

# Ruff Notes

February 2007

**Monterey Bay**

Dog Training Club, Inc.



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## February Events:

- 2/4 AOCNC Workshop
- 2/5 Board Meeting
- 2/13 Ruff Notes Deadline
- 2/20 Watsonville Final Classes
- 2/23 Pet Pals, Soquel Final Classes
- 2/24 Capitola Final Classes

## March Events:

- 3/5 Board Meeting
- 3/6 Watsonville Classes Start
- 3/7 Pet Pals, Soquel Classes Start
- 3/8 Capitola Classes Start
- 3/13 Conformation Classes Start
- 3/17 General Meeting
- 3/20 Ruff Notes Deadline
- 3/24 VST Set-up at CSUMB
- 3/25 VST

## April Events:

- 4/2 Board Meeting
- 4/17 Ruff Notes Deadline
- 4/24 Watsonville Final Classes
- 4/25 Pet Pals, Soquel Final Classes
- 4/26 Capitola Final Classes

## President's Wagging Tails

I want to thank everyone who came to the General Meeting on the 20th I hope all of you enjoyed a the dinner at the Golden Ricksha and meet with friends for the 1st time this year.

We had a guess speaker - Edie from Annie's Blanket who talked about getting blankets and towels to help out with the local Vet Hospitals as well as sending some to disasters that happen in the USA. They need help in getting blankets and towels, so if you have some around the house that you're not using and need to get rid of, we have a barrel at class you can take them to, or give me a call and I'll make arrangements to collect them.

Saturday April 21st - mark your calendar so you can join in on the 40th anniversary of the club. Save the date. Cards will be sent out soon with more info.

The AOCNC workshop is February 4th there are some entry forms at class if you would like to go. Also the CGC test at class is on the 27th of this month, if you would like to test your dog.

Until next month have a wonderful time.



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# Do your elected representatives even know you exist?

By Patti Strand, National Director, National Animal Interest Alliance

Mark Twain could have been describing the 2007 legislative session and the predicament of today's animal owners when he wrote, "No one's life, liberty or property is safe while the legislature is in session." Never before have the interests of animal owners been less secure.

Led by the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), animal rights advocates are working overtime right now to convince your elected officials that when it comes to animals, they're the experts, not you. Imagine that, HSUS, an animal rights organization whose leaders have advocated the end of animal agriculture and counseled that the life of a child and that of an ant should be accorded equal consideration (read their quotes here), is selling itself to your lawmakers as a mainstream resource for animal legislation. And they're making inroads

After decades of incremental attacks on the rights and values of animal professionals, sportsmen, farmers, hobbyists and even pet owners, the radicals are poised to break down the door and create a perfect storm of legislative activity.

I hope this charade makes you angry — them pretending to represent mainstream values to accomplish their agenda, because the truth is, if you don't get mad, they're going to win!

Did you get that? If you don't get mad enough to take the appropriate action now, they are going to win!

It's time to introduce yourself. If you're like many people who keep and work with animals, your legislators don't even know who you are — simply because you've never told them.

Call to Action!

Please take these two actions now:

Click on the link for NAIA Trust Lobby Center, read the alert and then use the CapWiz tool to introduce yourself to your representatives. The tool is set up for delivery to all your representatives at the state and federal level. If you scroll down after reading the action alert there, you'll find talking points to help you compose your letter. It is doubly important to write if you live in one of the many cities or states currently facing draconian laws: New Mexico, Louisville, Kentucky, Pennsylvania and others.

Support the two kennel clubs suing to overturn the destructive ordinances passed in their cities, Louisville Kennel Club and Rio Grande Kennel Club. These cases are important to all of us and we need to do what we can to assure success. If you want to help the cause in either city, please contact the kennel club leaders there. They know better than anyone else what they need.

