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Be Prepared for Your Dog to Amaze You!!

REBECCA BAROCAS, Nosework Competitor and Trainer



Deckard Blue

Be prepared for your dog to amaze you. My name is Rebecca Barocas and I've been competing in nosework with my German Shepherds for over 10 years. My boy, Deckard Blue, is currently trialing at the NW3 level in NACSW trials. Deckard's training began at his breeder's home when he was only one day old. For my previous Shepherd Anja, it was the sport that kept her mind sharp when she

was no longer able to compete in agility due to a back injury.

Imagine a dog sport that is a true partnership; a dog sport where your dog leads the team. Where your dog's ability to work independently and communicate their findings to you is not only encouraged, but rewarded. I look forward to introducing you to a sport that strengthens the bond we share with our dogs and builds their confidence. Welcome to the sport of canine nosework.

We've all seen videos of exceptionally well trained military and law enforcement dogs. Your beloved pet won't be looking for bombs, or drugs. Your dog will be trained to identify 'target' odors. This same training can be expanded to locating antler sheds, finding endangered species, locating ancient burial sites and finding your misplaced coffee cup.

The wonderful thing about nosework is that dogs of any age can train and eventually compete (if that's your thing). Dogs in wheelchairs, tripods, blind dogs, very senior dogs, all can be trained and enjoy the sport.

Training for nosework is pretty straight forward. You need a few boxes (that come free with your Amazon shipments), and some high value treats. What you build from those humble beginnings is up to you.

Members and friends of Tailwaggers are invited come to the meeting on TUESDAY June 4th, in the Equestrian Center Lounge. Doors open for refreshments at 6:00 and the meeting is at 6:30.

Meeting the Challenges

President's Message

Pam Miller



I knew they were good people, but I didn't know how GOOD until I got involved with caring for their rescue dogs. This couple, Dr. George Grosso and Dr. Cynthia Neil, are no strangers to adopting rescue dogs and it's a good thing because they have a gigantic challenge ahead of them. Literally, they adopted three giant Great Danes at once. Two came together as siblings and, once given love and care, they have adjusted to their new home comfortably. The third was saved from certain euthanasia and her future is still unknown. However, she could not have ended up with better, more loving and PATIENT people than she has.

Her name is ZsaZsa and she is sweet and loving, but is one of the most



damaged dogs I've ever met. No doubt abuse, while being a "breeder dog," left her fearful and mistrusting. But instead of giving up on her or taking her back to the shelter, her owners remain steadfastly attached to her and committed to doing all they can to give her the best possible life.

I never hear the words from them, "we can't do this...or this is too much." Instead it's always, "we can work this out, we just have to figure it out." I admire these people so much. And, frankly, this attitude is the one I'm used to experiencing in the past.

Not until working with Project Hope and the shelter did I see this is not always the case. I have now experienced people, with good intentions, take dogs from the shelter and be unwilling to go through the hard adjustment of building trust and bonding with their adopted rescue dog. These dogs end up back at the shelter. I believe the people were just naive about what their dog might have been through. And some dogs are truly not a good fit for their family and need to be re-homed again. It is so rewarding when a dog, who is shut down from fear and the unknown, is given a chance to bond and learn trust with it's new owners. These are the dogs who most often become "the best dog ever!" *Continued...*

Meeting the Challenges, con't...

I am going through the same experience of integrating a rescue cat into my home with my dog, Jazzy. The moment my Jazzy met my cat she went joyfully bounding up to her with her tongue ready to lick the cat's face! Well, as you can image the cat was having nothing to do with that, and met Jazzy's innocent, but too enthusiastic advance, with a hiss and a swipe of the paw. This set Jazzy into contemplating about this new animal. They are, to my glee, now learning about each other and getting to be "friends." But it is taking time.



What? You want us to be friends??

Everything seems to involve taking time. Time and the willingness to be patient and flexible to new situations. This year our club experienced that when we had to change our meeting times two times and when the weather was unpredictable we had to change the agility events several times. Our attitude was always "we can work this out, we just have to figure it out," and we did.

