

April 2016

Heel And Sit News

NEWSLETTER OF THE GREAT SALT LAKE DOG TRAINING CLUB

What's Happening.....

Training Classes

All current training classes are full!

If you missed the April 6th sign up the next sign up is May 4th. Conformation classes start April 13th at 7:45 pm No sign up, it's a drop in class and cost \$5.00 per class.



General Meeting

We will be attending the Salt Lake County Town Hall Meeting regarding the future of the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park and Events Center as a club instead of having our normal General meeting at the Columbus Center. Please see page 2/3 for more information and plan on attending with us.

The Club Needs Volunteers

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Zika Virus and Animals

Great article on page 7/8

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We COULD be losing our May Show site in South Jordan at the SLC Equestrian Park, we would like to join together with the Equestrian Park Coalition and other dog clubs to voice our support for keeping it.

Therefore we will not be holding our normal General Meeting on April 25th at the Columbus Center, instead we ask all to join us at the SLC Equestrian Center for the town meeting.

Plan to attend

Salt Lake County Town Hall Public Meeting Monday April 25, 2016, 6:30 pm in the Indoor Arena, Salt Lake County Equestrian Park and Events Center, 11400 So 2200 West, South Jordan UT.

Salt Lake County is conducting a facilities study of the Equestrian Park in South Jordan.

The study plans to review, although is not limited to the following scenarios:

- 1. Maintain the Equestrian Park and its service operation as-is.**
- 2. Reduce the service offerings at the Equestrian Park.**
- 3. Increase the service offerings at the Equestrian Park.**
- 4. Convert the land into a regional park. This review considers re-purposing much of the Park from an equestrian use to one of field sports use.**

(Directly quoted from the letter sent out by Salt Lake County Parks & Rec. in response to an article in the Salt Lake Tribune published Nov 13, 2015 – Group agrees on need to preserve Utah State Fair, spruce up fairgrounds)

The Equestrian Park Coalition has been formed to protect and preserve the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park and Events Center.

Mission

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To protect and enhance the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park and Events Center for all user groups, by educating, mobilizing, and developing the resources to creating lasting solutions.

Purpose

The Equestrian Park Coalition strives to protect and enhance the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park to:

Protect, improve and revitalize the Equestrian Park in its current location.

Educate user groups, the public and elected officials about the usage, successes, issues, and solutions to enhance future growth.

Support & Strengthen local businesses and the growing equestrian industry.

Goals

Bring together all Venue users and positively impact The Salt Lake County Mayor and Council's understanding of the facilities need to stay an equine and events center at its current location.

Obtain and invest additional County funding for improvements to make it a premier equestrian and events facility that the County and community citizens can be very proud of.

Gain long term support from Salt Lake County Mayor, Council and Parks & Recreation.

Improve management to include people with an understanding and commitment to equestrian facility and event needs - citizens who are knowledgeable and passionate about wanting the facility to succeed.

Seek out and obtain large regional and national equestrian events to improve revenue

Seek long-term advocacy with S L County for future management and expansion.

Please contact council and voice your support to preserve and enhance the Equestrian Park Elected Official's Contact Info:

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See our website for more information www.EquestrianParkCoalition.com

The GSLDTC Needs YOU!!!!



As you know each year the GSLDTC supports and helps the Intermountain Kennel Club and the Utah Valley Kennel Club by supplying ring stewards for the Obedience and Rally rings at the Beehive Cluster held this year May 5 through May 8th. And each year we ask YOU, our members to volunteer any time you can, whether just a few hours on 1 or all 4 days, or a full/half day here and there. The clubs do pay the volunteers \$30.00 per day plus a free lunch.

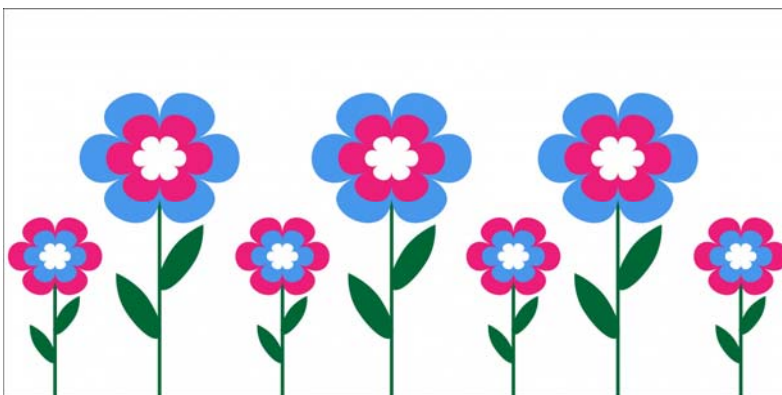
So if anyone can help us out, we need stewards for Obedience and Rally rings, Thursday May 5th through Sunday May 8th. The time would be approximately 7:30 am to 2:30 pm (or anytime in between you can spare). Please contact Donna Smith at karyonwesties@q.com or Penny Morrison at pennlcm@yahoo.com

