



# Redfern Ramblings

Late Spring 2008 Edition

## Special Events

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

- **Mutt Movie Night**  
A Feature-Length dog-oriented movie, with popcorn — bring your comfy chair & soft drink! (We'll provide the ice.)  
Jun 8, July 13, Aug 3 (Sun) 6:30 PM
- **CGC & TDI Evaluations**  
Jun 14, July 27 (Sat) 2-5
- **Dog Scouts Troop 171**  
Troop Mtg — June 15 (Sun) 4 PM  
Picnic for Troop Members (FREE)  
@ Greenlin — July 20 (Sun) 4-7
- **Housetraining Hints for your Puppy**  
(FREE) — June 18 (Weds) 6 PM
- **Summer Solstice Party**  
June 21 (Sat) 5-7
- **Dog First Aid Seminar**  
Produced by the Red Cross  
June 22 (Sun) 10-4
- **Kids' Club**  
June 29, July 6 & 27 (Sun) 4 PM
- **Redfern Therapy Group**  
July 2 (Weds) 6:30 PM
- **Doggie Day Camp**  
July 28-Aug 1 (Mon-Fri) Daytime
- **The Healing Power of a Dog**  
(Therapy Seminar) Aug 31-Sept 1

### Redfern's Book Review

#### The Dog Behavior Answer Book

by Arden Moore

*"There's a well-behaved pet inside every dog"*

A well-compiled resource covering most of the questions, problems and challenges of the dog owner. Concise information organized around 6 major themes.

- The Nature of being a dog
  - Canine senses, emotions & instincts, breed-specific behaviors
- What are you talking about?
  - How dogs communicate, how to speak "canine-ese"
- Why does my dog do that?
  - Habits that are puzzling, amusing, & downright disgusting.
- Unleashing a dash of Doggy Discipline
  - Training & behavior issues

## What's NEW at Redfern?

Several new & revised programs will be offered beginning this Summer:

- **Housetraining Hints for Your Puppy.** This FREE program will be offered beginning Wednesday **June 18** (6 PM) as a way of addressing those difficult moments from the time your newest family member enters your home until they gain complete control over their bodily functions. Included will be some things you should (and should *not*) provide in their environment, how YOUR behavior and attentiveness influences the challenge, and effective methods for cleaning up after accidents that will reduce the likelihood of repeat problems.
- **Dog First Aid Seminar.** This program (June 22) is for everyone who is interested in how to treat emergency (and non-emergency) situations that may threaten your dog's health and well-being. Participants will receive the Red Cross Dog First Aid manual which includes a DVD that demonstrates how to perform many of the procedures. Register online by June 15. *Dog Scouts who participate will cover all the items needed for the requirements for the First Aid Merit Badge.* Topics covered in the seminar include
  - Symptoms and care for common ailments and emergencies
  - How to create a pet First Aid kit
  - How to give medications and recognize emergencies
  - Tips on maintaining your pet's health and well-being
  - First aid guidance for dozens of canine health conditions.
- **Kids' Club.** Beginning June 29, Kids' Club is geared for kids 8 - 16 years old. The club will focus on building the relationships between kids and their dogs, & will include games, training tips, and introduction to various canine competitions, teaching tricks, & other activities. Come to the first meeting & be part of the fun
- **Doggie Day Camp.** A week-long daytime program (July 28-Aug 1) for children 3rd grade and up. Campers will learn about different breeds of dogs, including how to groom and train them. Campers may bring their own well-behaved dogs or may use dogs provided by the camp staff. Additional information soon on the redferncanines.com web site.



Dogs & Storks is a program that prepares families with dogs for life with a baby. It offers positive, practical & fun solutions for new & expecting families. We're in the process of becoming certified to present this program. Look for more information soon. Details at [www.dogsandstorks.com](http://www.dogsandstorks.com).

### Worth Repeating

*"Whoever said you can't buy happiness forgot about puppies." — Gene Hill*

### CGC/TDI Evaluations

**June 14 (Sat)**  
**July 27 (Sat)**

By Pre-Registration only,  
call 717-979-0132  
additional info at  
[www.redferncanines.com](http://www.redferncanines.com)

- Achieving harmony at home & away
  - Ways to a more peaceful existence with your best friend
- Changing lives, parting ways
  - Tips for coping with death, divorce, marriage & more

The book concludes with a reference section covering a host of dog-related topics including, books, organizations and websites.

The kind of resource that is easy to read a few pages at a time. 3 paws up!

## Dog Scout Troop 171

Lots happening in the Dog Scout world!

Sheri and Dora were the first in Troop 171 to earn their Dog Scout badge, at the Leadership Camporee at the DSA Camp in Michigan. In addition both dogs completed their **Backpacking Badge** requirements, and Sheri completed the requirements for 4 of the 5 **Agility** badges.

Troop 171 **hiked as a group** in the Walk for a Healthy Community on Saturday June 7.

Those participating earned miles toward the Backpacking Badge & credit toward the **Community Service Badge**.



Sunday June 8 we will be sharing an information table with the Carlisle troop at **Dog Day of Summer** at Bella Vista Training Center (Noon to 5 PM).

