

The Whatta Matta



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General Meeting, Monday, November 5, 2007

Board Meeting at 6:30 pm; General Meeting at 7:30 pm

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Monday, November 5 - 7:30PM

Waggin' Tails Junction

Meeting Dates for 2007

- **December:** Holiday Party

MINUTES

There are no minutes for the October meeting included in this issue of the Whatta Matta, as nothing was submitted to the Becky Grant or myself - thank you.

MEETING HOSPITALITY

| | Snack | Snack | Drinks & Ice |
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| Nov | Becky | Andy | Dawn C |

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TRACKING TRIALS – DECEMBER 9, 2007

Volunteers needed for the Mattaponi Kennel Club Tracking and Tracking Excellent Trials to be held at Oatlands (south of Leesburg) on Sunday, December 9.

Looking for people willing to give time on Saturday, 12/8 to plot the tracks and also be there Sunday 12/9 to lay the

track for the entered dogs to run.

Also looking for volunteers to do cross-tracks for the three TDX tracks. More information at the October meeting.

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FALL TRIAL

Once again, we've managed to come together as a club and host a successful agility trial. While I couldn't possibly single out everybody who helped make this trial successful, I would like to single out a few key individuals who deserve special thanks.

Where would we be without Jean Kessler? Hungry and probably very grumpy. Thank you Jean for making sure we all had plenty to eat and drink to start the day off right.

Thank you Nancy, for implementing "plan B, from Subway" when the food vendor inexplicably bailed out on us at the last minute. Plan C was tofu dogs and veggie burgers, so you can thank her yourselves.

Thank you, Eileen, for being both Volunteer Coordinator and Chief Ring Steward for the standard ring.

In the Jumper's ring, we "volunteered" Alyssia. Thank you for taking care of the jumpers ring and for not hurting me even though I know you wanted to.

Becky Lueth was our Chief Course Builder, and it was her first time doing it. If you think building 12 courses in two days is easy, guess again! Thank you, Becky.

Thank you, Edie for taking care of the judges.

Lexi, thank you for taking care of the grounds.

Thank you, Shirley for handling the awards table. I never heard anyone utter the phrase "where's my ribbon"?

A big thank you to John and Becky Grant for coordinating the equipment move from the fairgrounds to the horse barn. All that stuff doesn't make it out to the trial by itself. It takes a coordinated effort to take it out to the barn and get it all back in the shed where it belongs.

My last two really special thanks have to go to Janet for taking on the truly awesome task of Trial Secretary and Katie who helped enter scores into the computer. Both of them were a huge help to me as trial chair.

Thank you, everyone who helped makes the trial a success. It's a huge undertaking and it's impossible to do without volunteers who are willing to do the work to make it happen.

Jeff Porter - Trial Chair

MEETING PARKING

Please do not park in front of the shelter sally port/garage.

This is the area of the parking lot that is painted with diagonal white stripes. While the shelter is closed during meeting times, the police need 24/7 access to the driveway to get into the building. No exceptions! When the shelter is closed, the two handicapped spots in front of the building can be used.

SUNSHINE



Please remember to let me know if you know a Mattaponi member that needs a little club sunshine. At the 2005 August - September General Meeting it

was decided that this would include any of our dogs crossing the Rainbow Bridge. This committee doesn't work if

you don't call or email me with your concerns for our club members. Please keep me in touch.

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CLASSIFIEDS

Please send Alyssia editor@mattaponikennelclub.com any dog related items for sale or that are wanted.

EDITOR

The following is the submission and publication schedule for the Whatta-Matta's in 2007:

| Issue | Submit By | Publish By |
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| Dec | 11/20/07 | 11/26/07 |

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