Also.... each year the IKC has been short handed on stewards for the Conformation rings. So they have asked if we would also help them out in that area. If you would like more information, please contact Wendy McCleery at info@gsldtc.com

To be a steward for ANY of the above is not hard and you need no special training. You will gain knowledge on how rings are run, how cool the judges are and how much FUN the exhibitors have.

So PLEASE give us some of your time.

Thank you!



We are also looking for sponsors for our trophies during the Sept Trials.

Sponsorships are \$10.00 per class per day. You can sponsor 1, 2 or all 3 days. Please email Catherine, mcbride.catherine@gmail.com with your questions or sponsorship, be sure to include your mailing address.

Proposed Board Meeting Minutes of March 2016

Great Salt Lake Dog Training Club Mar 21, 2016 Board Meeting

Attendance:

Board Members: Wendy & Jeff McCleery, Donna Smith, Judy Campbell, Tom McLelland, George & Dorathy Hart, Irene Lokcik, Mark Kuhn, Michelle Larsen, Kathleen Jones, Darlana Quinn, Stephanie Evans

Excused: Christine Wright, Jeanne Rankin, Catherine Beattie, Penny Morrison

Guests: Linda McLelland

Meeting brought to order @ 7:36 pm

Minutes of Feb Board Meeting, Wendy 1st, Mark 2nd, no opposed Minutes approved as written.

President's Report:

Thanked Wendy & Jeff for keeping on top of the Armory construction so we could start classes again.

Executive Secretary's Report:

Judges for Sept trial all approved by AKC. Thinking on 2017 judges.

Home Secretary Report:

Directories completed

Treasurer's Report

Everything is paid to date.



Vice President's Report:

Guest speaker for March will be Dr. Lynnette speaking on Pet Emergencies.

April will be Havoc K9, In discussions with Intermountain Therapy Animals regarding their READ program, hoping to have them scheduled soon.

If anyone has ANY suggestions, topics or persons they would like to see speak/present at any of our General Meetings, Please contact Kathleen Jones at jonessandk@msn.com

Show Report:

Nothing until Sept

Training Report:

Held a sign up March 16th for classes to start March 23. Next class sign up will be April 6th.

Hospitality:

Kathleen will bring cookies for the March General Meeting.

Trophy Report:

Need ideas for the Sept Trophies. Want the trophy sponsorship added to the newsletter.

Committees:

Advertising – Website updated.

Agility – Classes start in April

Obedience – Still need a few more stewards for the May shows

Rally –Ditto on above.

Tracking – VST will be held Oct 2nd



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Old Business: Need to read over the current Ins policy. Also Beehive Cluster has asked us if we could help them with conformation ring stewards for the May shows. We will be requesting from membership any volunteers.

New Business: None

Next Board Meeting: April 18, 2016 at Tom McLelland's - 7:30 pm

Next General Meeting: March 28, 2016 @ Columbus Center - 7:00 pm

Motion made to adjourn Michelle 1st – Mark 2nd

Meeting ended at 8:25 pm



Proposed General Meeting Minutes of March 2016

Great Salt Lake Dog Training Club General Meeting March 28, 2016

Member Attendance:, Michelle Larsen, Tom & Linda McLelland, Donna & Jack Smith, Rich & Irene Lokcik, Sean & Kathleen Jones, Wendy & Jeff McCleery, George Hart, Mark Kuhn, Penny Morrison, Lance Matticks, Christine Wright, Catherine Beattie, Dottie Briggs

Board Members Excused: Jeanne Rankin, Dorathy Hart, Darlana Quinn, Judy Campbell, Stephanie Evans

Guests: Chris White, Charlotte Morrison, Von Seils, Keith Lee

Meeting to order 7:03 pm

General Meeting minutes for Feb 2016 accepted as submitted. Kathleen 1st, Sean 2nd, All in favor.

