



FSDA Newsletter November 2017

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by Kathi Leonhardt

Hello FSDAers!

As we head into winter, the FSDA has been working hard on bringing education and fun to its members. We are excited to announce that we are now 95 members strong with 27 breeds, have done quite a bit toward our AKC accreditation, (thank you Hector and Meredith Hector!) and are pushing forward. We are planning to host a B Match and a Dr. Carmen Battaglia seminar (thank you, Carolee Boyles!) in the early part of 2018.

Rob Bitler ran our Dock diving seminar with instructor Gayle DeShong in conjunction with another required Fun Match by Hector and Meredith. Both events were well received.

Kelli Riggs ran our very first FREE field seminar which was met with glowing reviews from the attendees. Kelli plans to hold another FREE seminar in 2018 and we hope to have other seminars for field that year as well.

Please note that we will have our very first Award Ribbon Award ceremony in conjunction with the

annual meeting in February - more to come on that from Carolee. So get your titles together for the events you qualified for in as soon as possible. The ribbons will be gorgeous and you deserve recognition for all you do with your dog(s) in every event.

The Board and I would like to wish each and every one a most happy and safe holiday season!

Warm Regards,

Kathryn Leonhardt
FSDA President

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2017 FSDA Executive Board

Kathi Leonhardt: *President*

Rob Bitler: *Vice President*

Megan Cloudman: *Treasurer*

Laurel Medley: *Secretary*

Bonnie Smith: *Membership*

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This is also the PayPal address for membership dues and event fees.

Natural Remedies For Dogs Hot Spots

By [Dana Scott](#)
for www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com



A hot spot is a localized area of skin inflammation and infection due to bacteria. Hot spots can appear anywhere but are most commonly found on the neck, chest or flank. Although they can pop up at any time of year, they are more common in the summer months, especially for dogs who are swimming in ponds. Hot spots can grow at an incredibly fast rate – you may notice a small spot in the morning and return from work to a horrid, pus filled mess the size of your fist.

In healthy dogs, hot spots can respond very quickly to the right homeopathic remedy without the need for shaving it down or applying salves and creams. Acute prescribing can be quite easy for even the most novice of homeopaths as the remedy you choose will depend on the appearance of the hot spot and the behavior of your dog.

Below is a short list of some homeopathic remedies you might want to consider. This list is by no means complete, but for most dogs, one of these remedies will be a good fit.

Apis

Because *Apis* is made from the honey bee, think of a bee sting. Hot spots requiring *Apis* will be shiny and swollen

with a red or white appearance. It will also be quite sensitive to touch.

Belladonna

Hot spots that require *Belladonna* will appear and grow almost instantly and the skin will be bright red, hot and relatively dry. The dog will appear restless and irritated and will move away from heat.

Graphites

Graphites is an excellent skin remedy and will be necessary if there is a sticky discharge that appears like honey. These dogs can tend toward excess weight and the itch and discharge will be worse with warmth. The surrounding skin and coat may feel greasy and the hot spot will have a cracked appearance.

Mercurius

These hot spots will also have a yellow or even greenish discharge with a yellow scab. There may also be hair loss and bleeding around the lesion. These dogs will also want to move away from heat.

Rhus tox

Like a rash from poison ivy, the hot spot that requires *Rhus tox* will be red and very itchy with a pimpled rash-like appearance. There will be swelling and the hot spot will be hardened. These dogs will prefer warm and will feel better when out moving and walking.

Dosage: Most of these remedies will work well with the common 30C potency. Give once and evaluate the results in your dog. Remedies will work quickly with acute, fast moving issues, so you should see a change in the hot spot within an hour or a little more. If you see improvement, then wait – do not redose. Watch the hot spot and if it appears to worsen, then give your dog another dose. If you do not see changes, try another remedy.

You shouldn't need a topical treatment if you choose the right remedy. If you want to use a topical treatment, clean the area and apply a calendula solution. Sprays will work better than creams as the hot spot will heal quicker if it is allowed to dry.

