

## DAWG Fall Trials UKI - USDAA

UKI - USDAA Myers Park October 14-15-16

The UKI trial will be on Friday, October 14, with judging by Meagan Skelton. The runs will start at 8:30 a.m. There will be Day of Show entries for UKI.

The Saturday, Sunday trial will be USDAA with David Mueller and Meagan Skelton judging.

We are still needing more people to sign up to volunteer throughout the trial. When the worksheets are posted, please fill in and help where you can.

We need volunteers to help unload the trailer and set up the ring on Thursday, October 13 at 2 p.m. If you are able to help, your participation would be greatly appreciated. Many hands make light work.

We will have the food truck Twin Stacks at the show all three days. They always have a great selection of meats and veggies!

## Come One - Come All!



We will have a cook-out at DAWG Ranch on Monday, Oct 10th for our Membership meeting.

DAWG will be providing the brisket. Bring a side dish to compliment the meal – veggies, fruit, salads, and desserts – did I say desserts? We will have water, or you can BYOB.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Membership Meeting
Monday, Oct 10
DAWG Ranch
Pot Luck Cook-Out
Dinner: 6:30, Meeting 7

Saturday, Oct 15 DAWG Demo Huffines Park Richardson

Meagan Skelton
Agility Workshop
Oct 17-18
DAWG Ranch

## Membership meeting

October is our annual Membership meeting and we will be taking nominations for the officers and Board for 2023. Consider throwing your hat in the ring for a position. All of the positions are open. The term limit is up for our President. We also need someone to take on the position of Training Director.







**PRESIDENT**Norma Madrid

VICE PRESIDENT
Heather Smith

**SECRETARY** Erica Jones

**TREASURER** Matt Flanagan

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Katherine Cockerham Vonda Spinks Lory Tannahill Tim Ullrich

#### **REPS**

**AKC** Donna Todd

**USDAA**Heather Smith

### **CHAIRS**

**Demo Chair** TC Cappel

Equipment Manager
Jody Faulkner

Charity Chair TBD

Membership Chair Matt Flanagan

Newsletter Editor
Jo Unbehaun

**Property Manager** Valerie Evans

Pubic Relations Chair TBD

**Training Director**Tim Ullrich

**Webmaster** Mark Shaw

## **DAWG DEMO**

It's that time of year again, time to start thinking about all things dogs, food, festival and fun!!! The City of Richardson is hosting Pawtoberfest on Saturday, October 15, at Huffhines Park, from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Pawtoberfest is a "Special Feature" of Huffhines Harvest Fest, held only on Saturday. Come join us for a day in the park with your pup and friends while sipping craft beer, enjoying delicious goodies from the food trucks, listening to live music, shopping from vendors and participating in other fun activities! Admission is free.

The DAWG demo will be from 10-noon. Set up at 9 a.m.

We need volunteers to run a mini course.

Call TC at: 972-345-0161 Email: tcemail1@verizon.net





Pronto

Lora Seale's PRONTO seems to be too tired to walk, or he is working on scent discrimination, or was he just sleep walking again? Or, maybe there is a treat in there!

At any rate, he seems to like the smell of mom's shoes as he fell asleep!



The Dallas Agility Working Group is a non-profit, show-giving organization that is committed to the promotion and development of dog Agility without regard to breed, pedigree, or kennel club registration.

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## **Judges Bios**

### Meagan Skelton

Meagan will be doing double duty for DAWG as she is both the UKI and USDAA judge for our October trials. Meagan lives in Fancy Gap, Virginia, and shares her home with three Border Collies and a Mountain Feist Terrier. She also teaches Agility and CU and enjoys hiking, running and whitewater kayaking. Meagan says she loves judging and enjoys watching how the teams tackle each course."The joy we have running together is what it is all about".

DAWG is honored to have Meagan teach two agility workshops "Foundations of Control Unleashed" the Monday and Tuesday after our trial.

#### Dave Mueller

Dave Mueller hails from SE Pennsylvania. Dogs, cars and guitars, not always in that order, are the big 3 for me. I am recently retired after 30 or so years in the printing industry.

I have no dogs at home at the moment but volunteer at a rescue. My first agility dog was an SPCA Pit-Mix who retired with his Advanced Performance Dog title at 10-years-old. My other dogs were Beagle/Hound mixes who were multiple champions, up to PDCH Bronze and LAA Silver. At one time we had four dogs and five rabbits living under the same roof.

I was part of 2008 USDAA judging class and have been judging the Starters and Advanced classes ever since. I enjoy watching the young dogs develop before they reach the Masters level. With my briefings, I try to educate the new handlers about the rules of the game so that they can enjoy the sport to its fullest.

