



Redfern Ramblings

Holidays 2007 Edition

Special Events

Mark your calendar NOW and plan to attend the following special events:

- **Games Night**
Dec 28 (Fri) 7-9 PM
- **Redfern Therapy Group**
Jan 2 (Weds) 6:30 PM
- **Dog Scouts of America Troop 171**
Inaugural meeting
Jan 8 (Tues) 7 PM
- **Mutt Movie Nights**
A Feature-Length dog-oriented movie, with popcorn — bring your comfy chair & soft drink! (We'll provide the ice.)
Jan 20 & Feb 17 (Sun) 6:30 PM

Protecting your Pooch at the Holiday Season

The holidays bring with them a host of dangerous things which need to be protected from your dog. Fido doesn't know any better, and will gleefully help to empty the trash can or clean off dinner plates, but dangers could be lurking. It is OUR JOB to prevent disasters, many of which can be fatal. Among them are:

- Aluminum Foil (can cut intestines and cause internal bleeding or death).
- Anti-Freeze — dogs think it is a sweet treat, but it's poison.
- Bones — from the scraps in the trash, especially fine poultry bones, pork chops and ham slices
- Chocolate — theobromine (a component) can be a killer
- Corn Cobs — corn on the cob is great for humans, but the cobs can cause an obstruction
- Electrocutation — Christmas light cords are easily chewed.
- Hypothermia — Be sensitive to long-term exposure to the cold. "Indoor dogs" can tolerate only so much, despite their fur coat.
- Ice-Melt Chemicals and Salt — can cause severe burning to dog's foot-pads.



Happy Holidays

to you and yours from
Redfern Canines

Thank you so much for your interest and support for the various services we provide.
We wish you a happy and enjoyable Holiday Season and a prosperous and dog-friendly New Year



Santa visits our Holiday Party

Gift Certificates Available

Any amount — use for Classes, Seminars or Merchandise.

- Poisonous Plants. Some of these can cause much discomfort and even death. Included are Christmas Trees (needles and tree water), Holly & Mistletoe Berries, Juniper Needles and Berries and Poinsettias.
- Plastic Food Wrap (causes choking or obstruction)
- Tinsel and other Tree Ornaments

For a complete list of hazards, including an extensive list of more than 70 dangerous plants, print out the list at

<http://www.inch.com/~dogs/safety.html>

It could save your dog's life!

(PS — share some extra copies with your friends who have dogs. They will thank you for your thoughtfulness.)

Dog Scout Troop 171

We're official!

Dog Scout Troop 171 is officially registered with Dog Scouts of America, and will have its first Troop Meeting on January 8 at 7 PM.



www.dogscouts.org

If you like to do things with your dog, and would like to participate in some fun, learning

and community service programs, this is made for you.

For those who remember your days in Scouting (of the human kind), you know how much fun it was to earn Merit Badges (Dogs Scouts can earn almost 70 — see the poster at the Training Center), go hiking, swimming, learn First Aid and do public service projects. Add your 4-legged companion to the mix and scouting takes on a whole new level.

We look forward to developing a variety of programs to supplement our other training opportunities.

Come for the fun — and be sure to bring your canine pal!



CGC/TDI Evaluations

January 26
February 16

By Pre-Registration only,
call 717-805-1310
additional info at
www.redferncanines.com

Sqwuggies, Jilly Beans & Frequent Flyers

They're tough, they squeak, they float. And with names like these, you know they're special!!



If your dogs are rough on toys, these may be just what you're looking for!

Made from Fire Hose (yes, the stuff that firemen drag around

the street in sub-zero weather), they are durable & nearly indestructible.

Designed as interactive toys to fetch and retrieve, to tug, and to just have lots of fun with, they should last a long time. (We have had one for about 6 months and it is still going strong.)



Machine-washable (with your jeans), great for fetching on land, water or snow (the bright colors make them easy to find).

Available in a variety of sizes to fit your dog, and they have arrived just in time for Stocking-Stuffer Time.

Available at classes or on our website at www.redferncanines.com/toys.html.

