

# Going To Ground

*Volume 1*  
*Spring Edition*

SCJRTC NEWSLETTER

## Prez Sez

Cheryl Costello

Our annual trials were held on Feb. 17-18, 2007 at Lake Perris. The weather was great although Friday night (before the trials) the wind came up and destroyed several ez-ups, plus it made a mess out of the show grounds. However, the next day the sun was out and it felt like summer.

Saturday was special, it was a day to remember one of our members who passed away last June:

**Norm Daloisio of Hi-Flashun Jack Russell Terriers.**

Thirteen champions & thirteen reserve champions were awarded \$100 & \$50, respectively, plus a special trophy was awarded to the Best Open Terrier. These awards were sponsored by Peter & Karen Eckert, Brian & Susan Sharp (Whitehaven Jack Russell Terriers) and Michael & Alison Walton. All good friends of Norm. The winners will be listed elsewhere on the website.

A lot of the South Coast Trial Committee were new to running a trial. I want to thank all of them for their extraordinary efforts. Even, I, who have been working trials for many years was new to my position of Trial Administrator.

We had a raffle, a silent auction, and a rummage sale. The total netted from this was \$1300!!!!

I want to thank Lysa Hummel for working so hard to put this very successful raffle on. Not only did Lysa run the raffle, she also was a vendor, worked in the lunch area, entry booth and answered a ton of questions. Thank you Lysa! Her husband, Sam, was the cook, ran his booth, chaired Go-To-Ground and when I was in a panic for an announcer, he came to my rescue and announced. Thank you Sam!

I want to thank the following people for their hard work at the show. Denise Williams (Trial Secretary), Amber Williams, Bob & Sharon Jones (Racing), Rhonda Dunn (Agility), Michelle Davies (Conformation Ring & Racing Judge), Didi Gough (Awards/Racing Starter), Jo Paddison, (Ribbons), Bud & Sharon Green (Conformation Ring/Quarry Quest/PA System), Bree Beery (Youth Coordinator), Marni Tucker (Games/ Quarry Quest/Agility), Steven Quick (Quarry Quest), Dawn Kelley (Conformation Steward/Announcer), Alison Cook-Cilliers (Conformation Steward/Announcer/Racing helper), Julian and Christian Cutolo (Lure Runners/Conformation Ring Steward/Announcer), Paula Stephan (Agility), Andrea Ashbaugh (Agility), Brian & Phyllis Bennett (Racing & Agility), Dolores & Gerry Hazelton

Liz Valles and a big thank you to Terri Batzer (our Sat. Conformation judge) who announced on Sunday.

Special thanks to Doc Glen for building the new agility A-Frame. He saved the club \$500 by not having to buy one. He and Bob Jones are our equipment men, they keep everything in running order and build new equipment when needed. Plus, they set up and take down most of the equipment at the shows. Thank you to Bree Beery and Sam Hummel for hauling the club trailers and cleaning them out, a big job!

As you can see, there are a lot of names involved. But believe it or not, we were short handed. Most people worked several events. It would make everything much easier if other members would get involved and help at the trials.

A safe & fun spring and summer to all of you.

Cheryl Costello

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# Club News & Calendar of Events

We had a fun day Feb. 4th in Valley Center. This was coordinated by Sam & Lysa Hummel. It was well attended and gave our terriers a chance to "warm up" before the trial.

The SCJRTC is planning to attend the Pet Expo at the Orange County Fairgrounds in Costa Mesa on April 13-14-15, we will be in Building 10, Booth 1006. Come by and see us. It is our chance to educate the public on our breed and why the JRT is not meant for everyone. Perhaps it will save a terrier from being homeless.

Lysa Hummel is our new Vice President. We appreciate her stepping in to help our organization grow. A big thank you to our outgoing Vice President, Bree Beery. She will still assist our club, just won't be on the Board.

Trial results from Patriot Games I&II, February 17-18, 2007, are in. Listed below are the Champion and Reserves only. The complete list has been posted on the SCJRTC website at: [www.scjrtc.com/eventsresults](http://www.scjrtc.com/eventsresults). They include the results from both days, including Quarry Quest and Ball Return Results.

