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Going To Ground

SCJRTC NEWSLETTER



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membership application

Prez Sez

To the Members of the SCJRTC:

We have had many changes in the past few months with key club members moving, and Board Members changing. The Board of Directors of the SCJRTC are working to organize future events and look forward to keeping you all "in the loop" as we re-organize.

We are looking forward to an open line of communication with our members so that we can get back to the roots of our club....working and playing with our Jack Russell's.

As of now our BOD is working on setting a date for a general meeting, we are also organizing our next Fun Day for December 8th & 9th at Feather Park in Anaheim (see additional info here in the newsletter). We will be sending out additional info about the club meeting in hopes of a high

attendance so that we can start planning for 2008. We look forward to hearing from you and hope to see you all in the near future!

~ Bree

By Bree Beery

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Each article is subject to editing for content, clarity, length and to comply with the JRTCA affiliate agreement.

SCJRTC RETURNS TO FEATHERLY PARK

We are returning to Featherly Park and Canyon RV. The last time the club was there, was in 2005 for the SCJRTC Fall Brawl Trial. This winter will be having a two day event at Featherly Park. There will be Racing, Go-to-Ground, Lunch and Prizes. There will also be a JRTCA State Rep there to

answer any questions you have about the breed & club. So come join the fun and meet the club.



SCJRTC Fun Day December 8&9, 2007

<u>at</u> <u>Featherly Regional Park</u> Canyon RV

> <u>In</u> Anaheim, CA

Only \$10 a dog to play all day!

We will be serving Hot Dogs! If want, bring a dish for a pot luck lunch!

Featherly Regional Park Canyon RV 24001 Santa Ana Canyon Rd. Anaheim 92802

Campground operated by Canyon RV, (714) 637-0210 - call for prices

Featherly Park is located in the heart of Santa Ana Canyon, approximately two miles west of the Orange County-Riverside County line. The Riverside Freeway (91) runs along the edge of the park. Visitors should exit on

Gypsum Canyon which leads directly to the park entrance

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NURSERY NEWS

PROMISED LAND RUSSELL RANCH

Has 2 male pups available. For more information contact Deanna at (760) 247-0326.

DIGGIN' WEST

Has a couple of young pups ready to go, for more information contact Dawn at (559) 664-0214.

SEAVIEW

Puppies and adults available. For more information contact Didi at (949) 497-2661

Keep Yourself and your Dog in Shape

When the trial season out here in the west is slow or there are no trials, you should try to keep yourself and your dogs in shape. You will notice I am not giving any dietary suggestions, that's because I am not qualified to do so and because I like to eat.

But with a good diet, you should always exercise to keep those un-wanted pounds off you and your dog. I always take my dogs for a walk or for a run, at least 1-2 times a week. When walking, I try to walk them 2-3 miles. When running, I keep it at about 2 miles. Why? Because I have bad knees. Walk or run at your own pace and distance. Don't worry, your dogs will keep up. Remember to have a sufficient amount of water for yourself and your dogs when exercising.

I also always try to add 1-3 days in the gym. Doing resistance training will also help keep you in shape for the trial season and for days in the field. In my workout, I add allot of back, shoulder, abdomen and leg exercises. Exercising and weight training will help you in the field when you have to dig your dog out of a set. Digging to my dogs this past spring in Maine was a pain, I was so out shape and could only dig for short periods of time. Keeping some sort of physical fitness would of helped allot in the field.

You do not have to walk, run or weight train as frequently as I do, I do it for my own benefit. Your dogs only need to go out with you 1-2 times a week to keep in shape. Of course, their metabolism is much faster than ours. But they will enjoy being out with you, and as everyone knows, Jacks love to run.

So stay fit and keep digging! Sam Hummel

Dear Editor of GTG

My human read to me the story of some mistreated terriers. Well, let me tell you about a day in the life of a Jack Russell "Princess."

The first thing in the a.m. my mom lets us outdoors. Of course, we all have to stay out for AT LEAST 10 minutes. I'm crying my eyes out because she won't let me back in - she said something about me leaving "tootsie rolls" when I come in too soon. I've told her that it's not ME - it's the other dogs. I NEVER do stuff like that. Then, she lets us in for breakfast - EVERYONE gets fed a decent meal EXCEPT ME (I'm always picked on) - my breakfast looks like a snack. Of course, I gobble it down in two bites and begin to sniff around for any crumbs that the other dogs have left. Honestly! she always feeds those other dogs well, but not ME I heard my mom's friends tell her that I'm too fat and I need to be put on a diet including lots of exercise. I wish they would mind their own business!

