaning table. The desserts were in full sweet presence. Sinfully rich chewie bars, peanut butter cheesecakes, peanut butter oreo balls, 2 pumpkin logs, and chess squares ended the menu in grand style. Some members worked off "fun" calories playing the traditional Howliday games with their dogs. There was the Waggiest Dog Tail game won by Chip & Lexi. Another fun game was Ring Around The Dog. The first person to place 6 Mardi Gras bead necklaces one at a time around their dog's neck was the winner. Neo & Lexi were the final winners. Canine Musical Chairs was won by Don Lang & Lily and Jen Smith & Gracie. They both hit the chair at the same time. The anticipation of Marshall's Howliday Party poster came to an end when it was unveiled during his annual poster game "Dingo." Marshall works many hours to put together a beautiful collage of some of his many stunning pictures of the past year. This year Mark Gose and Mya were honored as the poster overlay. The game began when Margaret gave game participants 3 bonus dog biscuits. Then game MC, Chip Hershey, followed with a bevy of questions pertaining to the pictures in the poster. Each correct answer earned that person another biscuit. The first person to find the most answers among the 124 photos in the poster wins the game. Mary Jo Corso won with 18 biscuits.

Year-End Award Ceremony: The month before the party, a ballot of disc dog categories was posted to the members. They were asked to vote for their favorite person/dog in each category. At the Howliday Party, the awards were handed out. A special congratulations to Nate Bednar and Rizzo for winning Best Freestyle Team and Best Overall Team.

Winter's unseasonable warm day grew chilly in the late afternoon winter air, as members packed up their charged up dogs, empty food crusted dishes, proud awards, Marshall's cool poster, and freshly stored memories of another IDDC fun "*with friends and dogs*" day.


By Patricia Daugherty

And the Winners are.....

- Best Freestyle Team..... Nate Bednar & Rizzo
- Best New Freestyle Team Jen Smith & Gracie
- Most Improved Freestyle Team Sheridan Gilchrist & Bruno
- Best TossNFetch Team Scott Jones & Bolareo
- Best New TossNFetch Team Scott Jones & Rodeo
- Most Improved TossNFetch Team Mary Jo Corso & Dreamer
- Best Overall Team Nate Bednar & Rizzo
- Best Overall Canine Nitro Curtis
- Junior Handler..... Neo King
- Best New Move Mary Jo Corso & Dreamer's Somersault Dog Over
- Most Entertaining Team Doug Levy & Yates
- Keeping it Fun Award..... Robin Herman
- Most Embarrassing Moment..... Dakota Catches Robin's Hand
- Best Mental Attitude Don Lang
- Best IDDC Event Indiana Disc Dog Classic
- Distinguished Service Award..... Don & Alice Lang
- Distinguished Service Award..... Margaret & Marshall Smith
- Volunteer of the Year..... Sheridan Gilchrist



See Howliday Party Photos on Page 6



EVENT SHOUTOUT

BADDOG's Black Jack Memorial, 4/28/12, Versailles, KY

IDDC's Gretchen Invitational, 5/19/2012, Kokomo, IN



Congratulations to the 2011 IDDC Year End Award Winner, Neo King., Junior Handler of the Year.

Photo by Chip Hershey

INDOOR



FEVER!!

'CAUSE BABY IT'S COLD OUTSIDE

SOFK9's

Disc Dog "Jam"uary



On January 21, 2012 SOFK9's held their 1st event of the year. The competition offered some new events for handler and dog. The club offered a reworked **Gauntlet Toss & Fetch** event featuring the new optional **Skip-Toss** zone, and the completely new **4:20 Freestyle**. This event gives each team **20 seconds** to perform a freestyle routine or disc dog tricks. **Pro division may only use 4 discs; Novice division may only use 6 discs.**

On February 4, 2012, Danny and Jamie Eggleston kicked off The Indy Dog and Disc Club's 12th season by hosting the 4th Annual Pupsicle Disc Dog Event at Joshica's Planet Canine in Elkhart, IN. There was a new event this year, summer like weather!! Their competition shirts are always super cool. Next year...tied dyed t-shirts? IDDC wishes to thank Danny's mother, Kathy Eggleston, for making the beautiful quilt awards.

