

D Tails Monthly Ruff

April 2018

NEWSLETTER



Bunnies Cay, Tukka, and Channel

Happy Passover

Happy Easter

April Fool's

Celebrate Earth Day!

April Classes

Monday

Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 p.m. **No Class on April 30th.**

Drop-In Obedience, 7:00-8:00 p.m. **No Class on April 30th.**

Tuesday

Handling, 6:00-7:00 p.m., **No Class on April 24th.** Please check calendar on our website for individual handlers.

Beginner Obedience, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Nosework, 6:00-7:00 p.m. **No class on April 11th, last class TBD.**

Nosework, 7:00-8:00 p.m. **No class on April 11th, last class TBD.**

Thursday **New Classes Begin April 12th! Call D Tails to register!**

Beginner Agility, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Beginner Obedience, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

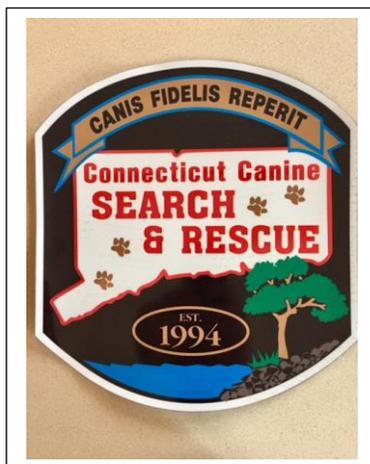
GOOD NEWS!

Tukka has earned her AKC Champion status, now onto Grand! Congratulations!

On April 7 and 8, Tukka will be participating in 4 fast cat tests. The FCT is a timed 100-yard dash for dogs. The dogs run singularly and are timed. Their times are then converted to mph. A handicap system determined by the height of the dog is applied to mph to determine points. Titles are based on points earned. The fastest Toller runs 29.1 mph! Good luck, Tukka.



More good news. Beth and Blitz passed the second part of their search and rescue certification! It was an awful, cold and rainy day, and Blitz passed with flying colors. They are now an official search and rescue team.



Earth Day is April 22

What can you do to help our planet? Can one person make a difference? Meet Eliot Jordan, who cleans beaches of rope and debris and then repurposes what she finds. When Eliot lived in Winthrop, MA, she walked the beaches with her dogs and could not believe the amount of trash she saw. She picked up what she could each day. After a winter storm, there was so much rope and debris that Eliot decided to upcycle the rope and driftwood she found. Eliot handcrafts leashes and collars herself, some of which are hand-dyed in small batches. Each creation comes with a tag which states the beach where it was found. Eliot and her pups clean the beaches from Connecticut to Maine. Right now, Eliot is on her third trip to Cat Island, Bahamas to clean up there!

You can find Eliot's creations at www.washashorestore.com, her FB page <https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=washashore%20store>, and at pet boutiques and pet fairs in Connecticut and Massachusetts. She currently has merchandise at Petsy at the Clinton Crossings outlets.

How you can help:

- Always clean up after your dog and dispose properly.
- When you go for a walk or hike, bring a bag to collect any trash you find.
- Keep your dog leashed and on trails when required.
- Every little bit helps our planet.



Photos, thanks to Eliot, top to bottom, Eliot with netting found on Cat Island, Her dog, Ember, with rope from MA, Wash Ashore Store display at Petsy, Eliot's car filled with debris from a Block Island clean up.

Heads and Tails

Ever have an Easter egg hunt for your dog? I bet all the dogs taking D Tails' Nosework class would do very well! All you need to do is fill plastic eggs with yummy dog treats and place in the yard. If it's your dog's first ever egg hunt, don't hide the eggs too well. Let your pup out and watch them have a great time, just like these three huskies did last Easter:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OMirXpuCwQO>

And, if you would like to get your dog into nosework, D Tails will be adding new classes sometime in May.



Join Bass Pro Shops in Bridgeport on April 7, 11-3, for this fun family event. There is a free give away for the first 100 dogs. There are contests, demonstrations, and vendors. You can find more information here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1240989169337830/>

Like pizza and want to support Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter? This event might be for you. Come to Crust Brewery on April 29 and join the pizza-eating fun! More information here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1183270031776688/>

Join the Glastonbury Dog Park *After Easter Egg Hunt* on Saturday, April 7 from 10-11:30. They will have 6000 eggs filled with treats for you (as in coupons and gift certificates) and your dog! This event is held rain or shine.

Check the link for more information: <http://www.glastonbury-ct.gov/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/23145/18?curm=4&cury=2018>

Don't forget *Sgt. Stubby: An American Hero* comes out on April 12th.