During the day, I go to my dad's office and just hang out with the rest of the OTHER dogs. It's humiliating to be considered as one of them. Of course, I have my special chair and never allow any of them to lay on it. My favorite thing to do is put all the "chewies" and "toys" in the chair and then growl and show my beautiful teeth at them for wanting one. Eventually, I feel sorry for them - so I take my nose and push a "chewie" on the floor - then, I turn my head and pretend not to notice - while one of them whisks it away. Those dogs think they are sooo smart - but it's really ME that's smart. THEY are clueless!

At the end of the day, we go home and play "chase the rat tail." The OTHERS go crazy about doing this silly game - they body slam and bark - get themselves all worked up and hot over something fake. I know the difference between a real race and this stupid game. ME - I just trot around in a big circle staying out of everyone's way and being careful not to work up a sweat - you know "princesses" should never have to sweat. I've been hit several times by the BIG JERK that lives with me. He thinks he's the only one out there and runs over me like a locomotive. I cry a bunch and limp around looking for sympathy and to be let back in the house. But no one falls for it...and I'm told to go back out there with the BIG JERK and those spoiled puppies. This is NOT my idea of fun....

Come dinner time, I get the same minuscule amount of kibble - and THEY get a good dinner. So, I've learned to beg - now, this is an art. I sit back from the table about 5 feet looking forlorn and starving and I've managed to squeeze up a tear in my eye (it's called THE LOOK). My human mom & dad are eating a delicious dinner - I know because I can smell it. I just sit quietly while the others are real close to them trying to out "woof" each other, in fact, the BIG JERK sometimes leaps on the table and tries to grab a morsel. Of course, he gets scolded and put in his crate - I snicker to myself - one down and two to go. Now, I jump onto the extra chair at the table and just sit there staring straight ahead with THE LOOK. This is the beginning of winning them over. The puppies have my humans in their paws. They are spoiled and get snacks all the time without any begging techniques, but I still sit there with THE LOOK. Eventually, my human dad feels sorry for me and gives me a piece of meat. It works every time - he's a pushover!

At bedtime, the OTHERS get put in their crates - AND they get a snack for being good dogs. ME, no way, I don't get anything, BUT I don't have to get in a crate - "princesses" don't have to do what the OTHERS do. I spend all night running up & down the hall making my collar jingle music, going in and out of my crate, jumping on the bed, licking & scratching, rooting my way under the covers and coming out when I get too hot, and barking at strange sounds - doing everything I can to let everyone know how special I am and how much fun it is NOT to be in a crate with the door shut. Finally, my mom gets upset and orders me in my crate - I oblige cuz' I can tell she's not happy. At 5:00 a.m. the alarm goes off, I jump out of my crate, go up on the bed and hide under the covers, hoping she won't find me - I won't answer to my name because I know she's mad and going to put me outside AGAIN - because one of THE OTHER DOGS left a "tootsie roll" in the den. You must believe that I'm an innocent bystander. It's probably the BIG JERK trying to frame me.......bet I get in a locked crate tonight unless I can win her over with THE LOOK.

Are there any other Jack's out there who have a rough life?

"HRH Cricket"



Jack's Corner.

I'm so howling happy that summer is just around the corner! There's nothing like the sun on your face and a warm breeze blowing on you as you stick your face out the car window!

And...enough of this rain. I don't mind wet paws. What I DO mind is having my paws wiped off EVERY time I come back in from the yard!

It's always important to understand one another better. So in this issue I thought you would like a few definitions (from the doggie point of view)

BARKING: Because you are a dog, you are expected to bark. So bark --- a lot. Your owners will be very happy to hear you protecting their house. Especially late at night while they are sleeping safely in their beds. There is no more secure feeling for a human than to keep waking up in the middle of the night and hearing your protective bark, bark, bark...