One thing we know they will need is financial support for their law suits. So please contact the appropriate people in the clubs to find out what you can do to help, and send donations to the addresses posted below:

Patte Klecan, Legislative Liaison for Rio Grande KC [BEDRCKBOUV@AOL.COM](mailto:BEDRCKBOUV@AOL.COM)

Donna Herzig, Legislative Chairman Louisville KC [donnaherzig@hotmail.com](mailto:donnaherzig@hotmail.com)

Pennsylvania Federation of Dog Clubs PFDC@paonline.com  
Rio Grande Kennel Club  
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Albuquerque NM 87125-5672

LKC Legislation Fund  
Ellen Kapen, LKC Treasurer  
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## **New California Laws for 2007**

(source: <http://www.theanimalcouncil.com/Reference.html>)

New 1/4/07 Dog Tethering prohibitions (criminal offenses) effective 1/1/07, Health & Safety Code Sec. 122335

New 1/10/07 Animals in vehicles, California Penal Code Section 597.7 enacted by SB 1806 in 2006, effective 1/1/07 creates a state criminal offense based on "No person shall leave or confine an animal in any unattended motor vehicle under conditions that endanger the health or well-being of an animal due to heat, cold, lack of adequate ventilation, or lack of food or water, or other circumstances that could reasonably be expected to cause suffering, disability, or death to the animal." The media have been incorrectly that this totally prohibits leaving animals in vehicles, but many people believe this. The consequences of a state penal code violation, particularly a second offense, are serious and warrant taking considered preventive measures to avoid confrontations with citizens or law enforcement. Print some copies of the law and keep these in your vehicle. Monitor temperatures inside and out carefully. Carry a readable thermometer in the vehicle and a camera/recording device. Select replacement vehicles for privacy and cooling features.



## **A DAY WITH OUR POOCHES IN THE PARK**

The club will be participating in "Pooches in the Park" at the Polo Grounds County Park in Aptos, March 11, from 10:00 until 3:00 PM. Santa Cruz County Parks and Recreation coordinates this event. We have been invited back to participate along with other dog organizations. Karleen Quick and Michael Bashista are organizing our participation. They are looking for members to demonstrate obedience, rally obedience and agility. We will probably have the opportunity to do two demos.

Last year the Square Dance was very popular, and the organizer specifically asked us to do it again this year. You don't need to be a great dancer, or memorize the steps. Just listen and follow the person in front of you. This is a great opportunity to let the community know about our training.

Karleen is responsible for the obedience and rally and Michael is handling the agility and logistics. No one will be asked to spend the entire day at the park, but with all of the events planned, you might just want to hang around.



**Marlene Majewska:** Clifford got his 3rd leg from the Santa Cruz Kennel Club Show on Dec. 29, 2006. The judge was Mrs. Betty S. Ribble. His full name is: Hello, My Name Is Clifford.

**Michael & Marion Bashista:** Merlin, Marstad's Intrepid Wizard, CDX, OAP,OJP, handled by Marion Bashista, got his first Novice Rally leg, Sat. Jan 21, at the Santa Clara DTC Trial.

**Carol Davis:** 29 DEC 06 SANTA CRUZ KC SPIRIT OB 195 UD 192  
30 DEC 06 SALINAS VALLEY KC SPIRIT UB 190 1/2

**Betty Garcia:** 10-month old Zuzu came all the way from Hawaii to keep BG and Michael company.

## BRAGS

**Crissy Hastings-Baugh:** Gracie's Results: 1/1/07 TRACS Double Q

ExB Standard SCT 68/179 time 51.76, ExBJWW SCT 42/146 time 34.52

1/20/07 Border Terriers Double Q

ExB Standard SCT 68/178 time 51.17, ExBJWW SCT 46/156 time 36.06. Qualified in FAST Novice.  
1/21

ExBJWW SCT 39/135 time 31.39. FAST Novice 4th place.

Logan's Results: Logan completed his NAP, NJP, OAP and OJP since November 1st, all with first placements.

1/21 Border Terriers qualified FAST Novice 8" Preferred 1st Place.

### This month's Obedience Hot Dog is.....

*Carol Davis* and *Spirit*, with their 195 in Open B at Santa Cruz KC.