Every event or activity presents challenges. So far people have come through to meet the challenge of pulling off the Project HOPE activities, the agility events, the meeting speakers, getting training started, therapy dogs meeting their obligations at the Whiting Center and the Senior Home, and people showing up for the Friday walk-about.

Not only do we meet the challenge, we find FUN and SATISFACTION in what we do! Let's keep it up.

BVS Tailwaggers Minutes

Date: 5/8/24

Call to order: Pam Miller at 6:32

Announcements:

Pam welcomed new members and announced upcoming activities:

- Walkabouts Fri if weather permits
- Agility: Gary Hill coaching at the park if it's dried out. May 18
- Dog classes have begun with Molly: Star Puppy and Obedience 1
- Nosework classes begin in June
- Upcoming speakers: next month Rebecca with Nosework, July is Mike Puffer from Have A Heart
- Grummage sale looking for bakers and people to work the booth. We will also have a second booth for dogs up for adoption.
- Presenter: Tonight's presenter is Gary Hill, (Communication)
- Gary spoke about Agility and communication with our dogs. Gary showed video clips of a collaborative presentation he did with one of his mentors, Daisy Peel. He showed the commonalities of nonverbal communication between agility handlers and music conductors. Gary discussed in detail how dogs use each of their senses to read our body language not only in agility but in everyday life. He then showed a clip of himself conducting a music ensemble and how the musicians are able to read and respond to the conductor's nonverbal movements and expressions.

Pam adjourned the meeting at 7:45

Respectfully submitted,

Dot Ramirez

Tailwaggers Happy'ngs

General Meetings

1st Tuesday of the Month

Our General meetings are on the **first Tuesday** of every month, unless notified differently. We meet in the Equestrian Center lounge at 6:00 for refreshments and 6:30 for the meeting.

June 4, 2024

Speaker, Rebecca Barocas: Is Your Dog Noisy?

July 2, 2024

Speaker, Michael Puffer from Have a Heart

August 6, 2024

Speaker: Samatha Williams: What is Rally?

Agility Division

Agility Playdays

Saturday, June 8th

Saturday, September 7 & 21st

To sign-up or help,

call Gary Hill (480) 216-8488

or Lucy Radike (661) 904-3379

Rescue Division

The Rescue Division had a great day at the Grummage Sale event. Six dogs were adopted and the bake sale made \$545 for Project HOPE.

Therapy Dog Division

Happy Hounds and Friends Reading Program

The group will read to the children at the Whiting Center and, this month on May 25th, they will go to a senior home. For information about the Therapy Dog Program contact Mary Thompson at 661-972-0731.

Snickers Henschel, doing her job.



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Training Division Events Start!

FOR THE LUV OF DOGS Spring/Summer Training Camp with Molly Mackin, AKC-CGC Evaluator, APDT, LIMA, VSA Certified Dog Trainer.

Puppy S.T.A.R. and Obedience 1 began Friday, May 3 and will finish June 7th. For more information, or to sign up for up-coming trainings, text/call Molly Mackin at 818-512-9836.

NOSEWORK SERIES - NOW is the time to sign-Up Rebecca Barocas, Competitor and Trainer in Nosework for over 10 years.

Rebecca will be doing classes for Tailwaggers June 21, 28, July 5,12 &19. \$125 for 6 weeks. Contact Rebecca at 661-435-1194 to sign up or for more information.

WalkAbouts & HikeAbouts

Walkabouts on the Nature Trail resumed officially on April 5 with Lucy Radike leading the walks at 9am. Call Lucy for more information. (661-904-3379)



Big Day for the Rescue Division

By Molly Mackin

Adoption Booth



Bronwynn Kennedy, helping at the booth.

