

# **PHOENIX FIELD & OBEDIENCE CLUB NEWS \* SEPTEMBER 2019**

# **PFOC Board**

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### PFOC Board Meetings (7 pm)

September 13, October 11, November 8 (tentative), December 7 (holiday party), January 10, February 7, March 13, April 10, May 8, June 12

# **PFOC General Meetings**

Sept. 27 - Time: 7:30 pm Location: North Mountain Visitor Center, 12950 N. 7th St., Phoenix Program to be announced.

Dec. 7 -PFOC Holiday Party & General Meeting - Location undecided

Jan. 10- PFOC General Meeting 7:30 pm Location: North Mountain Visitor Center, 12950 N. 7th St., Phoenix

Mar.20- PFOC General Meeting 7:30 pm Location: North Mountain Visitor Center, 12950 N. 7th St., Phoenix

May 15 -PFOC General Meeting 7:30 pm Location: North Mountain Visitor Center, 12950 N. 7th St., Phoenix

June 20 - PFOC Awards Banquet & Annual Meeting

# change of address

Please note that **<u>Bruce Nelson</u>** has new address: 6775 W. Happy Valley Road, Apt. 114, Peoria, AZ, 85383



When does class start? New Date and Location for PFOC Training Classes PFOC training classes will be moving back to Encanto Park this fall. *However, due to scheduling problems, the new session will not start until November 11th*. More information on available classes and registration can be found on the PFOC website. (PFOC.CLUB) PFOC needs addition instructors and assistants for all classes. Contact Training director Marilyn Bennett to help.

# New Rally Reference Guide Available

Judge Ruthann McCaulley has published a revised and updated version of "Rally All Around-The Complete Guide to Rally Obedience". More information about the publication is available on her website.

# Find AKC Events at event search

AKC.org Event search Companion events Obedience & rally State AZ Retrieve events





#### How to Treat (and Possibly Save!) An OverheatedDog

https://www.dogingtonpost.com/how-to-treat-andpossibly-save-overheated-dog/

By Brandy Arnold Posted on Jun 28, 2019

Would you know what to do to potentially save the life of an overheated dog? The immediate steps taken could mean the difference between life and death.

Dogs, in general, are intolerant of too much heat. Because of this, it is crucial that you're aware of the signs of heat stress or heat stroke, and how to treat them if they occur. Knowing exactly what to do when your pooch gets overheated, and immediate action can save his life.

#### A Brief Overview

Heatstroke normally happens when a dog loses his innate ability to regulate his body temperature. Dogs do not sweat all over their bodies the way humans do. Their body temperature is chiefly regulated by respiration such as panting. If a pooch's respiratory tract fails to clear heat quickly enough, heatstroke may take place.

If an animal experiences heatstroke, you may notice hyperventilation, excessive panting, dry gums that become pale, increased salivation, erratic or rapid pulse, confusion, weakness, diarrhea, vomiting, and possibly rectal bleeding. If the dog continues overheating, his breathing efforts will become slow, or worse, absent. This in turn can lead to seizure or coma.

To prevent overheating during the hot summer months, make sure your pet has a shaded, breezy place to rest, away from direct sunlight. Always provide plenty of fresh, cool drinking water. And, don't push your dog too hard to play or work – give him plenty of breaks throughout the day. Better yet, bring them inside! The following guidelines will help, should your dog become overheated:

#### Treatment Guidelines

Because overheating can be life-threatening if not treated immediately, noticing the early signs of heat exhaustion will reduce the chances of canine heatstroke and death.

1. Watch your pooch for signs of overheating during the hot weather. Dogs having difficulty with hot temperatures exhibit a combination of the symptoms mentioned above (hyperventilation, excessive panting, dry gums that become pale, increased salivation, erratic or rapid pulse, confusion, weakness, diarrhea, vomiting, and possibly rectal bleeding). Once you notice these signs, move your pet to a cooler area immediately, preferably with a fan. Dogs with heavy fur coats and short muzzles tend to manifest signs sooner than other breeds.