## Trial Results

### Patriot Games II

#### Quarry Quest Results

2/18/07

#### OO Under

1. Arizona lightning rascal	15.62
2. Mini Me	16.98
3. Hart Farm Hunter	18.99
4. Frito	19.33
5. Gossip	20.43
6. Rusty	27.29

#### OO over

1. Tortilla Flat Mi Amiga	15.75
2. Breezy Meadows Bliss	20.79
3. Glenwood Rascal	23.55
4. Kate the Dog	36.76
5. Cracker Jack	41.27
6. Abby	50.86

## Ball Return Results

#### Under dogs

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#### Over dogs

1. Hi-Ho Skippio
2. Stratton Zoe
3. Jersey Outlaw of Dueces Wild
4. Cosmo
5. Ziggy
6. Bruno

**Trial Results Continued**  
**Champion Results Only**

**Patriot Games I**

**Perris, CA. – February 17, 2007**

**Conformation**

**BEST 4-6 MONTH PUPPY & RESERVE**

**Best:** Seaview Kodiak, owned by Liz Valles

**Reserve:** Glenwood Fetchin Gretchin, owned by Jackie Davies

**BEST FAMILY & RESERVE**

**Best:** Glenwood Pola, owned by Cheryl Costello

**Reserve:** Sow's Ear Stetson, owned by John & Lisa Renfro

**PUPPY CONFORMATION CHAMPION & RESERVE**

**Champion:** Castle Pines Kachina, owned by R. Thornton & J. Sproles

**Reserve:** Snowcrest Superstition, owned by Colleen Reeder

**WORKING TERRIER CHAMPION & RESERVE**

**Champion:** Ivy Hill Taboo, owned by Gretchen Gillis

**Reserve:** Conquest Concho, owned by Susi Laswell

**BEST OPEN TERRIER & RESERVE**

**Best:** Glenwood Mackenzie, owned by Cheryl Costello

**Reserve:** Desert Hills Casablanca, owned by Beth Pierson

**Go-to-Ground**

**GTG Championship Certificate, 10 up to 12½"**

**Champion:** Razzmatazz of Diamond Ridge, owned by Gerry & Dolores Hazelton

**Reserve:** Conquest Concho, owned by Susi Laswell

**GTG Championship Certificate, over 12½ up to 15"**

**Champion:** Trail Canyon Molly Jean, owned by Valerie & Jim Craft

**Reserve:** Cody of Remington, owned by Sharon Green

**GTG Veteran Championship Certificate, 10 up to 12½"**

**Champion:** AZ Lightning Rascal, owned by Beth Pierson

**Reserve:** Mini-Me, owned by Barbara Chesnut

**GTG Veteran Championship Certificate, over 12½ up to 15"**

**Champion:** West Elk Sassy, owned by Jim & Carol Endres

**Reserve:** Sow's Ear Stetson, owned by John & Lisa Renfro

**RACING**

**PUPPY RACING CHAMPION & RESERVE**

**Up to 12½" Champion:**

Snowcrest Ebony, owned by Debra & David Howe

**Up to 12½" Reserve:**

Foxton Locks Morgan, owned by Sharon Green

**Over 12½ up to 15" Champion:**

High Range Susanna, owned by Don & Sue Wilson

**Over 12½ up to 15" Reserve:**

J & J Coyote Jones, owned by Alison Cook-Cilliers

**ADULT RACING CHAMPION & RESERVE**

**10 up to 12½" Champion:**

Breezy Meadows Snitch, owned by Jenna Stephan

**10 up to 12½" Reserve:**

Snowcrest Leopold, owned by Colleen Reeder

**Over 12½ up to 15" Champion:**

Kimberlite Livingston, owned by Alison Cook-Cilliers

**Over 12½ up to 15" Reserve:**

Seaview Little Riley, owned by Didi Gough

**VETERAN RACING CHAMPION & RESERVE**

**10 up to 12½" Champion:**

Frito Bandito, owned by Barbara Chesnut

**10 up to 12½" Reserve:**

Treesbank Blueprint, owned by Colleen Reeder

**Over 12½ up to 15" Champion:**

Glenwood Makita, owned by Bob & Sharon Jones

**Over 12½ up to 15" Reserve:**

Glenwood Bonnie-B, owned by Pam Greenhalgh

**AGILITY**

**AGILITY HIGH SCORE CHAMPION & RESERVE**

**10 up to 12½" Champion:** Frito Bandito, owned by Barbara Chesnut

**10 up to 12½" Reserve:** Breezy Meadows Snitch, owned by Jenna Stephan

**Over 12½ up to 15" Champion:** Tarzan, owned by Paula Stephan

**Over 12½ up to 15" Reserve:** Castlereigh Abbie, owned by Brian & Phyllis Bennett

**YOUTH HIGH SCORE CHAMPION & RESERVE**

**Champion:** Julian Cutolo

**Reserve:** Christian Cutolo

**Trial Results Continued**  
**Champion Results Only**

<p><b><u>Patriot Games II</u></b> <b><u>Perris, CA – February 18, 2007</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Conformation</u></b></p> <p><b><u>BEST 