# Ruff Notes November 2024



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#### November 2024 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We did it again! Another fabulous visit to Sunshine Villa. Thank you to all the participants.

The residents were thrilled with the variety of dogs and all their demonstrated skills. The costumes were fun! This year three dogs visited the Memory Care section. It was a particular challenge because they were enjoying a birthday and each resident had a piece of cake with them. No cake was stollen during our visit.

Thank you for putting up with the parking issues. The Sentinel and Candice's flyers did a wonderful job with the advertising and we had more families come to see us.

Next year I could use a couple volunteers to organize the parking and Memory Care so we are more efficient. I want to put out a special Thank You to Craig Simberg who brought Tom and Jerry and couldn't find parking closer than 5 blocks away. We love your spirit.



Are you too busy to attend meetings? Like to have a job that helps the club, but not constrained by a longtime commitment? We are looking for someone to take on a one-time project. The club could use some help with our identity. Wouldn't that picture above look nicer if we all had club shirts, hats, vests, jackets or something that identified us as members of MBDTC? If you like a project and have some time to help organize and facilitate this project, please contact any Board Member or better yet come along to a meeting and talk to us!

Our next Board meeting is Monday December 9<sup>th</sup> via Zoom at 6:30. An email is sent out each month with the Zoom directions and the agenda. Come join us anytime!

Hug your dogs and cherish every minute we are privileged to train them! Terri Gregson, President

## Join us on November 9<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 to 5:30 PM

Potluck: Please bring a dessert

or appetizer to share



LIVE OAK GRANGE

(NOT APTOS GRANGE)

WITH GUEST SPEAKER AND CLUB MEMBER,

DR. JUDY FORCE, DENTISTRY FOR ANIMALS

ADVANCE QUESTIONS ARE WELCOME, PLEASE SEND TO TERRI GREGSON.

> Live Oak Grange 1900 17th Ave, Santa Cruz, CA 95062



### Annual Awards Luncheon – The 'Deets"

from The Editor

By now you all have hopefully received some emails about the upcoming annual Awards Luncheon.

As you might have surmised, there's a lot of planning going into making this event happen. With that in mind and considering the Club has added several new members, it might a good time to sort out what happens before and what input the planners need from the membership.

Here's the plan.

Not only will we have some good food, catered by D'La Colmena, we will recognize those members and their canine companions who have earned AKC titles during the previous award year (November 2023-October 2024). We rely on members to tell us about those newly earned titles. Denise Weatherwax is handling the collection of this information. She'll be working to produce a personalized ornament for each dog. Included in this month's Ruff Notes is an article from Denise letting you know how to do that. There are also a couple of sample ornament photos from last year's canine awardees.

We will also have our wonderful Silent Auction. The auction is chaired by Audrey Lanas. She's currently collecting contributions. Monies from the auction go to deferring the cost of the ornament awards. Your generous contributions both in terms of donated auction items and bidding at the luncheon are truly appreciated.

Finally...our slide show. Really the slide show is a trip down memory lane of the prior year's events both for the Club and our members. It's an opportunity to show your dog's serious and silly side. Candice McLaren is collecting photos from members and will put the slide show together for our viewing pleasure. I know we have some new canine Club member and I can't wait to see all the pics!

You can find more information and contact information for all the folks mentioned above in this edition of Ruff Notes. If you have any questions, please contact them.

See you there!



#### Annual Awards Submission

from Denise Weatherwax

Mark your calendars on December 7<sup>th</sup> so you don't miss the MBDTC Annual Awards Luncheon and holiday party. The awards of personalized ornaments, certificates, and engraved plaques are a wonderful way to recognize your dog's accomplishments and celebrate the human-canine bond. Please submit any AKC titles earned by your dog since last October 31st.

All members will receive instructions and a link to the initial online surveys in their email. Info will again be collected via Survey Monkey. We ask that all members with dogs who earned an AKC title submit information and a photo so we can all share the joy.

Link to Annual Award survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P5T8TGX

Link to membership awards survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KSGMXQR

Please submit surveys and photo by **Tuesday**, **November 5**<sup>th</sup> to help ensure your personalized award is received by the date of the Awards Luncheon. (If you miss the deadline, please send it in anyway.) Photos can be any favorite photo of your dog: action shot, portrait, conformation photo, or candid snapshot.