Pro Toss/Fetch

1. Matt Bilderback & Bazooka
2. Nate Bednar & Rizzo
3. Nate Bednar & Marcy

Novice Toss/Fetch

1. Chris Rodgers & Izzy
2. Sharon Anderson & Bling
3. Kathleen O'Neill & Walter

Gauntlet

1. Matt Bilderback & Bazooka
2. Heather Bednar & Flick
3. Nate Bednar & Rizzo

Pro 4:20 Freestyle

1. Nate Bednar & Marcy
2. Matt Bilderback & Bazooka
3. Nate Bednar & Rizzo

Novice 4:20 Freestyle

1. Chris Rodger & Izzy
2. Sharon Anderson & Bling
3. Robin Herman & Skeeter

Overall Champion

1. Matt Bilderback & Bazooka
2. Nate Bednar & Rizzo

Crowd Pleaser

1. Greg Wagner's Team

Pro Freestyle

1. Matt Bilderback & Bazooka
2. Matt Bilderback & Bella
3. Nate Bednar & Rizzo

Open Freestyle

1. Jen Smith & Gracie
2. Charlotte Baldin & Finn
3. Robin Herman & Skeeter

Best Small Dog

Dakota Hart

Keeping It Fun

Bailey Hartsock

Pro Throw & Retrieve

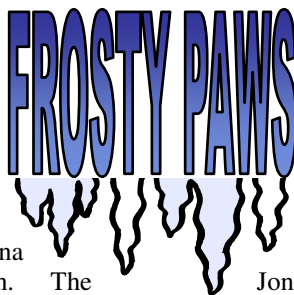
1. Scott Jones & Bolareo
2. Nate Bednar & Rizzo
3. Scott Jones & Rodeo

Novice Throw & Retrieve

1. Jen Smith & Gracie
2. Katie Long & Brooks
3. Randy Aten & Gracie

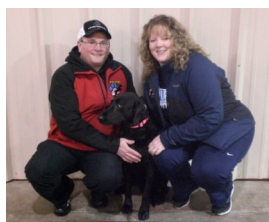
Junior Throw & Retrieve

1. Sydney Eggleston & Guinan
2. Bradley Faragoi & Queenie
3. Hannah Faragoi & Queenie



January 28, 2012

Lapeer, Michigan



This was Scott and Deanna Jones of Disc Dogs of Michigan's 3rd Annual Frosty Paws competition. The

Jones' ran a smooth, efficient and fun (fun being the operative word) competition right down to how they ordered lunch. At registration an extra \$3.00 bought you 2 pieces of pizza, a drink and a food receipt. You handed in your receipt at the food line. This allowed the right amount of food to be ordered. No wasted food – Great idea!!! The indoor facility was huge and fabulous. It easily accommodated the large crowd that gathered and 40 yard throws on an Astro Turf surface. The dogs loved it. I know the grass-like turf under Rocky's lightning fast paws made him feel Spring and Kokomo were here!!!! The handlers were happy too because the surface allowed their dogs easy disc pick-up. There were 98 teams competing across the region. Cliffy, Rocky, Dugan, Rudy Dreamer and their handlers were those IDDC'ers who provided a Hoosier flavor. Canada was there with, among others, Rally and Riff Raff representing the grand ole Maple Leaf. Next Lapeer Events....February 18th & March 17th.

Pro Toss/Fetch

1. Angela Ewtushik & Rally
2. Rick Rauwerda & Riff Raff
3. Doug Levy & Yates
4. Rick Kimball & Dugan

Novice Toss/Fetch

1. Kris Welser & Tanza
2. Kris Welser & Summer
3. Noah Cook & Izzy
4. Lonnie Wilson & Lieutenant Dan

Jr. Toss/Fetch

1. Veronica Delaharpe & Tanza
2. Rhya Hornaceck & Tahoe
3. Logan LaPlano & Hogan
4. Danny Kennedy & Homer

Freestyle

1. Rick Rauwerda & Riff Raff
2. Angela Ewtushik & Rally
3. Doug Levy & Yates
4. Paul Goike & Diablo

EDITORS NOTES:



Photo by Mary Jo Corso

It's hard to believe that the Indy Dog and Disc Club is entering its 12th year and the newsletter its 7th year. Sharon and I have always wanted the newsletter to be a voice of its readers.. I encourage our readers to send me personal stories or articles pertaining to disc dogging or dogs. If you have a favorite dog poem or ditty, send it along with the author's name to: pad10743@yahoo.com. If you think you have a good Spy Cam picture and you have the consent of the "victim," send it along too. Also if there is something you would like to see in the newsletter shoot me an e-mail. Sharon and I wish to extend a heartfelt **thank you** to all those who, through the years, have answered my private e-mails with the subject line, "Newsletter Inquiry." You have been so helpful and fast in giving me the newsletter information needed to give our readers accurate text. You guys are the best!!

See You on the Field!!