Hello TW friends! We did it!!! We are so excited to announce 6 dogs were rescued from our booth! Our mighty but small and growing Project Hope Volunteers **ROCKED** it yesterday! A shout of thanks to Josh Proctor, Rose Proctor, Bob Tebbe my rock, Pam Miller, Mary Thompson, Dot Ramirez, Melanie McDavid, Jennifer White, Kathy Underwood, Claire Kennedy, Debra Van Dyke, Bronwynn Kennedy and Kristin Briggs! What a great day we had! You all worked so hard. It gives me hope and restored my faith in humanity ! I no longer think it takes a village to accomplish what we accomplished yesterday! It takes a community like ours of like minded, hard working, devoted people who are willing to put principles before personalities and come together for a common goal! Today you can rest assured that some of those pups already are in the arms of there new forever person... living their best life in their cushy beds, being loved, hugged and feeling safe possibly for the first time in their lives! Without each and everyone of you volunteering the dogs would still be in the shelter and possibly euthanized. Thank You!!!!...Thank You!!!!...Thank You !!!! Big hugs! With love from My heart to yours!

Josh Proctor brought up dogs from the City Shelter.



Dream Puff Bakers' Booth

Thanks to the Dream Puff Bakers whose cookies, cakes and all kinds of goodies brought in \$545 for Project HOPE. Jeanne and Nan Bullard held the booth open all day as bakers after bakers brought their goodies to be placed on the table and sold to happy consumers.

Thanks to the following people who helped!
 Nan Bullard, brought food and stayed all day
 Kathy Underwood helped at the booth
 Dot Ramirez and Mel McDavid brought donuts
 Kristy Briggs donated treats.
 Robin Freckhman donated food
 Vicki Laier helped set up
 Vicki Taylor brought food
 Lori Frear brought food
 Theresa Adams brought food
 Diana Munday -helped at the booth
 Mary Thompson helped setup
 Carol Young donated dog treats
 Deborah Cianca-Mayer brought baked goods
 Dana Carpenter brought baked goods
 and anyone we missed!

YOU ROCKED !

Rescued Dogs Find New Homes in Bear Valley!



Here are a few of the dogs who have been rescued, either fostered or adopted by people in our community.



Fun at the Agility Playday on May 18th

Because there were several new dogs to the sport, there was a lot of casual teaching going on by Gary Hill, Greg Lee and Donna Macintyre. Gary worked his dog Blue, and Greg worked his dog Fannie, in the morning and Gary gave a demonstration in the afternoon, all of which were enjoyable and inspirational to watch.



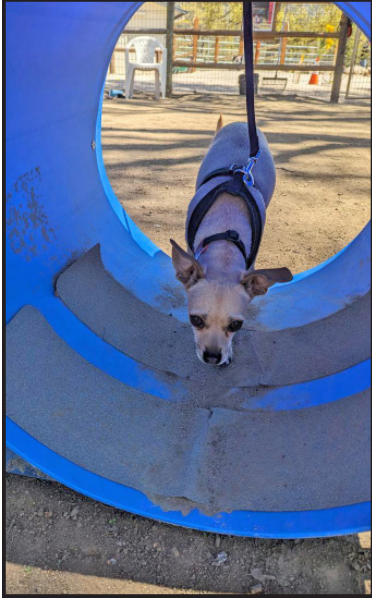


For the LUV of Dogs: Spring/Summer Training Camp with Molly Mackin

Molly is guiding us, humans and dogs, through a great learning experience. Next classes will be starting in August.







Therapy Dogs Keep Busy!



Therapy Dogs at the Whiting Center

Therapy Dogs at the Senior Home

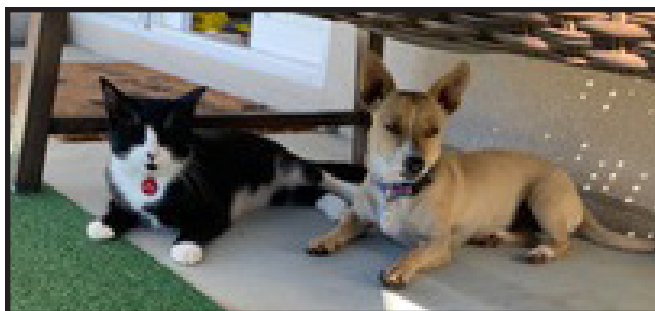


TWYLA (CAT) AND EDGAR (DOG): A FRIENDSHIP STORY

By Jocelyn Wells, Pupford.com

(Editor’s Note: Cindy Marble volunteered to pick an article for this month’s feature story. She picked this lovely story and here is what she says about why she picked this particular story: (Most of the pictures are of her cat and dog.)