## **Dog Birthdays**

ZIPPY, 13, Chihuahua Lora Seale

LULU, 11, Pomeranian Kristi Brookshire

BOBO, 11, Lab Mix Cathy Schneider

MEG, 9, English Cocker Spaniel Vonda Spinks

BRIO, 7, Australian Shepherd Jody Faulkner

> CHLOE, 7, Pomeranian Chris Swain

LOUIE, 6, Cocker Spaniel Katie Sharp

RUGER, 7, Aussie Sandy & Jeff Floyd

Q, 5, Giant Schnauzer Rick Penn

NUTS 3, Corgi Ronda & Scott Dillard

SKYLER, 1, Great Dane Ash-Leah & Devin Turk

COBY 1, Toy American Shepherd Kristi Brookshire



Karen Nicodemus' Lark earned her PDCH Bronze at the USDAA Dog Gone Fun trial in Tomball on August 26-28. She only needed one Gamblers Q going into the weekend. Thankfully she got in on her first run of the weekend!

Karen was on cloud nine!

She went on to earn another GTamblers Q-1st, Standard Q-2nd, Jumpers Q, and Steeplechase Q-2nd.



## **Nominations**

DAWG's annual meeting is held in October and nominations will be taken for officers, board, committee chairs, and directors. Consider being a candidate for one of these positions for the year 2023.

This is an opportunity to give back your time and talents to the club. DAWG needs both the energetic zeal and fresh approaches that new members bring as well as the experience and stability of the long time members. To have a successful, healthy club, we need everyone to pitch in. Remember, there's always plenty of help available to lend you a hand for any of the following positions. Volunteering is at the heart of what makes a club viable and fun.

Everyone who has held positions in the past will tell you how rewarding and satisfying it's been, and that you have a feeling of being a crucial part of the club. Talk to the person who has done the job you're considering. They can give you a good idea of what the job entails.

The following explanations will help you think about which position you might consider:

<u>President:</u> The President is DAWG's Chief Executive and presides at club meetings. The President also calls meetings, appoints committees, coordinates officers, committees, Board, and oversees all the club business. Must be diplomatic and able to mediate on a variety of issues, and enjoy motivating members to "take the ball and run with it!" Must have a love for the club and a desire to make the club successful. "If" DAWG ever held a parade, the President would be honored by riding up front on a float.

<u>Vice President:</u> Shall assist the President and be a righthand person. Run meetings when the President is absent. "If" that parade was ever held, the VP gets to sit on the back of a convertible and wave to the crowd!

<u>Secretary:</u> Keeps a written record of club meetings, handles club correspondence, and maintains a current file of business and legal forms. The Secretary gets to ride a horse in "that" parade.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Collects monies (dues, shows, fun matches, clothing, etc.) and reports on the financial status of the club at meetings. Writes checks for reimbursements, pays show expenses and judges. The Treasurer shall account for all monies received and expended and send in appropriate reports. The Treasurer would be making sure the board members are not throwing away too much candy at the parade!



<u>Board Member:</u> Conducts behind the scenes business and helps decide on items to be brought to the membership. Having a sense of humor and willingness to work with a bunch of nutty people is an advantage. In the fictitious parade, board members are the ones riding on the bandwagon and throwing the candy.

<u>Newsletter Editor:</u> Publish a monthly newsletter which includes items such as training tips, news, brags, announcement, upcoming events, etc. Needs a computer, quality printer, and appropriate software. Must report on all parade activities, take the pictures, write the copy. Must also bug members endlessly for their show results.

<u>Equipment Manager:</u> Without our equipment, we could not do Agility! Does inspections on agility equipment and oversees the maintenance.

PR Chair: Responsible for handouts, flyers, posters, etc.

<u>Demo Chair:</u> Coordinates demos and gets dogs and handlers to participate. Pulls together all aspects of the event. Must be willing to keep a good attitude and smile in spite of rain, flat tires on the trailer, or doggie do-do boo-boos on the course.

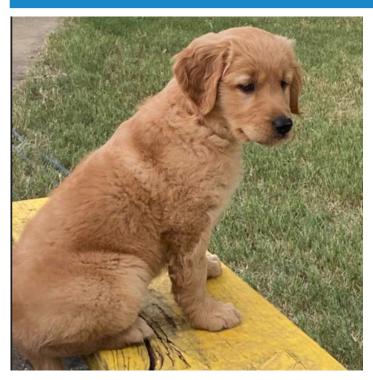
<u>USDAA Rep & AKC Rep:</u> Maintains communication between the DAWG and the USDAA and AKC.