The Annual Awards Luncheon will be held December 7th at the Elks' Lodge in Watsonville. In addition to the awards presentation, there will be a delicious lunch, a fun raffle to benefit the club, and more activities. Denise Weatherwax is again heading the Awards committee. Call or email her with any questions. 831-359-1758 or <a href="https://www.dwatherwax@gmail.com">dwatherwax@gmail.com</a>



# 🖄 MEMBER BRAGS 🚿



**Jewel** earned her Scent Work Advanced at the German Shepherd national in Reno. Earning multiple placements as well ...... (*Laureen Yungmeyer*)







**Jerry** took 1st place and earned his Rally Intermediate title. He earned another leg towards his Novice Obedience title and took 2nd place. (*Craig and Judy Simberg*)

**Cairo** earned his Utility Dog title. He got 2 legs at the Gavilan trial. Then got his title at the Santa Rosa Skyline Dog Fanciers trial on Saturday October 17th. I moved him up to Utility B for Friday, Saturday and Sunday. He was also entered in Open B for Saturday and Sunday. His Q's are: Gavilan KC - 10/5/24 UA 194, 10/6/24 US 196 1/2 and Sunday. His Dar Fanzieria 10/17/24 US 196 1/2 and Sunday.



Skyline Dog Fancier's -10/17/24 UA 189 ½. After he earned the UA I moved him up to UB so he could earn points and UDX legs. On his next try 10/18 in the Skyline DF trial he qualified with a 195, 2nd place with 4 OTCH points. Unfortunately, Saturday was an NQ in Utility but he got a 196 1/2, 3rd place in Open B for 1 OTCH point. Sunday, he qualified in Utility B with a 194, 5th place, just out of the ribbons. But in Open he Q'd and got 4th with a 197 1/2, good for 1 OTCH point. What a wonderful weekend! I am so proud of him 🚭!!!

I was also showing **Austin** who is working on his RACH Rally title. He got a triple qualifier all 4 days, so he now has 18 of the required 20 triple qualifiers. He won one High Triple and one High Combined along with several high scores and placements. At Gavilan he got 2 HT's and one HC. At SDF he got a HC and at Del Valle he got a HT. His scores are:

Gavila	an KC:			Skylir	ne DF:			Del V	alle Do	g Club (	of Livern	nore
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100	100	100	10/4	99	100	100	10/17	100	100	100	10/19	ΗT
100	99	99	10/5	90	100	100	10/18 HC	88	100	100	10/20	
96	89	100	10/6									

.....(Imo Lawton)

### Agility Trailer Logo from Michael Bashista



As you may know, our agility trailer is rented four times a year. Finally, we have added logos like those on the Obedience Trailer. Some additional visibility when the agility trailer goes to Thorson Arena and Manzanita Park.





#### Hurricane Helene Donation

from The Editor



The aftermath of destruction left by Hurricane Helene affected nearly every aspect of life in western North Carolina. Animal shelters and rescue organization were not excluded.

MBDTC has donated \$1000 to Brother Wolf Animal Rescue of Asheville NC. That donation will be fully matched by an anonymous generous donor.

In the aftermath of the storm, they lost all their physical assets. They are rebuilding with the goal of continuing their positive community impact.

You can see all the positive impact this organization has on its community on their website at https://www.bwar.org/.



11/8/2021	3	Markley	Golden Retriever	Kathy Fujita
11/8/2021	3	Dawson	Golden Retriever	Garth & Terri Gregson
11/8/2021	3	Eddie	Golden Retriever	Linda Lang
11/15/2009	15	Sophia	Goldendoodle	Cathy Vanderbilt
11/20/2017	7	Maddie	Golden Retriever	Linda Lang
11/20/2020	4	Lacie	Shetland Sheepdog	Reena Walton
11/25/2019	5	Archer	Whippet	Dale Noble
11/28/2020	4	Jewel	German Shepherd	Laureen Yungmeyer

\*\* If we've missed someone or your information needs to be updated, please contact Marion Bashista at <u>marionb@bashista.com</u> with your changes. Thanks!

11/19	Janet Wolverton			
11/20	Diana Galvan			
11/22	Michelle Pressel			
11/24	Laureen Yungmeyer			
	11/20 11/22			



Celebrate 35 Years with AKC Canine Good Citizen<sup>®</sup>



We're celebrating the 35th anniversary of the <u>Canine Good Citizen® (CGC)</u> program! Join us in marking this milestone by getting involved with CGC training for you and your dog. CGC equips dogs and their owners with <u>essential skills</u> like basic obedience, socialization, and good manners in public spaces, fostering well-behaved pets who are positive contributors to their communities.







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