This article caught my eye because of my personal experience introducing Felix (10 month old from Fix Feral Felines) to my dog Bella. I was not ready for another dog at the time. They almost instantly had a quiet and loving relationship. Probably lucky and in their nature. Later I introduced Sassy, a younger and new rescue dog, to the family. It took a while but they are eternal playmates now. This is the case for many.....as we see from the President’s Message this month and from this excellent article.



Ahh, the exciting but slightly terrifying experience of introducing a dog to a cat!

You may have heard from us before (as well as so many positive reinforcement dog trainers!) about how important it is to set your dog up for success in all things. Whether that means teaching your dog how to meet strangers, introducing your dog to kids, sounds, dogs, and other animals! There is so much to do to create positive experiences for our dogs (and pets!).

Certified trainer Jocelyn Wells tells the story of how she successfully introduced her sometimes reactive dog to her new cat. Hint: it takes time, but it’s so worth it!



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A FRIENDSHIP STORY...con't

As a professional dog trainer, I've helped countless clients with cat-dog introductions, I know the protocols and the behavior science behind it. I know how to read body language, I know how to use management and I know how to create a training plan. But there's something about taking all the theory and experience and putting it to the test with your own animals that makes it a little more special, that makes the milestones feel bigger and the breakthroughs that much sweeter!



Twyla was set up in the office with a baby gate at the door. I let Edgar sniff around the house before bringing him over to the "kitty tv" viewing area. Edgar had a full range of emotions once he saw Twyla. He was whining, grumbling, growling, barking, charging, fixated...all the things I didn't want to see.

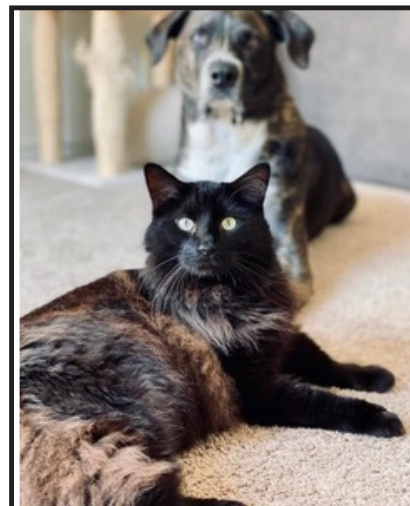
I sat with him and spoke to him in my sing-songy soothing voice, letting him know that everyone is good, and we are all friends, and that he's a good boy. After a few minutes, he was able to catch his breath, slow his heart rate and the barking had slowed to a periodic grumble. Twyla perched in her hammock calm but skeptical. I was glad I had chosen to use the baby gate so she felt protected.

Later that night I made the error of moving her into the laundry room where her litter box was. The much smaller space with the baby gate ended up making her feel cornered. Edgar got riled up and charged the gate which stressed out Twyla and had her cowering in her hidey box.

I moved her back into the office where she had felt safe before but it was over for her. She plastered herself in the back of the closet and didn't want to come out. There was a late-night call to Edgar's other home for a pick-up. Twyla recovered once she knew he was gone.

SETBACK IN THE RELATIONSHIP? IT HAPPENS! HERE IS WHAT YOU CAN DO

We decided to wait a few more weeks until the holiday break to try it again. We were off from work and it seemed it was going to take two sets of hands to do this correctly.

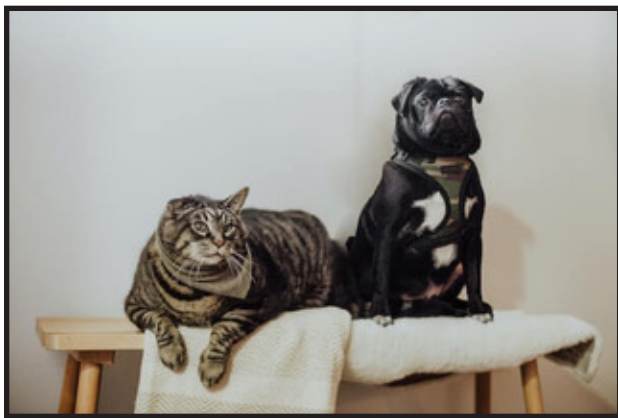


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A FRIENDSHIP STORY...con't

We took it a day at a time, sometimes hour by hour, making sure not to push either animal too far or let them get too stressed.