4-6 MONTH PUPPY &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b>Best:</b> Seaview Kodiak, owned by Liz Valles <b>Reserve:</b> Glenwood Fetchin Gretchin, owned by Jackie Davies</p> <p><b><u>BEST FAMILY &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b>Best:</b> Kress Country Custom Made, owned by Gretchen Gillis <b>Reserve:</b> Sow’s Ear Stetson, owned by John &amp; Lisa Renfro</p> <p><b><u>PUPPY CONFORMATION CHAMPION &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Castle Pines Kachina, owned by R. Thornton &amp; J. Sproles <b>Reserve:</b> Snowcrest Shaman, owned by R. Thornton &amp; J. Sproles</p> <p><b><u>WORKING TERRIER CHAMPION &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Conquest Concho, owned by Susi Laswell <b>Reserve:</b> Ivy Hill Taboo, owned by Gretchen Gillis</p> <p><b><u>BEST OPEN TERRIER &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b>Best:</b> Seaview Napoleon Dynmyt, owned by Rick &amp; Alma Puvogel <b>Reserve:</b> Glenwood Mackenzie, owned by Cheryl Costello</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>GO-TO-GROUND</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Puppy Championship</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> High Range Susannah, owned by Don &amp; Sue Wilson <b><u>Championship Certificate, 10 up to 12½"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Razzmatazz of Diamond Ridge, owned by Gerry &amp; Dolores Hazelton <b>Reserve:</b> West Elk Katie Ono, owned by Don &amp; Sue Wilson <b><u>Championship Certificate, over 12½ up to 15"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Kimberlite Livingston, owned by Alison Cook-Cilliers <b>Reserve:</b> Trail Canyon Tanker, owned by Dee &amp; Phil Turner <b><u>Veteran Championship Certificate, 10 up to 12.5"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Arizona Lightning Rascal, owned by Beth Pierson <b>Reserve:</b> Ginger Lea, owned by Dee &amp; Phil Turner <b><u>Vet Championship Certificate, Over 12.5 up to 15"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Tortilla Flat Mi Amiga, owned by Susi Laswell <b>Reserve:</b> West Elk Sassy, owned by Jim &amp; Carol Endres</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>RACING</u></b></p> <p><b><u>PUPPY RACING CHAMPION &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b><u>Up to 12½"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Snowcrest Ebony, owned by Debra &amp; David Howe <b><u>Up to 12½" Reserve:</u></b> None <b><u>Over 12½ up to 15"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> High Range Susannah, owned by Don &amp; Sue Wilson <b>Reserve:</b> Lilliput Sachem, owned by Barry &amp; Bettemarie Jones</p> <p><b><u>ADULT RACING CHAMPION &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b><u>10 up to 12½"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Breezy Meadows Batik, owned by Amber Williams <b>Reserve:</b> Snowcrest Leopold, owned by Colleen Reeder <b><u>Over 12½ up to 15"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Seaview Little Riley, owned by Didi Gough <b>Reserve:</b> Kimberlite Livingston, owned by Alison Cook-Cilliers</p> <p><b><u>VETERAN RACING CHAMPION &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b><u>10 up to 12½"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Frito Bandito, owned by Barbara Chesnut <b>Reserve:</b> Jackie Oh, owned by Sue Wilson <b><u>Over 12½ up to 15"</u></b> <b>Champ:</b> Seaview Jacque, owned by Didi Gough <b>Reserve:</b> Glenwood Brady, owned by Sharon Green</p> <p><b><u>YOUTH HIGH SCORE CHAMPION &amp; RESERVE</u></b> <b>Champion:</b> Julian Cutolo <b>Reserve:</b> Christian Cutolo</p>
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# Stories & Articles

## March 17, 2007 - AWTA Den Trial

EventName: So. Cal. Den Dogs

We went to the Legg Lake, El Monte, California, AWTA Trial. First and most important, we all had fun.

