

THE LOST COAST HOWLER



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy February, wonderful LCKC family!

February is the month of hearts and love, and it is the perfect time to celebrate the incredible HEART dogs that grace our lives. I cannot help but think of Jet, my beloved Jack Russell, who filled 18.5 years with joy and laughter. Even now, the sound of tiny toenails or a soft snore brings back memories of her playful spirit. Jet may no longer be here, but her clownish character and zest for life will always be a blessing. Happy Valentine's Day, Jetty! You're forever welcome in my heart.

As winter comes to a close, we brave dog enthusiasts are already out there training and competing, gearing up for the amazing 2025 season. Our LCKC has an ambitious schedule lined up with the Spring Scent Trial, July clusters, and Fall Scent Trials. Be sure to check our webpage, thanks to Tina's fantastic maintenance, for all the details.

I'm calling on all volunteers for our May Scent Trial—it's just around the corner! This event promises to be a blast with vendors like Sara and Vicki showcasing their fabulous wares. And with Mike Lake overseeing hospitality, you can bet our volunteers will be well-fed and appreciated.

Stay tuned for more exciting announcements about upcoming events. Get involved, volunteer, and have a great time with fellow dog lovers.

Happy Valentine's Day and much love to you all!
Warmest regards, Deb Lake President, LCKC



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JOINS US!

FEBRUARY 18, 2025
BOARD MEETING 6:30PM
REGULAR MEETING 7:00PM
HELD VIA ZOOM
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME!

Letter from the Editor

As I am preparing a presentation for the Noses for Nature: The Conservation Canine Community Conference about puppy development, I have been reflecting (even more than normal) on why some puppies and dogs excel at certain activities and some might not. And I often think it comes down to the magic and power of learning!

The ability to learn keeps our dogs adapting and evolving in real time and enables them to stay mentally flexible. I believe many dogs that have trouble learning within our ever evolving challenging day to day human world, struggle to adjust or adapt their behavior. This can often lead to chronic stress and behaviors that don't suit the situations that the dog is put in. And may lead to very challenging and less than desirable outcomes.

Learning is magic and powerful, and without it our dogs get stuck. Although our dog's learning is influenced and limited by genetics, the environment and past experiences (which all impact the dog's ability to flex and adapt), we play a huge role. New learning experiences are opportunities to positively influence your dog's life. We can and should help our dogs "learn how to learn" as I often say.

Finn and I recently got her novice and intermediate trick dog titles (thanks to Kim Grandin for evaluating!). Finn is now over 8 and she has known a majority of these behaviors for many years or even since puppyhood. And I have kept training various tricks and behaviors throughout her life. Some of these behaviors have been specifically for the disaster search and rescue work we did and conservation detection work we currently do. Additionally, we are training with the Redwood Coast Schutzhund Club and learning more new things. And some is simply just for the fun of it! I believe her ability to learn has led her to be an incredibly adaptive dog who can do just about anything in any environment.

So here is a bit of encouragement to you all to continue helping your dogs learn new things and give them new experiences. Teach them tricks (more emphasis on the learning experience than the end goal) to give them the opportunity to continue to learn and keep them flexible in this crazy human world of ours. Plus this gives us more quality time spent doing fun things with our dogs. Given that we often don't have them in our lives long enough, take advantage of the time you do have together!

Cheers,
Lauren Wendt



P.S. Keep all the great submissions coming in, LCKCnews75@gmail.com

2025 MEMBER DUES

Deadline is March 1st!

Individual: \$15
Household/family: \$25

Please [CLICK HERE](#) for payment method options.



NEXT BOARD & GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2025

Board meeting will begin at 6:30pm
General meeting will begin at 7:00pm
Meeting will be held via zoom.
Link will be sent out via the io group.

All members are welcome and encouraged to join!.



FIT DOG WALK

Saturday February 22, 11am - Eureka Waterfront Trail



Meet at the Wharfinger Building, 1 Marina Way, Eureka
After the walk lunch will be at Vista Del Mar at 12:30

If you would like FIT Dog paperwork and if you would like to join for lunch please let Kimber Grandin know.

kimbersk9s@gmail.com
(707)223-4245



Announcements and Upcoming Events

Spring Scent Work Trial

May 3-4, 2025



[AKC EVENT LINK](#)



LCKC is holding our first Spring Scent Work Trial. Location: **Ridgewood Elementary, Eureka**

This trial will include ALL ELEMENTS & ALL LEVELS including Detective, both days!

