



The Lost Coast **H O W L E R**

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Next meeting:

Tuesday, April 17th

In Ferndale

Join Us!

Everyone is welcome!

BOARD MEETING

6:30 PM

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 PM

*Meetings are held on the
third Tuesday of each month,
alternating between the
Adorni Center in Eureka
1011 Waterfront Drive,
in odd numbered months
and in Ferndale at
Mrs. Mendes' home
405 Craig Street
in even numbered months.
No meeting in December.*

President's Corner

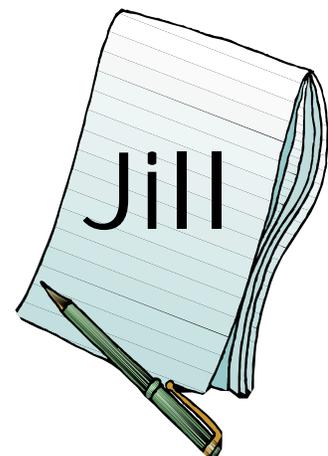
I'd like to extend a warm welcome from LCKC to returning member Adele Thomas who lives in Fortuna with her Portuguese Water Dogs.

The official ring practice season is upon us. We have had several practices already. Several club members have puppies or young dogs that need training (I may have one soon!). The number of ring practices will increase in May and June so that we will be ready for our club shows.

Speaking of shows –

Our next several monthly meetings will be focused on show and trial preparations. As always, we need help from all members to have successful shows. I've already had several emails from folks who have been to the shows before and say they are planning to attend again. If you can offer any help to Al Driver, Show Chair and/or Beverly Morgan Lewis, Trial Chair, please do so. No previous training required!

See you at the next meeting in Ferndale, April 17th.



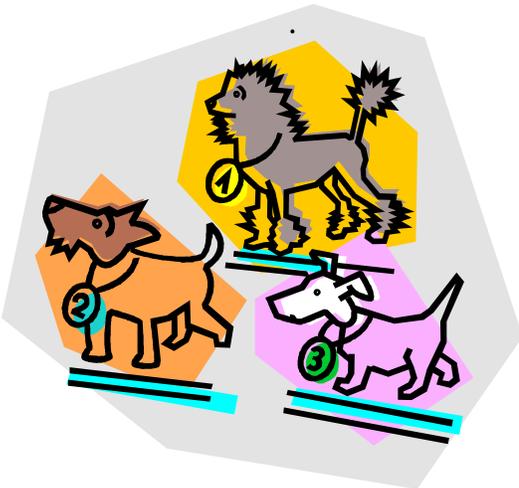
Club Activities

Ring practice has started up again on Sunday afternoons at various locations. Watch the Yahoo list for announcements regarding dates, times, and locations



The 2012 Conformation, Obedience and Rally Shows, as well as the Agility Trails are racing towards us!

Al Driver is our show chair for the All Breed shows and Beverly Morgan-Lewis is the chair for the Agility trials. Contact them to offer your help - more help is always welcome! Updates will be provided at the next club meeting.



Have you heard?



Photo by Lisa Pomerance

*From Beverly Morgan-Lewis:
Puck was such a good boy at the AKC National Agility Championship. He ran clean in all 5 rounds, although the first 2 rounds didn't count in the standings. In Round 1 he got off to a slow start, 101st out of 172 dogs. After Round 2 he was in 58th place out of 172 and after Round 3 he was in 32nd. He finished as the top Pembroke Welsh Corgi in the 12" class, being beat out by those lightening-fast, world-team-type Shelties. I couldn't be prouder of him!!
To see video of Puck at the trials, go to*

<http://youtu.be/8yqCGO32s4E?hd=1>

From Maya Conrad:

On 4/1/12, Zorro obtained his Schutzhund AD title, which is a fitness/endurance test. To pass the AD, Zorro had to run alongside me while I biked 20 km (12.5 miles) and then do some obedience afterwards. Not only did he and four other dogs complete the AD, but we all braved some very unseasonable weather in the Bay Area (pouring rain and 25 mph wind!). Although we were soaked to the bone at the end, Zorro and I felt right at home with the weather conditions!
Photo is from our warm-up ride the day before





Meet Al and Irene Driver...

In November 2010, we left Ohio in our 5th wheel with seven dogs and began our "California or Bust" journey. Realizing that we would probably never do this again, we spent three months on the road visiting friends and relatives and attending dog shows before settling in Fortuna for our retirement. One of the first things we did when we reached Humboldt County was to join the Lost Coast Kennel Club. Al just began his term as LCKC Vice President and he is also the LCKC Show Chairperson for the 2012 show. Irene is the Hospitality Chairperson and we are also in charge of the membership List.