The Central PA Food Bank sends thanks for the 38 pounds of food plus a financial contribution from the Redfern Holiday Party

Puppy Watch

The Halloween Litter is growing fast. Eyes are open, running around, learning the fine points of "doggy politics", and beginning to eat real food. All that must agree with them, because they're all more than 7 pounds.

Watch them grow on our website. And if you just cannot bear to go one more day without hugging a little ball of fur, give us a call. We'll be happy to welcome you, your family & friends.

Ready to go to their adoptive homes right after Christmas, so visit them soon!



Current Class Listings

Class Title	Beginning Date/Time	# Sessions
Tricks Class	December 20 (Thurs) 6:30 PM	2
Rally -- Level 1	January 3 (Thurs) 6:30 PM	6
Rally -- Level 2	January 3 (Thurs) 7:45 PM	6
Competition Obedience -- Level 2	January 6 (Sun) 1 PM	6
Puppy Class	January 7 (Mon) 6:30 PM	6
Beginners Class	January 7 (Mon) 7:45 PM	6
Manners Class	January 9 (Weds) 7:45 PM	6
Agility -- Level 1	January 11 (Fri) 6:30 PM	6
Agility -- Level 2	January 11 (Fri) 7:45 PM	6
CGC/TDI Preparation	January 12 (Sat) 9 AM	5
K9 Sampler	January 12 (Sat) 10:15 AM	5
Competition Conformation -- Level 1	January 13 (Sun) 2:15 PM	6
Beginners Class	January 22 (Tues) 6:30 PM	6
Reliable Recalls	January 22 (Tues) 7:45 PM	4
Puppy Class	January 26 (Sat) 12:00 PM	6
Reliable Recalls	February 14 (Thurs) 6:30 PM	4
Tricks Class	February 14 (Thurs) 7:45 PM	2
Kids N K9s	February 17 (Sun) 1:00 PM	6
Manners Class	February 20 (Weds) 7:45 PM	6
Puppy Class	February 25 (Mon) 6:30 PM	6
Beginners Class	February 25 (Mon) 7:45 PM	6
Loose Leash Walking	February 26 (Tues) 7:45 PM	4
Agility -- Level 1	February 29 (Fri) 6:30 PM	6
Agility -- Level 2	February 29 (Fri) 7:45 PM	6
Rally -- Level 1	March 6 (Thurs) 6:30 PM	6
Rally -- Level 2	March 6 (Thurs) 7:45 PM	6

NOTE — If the class you prefer is not scheduled at a time convenient to you, please let us know ... we may be able to make an adjustment, or schedule a new class based on general interest.

From the Halloween Party:

Thank you, along with deepest gratitude, comes with sincere thanks; It was so nice of you to remember the animals at the Helen O Krause Animal Shelter, in such a thoughtful way. Special people like you make the world a better place! (Julie Swenson, Shelter Mgr & Staff; & all the Animals from HOKAFI)

Weather Closing Policy

We try not to cancel classes because of the weather, but if weather prohibits travel, we will postpone classes & add a session at the end of the course.

If class is cancelled, we will try to contact you. If you do not hear from us, call Betsy (717-805-1310) or John (717-979-2143) on their cell phones to be sure.

Above all, please drive safely on winter roads. In an accident, your unsecured pooch could become a missile, causing serious damage to him AND you!

Training Aids Available

Redfern has high-quality Training Aids and Toys available, at prices below retail. Included are

- ↔ Tethers (steel — "un-chewable")
- ↔ "Gentle Leader"™ head halters & "Easy-Walk"™ no-pull harnesses
- ↔ Treat Pouches & i-Click Clickers
- ↔ Ultimate Puppy Toolkits®
- ↔ Leather & Cotton Leads
- ↔ Premier Collars
- ↔ Busy Buddy®, Bouncy Bone™, Squirrel Dudes, Waggle™ & Tug-a-Jug™ toys
- ↔ Katies Bumpers (fire hose products)

Pictures and prices are available at www.redferncanines.com. Items available at classes, or send an Email to redfern@ioweb.com