Entries will **open on March 10 and close on April 16** (Daily limit 110 entries, detective 10 entries).

Get your entries in early!



WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

To make this trial happen we need your help. Please contact Kimber Gradin kimbersk9s@gmail.com to learn more about volunteering!

ACK TEMPERAMENT TEST - AT THE ALL BREED SHOW IN JULY

The LCKC highly encourages everyone to attempt the ATT.

The ATT tests how a dog reacts to a variety of stimuli.

Desirable traits are that the dog will be emotionally stable, inquisitive, cooperative, appropriately social for its breed,

biddable and demonstrates the ability to recover from a startling situation in a reasonable amount of time. Here is a

LINK to the score sheet to get a better idea of what to prepare

for. For all the details about the ATT please visit

<https://www.akc.org/akctemptest/> and for a score sheet

please [CLICK HERE](#).



BE A TROPHY SPONSOR

It is time to get the premium list information ready for our 23rd All Breed Dog Show, July 4-6, 2025. Our show draws hundreds of exhibitors and spectators, locally and from all over the U.S. The support of our local businesses and dog fanciers allows the club to continue to provide outstanding local events.

The Lost Coast Kennel Club would like to invite you to sponsor a trophy. We have beautiful, useful, and locally themed items for prizes this year. Your name/business, along with a description of the trophy you have sponsored, will be published in the premium list (entry form) that is mailed to all prospective exhibitors; displayed on the trophy table; and published in the show catalog, as well as on our website and social media.

To inquire about becoming a trophy sponsor please contact Cathy Wright: cathlynwright@hotmail.com - 707.498.0706



**HUMBOLDT DASH & SPLASH
PINTS FOR NON-PROFITS EVENT**

**FRIDAY FEBRUARY 21, 5-8PM
PASKENTA MAD RIVER BREWERY**

195 Taylor Way, Blue Lake

\$1 of every pint will go to the club
so come thirsty and bring friends!

Local band All Wheel Drive will be performing.



HUMDOG'S 35TH DOG EXPO!

Sunday March 2nd, 10am-4pm
Redwood Acres Fairgrounds

Demonstrations include

- Fetch Dog
- Disc Dog
- Advanced Obedience & Scent work
- Parade of Breeds
- Barn Hunt
- Sled dog/carting/canicross
- Agility



**40 booths
&
30 Breeds**

**Non-event pets MUST be
left at home!**



Interested in
FastCAT or Coursing?

To stay in the loop, please join the
group in the Telegram App
<https://t.me/+S4zC8lABOV5lNmNh>

See page 8 for the practice schedule!



Member Brags, Accomplishments & Highlights

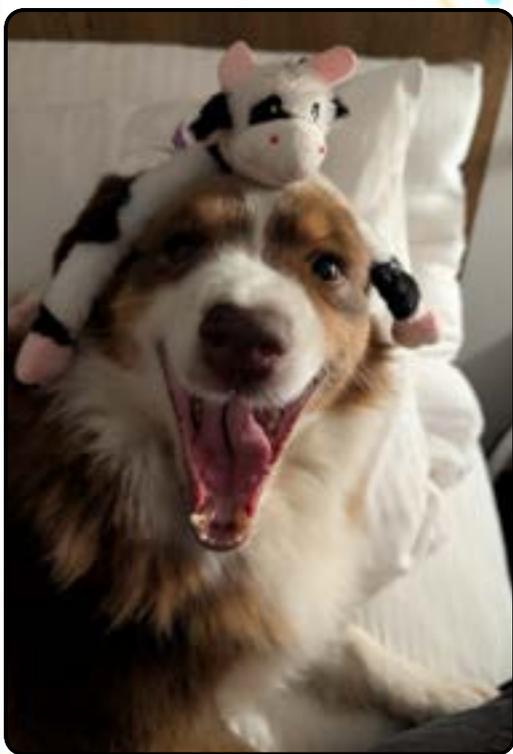


Vicke Casey & Bernie

Bernie earned his CPE CATE!
20 level C Q's in each class and
6000 level C points!