2. Use a rectal thermometer, <u>take your pet's</u> <u>temperature</u>. A dog's normal body temperature is 101.5 degrees Fahrenheit. Moderate heating usually happens at around 103 to 106 degrees, while severe heating typically occurs beyond 106 degrees. Contact your vet or the nearest emergency center and then report your dog's temperature along with the symptoms he is exhibiting.

3. Reduce your pooch's temperature by putting cool wet towels over his neck, under his armpits, and between his hind legs. Wetting his ear flaps and paw pads using cool water is also advisable. If you are outdoors, a stream or pond can be used to help him cool down.

4. Give your dog fresh cool drinking water. Never force water into his mouth as he may likely suck it out into his lungs. If your pooch refuses to drink, try wetting his tongue with the water instead. Do not offer ice to a dog experiencing heatstroke. If eaten, ice can cool his core body temperature too quickly, shocking his system.

5. Finally, transport your overheated pooch to your vet. Call ahead so he can be alerted to prepare for your dog's treatment. Your pet may have to receive oxygen, some fluids, and other treatments. With severe overheating, seizure and or cardiac arrest may occur.

# Arizona - Fun Matches & AKC Trials

#### More info found at PFOC.CLUB & AKC sports & events, event search,

State, etc. \*This calendar is provided as a courtesy to the dog community and is not inclusive of all events available.

September 15, 2019 Obedience & Rally match Location: Mohave County Fairgrounds, Kingman

September 20-21 Prescott KC-<u>closed</u> Location: Prescott Valley Superintendent: Onofrio Dog Shows

September 28 Arizona White Mountain KC-<u>closed</u> Location: Show Low Superintendent: BaRay Event Services

September 28 Desert Dog Obedience Show & Go Match Obedience & Rally Location: Ahwatukee Swim & Tennis Park, Phoenix

October 12 Verde Valley Dog Obedience & Agility Club Octoberfest mock obedience trial Location: Cottonwood Information: <u>verdevalleyagilityclub.com</u>

October 12-13 United States Australian Shepherd Association Obedience & Rally trials Location: Ahwatukee Swim & Tennis Park, Phoenix

October 20 <u>fun match</u> Papago Labrador Retriever Club Obedience, Rally, CGC, Sporting dog conformation Location: Paradise Valley Park, Phoenix

October 20 Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club of Central AZ OFA Health Clinic Location: Applewood Animal Hospital, Paradise Valley

November 2-3 Old Pueblo Dog Training Club Obedience & Rally trials Location: Tucson

November 8-9 Canada Del Oro KC Location: Tucson Superintendent: Onofrio Dog Shows November 10-11 Madera Canyon KC Location: Tucson Superintendent: Onofrio Dog Shows

November 11 PFOC training classes begin

November 15-16 Tucson KC Location: Tucson Superintendent: Jack Bradshaw Dog Shows

November 17-18 Greater Sierra Vista KC Location: Tucson Superintendent: Jack Bradshaw Dog Shows

November 22-23 Scottsdale Dog Fanciers Association Location: Chandler Superintendent: Onofrio Dog Shows

November 24-25 Arrowhead KC Location: Chandler Superintendent: Onofrio Dog Shows

November 30-Dec. 01 Yuma KC. & Imperial Valley, AZ Superintendent Jack Bradshaw Dog Shows

# 2020 Events

January 4 – <u>FUN MATCH</u> Phoenix Field & Obedience Club Location: Paradise Valley Park, Phoenix

January 18-19 Phoenix Field & Obedience Club <u>Obedience and Rally trials</u> Location: Paradise Valley Park, Phoenix Contact Cindy Blair to make <u>trophy donations</u>

January 25-26 Kachina KC trials Location: Surprise

Jan. 30 Papago Lab. Retriever Club of Greater Phoenix

Jan. 31-Feb. 1 Sahuaro State KC