Second, Cabela got her Certificate of Gameness, Passed the Open Class, moved to Certificate class and one that. She had the fastest time for all the JRT's entered and the fastest time of all the dogs entered. Cool huh.

Remi didn't pass. Rhonda Dunn's, cool little Jace passed Novice "A" Class. That is for dogs under 1 yr. and go through a 10ft tunnel. Rhonda moved him up to Open Class, which is a 40ft tunnel, but he didn't pass. Poor little guy. He did great for his first time. The tunnels are buried underground, so it is a lot darker than the tunnels we used at the SCJRTC Fun Day or SCJRTC TRIAL. Rusty passed his Certificate Class and had the fastest time until Cabela beat him. You should've seen Rusty enter that tunnel. Oh my God was he fast, and loud. That dog can bark. He did a great job. Barb Chestnut was there with Cracker Jack, Mini and Frito. I thought for sure one of her dogs would win. Those dogs are athletes. I think Mini got her Certificate of Gameness. If I'm wrong about which dog it was, sorry. I know one her dogs got it. Great job guys. We enjoyed being out there with everyone, having fun with the dogs and friends. We hope to see you guys at Featherly Park for the fun day.

Sam Hummel

## WOW!!!

### Way Out West High Point Terrier Series

Attend the following Trials and keep track of your placing's and send them to to the WOW secretary by 10/01/07. Awarded on December 1, 2007.

#### SCJRTC Patriot Games I&II

Feb. 17-18, Perris Lake, CA

#### M&I Bank JR Rescue Trials

March 3-4, Higly, AZ

#### Wheatland Classic XIII & XIV

April 28-29, Richland, WA

#### Gold Rush VII & VIII

May 12-13, Grass Valley, CA

#### Junction Jamborees

July 7-8, Grand Junction, CO

#### Rocky Mountain Ruckus

Aug. 4-5, Estes Park, CO

#### Cowboy Classic

Sept. 1-2, Douglas, WY

#### Diggin West Challenge

Sept. 22-23, Madera, CA

# TRAINING CORNER

## Go-To-Ground Training Made Easy

**Step 1:** If your dog is 6 months of age and younger, your priority should be to socialize your dog. Take with you everywhere you go. If you do not have adult dogs at home, take them to dog park or somewhere they can socialize with other dogs. Then you want to it know basic obedience commands. On command you want your pup to at least sit, stay and come. A good thing to teach your pup at this age is a good recall. A recall will be useful in the field.

**Step 2:** Prior to training your dog to go-to-ground, you first have to build or have someone build you a set of tunnels. After your tunnels are built, you want to scent them with quarry scent and let the sit for a day or two. That way if your limited on scent, this gives it time to soak into the wood.

**Step 3:** Once that's done, the night before I start training my dog, I don't feed him. That way he is nice and hungry when we start to train. Don't worry, it's not cruel to not feed your dog for one night, they won't starve.

**Step 4:** I then introduce the dog to a short tunnel with open ends. This way the dog can see through the tunnel. Also, take about half of a serving of kibbles that you would normally serve your for breakfast.

**Step 5:** Now, introduce your dog to the tunnel. If he does not go in on his own, do not force him in. This will only cause the dog undo stress and will likely not perform. If he does not go into the tunnel on his own. Take a piece of kibbles, let the dog see it, and then toss it into the tunnel. Don't throw it all the way through. Start first by tossing it in the tunnel about a quarter of the way through. And let the dog go after it. If he goes in, retrieves the kibbles and backs out, praise him and do it again. Each time you throw a kibbles in the tunnel, use a command like "rat" or "get the rat" or what ever you feel comfortable with using for your dog. That way he learns to associate that command with entering a tunnel. While working on the short tunnel, if your dog happens to go all through the tunnel, give him a jackpot of about 5 or so pieces of kibbles and lots of praise. You should do this 2-3 times a week for a about 5-10 minutes each session. Depending on your dog and dogs age, after a couple of weeks they should be flying through the short tunnel.