Each day, Edgar would come over and the house would be divided by the baby gate. The cooked chicken would come out and we'd do set-ups. One of us on either side of the baby gate was armed with a ziplock bag full of chicken.



The first few sessions were about a high rate of reinforcement- rapid treating- to keep both pets focused on the food more than they were focused on each other. Each session was only a few minutes and repeated at least four times each day. Edgar went to his other house in the evenings so Twyla could have a full run of her domain.

As the days went on and we had more baby gate sessions under our belt, when we brought them over to the “viewing area” we slowed the rate of chicken flow. Doing so helped them disengage from us and engage with each other. Twyla was much more curious while Edgar was still a little growly and edgy but had calmed significantly.

The plan progressed to removing the baby gate so they could move more naturally. We quickly aborted this setup. Twyla was keen on invading Edgar's space past the point

where he was comfortable. Edgar went on a leash and onto the couch where we could more easily body block Twyla from any unwelcomed advances. I wanted to make sure Edgar knew we had his back and that we wouldn't let the kitty come too close before he was ready.



NEXT STEPS IN THE INTRODUCTION

Each day we saw them become more and more comfortable around each other. Twyla began rolling on her back and flirting with Edgar from the floor beside the couch. Edgar's growls were few and far between and the edge melted into calmer, more tolerant body language. A few times Twyla bounced up towards Edgar from beneath where he was sitting. He barely flinched and showed incredible self-restraint. I was beginning to feel ready to let them interact on the floor.

Edgar wore a 10ft leash for the first few interactions on the floor. His feisty terrier side was coming out and he gave chase to Twyla before she confidently knew how to navigate play with him. The long-line was a backstop to make sure he didn't chase her down or tip into prey drive.

Edgar was responsive to verbal prompts like “slow down”, “NO” and “stop!”, cues which I very unscientifically, and unsystematically installed in preparation for this training

plan. His responsiveness, however, gave me the green light to allow for more and more interaction between them without me practicing hover-mom.

From this point, I was starry-eyed watching their relationship develop. All management had been removed. I felt I had done the desensitization work that allowed them to learn enough about each other that they could take the reins from here.

They had learned that the other was:

1. A predictor of good things (chicken, or another reward)
2. Non-threatening by using strategic management and appropriate criteria setting
3. Familiar by seeing their humans interacting with each other and knowing that they both occupied the same space.

There was a lot of play-stalking from Twyla. Stalk and dive bomb attacks that ended just short so there was no contact. A lot of tolerance and indifference from Edgar to the point I began to get a little worried about his welfare.

I was worried he was shut down and feeling helpless because he was getting harassed by his new kitten sister. Looking back, and avoiding over-anthropomorphizing my dog, I think Edgar was allowing Twyla the space to feel comfortable and find her footing with him. Maybe he knew that giving in to chase would set her back.

Dogs self-handicap during play and social interactions and I like to believe that Edgar was doing this with Twyla for those first few management-free days.

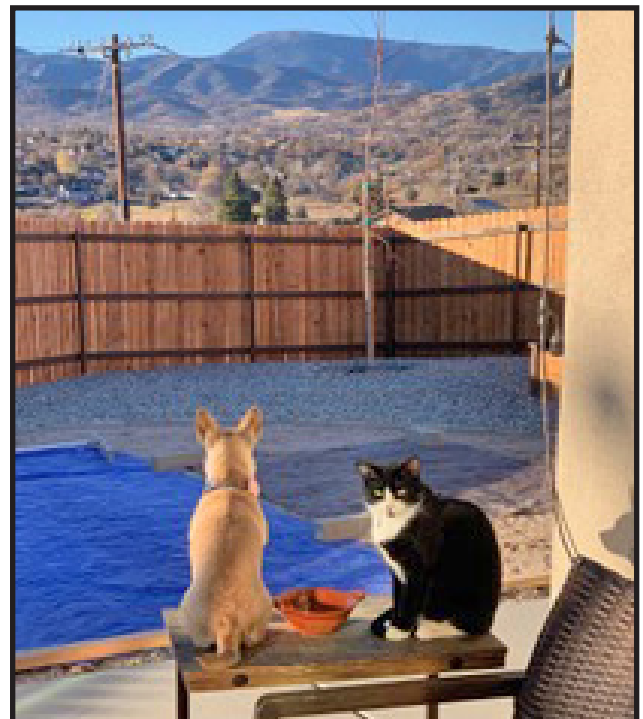
THE TRANSFORMATION

Then one evening it happened. Twyla was rolling around on her back, flirting and curving and reaching out an outstretched paw

towards Edgar. He gave in. He dragged his belly across the rug, wiggling with his tail wagging.

He opened his mouth and made some cheerful and playful huffs. She popped back to her right side, feet under her, just in case. A brief mouth wrestle between the two lit up the room for just a few moments. That was the beginning of what is now a beautiful friendship.

From new kitty to first play behaviors, it was a patient and long 2 months. Edgar hadn't spent a full night with us until we saw the friendship spark. But now we're back on our normal half week share schedule and Twyla is bummed when Edgar leaves on Sundays. These two chase, tumble, share, mouth, wrestle, and take turns now. It's more than I could have hoped for and has exceeded any of my expectations. This is one of the reasons why I love working with animals so much. They are incredibly adaptable and teachable. With love, patience and guidance we can open new worlds for them. Including friendships with mean, stinky kitties!





Snicker Doodles

Condolences to Joni and Dave Hensche for the loss of their loved dog, Snickers. We are grateful for all the time Joni and Snickers gave to Tailwaggers. Joni worked tirelessly as Vice President for years as well as overseeing the Agility Playdays and she and Snickers were deeply involved in the Therapy Dog Division. We will miss you on this side Snickers!, this is a big loss for Joni and Dave and for Tailwaggers.



Happy Birthday to Ragna Vandyke!

Treasurers' Monthly Report

May Financial Report - 2024

By Jeannie Alvarado

Checking Account Beginning Balance **\$5,727.89**

INCOME

Membership	90.00
Agility	120.00
Bake Sale (Project HOPE)	545.00
Total	\$755.00

EXPENSES

Newsletters	150.00
City of Bakersfield Animal Care Center (Project HOPE)	545.00
Total	\$695.00

Ending Balance **\$5,787.89**
As of May 28, 2024



In March, Nilly Smith lost her dog, Rocky, who was a great Therapy Dog for Tailwaggers. We are happy to see that her "puppy," Ranger is carrying on the tradition in their new location!

Mission Statement

The BVS Tailwaggers Dog Club is dedicated to responsible dog ownership/guardianship. We are a body of people who care about their dogs and want to be with like-minded responsible people who feel the same. We are committed to sharing and learning. The club will provide experiences through education, training, fun events and social activities. It is designed to improve handler skills and be an information center for owners presenting issues and subjects based on our members' needs.



The club will provide support for local rescues in Kern County.

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Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Street Address: _____ Tract & Lot _____

Cell Phone #(s) _____

Mailing Address (if different from above): _____

E-mail address(s): _____

May we publish your name, phone numbers and e-mail address for club use? Yes _____ No _____

Please provide family members' names. Give the current ages and birth dates of your children who may be participating in Tailwaggers' activities. ****All minors must be accompanied by and under the supervision of a parent or parent-designated adult (in writing) while attending or participating in Tailwaggers' activities.**

The BVS Tailwaggers Dog Club exists to represent canine interests in BVS, to promote responsible, informed dog ownership, and good fellowship of dog owners and BVS residents, to promote fun dog-related activities, including training, to improve and maintain dog-related facilities within BVS, and to support local canine rescues. Membership is open to adult property owners and residents in good standing with the Bear Valley Springs Association (BVSA).

ACCIDENT RELEASE: My signature below hereby releases the Bear Valley Springs Tailwaggers Dog Club and the BVSA and all persons connected with these aforementioned groups from any liability/responsibility for any loss/injury/damage to either myself, my family, my dog(s)/or my equipment while I am/we are participating in, assisting with, or working on any event/activity sponsored by the BVS Tailwaggers Dog Club. Pursuant to Section 305 of the BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB By-laws, all adult family club members signing below hereby agree: (a) to take physical and financial responsibility for any dog under my custody or control; (b) that if participating in any BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB event with a dog that is not my own, they shall be liable for damage or injury inflicted by any such dog(s); and (c) that the Board of Directors or designated Event Coordinator or Trainer of BVS Tailwaggers Dog Club has the right to exclude any aggressive, unruly, or unmanageable dog and their handler from any BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB event. All adult family club members signing below further agree to sign and maintain on file with BVS Tailwaggers Dog Club a current year's Waiver, Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk form.
ALL adult family club members must sign.

Name: _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Name: _____ Signature _____ Date _____

(Parents must sign for minor child)

Mail to: BVS Tailwaggers Dog Club, 29800 Jamaica Dunes Dr., Tehachapi, CA 93561

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Liability release/waiver signed: Yes__ No__

BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB

WAIVER, RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK TO BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY EVERY CLUB MEMBER

All club members must sign one of these forms. Please read and be certain you understand the implications of signing.

In consideration of my participation in activities arranged by BEAR VALLEY SPRINGS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB (BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB), I hereby release and covenant not to sue BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB, its owners, shareholders, directors, officers, employees, representatives, agents, and lessees and their successors from any and all present and future claims whatsoever, which the undersigned and any of them and the heirs, representatives, executors and administrators thereof, or any other persons acting in behalf, or on behalf of their respective agents, have or may have resulting from ordinary negligence and inherent risk of my participation in any activities or arrangements and the use of the facilities and equipment of BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB and Bear Valley Springs Association (BVSA) and Bear Valley Community Services District (BVSCSD), including but not limited to any loss, injury, damage, illness, sickness, or liability sustained by me while on or about the premises of the BVSA, the BVSCSD, or the BVS TAILWAGGERS DOB CLUB.

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2. Possible equipment failure and/ or the malfunction of my own or other's equipment.
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4. The propensity of a canine (dog) to behave in dangerous ways that may result in injury or death to the participant or others or their dog(s) regardless of the dog's previous training and past performance.
5. The inability to predict a dog's reaction to sound, movements, unfamiliar environment, objects, persons, or animals.
6. Propensity for a dog to bite, fight, run, scratch, make unpredictable movements, jump, push or shove without warning or apparent cause.
7. Collars, harnesses, leashes and other equipment may loosen or break, which may result in accident, injury or death.
8. The domesticated animal may also react in a dangerous manner when condition or treatment is considered hazardous to the welfare of the animal.
9. The potential for a participant or others to fail to exercise reasonable care, or take adequate control when engaging in a domesticated animal activity, including failing to maintain reasonable control of the animal or failing to act in a manner consistent with the person's abilities.
10. Broken bones or severe injuries which may result in severe impairment or even death.

11. Pursuant to Section 305 of the BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB By-laws, I agree to take physical and financial responsibility for any dog under my custody or control; that if I am participating in any BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB event with a dog that is not my own, I shall be liable for damage or injury inflicted by any such dog; and that the Board of Directors or designated Event Coordinator or Trainer of BVS Tailwaggers Dog Club has the right to exclude any aggressive, unruly, or unmanageable dog and their handler from any BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB event.

I understand the description of these risks is not complete and that unknown or unanticipated risks may result in injury, illness, or death.

I agree that immediately prior to participation in any activity arranged for me by BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB I will inspect the facilities and equipment to be used and if any defect is apparent I will not use the facility or equipment and I will notify the management of the BVS TAILWAGGERS DOG CLUB of the defect.

I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE WAIVER, RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING THIS WAIVER, RELEASE AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY.

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

Any person under the age of 18 years must have a parent or guardian co-sign this form.

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____