The regular **Troop Meeting** will be held Sunday June 15. At the conclusion of the meeting up to 6 dogs will have the opportunity to complete the checkout for the **Dog Scout Badge**. First come, first served — please contact Betsy to register.

The **First Aid Seminar** will be Sunday June 22. More information is on page 1. All requirements for the First Aid Badge will be covered. Register by 6/15.

We will have a 3-4 mile hike/backpacking trip on July 12, on the **Appalachian Trail**, which runs along the top of Peters Mountain. More details will be available on the website soon.

Our regular meeting July 20 will be a **picnic with swimming** (YES — for the DOGS!) at Greenlin Kennels in Middletown. Mark that date for a great outing with your dog.

August 17 is tentatively scheduled as a hike & swim at Pinchot Park. Details to follow.

Keep checking the website and announcements at the Redfern Training Center for other future events.

### Clean-Up Bags Needed

We go through a lot of newspaper bags at the Training Center. If you have some to spare (no holes please!), please deposit them in the holder by the front door. THANKS!

(Some dates to hold — more info soon)

- ⇒ **Aug 31-Sept 1** "The Healing Power of a Dog" — Seminar on Animal-Assisted Therapy
- ⇒ **Sept 14** — Dog Daze Celebration
- ⇒ **Sept 20** — Back to School Party
- ⇒ **Oct 11-12** — Clicker Training Seminar

### Worth Repeating

You can say any fool thing to a dog, and the dog will give you this look that says, "My God, you're right! I never would have thought of that!" — Dave Barry

## Current Class Listings

Class Title	Beginning Date/Time	# of Class Sessions
Puppy Class	June 14 (Sat) 9:00 AM	6
Rally -- Level 1	Jun 15 (Sun) 12:00 Noon	6
Beginners Class <i>Daytime Class</i>	June 18 (Weds) 2:15 PM	6
Tricks Class	June 21 (Sat) 12:45 PM	2
Manners Class <i>Daytime Class</i>	June 25 (Weds) 3:30 PM	6
Agility -- Level 2	June 27 (Fri) 6:30 PM	6
Agility -- Level 1	June 27 (Fri) 7:45 PM	6
Intro to Clicker Training <i>Note Date Change</i>	July 1 (Tues) 6:30 PM	6
Rally -- Level 1	July 7 (Mon) 7:45 PM	6
Reliable Recalls	July 10 (Thurs) 6:30 PM	2
Beginners Class	July 10 (Thurs) 7:45 PM	6
Rally -- Level 2	July 12 (Sat) 12:45 PM	6
Puppy Class	July 14 (Mon) 6:30 PM	6
Rally -- Level 1	July 15 (Tues) 7:45 PM	6
Obedience Competition	July 16 (Weds) 7:45 PM	6
Manners Class	July 19 (Sat) 10:15 AM	6
Tricks Class	July 20 (Sun) 1:15 PM	2
Loose Leash Walking	July 20 (Sun) 2:30 PM	4
Beginners Class	July 26 (Sat) 9:00 AM	6
Reliable Recalls	July 26 (Sat) 11:30 AM	4
Puppy Class	August 23 (Sat) 12:45 PM	6
K-9 Sampler	August 24 (Sun) 12:00 Noon	5
Manners Class	August 24 (Sun) 1:15 PM	6
Beginners Class	August 25 (Mon) 6:30 PM	6
Manners Class	August 26 (Tues) 6:30 PM	6
CGC/TDI Preparation	August 26 (Tues) 7:45 PM	6
Puppy Class <i>Daytime Class</i>	August 27 (Weds) 2:15 PM	6
Tricks Class <i>Daytime Class</i>	August 27 (Weds) 3:30 PM	2
Conformation Preparation <i>Daytime Class</i>	August 27 (Weds) 5:00 PM	6
Rally -- Level 1	August 28 (Thurs) 6:30 PM	6
Rally -- Level 2	August 28 (Thurs) 7:45 PM	6
Agility -- Level 2	August 29 (Fri) 6:30 PM	6
Agility -- Level 1	August 29 (Fri) 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.*

*PLEASE REMEMBER when registering online to complete the Class Application Form. If a Payment Form is submitted without the Application it is necessary to contact you to get important information.*

### MOVIE NIGHT (June 8)

Sunday — 6:30 PM

### Beethoven's Third

FREE — Popcorn Provided!

(Bring your own comfy chair and your favorite soft drink — ice and cups provided)

Now with larger 50" projection screen & stereo sound

Plan now to attend the  
Keystone Cluster Dog Shows  
August 8-9-10

Farm Show Building, Harrisburg

Full info on the  
Harrisburg Kennel Club show  
(Sunday August 10)

(including a \$1.00 discount coupon)  
at [www.hkc.org](http://www.hkc.org)

### Training Aids Available

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

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

Pictures and prices are available at [www.redferncanines.com](http://www.redferncanines.com). Items available at classes, or send an Email to [redfern@ioweb.com](mailto:redfern@ioweb.com)