President's Report:

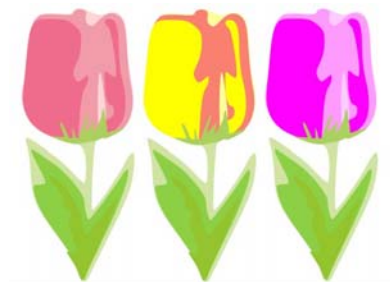
So happy we are back to training!

Executive Secretary's Report:

Nothing at this time - Absent

Home Secretary's Report:

Absent – Voted in 1 new member.



A note to all New & current members: You can find a copy of the clubs Constitution and By Laws, along with all meeting minutes on the clubs website @ <http://gslidtc.com/> under "Members Page".

Treasurer's Report

Everything is paid to date,

Vice President's Report:

Sent cards to folks who had deaths or dogs pass. Dr. Lynnette is here to speak on pet emergencies. April will be Havoc K9's and May will be Intermountain Therapy Animals and their READ program.

If anyone has ANY suggestions, topics or persons they would like to see speak/present at any of our General Meetings, Please contact Kathleen Jones at jonessandk@msn.com

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Show Report:

There is a meeting in April about the West Jordan Equestrian Center, where the May shows are held.

Training Report:

Next sign up is April 6th. We need good weather every Wed!

Hospitality:

Thank you to Kathleen & Sean for this months treats. Penny Morrison will bring cookies in April.

Trophy Report:

Gardening items for the Sept Trial Trophies.

Committees:

Advertising – Website up to date.

Agility – Agility sign ups start in April

Obedience – Requesting volunteers for stewards for the May shows. Obedience needs 5 to 8 per day

Rally – Ditto on above – Rally needs 4 to 5 per day

Tracking – Get tracking and enter the trials!

TDX test will be held April 24. May 1 will be a combined TD test hosted by the Harrier and Sussex clubs. May 15 will be our TD test. Both the clubs TDX and TD tests ARE open to ALL breeds including Canine Partners.

Old Business: Nothing

New Business: April 25th at 6:30 pm there is a meeting regarding the Equestrian Center with the County. Motion was made to go to the meeting as our General Meeting. Michelle 1st, Christine 2nd, no opposed, Motion passed. We will ask Havoc K9 to reschedule for June.

Next Board Meeting: April 18, 2016 at Tom McLelland's – 7:30 pm

Next General Meeting: April 25, 2016 – Columbus Center – 7:00 pm

Jack motioned and Sean 2nd for meeting to adjourn. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Minutes by Wendy McCleery

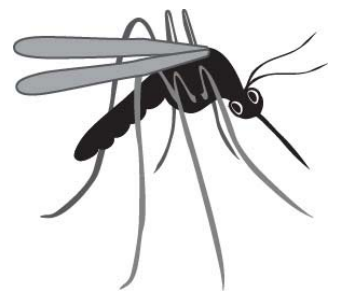


Zika Virus and Animals

Posted By J. Scott Weese
In [Canine Health Learn!](#)

I've been getting a lot of questions about Zika virus and animals. It's great to see that people are thinking more broadly about infectious diseases (but it isn't doing much for my productivity this week). To recap, Zika virus is a mosquito-borne virus related to West Nile virus and dengue virus. Most people that are infected don't get sick at all, and when they do, they usually get only mild signs of illness that resolve on their own. In the past few years, Zika virus has emerged in the Americas, particularly Brazil. Very recently, a link (still unproven) between infection of pregnant women and birth defects (babies born with small heads and brains [microcephaly]) has been reported, predominantly in Brazil.

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Can animals get infected with Zika virus?

- It depends on what you include in “animals.” We could be technical and say that humans are animals.
- Beyond that, non-human primates are susceptible. Zika was first identified in 1947 when yellow fever researchers working in the Zika forest in Uganda stumbled onto it. They had a macaque in a cage and it developed a febrile illness from something that was transmissible. The virus was described as Zika virus in 1952 and then found in people a couple of years later.

But can domestic animals get infected with Zika virus?