### Past Presidents

1989 thru 1991 - Elizabeth Hezeau 1992 - 1993 - Cheri Bush 1994 - Heather Smith 1995 - 1996 - Katie Greer 1997 - 1998 - Pat (Horton) Corl 1999 - 2000 - Elizabeth Evans 2001 - 2002 - Jody Faulkner 2003 - 2004 - Nancy Lane 2005 - 2006 - Charles Venable 2007 - 2008 - Valerie Evans 2009 - 2010 - Shari Degan 2011 - 2012 - Mark Shaw 2013 - 2014 - Jean-Maria Higginbotham 2015 - Jody Faulkner 2016 - Charles Venable 2017 - 2018 - Kay Stimson 2019 - 2020 - Lory Tannahill

2021 - 2022 - Norma Madrid

## Welcome DAWG's Dogs



## Quickly and Without Delay

That is the English meaning of Pronto. So meet Pronto. I've been waiting a long time for this particular pedigree to have one of the pups fall into my hands.

However . . . is there ever a bad time to get a puppy? Well, I guess if you're in the midst of moving to another state, then come down with the dreaded COVID, I guess it is not the best time to also be dealing with a new puppy. But we're doing it anyway because, as I said, I've been waiting a long time for this particular breeding.

Pronto comes from great obedience and agility dogs on his dam's side and an incredible lineup of field dogs on the sire's side. He has all the drive and chutzpah I want in a pup. His breeder is the proud owner of the Tanbark Golden Retriever line. I watched her choose her first Golden out of a litter sired by one of the top obedience dogs in the country - he was also a Champion. Yvonne has chosen her breedings with great care.

Pronto will be an awesome Agility Dog if I can keep up with him or direct him well from behind. He's already been quite the monkey in finding challenging new ways to get to what he wants. Of course, I'll keep you all posted on his (and others) progress and fun.

For now? More packing to do ... PRONTO!



Lora Seale



### Caddos Favorite Brew

Here comes another Border Collie — Caddos Favorite Brew. His call name is JAX and he comes from the same kennel as Shazam!! and Who Dat. Jax was born on July 20.

Herb hopes he will be as good of a companion as both Zam and Who Dat were. Herb is looking forward to being in "training mode " again with a puppy.

Herb Blase



**Frankie** 

Frankie was a gift for my husband. They are looking forward to doing Fast CAT and dock diving together. Mom might just have to teach the little fella a bit about Agility and do some trick training since he's a smart, bold, sweet, and bomb-proof little pupp!

\*\*Ratie Shark\*\*

## Welcome DAWG's Dogs

## Hello, "Rollick"!

On September 21, Ray, Valerie, Hookie and Polka welcomed a new member to the pack. Meet "Rollick", an approximately 2-year-old male Standard Poodle rescue. A woman had spotted him roaming her neighborhood for a couple weeks and—with no "Lost Dog" posters to be seen anywhere—she took action. He was too elusive for animal control to catch; but animal trapper Tabitha Smith had him trapped in just an hour in the garage of a home under construction that he had been frequenting. Check the box for high food motivation! He was taken in by Second Chance Farm of Granbury, where he underwent decompressing, vetting, grooming, neutering (a.k.a. "Operation: Gone Nutz"), and lots and lots of "groceries" to fill out his skin-and-bones frame. His condition indicated he'd been roaming for longer than two weeks. Fortunately he tested negative for heart worm. Valerie spotted the Facebook post of him the morning after he was brought in, still looking very disheveled.

"I'd been looking around for a new dog to start. I couldn't decide whether to go to a breeder or rescue. Rescues are heartbreakingly overwhelmed right now, but there are also so many great, responsible breeders that deserve support... then this guy pops up." She immediately put in an application to adopt him, and got a call back very quickly from Second Chance Farm. Sandi Walker, the owner/manager, was delighted at the prospect of him going to a performance home. He transformed overnight once all the mattes and bugs went bye-bye. "When he got groomed and I saw the 'after' pictures, it was like unwrapping a Christmas present," Valerie said. "The groomers at Scruffy to Fluffy—because it took two of them to work through that mess—said 'he is absolutely the most polite, sweet, and gentle boy ever.' They even put a necktie on him to show off his newly-revealed dapperness!" Once he's had time to acclimate to his new home, Valerie plans to get him into classes. "We'll have to see what he does and doesn't already know. More 'presents' to unwrap" and added, "He appears to be no worse for the wear despite the unfortunate circumstance he found himself in. I feel in my heart that he's going to be a super-fun dog."