HOLES: Rather than digging a BIG hole in the middle of the yard and upsetting your human, dig a lot of smaller holes all over the yard so they won't notice. If you arrange a little pile of dirt on one side of each hole, maybe they'll think it's moles. There are never enough holes in the ground. Strive daily to do your part to help correct this problem.

NEWSPAPERS: If you have to go to the bathroom while playing in the front yard, always use the newspaper that's placed in the driveway every morning for that purpose.

Make no mistake ~ The following information is something we all understand in the same way but it's always good to have a reminder as we get into the summer months—

Don't leave your pets in the heat without shade. Keep our water dish shaded and don't ever leave us in the car without the windows rolled down so we can get our noses out for air. It takes just a few minutes for us to get heatstroke and die.

Thanks for taking care of your furry friends!

Woof woof Jacl

Common Misunderstandings, Misnomers, Mistakes and Falsities

By: Bree Beery – Owner of Pawsitive Principles Dog Training & Breezy Meadows JRT.

The dog world is full of opinions on how to do, what to do and why we do things. Look for the <u>TRUE</u> statements in our next issue of "Going To Ground".

The following statements are **NOT TRUE**:

- 1) The only way to get a dogs attention is to forcibly make him listen by jerking his neck.
- 2) You have to let your dog know whose boss and you do this by using the "alpha roll".
- 3) If your dog goes to the bathroom in the house while you are not looking, you should rub his nose in it.
- 4) Crate training is cruel
- 5) If your dog does not come when called, he is being stubborn and you should scold him and tell him he is a "bad dog". Next time he'll come.
- 6) A fat dog is a happy and healthy dog.
- 7) You should tell your dog "sit" as many times as it takes, then if he doesn't, you should push on him until he finally "submits". The same goes for teaching "down", "stay", and "come".
- 8) Tug-of-war makes all dogs aggressive.
- 9) Choke chains are the only way to teach a dog to walk on a leash, jerk continuously when training.
- 10) If your dog doesn't appear to hear you the first time, you should yell your commands and he will respond faster and understand more clearly.
- 11) My puppy is aggressive so I don't let him around other puppies.
- 12) If you use food to train your dog, you will always have to have treat in your pocket for the rest of the dogs' life or he will not pay attention.
- 13) You should let your female dog go through one heat cycle before spaying her.
- 14) He'll outgrow this shy/ aggressive stage with time all by himself.
- 15) Puppies can't learn until they are at least six months old.
- 16) Old dogs can't learn new tricks.
- 17) If I neuter my dog he will never be the same again.
- 18) I should feed my dog the amount that it recommends on the package
- 19) I should get my dog the biggest crate possible so he has more room to play
- 20) If I scold my dog when he is growling at another dog and pop the leash, he'll stop.

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- 12. **SMOOTH** *COAT*
- 13. **RAT**
- **14. LURE**
- 15. COURSE A LURE
- 16. **HURDLE** *RACING*
- 17. TREATS

K9 Iron Dogs Camp

On September 15th the SCJRTC was invited to the K9 Camps.com Iron Dogs Camp held in the San Bernardino Mountains. The camps are not affiliated with any club or registry. The camps are put on by an individual who has allot of love for dog sports of all kinds.

While there, we showed Earthdog owners how to start their dogs in Go-to-Ground using positive training methods. We did one-on-one training with the handlers and dogs using the clubs Go-to-Ground Tunnels, treats, clickers, and toys.

A special thanks to Rhonda Dunn, who showed up to assist and provided the rats for this training event.

We met several people who were very

interested in Go-to-Ground and supportive of the club. Most of the dogs at the camp were of the larger breeds and very few earth dog type or terriers. The breeds that attended our Go-to-Ground classes were 3 Silkies, 1 Cairn and 1 Westie. We also had our 2 JRT's and Rhonda had her 2 to help demonstrate how GTG was done.

Another thanks goes out to the camps organizer, Andrew M. After each of our scheduled classes, we were allowed to participate in the other activities. We listened to the guest speaker talk about clicker training and attempted fly ball with Cabela. She surprised me and did very well. They also had agility instructors, dog tricks, disc dogs and dancing with your dog. It is a 3 day weekend and they have camps all over the country. They are fun and full activities. If you want more info on the camps go to k9camps.com and email Andrew about next years camp.



Gracie on Bike Ride



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Remi in the field



Maxon



George and Remi racing

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