

NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the Dog Days of Summer!



Classes in August

Monday August 4, 11.

Agility Fun, 6:00-7:00 PM, \$15.

Monday, August 18, 25

Beginner Agility, 6:00-7:00 PM.

Monday, August 4, 11, 18, 25

Drop-in Obedience 7:00-8:00 PM at D Tails. \$7

Tuesday, August 5, 12, 19

Handling with Diana Chan, 6:00-7:00 PM. \$12

Thursday, August 7, 14, 21, 28

Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 PM.

New classes may be added. Check the calendar on our website at www.dtails.biz.





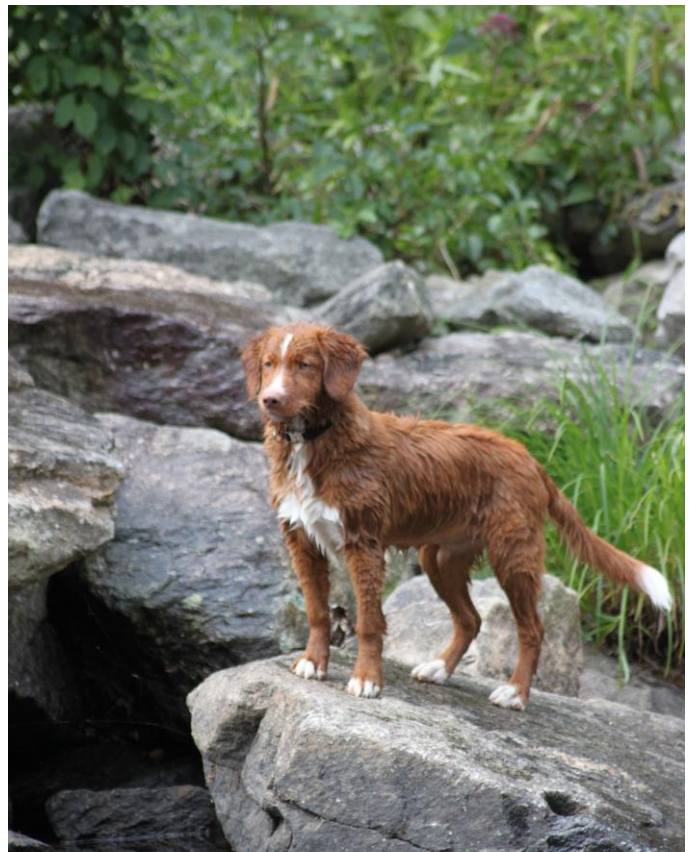
We would like to have an American Red Cross Dog first Aid class in the fall. The class would have to be on a Saturday or Sunday. So far, we only have one person who responded that they would be interested. We need at least 6 people to hold the class. If you are interested, please email at mantha465@aol.com. For information on the class, click here:

<http://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/program-highlights/cpr-first-aid/wilderness-sports-pets>

One of the many lessons you will learn about in the Red Cross pet class is what to do in the event of a snake bite. First and foremost, you should familiarize yourself with the snakes in your area. For CT, go to <http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2723&q=325782>; it is a comprehensive guide to our snakes. Then, take the proper steps to avoid any run-ins with snakes. On-leash dogs walking on well-marked trails have less of a likelihood of meeting a snake. If your dog is bitten by a venomous snake, find the puncture wounds, keep the dog lying down and calm, and rush to the nearest vet. Tourniquets and sucking out the venom are not recommended, because if done incorrectly, they could inflict more harm and waste precious time. Never attempt to pick up the snake, even if you think it might be dead. You too, could be bitten. If you kill the snake, know that some are on the endangered species list, and that could get you a fine. Even if your dog has been bitten by a non-venomous species, it is still recommended that you note the type of snake and take your dog to the vet. The bite wound might get infected and require antibiotics.



**Wish Channel luck!
Channel will start to
show and earn points
towards his
championship in
September. Even wet,
he is quite the
handsome boy, and we
think he will do very
well!**



A Great Way to Support Puppy Up/2MillionDogs

Although we are in the throes of the dog days of summer, it's never too late to think about the Shoreline Puppy Up-2 Million Dogs walk for cancer research. The walk is on November 9, 2014, but you can help now, just by walking your dog! All you need to do is download the free WoofTrax Android or iPhone app and press the "Start Walking for..." button when you take your dog for a walk. The app will keep track of the distance you walk and for every mile, WoofTrax will donate to the Puppy Up Foundation. It's that simple! Click [here](#) to install this free app that's great for you, your dog, and Puppy Up.



Also, Puppy Up-2 Million Dogs has extended the deadline for their 2015 "Cancer Can't Keep A Good Dog Down" calendar until September 7, 2014. For more information or to enter, click the link.

<http://www.2milliondogs.org/calendar-contest/>

