

The Wet Nose News



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Don't Miss the Christmas Party

The Christmas Dinner will be held on Tuesday, December 9th at Gasber's Fine Day Restaurant, 46399 National Road, W. in St. Clairsville, Ohio at 6:30 p.m.



This year we've added something new that we think you will like. There will be a Christmas gift exchange. If you'd like to participate, please bring a wrapped gift (under \$10.00) to the party - anything goes. Here's how it works. We will draw numbers for those that are participating and the first person will pick a gift from the table. The next person can either pick a gift on the table or take the gift away from the first person, then that person will have to pick another one. It's really a lot of fun.

There will also be a short meeting and nominations for officers will be accepted from the floor. The club's election of officers will be held at the next club meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 13th.

Reminder: If you haven't already contacted Margie to let her know how many will be attending the Christmas dinner, please call her at 695-5026 or you may email her at bwboxer@comcast.net.

Directions heading on I-70 W Take Exit 215, make a left onto Rt. 40, go approx. 2 mi. Gasbers is on the right.

Directions heading on I-70 E Take Exit 213, make a right onto Rt. 40, go approx. .4 (4/10ths) mi. Gasbers is on the left.

Sarah Callahan is recovering from another surgery she had several weeks ago and is doing well, however she may not be able to attend the Christmas Party. We wish her a Merry Christmas and hope she is on her way to a full recovery.

Obedience Classes in Glen Dale

Tracey White is teaching some basic obedience classes with some fun exercises mixed in. Classes are held at the Glen Dale Fire Hall on Sundays. The Beginner class starts at 6:00 p.m. and the Advanced Class starts at 7:00 p.m.

If anyone is interested in beginning SAR tracking/trailing or obedience classes, please give Tracey a call at 304-686-3573.

Winners Circle

Candi Gebhardt's English Cocker "Abbie" took a major reserve on Sunday, November 16th in Columbus at the Central Ohio Kennel Club show in the 12 - 18 mo. class. Congratulations Candi.

Karen Fatula's Dalmatian "Denver", Melody Sublime, was Reserve Winners Dog in Columbus at the Thursday and Saturday shows and was handled by Shannon Riggans.

Her other Dalmatian **"Peyton"**, was Winners Dog for 1 pt. at the Saturday Agathon show in Tallmadge, OH. Peyton only needs a major to finish. He was also handled by Cindy Riggans.

Karen hasn't been able to show her dogs due to a dog attack (not from her dogs) that injured her leg. She hopes her leg will eventually be sound enough so she can get back into the show ring more often.

On November 14th at the Dayton KC show in Columbus, **Bertie Prettyman's Brussels Griffon "Gavin"** was BOB under Judge Michelle Billings. The following day, **Autumn** was WB for 1 point under Judge Denny Mounce. As of October 31, Gavin is the #4 Brussels Griffon per the Canine Chronicle Breed System, and #7 Griff All Breed. He is currently the #2 smooth Brussels Griffon, and the #1 owner handled. Gavin has received an invitation to the Westminster Kennel Club Dog show. Invitations are extended to the top 5 dogs in every breed as of 10/31 each year. Bertie says she is so proud of what her boy has accomplished with limited showing and without a "backer" or a single ad. She plans on going to Westminster. Congratulations again!

First Aid Program a Success

On November 11th, we had a great attendance with over 40 people turning out to listen to Dr. James Radcliffe speak on First Aid. Jim brought his Greyhound and demonstrated how to give CPR and rescue breathing and what to do when an emergency strikes.



Dr. Radcliffe also talked about your pet's vital signs, identifying signals of breathing emergencies including choking and demonstrated how to provide care. Other topics included identifying signals of cardiac arrest, life threatening bleeding, when and how to move an injured pet and other helpful tips and techniques, plus the components of a "pet friendly" first aid kit.

Jim's program lasted over two hours with several demonstrations and a slide program. He is not only a great speaker, but he's great at entertaining the audience while getting his points across.

If anyone in the club has ideas for other programs, please let a board member know.

Upcoming Shows

Cleveland, OH Shows	December 11st, 2008	Rally, Obedience, Conformation
	December 12th	Rally, Obedience, Conformation
	December 13th, 14th and 15th	Rally, Obedience, Conformation
Erie, PA Shows	January 24th and 25th	Rally, Obedience, Conformation

For more information on dog shows, seminars and matches, visit: www.infodog.com

St. Clairsville Christmas Parade



Here's Gigi riding in style while her mom and dad (Trudy and Nick) pull her Christmas cart. She really enjoyed the attention and the ride!

It was a wonderful evening for the parade and tree lighting in St. C. Club members were all bundled up for the annual St. Clairsville Christmas Parade and their dogs were beautifully decked out in their Christmas attire.

Club members included: Margie Greco, Eloise Wolfson, Kay Moore, Nicki Coffland, Trudy and Nick Greco, Anna and Frank Reese and her husband and Vickie Ventura. I apologize if I've missed anyone.



Eloise in her sports car with Jamie. In case you're wondering, the top was down and the heater was cranked up on high!

Music to Calm your Canine Companion

In March 2008, Music to Calm your Canine Companion, Vol. 1 was released to tremendous professional and public acclaim. The 2nd volume of [Calm your Canine Companion](http://www.throughadogsear.com/music_to_calm_cd2.htm) was just released and expands your canine music library. Now you and your dog will have two hours of clinically tested music to enjoy. Tested on 150 dogs in shelters, clinics, and homes, the two volumes of Calm your Canine Companion reduce canine anxiety behaviors - twice as effectively as conventional classical music! Visit the website: http://throughadogsear.com/music_to_calm_cd2.htm

Gift or Trophy Ideas



If you're looking for unique dog items for Christmas, check out Animal Krackers website at <http://www.k9gifts.com>

They offer a wide variety of discriminating dog gifts and pet collectibles for animal lovers. From the purely whimsical to the truly breed accurate, they have gathered statues, key/leash racks, garden art, notecards, limited edition prints, mailboxes, cookie jars, welcome signs, table lamps, watering cans, mouse pads and more for dog lovers — in over 150 breeds of dogs. They have gifts for cat and horse fanciers too.

B-OB Match

It's not too early to think about items you can donate for the basket raffle. If you have any new items, Christmas gifts, or baskets that you can't use, please consider donating them for our raffle table. It won't be long before we will be making plans for the match.