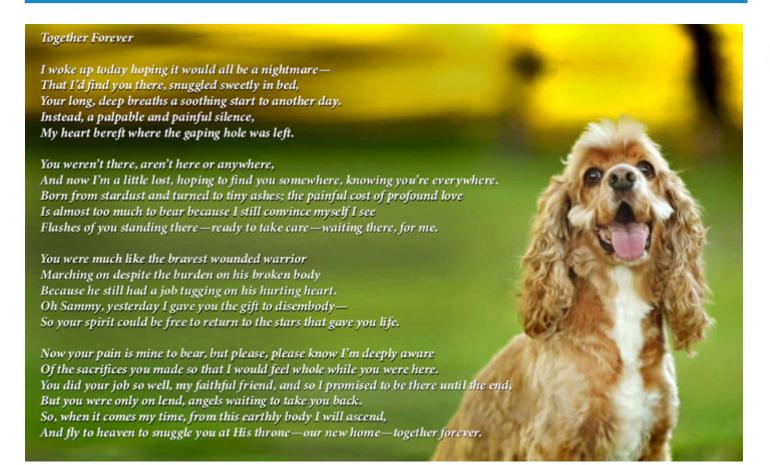








## Sad Farwell



### **SAMMIE**

## Loving You

I remember our last moment, right before you said goodbye, I looked at you, and you looked at me while tears filled up in your eyes.

I know it's hard to understand and I would have loved to stay, But at some point, our name is called, and mine was called today.

I'm grateful for your loving care until the very end, Your choice, however difficult, proves that you were heaven-sent.

For nothing speaks of tender love and sacrifice to me, Than one who's heart was crumbling and yet still set me free.

The human term of "putting me down" is wrong, it is releasing, You gave me the most precious gift when you granted me peace.

So I will wait at the Rainbow Bridge until we meet again, And then it's licks and tail wags for you, the best of friends.

Katie Sharp



## Sad Farwell



### Handsome

I had to say goodbye to Handsome, my 14, almost 15year-old Papillon. He was my second Papillon to compete in Agility, also my very first male dog which I swore I would never have. He was such a momma boy, always happy to see me, jump in my arms to clean my ears and chew on my hair. He enjoyed time with me, can't say that he really enjoyed running Agility. We competed in ASCA, USDAA, Teacup and AKC. His first Teacup trial he got High in Trial. Once he started in Masters, I decided it was time to retire him based on his actions in the ring. Standing at the top of the A-Frame just site seeing, standing at the start line looking at me like I was crazy, not to mention stopping half way thru the weaves with a dazed look like he lost count. I loved my boy and miss him dearly but thanks to him I now love male dogs. He is now in heaven with Hazel, Zoey, Lulu, Cassie, Ginger and Lexi, so he is not alone.

Kristi Brookshire







**Bambi** 

### Bambi

You were always ready to try new things and you loved Agility, but you just thought: 'why go fast when everyone needed time to see how beautiful you were.' From the time I rescued you off the streets of Dallas as a feisty puppy till you passed in my arms at 17, you were the queen of the house and protector of my heart. Till we meet again at the Rainbow Bridge. With forever love,

Chris Swain



## Minutes

DAWG Member Meeting September 12, 2022 Porta Di Roma Restaurant in Richardson

In atttendance: Norma Madrid, Lori Tannahill, Vonda Spinks, TC Cappel, Jo Unbehaun, Tim Ullrich and Valerie Evans.

Norma Called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Treasury Report - Matt: (Absent)

- Udate: Account balance is healthy.
- Insurance for the ranch is due and Matt will send check.

Membership Chair Report - Jennifer

• No Update.

Property/ Equipment Chair Report - Valerie

- Field Update the field looks great and ready to go.
- o We need to add soil to fill in holes from settling issues on the new area of the field.
- Proposal from Texas Lawn Tech: (currently only mowing contract).
- o Proposal for auto draft: mowing, 8 weed treatments, leaf cleanup, simple irrigation fixes and 2 reviews, 3 kill treatments on fence line, fire ant & grubworm treatment = \$7551.00 (waiting on clarity before moving forward).
- Irrigation Zone has been added and working field looks great.
- Jump refurbish status we still need more volunteers.
- Tunnel bag repair status complete and will be UKI trials. picked at UKI trial (Oct 24th).

Training Director Report - Tim

- Class Update need to get people moved around to appropriate classes and need more classes for advancement.
- Matt graduated his Tuesday Focus and Cues class to Games for Dog Sports. Currently have five participants. Website and spreadsheet have been updated.

Equipment Manager – Jody (absent)

• Tunnel Update – gathering pricing/shipping for new tunnels.

