

NEWSLETTER



Petco Unleashed: Selfie stick for dogs! Catching a good side will be no problem now!

April Fools!

We aren't the only ones who think jokes are funny! Here's an article from Dog Time that has some of the best April Fools Day pranks involving dogs! <http://dogtime.com/dog-health/general/21374-april-fools-day-pets-prank-roundup-2015>



April Classes

Monday
Drop-in Obedience, 7:00-8:00 PM.

Tuesday
Handling, 6:00-7:00 PM. April 4th, 11th, 18th. Please check the calendar for individual handlers.

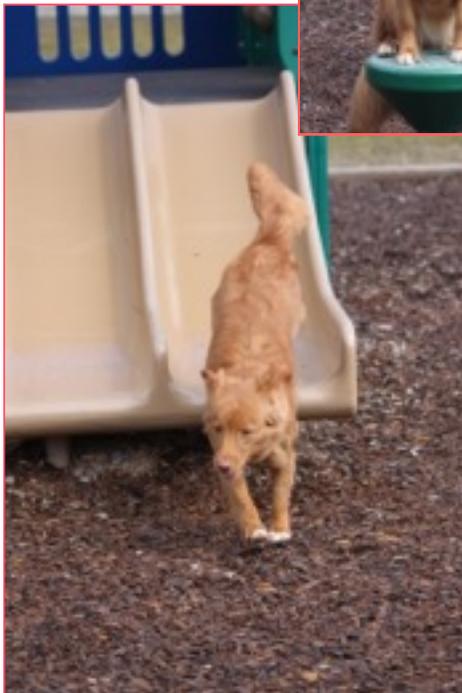
Beginner Obedience, 7:00-8:00 PM. *This is a new class. You still have time to register for the class. Call Donna at D Tails or go to www.dtails.biz to register!*

Wednesday
Tricks, 6:30 PM. April 12th only.

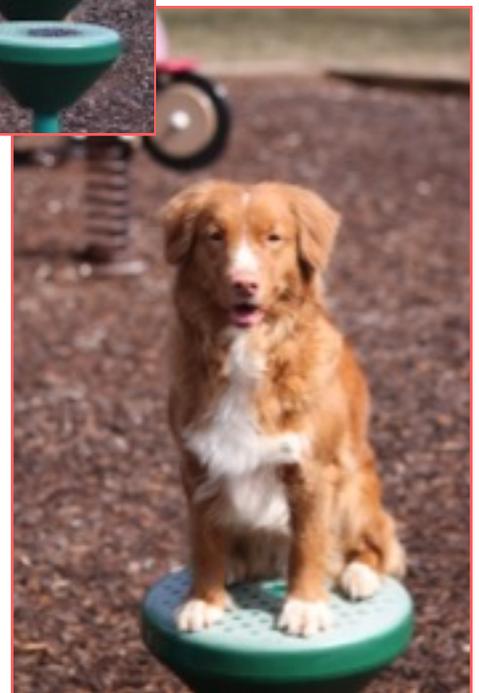
Thursday
Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 PM.
Beginner Obedience, 7:00-8:00 PM. April 6th, and 13th.

A FUN SPRING ACTIVITY FOR YOU AND YOUR DOG

Spring has finally arrived, so it's time for you and your dog to have some quality time outside together. It's great to exercise your dog with classes, hikes, and walks, but have you ever thought of a playground? When we adopted our dog, my children were 8 and 12. They were growing out of their amazing play structure we had built. When we brought Macy into our home, she breathed new life into that play set. The kids taught her how to jump the levels, climb a ladder and go down the slides. Macy loved to dig in the sand box too! I thought it was just Macy, but when we had dog friends over, they played on the play set too. If you have your own play set, great! Teach your dog to have fun on it. If you don't, there are a number of playgrounds in our towns where you both can have fun. Spring is a great time, because the weather is normally a little volatile. If it's a little chilly, gray, or cool, the playgrounds are usually empty. When children aren't present is the perfect time for you and your pup to try out new things like slides, ramps, swings, and turnstiles. Just remember, if children do come, leash your dog and move on. After all, the playgrounds were built for the kids.



Cay,
Channel, and
Tukka had fun at the
playground too!



FAUX Fur BALL



On April 8 from 10:00-11:30 AM, VIP Petcare Clinic will be at Old Saybrook Pet Valu to offer affordable, preventative veterinary care. No appointment is needed!



Psychology Today published an excellent article about the behavior differences between purebred and mixed breed dogs. We love them both!
<https://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/canine-corner/201703/do-purebred-and-mixed-breed-dogs-show-behavior-differences>

The Humane Society is hosting its annual Faux Fur Ball on Saturday, April 22 from 6-10 PM at The Hilton in Mystic. Last year, \$33,000 was raised for shelter pets who were in need of medical treatment. While your dog cannot attend with you, there is delicious food, complimentary wine and beer, silent and live auctions, music, a photo booth and prize drawings to enjoy. Tickets to attend can be purchased here: <https://www.kintera.org/faf/Gala/FCReg.asp?ievent=1169313&lis=1&kntae1169313=9C4C7EA7A4D54B7C9427C126ABD9BD9E>

In honor of Pet First Aid Awareness Month in April, The American Red Cross has released a Pet First Aid App for iPhone and Android users that provides owners with information to care for their pet in an emergency while waiting for veterinary assistance. It isn't only for step by step instructions either! The app tells you where the nearest emergency facility is for your pet, early warning signs, and how to include your pet in emergency plans. The app is fully customizable, allowing you to store your pet's tag ID numbers and medical information.

EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA



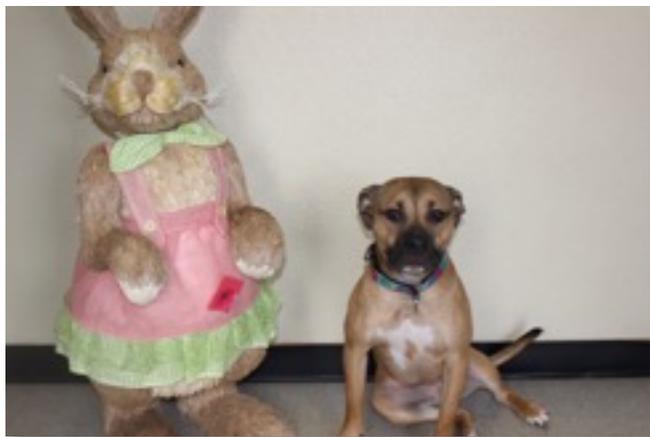
Old Saybrook Pet Valu will also be hosting an All-Day Easter Extravaganza on April 15! Bring your fur (and human) child down and enjoy Easter photos, egg hunts, games, and so much more! This is a great event for child-pup bonding!

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COME JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL EASTER PARADE AND EGG HUNT
Saturday April 15th
10:30am-11:30am

Join us for some fun activities:

- We will first parade around the mall. Costumes are welcome and encouraged!
- Afterwards Petsense will host an Easter egg hunt with prizes for humans and pooches.



Daisy says, "I am only doing this for the cookie!"



Maizey is asking for something extra this Easter!