***As you read, I am sure you have noticed I have not mentioned anything about adding quarry to your dogs training yet. That is because your dog is not yet use to the tunnel and adding quarry would only confuse him and possibly turn him off completely.***

**Step 6:** Once your dog is going through the short tunnel with no problem, enter him to a longer straight tunnel. And start reducing the amount of kibble you give your dog. By this time, you should only be giving a piece of kibble if he goes all the way the through the tunnel. After he is use to the long tunnel, add a turn and repeat above until the dog is going through the tunnel on command and only give kibble when they do so. Once again, you should work with your dog 2-3 time a week for 5-10 minutes each session. And probably won't take as long to get them to go through the tunnel with turns as it did to just get them started. Now you are probably ready to introduce your dog to quarry.

### Introducing Your Dog to Quarry

There are several different ways to introduce your dog to quarry.

If you are consistently taking your older and more experienced dogs to the field you can introduce your young pup to dispatched quarry. Once the quarry is dispatched, you can let your young pup rag the quarry. It sounds disgusting, but it's effective. If you do not take your dogs to the field on regular basis, you can use lab rats or feeder rats that you can purchase at pet stores.

**Step 1:** First you can place the rat in a small and sturdy cage.

**Step 2:** Then show it to your young pup before you send your pup in the GTG tunnel. If the dog don't show any interest in the quarry, don't worry and don't give up on your pup. His terrier instinct will kick in. If your pup don't show interest, get a rag or racoon/ fox tail and sent it. Tie a 6' piece of rope to it and get your pup chasing it. He will soon get the idea.

**Step 3:** I would keep introducing the pup to the quarry as specified before until the pup starts to bark and dig at the cage. When he starts doing this, praise him and reward him with treats.

**Step 4:** Now tie your dog, and place the quarry in a hidden place.

Like in a trash can, on a high shelf or on a low branch of a tree.

**Step 5:** Put your dog into the tunnel, and race to get the quarry cage. Once you got the cage, place in front of the bars at the end of the GTG tunnel and let your dog work it.

*(The reason you don't want to leave the cage on the ground when you send your through the tunnel, is because you want your dog to learn to associate the quarry with the tunnel. You don't want your dog, while in the field and at a real earth tunnel, to associate quarry above ground. If this happens, you will have a terrier that will give chase to deer and rabbit rather than go into the earth. That could be disastrous unless you are ridding in a grove or barn.)*

**Step 6:** Let your dog work it for a few seconds than hide the caged quarry again. Remove your dog and praise him. After a while, you'll have a dog that will go nuts when entered to earth.

### The Quarry

As previously stated, you can use lab rats or feeder rats that can be bought at the local pet store. But these rat are usually docile critters and are not very aggressive when being worked. Another thing to worry about when purchasing rats from the pet store is that your children may turn them into a pet and therefore it makes it hard when your dog unleashes it's fury on the rat. There is an alternative to using rats and it is something that experienced terrier men do to train their dogs. You can purchase a humane live trap from feed stores or some pet shops and trap squirrels.

Start by placing just bird seed in the trap. Once it becomes active you set to catch your quarry. When your ready to do this, mix the bird seed with peanut butter and place it in the trap. Once the quarry is caught, you can place into the cage you use for the GTG tunnels. The reason for using a wild squirrel is simple. It's because they are wild, and are usually aggressive when trapped. They will be more animated while in the cage, and will drive your dog nuts. Another reason why you use wild squirrels is, after your done working your dog in the tunnel the squirrel can be humanely released and you don't have to worry about hurting your kids pet.