### This month's Agility Hot Dog is...

*Crissy Hastings-Baugh* and *Gracie* for their ExBJWW SCT 42/146 time 34.52.

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## UPCOMING MATCHES AND WORKSHOPS

### AOCNC Workshop 2/4/06

Cow Palace Daly City, California

[http://aocnc.org/files/AOCNC\\_ANNUAL\\_ALL\\_BREED\\_OBEDIENCE\\_WORKSHOP.pdf](http://aocnc.org/files/AOCNC_ANNUAL_ALL_BREED_OBEDIENCE_WORKSHOP.pdf)

### Oakland DTC Obedience Workshop 3/4/07

Cal State University, East Bay

Music Building Lawn

Hayward, California

<http://oaklanddogtraining.org/ODTCworkshop2007.pdf>



**“I’ve seen a look in dogs’ eyes, a quickly vanishing look of amazed contempt, and I am convinced that basically dogs think humans are nuts.”**

**- John Steinbeck**

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## AOCNC Report.....Luane Vidak

Our AOCNC invited 2 members from all of the assn clubs to a seminar offered exclusively for AOCNC members. The seminar was free to the members and offered some very good information related to how to respond to the unexpected.

The morning offering was a presentation by Charlie Crosby. She is a long time representative of Noah’s Wish, the volunteer group that is authorized to enter disaster regions, rescue, shelter, locate owners, foster and as a last resort offer for adoption all and any animals in their charge. They maintain a very complete inventory retrieval system and reunite lots of lost animals with their owners. They have extended the fostering time from 1 year to 2+ years in an effort to reunite before adopting out pets.

A catered lunch was provided followed by a First Aide and CPR course organized by PetTech. Lecture and Hands on first aid and cpr completed the afternoon.

Luane Vidak and PJ Bay attending from MBDTTC.

The regular quarterly meeting followed at 5:30 with wine and hors d’ oeuvres and a catered buffet Italian dinner.

The election for the coming year was held...

Luane Vidak President

Barbara Tonelli Veep

Ann Ghorso, Sec

Gerry Glanz, Treas

Directors: Wendy Freier, Loretta Delinger, Noelle Pilat, Marianne Brannon, Cathy Dutra.

Volunteers were collected for the January 27-28 Education table at GGKC. Monterey Bay will have 2 members working the table on Sunday. Individual fliers re: MB’s training classes will be offered at the table. (Thanks Karlene for getting those to me.) AOCNC provides a flier listing all 18 clubs and contact numbers. Hundreds are passed out. Further, AOCNC purchases a full page ad yearly listing contact numbers for all clubs in the Association.

February 4th AOCNC workshop was finalized. MBDTTC is hosting a Utility ring (judge, stewards, jumps, table/chairs). One additional ring needed a host; Luane Vidak will judge and has students stewarding. Lunch is provided to all of us that participate.

Fourteen rings will be offered, indoors, lower bays of the CowPalace. All judging is usually complete by 2:30-3:00 O’clock.

Information about the next meeting will be provided in Ruff Notes for anyone who might enjoy attending.

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## Happy Birthdays to:

2/1 Michael Fenoglio  
2/4 Linda Lang  
2/9 Marilyn Runyan  
2/11 Rich Torres  
2/17 Dani Nelson

## Birthday Wags to:

2/20/04	2	T.J.	German Shepherd	Carol Davis	
2/5/00	6	Spirit	German Shepherd	Carol Davis	UD
2/7/00	6	Merlin	Labrador	Marion & Micheal Bashista	CD, OAP, OJP
2/20/99	7	Sonnet	Borzoi	Carolyn Meyer	JC
2/14/98	8	Kye	Dalmatian	Dennis Vierra	CGC
2/14/98	8	Molly	Shetland Sheepdog	Pam Fugitt-Hetrick	HS, MX, MXJ, MACH
2/15/94	12	Amber	Golden Retriever	Linda Lang	CH, CDX, MX, MXJ, OAP, NJP, CGC

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