Patricia Daugherty, Editor



DISC DOG ETIQUETTE

When many people and dogs share a highly charged outdoor setting, such as a disc dog competition, rules of social behavior are essential. This is where good judgment and common sense rules of etiquette play a big part towards a successful Disc Dog Event. To assure a safe and terrific competition IDDC is asking everyone who brings a dog to a competition whether they are competing or not to be considerate of others and please follow the guidelines below. Thank You

Arrive at the competition early and sign-in/register on time.

Listen for the order of competition, and be ready to go when it is your turn.

Walk your dog to and from the throwing line on lead.

Always respect every competitor's dog's space.

When you are finished with your round, gather your dog and leave the field quickly.

Always walk around the competition field, never across it.

When not competing or walking your dog/dogs keep them crated.

Never let your dog off lead near the competition field, unless to compete.

Don't walk your dogs through other people's tents, be careful & courteous.

Never allow anyone to be eye level with your dog, no matter how docile your dog may be.

Never talk to judges while they are working.

Keep your dog under control at all times. You are responsible for your dog's actions.

This is a family event, keep negative emotions and inappropriate language under control.

Clean up after your dog!



A good friend of mine sent in this irresistible picture of her granddog. Editor

Samson, a handsome 150 lb American Bull Dog, knows how to manage a stressful cross country backseat Jeep ride (from Denver to his new home in Minneapolis.) Just lay back, chill out and leave the worries to the folks!!!



Photo Courtesy of Teri Reinhart

Steps Toward a Safe Competition

Crating your dog at a disc dog competition: Most veteran disc dog handlers diligently exercise this practice. Competitors and visitors to the sport need to know the possible consequences of not crating their dogs when **not** competing or walking them at a competition. Your dog may be docile but the unrestrained dog/dogs that approach you and your dog may not be. This can be a for certain formula for disaster, bringing a fun day to a painful halt. The imminent possibility of a dog fight and injury to all concerned can be a real threat. Also a law suit from a dog owner involved is another real threat to the competition's hosting club. So please be a responsible and considerate dog owner and always leash and crate your dog/dogs at a competition.



THE INDY DOG & DISC CLUB
IS ON FACEBOOK.

Flanner and Buchanan's 6th Annual Pet Memorial

Flanner and Buchanan Funeral Homes have been a main stay in the Indianapolis area for 130 years. For the past six years they have extended their burial service to include the family pet. This much needed service is unique because it is affordable for many and it allows saying good bye to the beloved non-human family member a dignified and less painful ordeal. Every December they offer a pet memorial service. This gives clients an opportunity to come together each year to honor and remember their special family members. Your living pets can be a part of the memorial service too. This year my husband and I attended the memorial service and brought away a beautiful glass Christmas ornament inscribed to or beloved Jack.....Editor

On December 13, 2011 from 6-7:30 p.m., the 6th Annual Pet Memorial service was hosted by Flanner and Buchanan Market Street Funeral Center, 635 E. Market Street Indianapolis, Indiana.

Barb Milton, Flanner and Buchanan's Certified Celebrant, and Shannon Knotts, Pet Service Representative, hosted the annual memorial gathering in honor of the special pet members of our community.

Gathered in a small circle, the casual memorial service consisted of family and friends giving a voice to the love that each had received from their pet. Cari Jones, Flanner and Buchanan's Facility Director and Manager, personalized Christmas tree ornaments in memory of each family's loss while Lauren Roberts, facility intern, set up a holiday assortment of cookies and punch. The service is free. The 7th Annual Pet Memorial service is December 11, 2012.

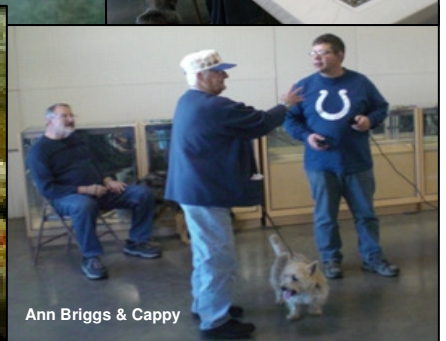


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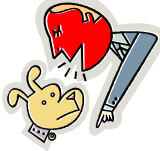
The Indy Dog & Disc Club Extends A Hearty Welcome To Don Lang as its 2012 President!

Don has been an active IDDC member since 2003 and IDDC's Treasurer since 2005. Don's performance as Treasurer has been impeccable and his dedication to the club impressive. He has definitely made a huge contribution in preserving IDDC's high standards of fun and sportsmanship. Many who are still serving and those who have served on the board have found working along side Don a most joyful experience. In December 2011 at the Year End Awards, Don's club peers voted to give him the Best Mental Attitude award. This award ideally describes Don. His winning ways on and off

the field have earned him many loyal and long time friends. And you can't help being entertained every time Don and his Aussies, Lily and Shelby, step onto the field. Don is in his 70s and his agile and quick moves amaze us all. No moss grows under this team's paws, human and non-human. For the last few years Shelby has been retired. She is now sideline cheerleader. Lily has taken sole honors as the other half of the Lang disc dog team. Under Don's leadership IDDC is looking forward to a banner year. *See September, 2010, IDDC Newsletter..... www.d-dog.com .*

Patricia Daugherty, IDDC Editor

Would You Want to Be On The Other End of Your Dog's Leash?



Trainer Andrea Arden, author of "Barron's Dog Training Bible," says it drives her crazy that people say they love their pets but then treat their animals inhumanely. Dog experts share advice on how owners should treat their pets. Accentuate the positive and stop punitive training methods that teach pets to fear their owners. Give puppies lots of company so they can reach their full potential. Don't buy a dog online. (Reputable breeders may have a website, but they don't sell animals online just like that.) Stop hurtful training. (Motivate dogs using treats or toys instead of pain.)

If you are interested in joining an excellent positive training program check out Christina Curtis' positive training classes held at Lucky Dog Retreat in Indianapolis. These classes and Lucky Dog Retreat are not affiliated with IDDC. Books...The Other End of the Leash by Patricia Mc Connells....Editor

Can you spot the veteran disc dogger in this picture?



Last June this person briefly traded in discs and the field for an oar and the Colorado rapids!!!
See answer on Page 9

Spycam

Super Bowl Edition



Photo by Julie Russell



Pupsicle co-host Jamie Eggleston throws a big smile of support to newbie disc doggers Sophia Curtis & Cowboy.

Millie Galema & IDDC wish you

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

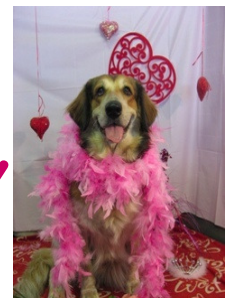


Photo by Lucky Dog Retreat

Car travel with unrestrained dogs is dangerous for everyone.

- Keep dogs in back seat and restrain them with a pet harness or in a crate.
- Tether crates to be sure they are secure, since crates themselves can be a projectile.



WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT....



As we embark on another season of great disc dog fun and competition, we can all look forward to the usual great events plus an added new one this Fall.

Our first event, the PUPSICLE, is now behind us. Danny Eggleston and his crew (family) did an outstanding job of hosting this event. He even arranged for some of the best weather we've ever had for this February competition. It was well attended and was great to see many folks that we hadn't seen since last fall plus a few new faces too.

Our first outdoor event will be The Gretchen Invitational held on May 19th & 20th, at Kokomo Indiana. Saturday will be the Quadruped, which we will be running this year since Jeff Hoot is taking a year off for R & R. Sunday will be a UFO Local.

Next we will have the Indiana Disc Dog Classic, held in conjunction with the Fishers Freedom Festival on June 23rd & 24th. A UFO Major will be held on Saturday and we will have an AWI Qualifier on Sunday.

Then comes the Skyhoundz North Central Regional on July 21st and 22nd, and will be held at Osborne Park in New Castle, Indiana again.

Our last event of the season will be the added one. It is called the F2 Throwback, which will be on September 8th. (F2 is for the second event in Fishers, and Throwback is because it will be a reasonably small event similar to the early days when the club began).

It looks like we have another great year lined up for having fun with our dogs and camaraderie with like minded friendly competitors.

Sincerely,

Don Lang

Don Lang, President
Indy Dog & Disc Club



IDDC CAMERA NEWS

DDOM's Frosty Paws Competition – 1-28-12



Carol, Rick & Darla Savage



Angela & Rally in the "Hole."

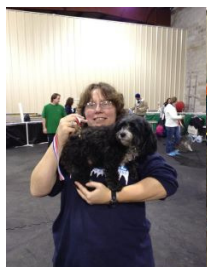


Doug "Tiny Bubbles" Levy



Sam Richards – Ace Emcee

IDDC's Pupsicle Competition – 2-4-12



Dakota Hart
Best Small Dog



Heeeeer cum da Judges!!!



The Hardware Store



Command Center Crew

DISC DOGGING ON PARADE!!



2011 Midwest discdoggers... **Looking Good!**

Chattanooga, TN Delphi, IN Dublin, OH Fishers, IN Kokomo, IN Louisville, KY Milford, OH New Castle, IN Shelbyville, KY Versailles, KY West Chester, OH

Poster Created by Marshall Smith

Poster Picture Overlay: Mark Gose & Mya

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