# **Nursery news**

## **AUTUMN BREEZE**

Sire: **Breezy Meadows Forge of Autumn Breeze**

Dam: **My-Mad-O-Line of Autumn Breeze**

Whelped: 02/11/2007

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(Quail Oak Cowboy)

(Allstar Ballistic)

( NHC to Red Fox)

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(Glenwood Pola)

(Wild Oats Mila Mae)

For more info on the upcoming litter goto:

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# VET CORNER

## First Aid for the Field

By Sam Hummel

Part of the preparation before you take your dog to the field hunting, for a walk on a nature trail is to have a decent medical kit with you. Although, at most terrier events, there is a vet on hand or an emergency vet clinic near by. I always keep a veterinary kit in my vehicle and it is rarely used. My vet kit usually holds the following items:

- Hydrogen Peroxide to induce vomiting or to clean wounds
- 3 squirt bottles of sterile water to rinse out eyes and to flush out wounds
- Antibiotic Ointment to apply to small cuts
- Hemostats or tweezers to remove slivers and thorns
- Nexaband, Vet bond, or NexCare Liquid Bandage Drops to close larger rips
- Vet wrap or micro-pore tape
- Surgical tape to keep Vet wrap in place
- Scissors to trim fur around wound
- A 15-day supply of a broad spectrum antibiotic
- A canine nail cutter
- Space blanket and chemical warmers
- And the emergency number for a nearby veterinary clinic.

Field health and emergency situations can be broken down into 2 categories: chronic and critical. We go over the chronic Problems in this issue and talk about the critical problems in a future issue.

### **Chronic Problems**

Chronic problems are the ones you are most likely to encounter, but that are probably not life-threatening. In all likelihood you will have time to seek a vet if you need to. Examples of chronic problems include:

•**Basic cuts and lacerations :**After every excursion, look over your dog carefully, especially around the face. Puncture wounds and slashes may not present themselves in an obvious manner, yet any wound not located now is sure to go bad later on. Clean out wounds with clean water (some prefer salt water) and one shot of peroxide followed by a dose of Betadine. Serious rips can be closed with Vetbond or Nexaband, though most facial lacerations will do better if left alone to granulate and close in over time. Really serious wounds, or wounds very near an eye, should be taken to a vet.

If you do decide to glue a laceration shut, do not completely close it -- always leave a small "weep" hole for drainage. Put the dog on cephalexin or Clavamox or some other broad-spectrum antibiotic as soon as possible, with a double or "loading" dose at the beginning. If the wound is a puncture, keep it open with a Q-tip and allow it to close from the inside out -- a process that may take a week or two. If the puncture closes at the top, you are likely to get an abscess.

•**Tick, flea and mite infestations:** Underground dens can be loaded with seed ticks, fleas and mange mites. Powder or wash your dog after it comes in from the field, and go over it carefully to remove all ticks. A few days later, do this again, as very small ticks that were invisible before are likely to be visible now.

•**Skunked above ground:** The dog may stink, but it will be all right in time as it was not underground. Nothing will completely get the smell of skunk out except time, but a new product helps a lot. "Nature's Miracle Skunk Odor Remover" really is a miracle. You will need a quart of this stuff for a terrier, but buy two just in case (about \$10 a bottle). The main ingredient is alcohol, but the important ingredient are various enzymes that break down the stink.

•**Coonhound paralysis:** Coonhound paralysis is an auto-immune sickness triggered by the dog's body reacting violently to a protein found in raccoon saliva. Symptoms will show up a few days after you return from the field. The most common reaction is for the dog to get weak in the hind legs and gradually become more paralyzed. The dog may also lose control of its bladder and experience some difficulty breathing. If it's coonhound paralysis, there's not much the vet can do, as antibiotics do not work since there is no pathogen associated with the disease -- it is simply an immune system response to raccoon saliva. Keep your dog bedded down inside with plenty of water, food and rest, and it will probably get better within the month.

All the above can be treated by your vet and also contact your vet if you have questions or concerns about the health of a pet.

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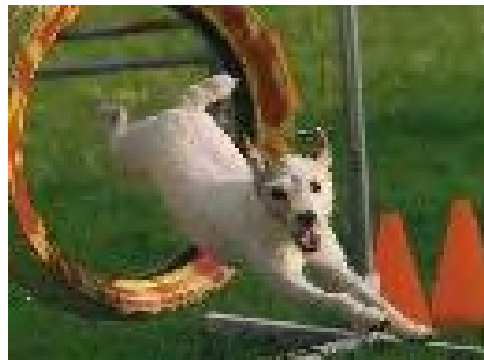
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