We met and married in Japan, and in 1987 we left Japan and moved to Cleveland, Ohio. This is where we were introduced to the show dog world and when we acquired our first Rottweiler. We were quite successful showing and breeding Rotties but as time went by we decided we needed to find a smaller breed.

From Cleveland we moved to Denver, Colorado and in 1992 Irene's first French Bulldog came into her life. His name was Marionette's Buffalo Bull Cody. The puppet theme of his kennel name inspired her kennel to be named after the French, antique doll maker Jumeau. A Buffalo Bill Cody doll was introduced by the Jumeau doll maker when Buffalo Bill was touring France with his Wild West show. Our little Cody turned out to be the first of many Jumeau champions.

In 1996 we moved to Dayton, OH where we continued to do very well with our breeding program and showing both Rottweiler's and Frenchie's. In 1998 Von Driver's Zoomerang "Zoom" was born and he became a top ten Rottweiler, and he was also top Rottweiler in Japan for two years. In 2000 Irene had a litter of Frenchie's that turned out to be the most successful litter she has had. Two of the boys had great show careers and also sired several nice litters. The boy she kept, "Jumeau's Bullistic Blue" aka Vinnie, in 2002 won Best In Show over 2000 dogs in Lexington, Kentucky. We competed for several years at Westminster with both Zoom and Vinnie.

Then, in 2000, we got our first Cardigan and started showing these great little dogs in 2001. Our Cardigans were for the most part owner handled and received their AKC Championships at young ages. Cardigans are smart and are great companions. They do well in competition and our current Cardigans are AKC Champions and two have their Rally Novice title as well as one has his Companion Dog title.



Our youngest one, CH ALD Speed Racer is owner handled and is in training for both Rally and Obedience. This spring AI plans on trying him on herding as well as agility.

The newest addition to our family is a seven month male fawn French bulldog. His name is Jumeau's Tio Dnaci that is really "I can do it" spelled backwards. "Tio" began puppy class in February.



Regardless of the breed we are working with, we strive to produce healthy, hardy dogs that are correct in conformation and movement with stable temperaments and wonderful personalities. Our puppies, at 8 weeks of age, are evaluated by a licensed veterinarian, a conformation expert, and are temperament tested before they are released to new owners. Health testing and OFA certifications are obtained on all sires and dams.



Puppies!!!!

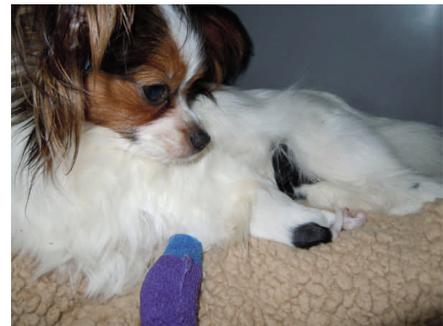
From MaryAnn Wik:

Two new Papillon litters! On March 16th, the Moses x Harley Quinn litter arrived safely - four boys and one girl. On April 5th, the Zorro x Tatianna Litter arrived, one boy and one girl. Both moms and puppies are doing great.



Harley Quinn being a great mom, she has an extra pup in this pic, she was helping out with Tatianna's pups while Tatianna visited the vet.

Tatianna with her pups

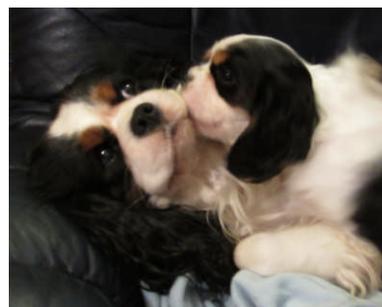


From Shirley Groom:

Hansel and Gretel arrived on February 10th. Parents are Maestro Puccini and Melody Fair



Melody with her pups

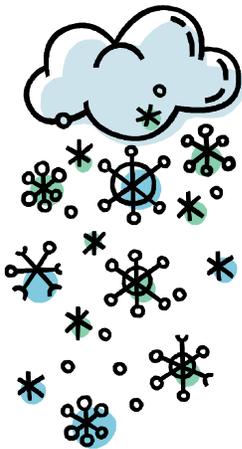


Hansel with dad Puccini

Puppies!!!!



**Chris Irvin's Wizard x Chablis puppy
Neon experiences his first snow...**



April is... National Humor Month!

LOL!

Life lessons learned from a dog

1. If you stare at someone long enough, eventually you'll get what you want.
2. Don't go out without ID.
3. Be direct with people; let them know exactly how you feel by peeing on their shoes.
4. Be aware of when to hold your tongue, and when to use it.
5. Leave room in your schedule for a good nap.
6. Always give people a friendly greeting. A cold nose in the crotch is most effective.
7. When you do something wrong, always take responsibility (as soon as you're dragged shamefully out from under the bed).