- Again, we need to think about the question. Infected means they get exposed to the virus and it replicates in the body. That may occur, but we don’t have any evidence of it at this point.
- The more relevant question is whether animals can get sick from Zika virus exposure, and there’s also no evidence of that to date.
- A third aspect is whether infected (but potentially healthy) animals could be a reservoir for the virus, being able to pass it on to mosquitoes. There’s no evidence of that, either.

So, the clearest answer is probably “maybe.” When it was a flu-like illness confined to some regions in Africa, Zika wasn’t a high priority so research hasn’t been extensive. The risk to pets in areas where the virus is circulating (areas where there are *Aedes egypiti* and *Aedes albopictus* mosquitoes) is probably very low. It would be good to look into the risks associated with domestic animals, including their susceptibility to disease and potential roles as reservoirs, but the likelihood that there is a relevant issue with either of these is probably remote.

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(Editor’s Note)

Preventing Mosquitoes

Zika is not the only danger carried by mosquitoes: for pets, [heartworms](#) and West Nile virus are too.

DEET can cause neurological signs in pets, including seizures, so it’s not recommended. Some flea and tick preventives also prevent mosquito bites, including Activyl, K9 Advantix, and Vectra 3-D for dogs. Ask your veterinarian what works best in your geographic location.

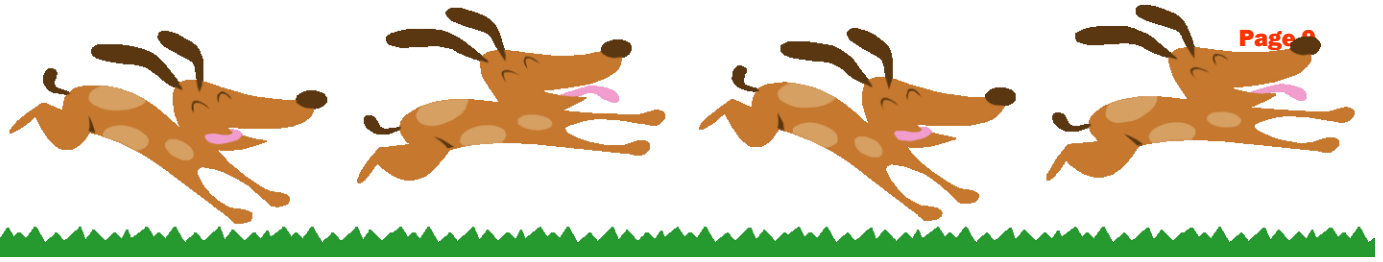
Suggestions on preventing mosquitoes at your home from the [Mayo Clinic](#) and [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) suggest:

- Eliminate standing water, which mosquitoes need to breed. Once a week, empty and scrub, turn over, cover, or throw out items that hold water, such as tires, buckets, planters, toys, wading pools, birdbaths, flowerpots, or trash containers. Check inside and outside your home.
- Use screens on windows and doors. Repair holes in screens to keep mosquitoes outside.
- Use air conditioning when available.
- Unclog roof gutters.
- Get rid of old tires in your yard.
- Drain your fire pit if water collects there.

[VetZInsight](#) (formerly ANIMALicious) seeks to educate pet owners in a lighthearted, sometimes poignant manner by taking a sideways look at companion animal issues. Rather than explain what occurs in a disease process and how to treat it – which is what our sister site Veterinary Partner does – our goal is not only to inform on larger issues but to tap into the numerous emotions at play within the human-animal bond. We’re here to learn and have fun.

Additionally, VetZInsight seeks to facilitate the notion that communication between veterinarians and pet owners is not only okay, it is essential. To provide the best care for your pet, you and your veterinarian need to listen to and understand what the other is saying.

A cooperative effort from the Veterinary Information Network (VIN), an online community for the veterinary profession, VetZInsight is brought to you by the same folks who offer Veterinary Partner, a trusted source for pet lovers since 2002. VIN is the largest community of veterinarians in the world, and is committed to the well being of companion animals.



Member's Page

All April training classes are full. Next sign up is May 4th. Conformation class is not included in the sign ups, it is a drop in class starting April 13th at 7:45 pm and cost \$5.00 per class.

From Donna Smith: Mariah went to her first obedience shows last weekend in Farmington & got her CD title in 3 straight shows. We all make fun of Mariah being my challenge, so I am so darn proud of her. Really good scores!!

**HUGE CONGRATS to
Donna & Mariah!!!**



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