Fund Raising Chair - Vacant

#### Fun Match:

October Fun Match – tentative.

#### Trials:

#### Oct 14: UKI - 15 &16 – USDAA

- Set-up will be 2 p.m. on Thursday.
- 2 spots open for Control Unleashed Seminar Megan Skelton October 17th at the ranch.

#### Dec 10-12 - AKC

 Valarie – need Chief course builder, hospitality chair, & fundraiser chair for Photos with Santa.

#### Jan 27-29 ISC/AKC

Sangie.

#### March 3-5 Spring UKI/USDAA

• Sangie needs a committee.

#### Mar 31 - Apr 1 – USDAA Regional – Longhorn.

Sangie needs a trial committee.

#### **New Business**

- Demo: October 15 @ Octoberfest in Richardson Huffhines Park.
- Jody Lolich: Will DAWG rent the field for instructors?
- o Need more information. Ongoing or seminars? What kind of schedule?
- In 2010, The DAWG SCOOP was a finalist for the newsletter category for Dog Writers Association of America. We are going to submit a current issue again and see what happens.
- We need to update our website with USDAA and
  UKI trials

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectivally submitted by

Erica Jones





## **Upcoming Shows**

**November - December** 

## AKC

Nov 4-5-6 Baytown Kennel Club Magnolia TX Open Aug 31 - Close Oct 28

Nov 4-5-6
Capitol Dog TC of Austin
Leander TX
Open Sep 9 - Close Oct 28

Nov 11-12-13
Bluebonnet Poodle Club
Magnolia TX
Open Sep 7 - Close Nov 4

Nov 12-13 Austin K-9 XPress Leander TX Open Sep 16 - Close Oct 29

Nov 18-19-20 Lone Star Eng Cocker Spaniel Magnolia TX Open Sep 14 - Close Nov 11

Nov 18-19-20
Bell County Kennel Club
Belton TX
Open Sep 30 - Close Nov 10

Nov 18-19-20
Bexar County Kennel Club
San Antonio TX
Open Sep 26 - Close Nov 11

Nov 25-26-27 Greater Houstn Pembroke Magnolia TX Open Sep 21 - Close Nov 18

Dec 2-3-4
Poodle Club of San Antonio
San Antonio TX
Open Sep 26 - Close Nov 25

Dec 2-3-4 Houston Obedience Tng Club Magnolia TX Open Sep 28 - Close Nov 25

Dec 9-10-11
DAWG
McKinney TX
Open Oct 5 - Close Nov 23

Background picture of Jo Unbehaun's BUDDY

Dec 10-11

NASA Area Companion Assn.

League City TX

Open Oct 21 - Close Dec 2

Dec 16-17-18

Alamo Shetland Sheepdog

Helotes TX

Open Sep 25 - Close Nov 30

Dec 16-17-18

Conroe Agility Training Club

Magnolia TX

Open Oct 12 - Close Dec 9

Dec 16-17-18
Tyler Obedience TC
Tyler TX
Open Oct 7 - Close Nov 30

Dec 16-17-18

Austin Golden Retriever Club
Belton TX

Open Oct 10 - Close Dec 7

Dec 29-30-31 - Jan 1 Conroe Agility Training Club Magnolia TX Open Oct 26 - Close Dec 21

Dec 31 - Jan 1
Hill County Agility Club
Helotes TX
Open Oct 29 - Close Dec 21

## **ASCA**

Oct 8-9
ASCOT
Cleburne TX
Opens Aug 1 - Close Sep 28

Dec 3-4 New Hope ASC College Station TX Open now - Close Nov 23

## CPE

Nov 12-13 A! Woof Alvin TX Close Nov 1 DAWG Trials UKI, Oct 14 USDAA, Oct 15-16 AKC, Dec 9-10-11

### **NADAC**

Nov 18-19-20 Love and Laughter Dogs Cleveland TX

Nov 25-26-27 Waco Agility Group Belton TX

Dec 9-10-11 Love & Laughter Dogs Cleveland TX

### UKI

Nov 5-6 PAWS UKI New Fairview TX Dates N/A

Dec 9-10-11
Dog Gone Fun
Magnolia TX
Open Oct 21 - Close Dec 12

Dec 16-17
What A Great Dog
Richardson TX
Open Sep 26 - Close Nov 25
Beginner/Novice Only
Close Dec 10

Dec 31 - Jan 1 Dog Gone Fun Magnolia TX Premium N/A now

## **USDAA**

Dec 17-18 Austin K9 Express Leander TX TBD

Dec 29-30 Dog Gone Fun Magnolia TX TBD

# October