An avid duck hunter was in the market for a new bird dog. His search ended when he found a dog that could actually walk on water to retrieve a duck. Shocked by his find, he was sure none of his friends would ever believe him.

He decided to try to break the news to a friend of his, a pessimist by nature, and invited him to hunt with him and his new dog. As they waited by the shore, a flock of ducks flew by. They fired, and a duck fell. The dog responded and jumped into the water. The dog, however, did not sink but instead walked across the water to retrieve the bird, never getting more than his paws wet. The friend saw everything but did not say a single word.

On the drive home the hunter asked his friend, "Did you notice anything unusual about my new dog?" "I sure did," responded his friend. "He can't swim."



Little Harold was practicing the violin in the living room while his father was trying to read in the den. The family dog was lying in the den, and as the screeching sounds of little Harold's violin reached his ears, he began to howl loudly.

The father listened to the dog and the violin as long as he could. Then he jumped up, slammed his paper to the floor and yelled above the noise,

"For Pete's sake, can't you play something the dog doesn't know?!"

MINUTES OF THE LOST COAST KENNEL CLUB

March 20, 2012, Adorni Center, Eureka, CA

BOARD MEETING: called to order by President Jill Otto at 6:35 pm.

Present: Sara Borok, Cheryle Davis, Al and Irene Driver, Chris Irvin, Beverly Morgan Lewis, Jill Otto, Kris Smith, Deb St Myers, Cindy Toste.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: MSAC to approve as published.

Report of the Treasurer: Chris Irvin reported on our assets.

Unfinished Business: New speaker system – Al says we don't have enough cable, and we need cable cover for the road crossings. Chris I may have something suitable, plus speaker wire. **MSAC (Bev) to authorize Al Driver to explore options for something appropriate for cable, speaker wire, and cable cover, and spend up to \$450.**

New Business:

- Chamber of Commerce sign on Broadway is very faded. Chris will ask C of C who is responsible for maintenance.
- Irene D asked about one show judge who wants a rental car because of early flight – OK'd. Discussion followed about judges' gifts and hospitality supplies. Anything at all possibly compromised by mice will be replaced. Discussion continued into T-shirts: We will order some more to have a variety to sell, and look into sweatshirts as well, since many people don't realize how cold it can be in Ferndale in summer and will be looking for something warm.

The board meeting was adjourned at 7:08 pm.

REGULAR MEETING: called to order by president Jill Otto at 7:10 p.m.

Present: all of the above plus Maya Conrad, Michelle Dostal, Sandra Gould, Rose Kessler, Tina Moulton, Terri Moreno, Cathy Wright.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: In New Business-Donations, change "per year" to "for 2012". MSAC to approve as corrected.

Report of the President: Jill thanked people who came to Dog Expo. Next year she will write up a ring protocol so people will understand expectations while presenting their dogs in the parade of breeds.

Report of the Secretary: Thank-you from Bless the Beasts with encouragement to members who have extra dog food to donate it (call 845-9748), offer from Ramada Inn Vallejo "show dogs stay free", misc. promotional mail, catalogs, and magazines.

Report of the Treasurer: Chris reported on our assets, and said that the agility jump and new rally signs are ordered.

Report of Committees:

- Ring Practice: \$37 collected at two practices, one at Rohnert Park, one at Halvorsen Park, which finished just as the rain started and was visited by the Eureka K9 units. Discussion of rally changes which we need to practice. Chris volunteered to do the next practice next Sunday, 1:30 pm, Halvorsen Park?
 - Newsletter: Tina - Congratulations on a great double issue. Send brags, news, announcements.
 - Website: Nothing to report.
 - B-OB Show: Trophy list was distributed – still needs some sponsors. Blanks can be filled in as sponsored by LCKC. Premium changes have to be in by March 24. Big signs should go out one month ahead – Smiths. Posters – Debbi Sholes? Digital picture frame – Chris I. Vendor report – Cathy. Raffle donations go to Chris I. New rally procedures are demoed on AKC website. Sara Borok volunteered to replace Michelle as the "safety person."
- Set-up starts at 9 am on Thursday. Al – membership list will go in Yahoo Groups files after Jill checks member list.
- Agility Trial: Everything is moving along. Premium list in progress. Soccer field has been approved for use.

Election of New Members: Adele Thomas was unanimously elected to general membership.

Unfinished Business:

- Discussion of membership procedures and the Yahoo Group.

New Business:

- none.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary.