

Susquehanna Trail Dog Training Club

April 2022



Old Friends

by Connie Cuff

With Spring and thinking ahead with warmer weather, longer days and outside gardens, these are a few of the safety tips to keep our pups safe.

1. Yes, there are seasonal allergies for dogs along with humans. Dogs experience skin issues along with lots of itching and possible some hair loss. There are some helps we can use but always check with your Veterinarian for advice.

2. Watch out for outdoor plants that can be toxic to your dog. Among them are tulips, irises, daffodils and bulb plants. You can check lists on line.

3. Keep fertilizers and insecticides under wraps.

4. Snakes slithering in the grass and flower beds.

5. Be aware of bees, and if your dog is stung they need immediate attention. Try to remove the stinger, not with a tweezer, use your fingernail or credit card.

6. Start heartworm prevention.

7. This is the busiest time for fleas and ticks and be sure to use preventative products so your dog does not end up with undesirable conditions.

8. Stay clear of standing water which is a breeding ground for organisms which can cause leptosporis.

9. Watch out for sticks in your yard which can splinter in your dog's mouth or cause an obstruction in the digestive tract.

10. In doing your spring cleaning, keep them out of the dog's reach as some are laced with good smells that can attract your dog to lick.

11. Keep Easter Chocolate, Dark is more deadly, away from your dog and seek help if he has ingested a large amount.

12. Prepare for thunderstorms. There are calming products such as Pheromones, thunder jacket, that can relieve your dog's anxiety.

We can all enjoy Spring with our dogs, but keeping them safe will prevent a trip to the Veterinarian.

Till next time,

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Notes and Notices



Still have not set the date to start back at the Marina. It will be in April but just checking that I have enough light to do 2 classes. Please check the web site, Facebook and emails when they will begin. Our Advanced will be at 6pm and those registered for the Beginner's will start at 6:45pm. Once we have more light I will extend our hours of training.

I am hearing so much about the dangers of xylitol in gum, peanut butter and other products that is used for sweeteners. It is very dangerous to your dog and can cause death very quickly if ingested. Xylitol is now being marked as Birch Sugar. Please read labels and keep these products away from your dog. (Gum in purses)

From time to time I have heard members having problems with certain foods they feed their dogs as they may dislike what they are eating. Dog food companies should have samples, but since that is not an option, I have suggested that some of us could bag a small quantity for people to try with their dogs so we aren't required to purchase a full bag to use as a trial.

Since ticks are out in full force (not that we do not see them year round) we must be more alert of their presence. Be sure to brush and comb their coat after walks and even when they are out in your yard. Prevention is not always successful for what we use, so we may need to change a prescription. As an example: Someone had religiously used Advantix and it was not working as the dog showed signs of a tick related infection. The Veterinarian was able to get a refund on the product along with the blood test that was used. She said we are the worst area in the country for ticks and was able to put the dog on a different product. I know Seresto Collars work very well, but as someone mentioned to me with multiple dogs, it can be a problem as the collars can get tangled in the dog's paws when they are playing.

We will be doing memberships when we start back to class. Please check your dog's Rabies as I will need an up-dated copy for my records. In order to be covered by insurance with the Club you must be a paid member. Also only members can be part of our private Facebook.

UPCOMING THERAPY VISITS AND CLUB ACTIVITIES

April 2 (Sat)	Christ Community Church 3939 Park Rd. Selinsgrove	9am - 11am
April 4 (Mon)	Five Star	1:00pm
April 5 (Tues)	R.E.C. Center, 429 8th St. Selinsgrove	5:00pm
April 6 (Wed)	Riverwoods	10:00am
April 7 (Thurs)	Geisinger Rehab, Health South Bucknell Univ. McDonald Commons	1:00pm 5pm - 7pm
April 9 (Sat)	Grayson View, Selinsgrove Easter Parade	1:00pm
April 11 (Mon)	Montour County Prison Bucknell Univ. Academic Quad	1:00pm 6pm - 8pm
April 13 (Wed)	Riverwoods	10:00am
April 14 (Thurs) Bu	Mt. View, Trevorton cknell Univ. KLARC Sports Bldg. 2nd Floor	1:30pm 6pm - 8pm
April 18 (Mon)	Columbia County Prison	1:00pm
April 19 (Tues)	Stayman Apartments, Shamokin Dam	2:00pm
April 20 (Wed)	Riverwoods	10:00am
April 21 (Thurs)	Elm Croft Mansion Nursing Home	10:30am 1:30pm
April 24 (Sun)	Bucknell Univ. Roberts Hall	1pm - 3pm
April 26 (Tues)	Bucknell Univ. Hildreth Mirza	9pm - 10pm
April 27 (Wed)	Riverwoods	10:00am
April 28 (Thurs)	Geisinger Rehab, Health South	1:00pm
April 29 (Fri)	Bucknell Univ. McDonnell Hall	4:00pm

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US Holidays Susquehanna Trail Dog Training Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 = 1:00 PM Cancelled until further notice – Ad- vanced Training = 2:00 PM Cancelled until further notice – Beginner Training	28	29	30 = 10:00 AM Riverwoods	31 = 1:00 PM Health South Geisinger = 6:00 PM Bucknell ATD Only	1 April Fools' Day	2 Beginning of Ramadan = 9:00 AM Easter Egg Hunt
3 = 12:00 PM Bucknell ATD only - Bison Pals = 1:00 PM Cancelled until further notice - Ad- vanced Training = 2:00 PM Cancelled until further notice - Beginner Training	4 = 1:00 PM Five Star	5 5:00 PM Rec Center, Selinsgrove Dog Visit	6 = 10:00 AM Riverwoods	7 = 1:00 PM Health South Geisinger = 5:00 PM Bucknell ATD only	8	9 = 1:00 PM Grayson View Easter Pet Parade
10 Palm Sunday = 1:00 PM Cancelled until further notice – Ad- vanced Training = 2:00 PM Cancelled until further notice – Beginner Training	11 1:00 PM Montour County Prison 6:00 PM Bucknell ATD only – Arts & Science Week	12	13 = 10:00 AM Riverwoods	14 = 1:30 PM Mountain View Manor = 6:00 PM Bucknell ATD Only – Athletics	15 Passover Good Friday	16
17 Easter = 1:00 PM Cancelled until further notice - Ad- vanced Training = 2:00 PM Cancelled until further notice - Beginner Training	18 Tax Day = 1:00 PM Columbia Coun- ty Prison	19 2:00 PM Dog visit - Stay- man Apts (behind Tractor Supply)	20 = 10:00 AM Riverwoods	21 = 10:30 AM Elmcroft - in- door large room = 1:30 PM Mansion Nurs- ing Home	22 Earth Day	23
24 Orthodox Easter = 1:00 PM Bucknell ATD Only = 1:00 PM Cancelled until further notice - Ad- vanced Training = 2:00 PM Cancelled until further notice - Beginner	25	26 9:00 PM Bucknell ATD Only	27 = 10:00 AM Riverwoods	28 = 1:00 PM Health South Geisinger	29 4:00 PM Bucknell ATD only - behind McDonnell Hall	30