On January 12th these 2 finished out their Detective Title with 2 days of back to back legs and 1st placements. They will continue accumulating points in master and detective because it is too much fun not to search!

Deb St.Myers & Zing



Beverly Chang & Mattie

GCH CH Always Dreaming on Monument Mtn, "Mattie" earned her International Championship title in January.



Jenna



Ries

Susan Hutchinson

Brassfire's When Calls the Heart to Jenna (Jenna) will be bred to Firemark For All the Right Rieslings (Ries) the week of February 16th. We are hoping for a successful breeding and anxious to hold beautiful golden retriever puppies!

Member Brags, Accomplishments & Highlights

On January 18, Deb Lake and the pack attended their first International All Breed Canine Association and International Dog Shows in Santa Rosa. The show was well-run show and the favorite takeaways were how friendly and relaxed everyone was. Deb was thrilled to not have to wear sequined clothes. Everyone's dogs were well groomed. There were some rare breeds there like the Black Russian Terrier along with several others with names Deb couldn't pronounce.

Garbo, ICH Fairy Tail Farms Red Riding Hood CD RM HT FDC NA NAJ OAP OJP XFP FCAT2 SWN SCA SIA SEA DDG CGCA CGCU TKP FITG FTN earned her IABCA Championship.

Libby, ICH TempusFugit Liberty Justice for All CGC RN, earned her CGC (Canine Good Citizen) at 9 months old and her Rally Novice title at 13 months. She earned her IABCA (International) Champion at 1 year old. She placed 1st and BOB xs 4 in the Bred By Class.

She was part of the Best in Show Family group along with her dam, Garbo, ICH Fairy Tail Farms Red Riding Hood CD RM HT FDC NA NAJ OAP OJP XFP FCAT2 SWN SCA SIA SEA DDG CGCA CGCU TKP FITG FTN and her litter mate sister, Amber, ICH TempusFugit To P.M.A.'s Freedoms Colors 4ever Wave CGCA FTI

Deb is also now an UpDog Advanced judge and a new Therapy Dog Evaluator.



Beverly Morgan Lewis & Hooligan

On February 8 at the English Cocker Spaniel Club of Northern California agility trial, Hooligan did it again. He earned his MACH 7. I'm so grateful for this reliable little guy. Deb St Myers's club puts on a fantastic trial and judges Lori Sage and Ken Boyd are two of our favorites.

April - August 2025 LCKC Practice Schedule

These are the tentative dates for planned practices, but there may be changes. Please so pay attention to the notices that come out before each practice day. Note that the times are not always the same.

Date	Location	Time	Activity
April			
13	Ferndale Fairgrounds, midway lawn	1 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
27	Ferndale Fairgrounds, track	10 am (set up)	Fast CAT
	Ferndale Fairgrounds, midway lawn	1 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
May			
11	Ferndale Fairgrounds, track	9 am (set up)	Fast CAT
		10 am	Fast CAT runs start
	Fairgrounds infield	Following Fast CAT	CAT course set up and runs
	Fairgrounds midway lawn	2 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
18	Ferndale Fairgrounds, track	10 am (set up)	Fast CAT
		11 am	Fast CAT runs start
	Fairgrounds midway lawn	1 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
June			
1	Ferndale Fairgrounds, track	10 am (set up)	Fast CAT
		11 am	Fast CAT runs start
	Fairgrounds midway lawn	1 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
8	Ridgeway School	1 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
15	Ferndale Fairgrounds, midway lawn	11 am	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
22	Ferndale Fairgrounds, track	10 am (set up)	Fast CAT
		11 am	Fast CAT runs start
	Fairgrounds midway lawn	1 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
August			
9	Ridgewood School	Time TBA	Mock Scent Work Trial
24	Ridgewood School	Time TBA	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work
October			
5	Ferndale Fairgrounds, track	10 am (set up)	Fast CAT
		11 am	Fast CAT runs start
	Fairgrounds midway lawn	1 pm	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Scent Work

