D Tails Monthly Ruff September 2020 NEWSLETTER



It's Back to School time and Tukka, Channel, and Zaya are all ready! DTails will be closed on Labor Day, September 7th. However, D Tails will be opening again on Fridays, on a trial basis. Please reserve well in advance for our first Friday, September 11th, so we can determine staff and customer needs. Also, many of our customers, whom we have not seen in an awfully long time, have days remaining on their passes. We miss you!

September Classes

Monday

Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 pm. New class begins September 21st. You still have time to register for this class. You may call DTails or register online.

Beyond Basic Obedience, 7:00-8:00 pm. An entirely new class to keep your pups engaged and improving their skills. Beyond Basic Obedience will target a different area of training each week. The topic of concentration will be announced on Facebook a week prior to the class. On 9/21/20 the topic is loose leash heeling and off leash heeling. We hope that many of our former students will join us for these sessions. Remember, training does not end at 8 weeks!

Beginner Obedience #8, 6:00-7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 8th. This is a make-up class for Labor Day.

Tuesday

Handling, 6:00-7:00 pm. Classes will be September 1, 15, & 29. See calendar for individual instructors. Beginner Obedience, 7:00-8:00 pm.

Wednesday

Competition Nosework, 6:00-7:00 pm.

ARE YOU READY FOR THE NEXT STORM?

Back to School in our area also coincides with the height of hurricane season. We have already experienced a tropical storm and right now, there are four more potential named storms being watched closely. To top it all off, we are still in the throes of a global pandemic. Scary stuff, but we can help by being prepared. The only good thing about hurricanes, is we usually have advance notice. It is always a good idea to have an evacuation plan, where you will go if you need to leave your home, especially if you have pets. Many towns will allow pets at their emergency center, but they will be in a separate room and crated. Make certain that you have enough food and water for your pets for at least two weeks, leashes, crates, food and water bowls, blankets, toys, vet records, and most importantly that they are wearing a collar with up to date information. If your pet is not micro-chipped, now is a good time to consider it. If you must let your dogs out during severe weather, use a leash, even in your vard. Limit your time outside and stay away from any trees and downed wires. Unfortunately, we have seen that these storms are also spawning tornadoes. Not usually common for our area, but they have been on the rise. If there is a tornado watch, be prepared to take cover, if it is a warning, that means a tornado has been sited and could touch down. Most towns here do not have a tornado siren as they do in the south and west, make sure you have access to emergency alerts that text to your phone. During a tornado, you and your pets are safest in an inner room on your lowest floor that does not have windows. Here are two links with helpful and detailed information.

https://www.cdc.gov/healthypets/emergencies/index.html

https://www.ready.gov/tornadoes?gclid=CjoKCQjwv7L6BRDxARIsAGj-34r5aqxSYCF8tpxfFPJKIIlmloyp7N-CFqVtjQQ4GWnQYoKbjiJoL1UaAmagEALw_wcB





Channel and Tukka are feeling the wind, but Zaya is unconcerned!

In the News...

On September 12 and 13, 6 teams from the Competitive Nosework class will be competing for titles at various degrees of difficulty. We wish them all many wins for new titles and with some words from those who know, "trust your dogs!"

Heads and Tails

The Chester Dog Fair is still happening this year on September 19th. There will be vendors and a doggy lure course. You will need to buy tickets in advance for the fair and the lure course so the crowds can be managed. You can find all the pertinent information here:

https://www.facebook.com/chesterdogfair/

The Puppy Up Shoreline walk has been rescheduled for Spring 2021, but you can help now. They have extended their Pampered Chef Puppy fundraiser until September 9th. More info:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/3 39627953686024

Have you joined the TIKTOK craze? Well there are a ton of fun dog videos to enjoy. Check it out. (about 7:35 there is a curse word.)

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=97BWVwvzvnw



Branford on the Green's Woofstock will be held virtually this year. They are just putting this together so follow Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter on FB for current updates.

https://www.facebook.com/dan cosgroveanimalshelter/posts/34 19432384761754

They do need donations for raffle items.

Here is an interesting article from *Modern Dog Magazine* about genetic behaviors specific to different dog breeds.

https://moderndogmagazine.com/art icles/how-much-your-dog-sbehaviour-

genetic/127458?utm_source=Moder n+Dog+Enewsletter&utm_campaign =297d737e5b-

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86045969&mc_cid=297d737e5b&mc _eid=690f00c2f1

If you love dogs and desserts, and dogs named after those desserts, this is the book for you. Joe Gratto, of *Impractical Jokers* fame, wrote this book while quarantined on Long Island about his 8 dogs and all things growing up Italian.

https://www.nydailynews.com/snyde/ny-joe-gatto-impractical-jokers-book-8-dogs-quarantine-20200826-vo6j4nx5rvhsheiiiwxrqagofe-story.html