Field Report

by Kelli Riggs

The FSDA held its very first field seminar on Saturday, September 7th in Anthony, Florida. We had a nice turnout with a variety of breeds including flat-coats, labs, goldens, vislas and GSPs. This seminar was to see what kind of interest our members have in field and at what level they are currently training at. We started the day with an upland training demonstration and then had an actual upland quail hunt with live quail. It was interesting to see how the pointers and retrievers approach upland hunting differently but get the same results.

After lunch we proceeded to demonstrate the 16 week step by step program for establishing a strong foundation on the working retriever. We worked with several of the dogs on recalls, place, hold, force fetch and walking fetch. Some of the more advanced dogs then moved onto pile work. We finished the day running a challenging land set-up with marks and a blind. It was amazing to see how fantastic the younger dogs did on the challenging marks.

We would like to send out a huge thank you to Morganne Morrison and Chase Waldeck along with their mom's Anne and Debra for their hospitality and offering up their lovely property for the day and providing a delicious lunch for all the attendees.

After the first of the year, the field committee will be starting up Beginner Basic classes for working retrievers. This class will once a month and will go through the complete foundation building process. It will be open to all breeds. Please watch FB and your email for time & date information.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding our field program please feel free to contact Kelli Riggs at Flatcoat89@yahoo.com.



Member Brags

GCH Firelight Citius Altius Fortius at TruBlu
At 15 months of age he finished his GCH at Deland
by going BOS.

Arcadia

10/12/2017- BOB/BOBOH/Sporting Group 3/ OH

Group 1/OH Reserve Best in Show

10/13/2017- BOS/BOBOH/OH Group 1

10/14/2017- Select/BOBOH/OH Group 1

10/15/2017-BOB

- Laurel Medley



Enchante Labradors is proud to announce that on 10/10/17
GCH Ch Impulse Passion 4 Fashion delivered 7 chocolate
pups (4 boys and 3 girls) by GCH CH Quail Chase BearCreek
Jolly Joe. Mom and babies are doing fine. Eyes started to open
at two weeks. – Stephanie Brooks



Beau ReGard & Duck received invites to the
NADD Dock Diving Nationals in Orlando in
December!!

Beau ReGard received his Senior Dock Diving title
in DeLand - Mickey Fambri



CH, USJ, SHR Ravenswood Major 'N
Minor JH, CD, DS, WC, CGC aka "The
Ginger Bean" earned her first Senior
Hunter pass on an extremely
challenging hunt test in Mississippi
in September. She was the only non-lab
and the only female handled dog to
receive a pass that day. Ginger is
always owner handled & owner trained.
– Kelli Riggs

Member Brags



Summerhill Colour
Coded CDX PCDX BN
GN GO RAE2 CGCA TKI
"Linc" received two Utility
legs and one Versatility
leg last month at IPO –
Merrilyn Jones



Also, *Merrilyn Jones* Welcomed an addition to the family, Ironwood's Bing Bang Boom "Boomer"

Bella got her first titles earlier this fall at a Trick Dog workshop at Best Paw Forward in Osteen. She now has her CGC and her Novice Trick Dog (TKN) titles.

At the same workshop, Fenigan got his CGCA, Novice Trick Dog and Intermediate Trick Dog (TKI) titles. He and I also went to Atlanta in late August, where he earned his Graduate Open title in obedience with three consecutive qualifying legs. Then recently at the Jupiter Tequesta Dog Club obedience trial he earned his first leg of Utility.

PJ's Alli went along for the ride to Atlanta and earned another championship point. - *Carolee Boyles*



Anna, Moonstone N' Magic First Time in Forever won BOS over specials her first show at 6 months. She also was awarded Novice Shooting Dog Title same month. - *Barbara Cook*



Our versatile dog
Judd, GCH
Moonstone's Pure
Magic earned his
RA, RN and CD
titles this summer
and is now GCH
Moonstone's Pure
Magic, CGC CD
NRD RN RA JH
NSD V. - *Barbara
Cook*



Florida Sporting Dog Association | MINUTES

Meeting date | time 10/25/2017 8:31 AM |
Meeting location Conference Call

Meeting called by	Rob Bitler	Attendees Kathi Leonhardt, Rob Bitler, Laurel Medley, Bonnie Smith, Megan Cloudman, Meredith Hector, Hector Hector
Type of meeting	Board Meeting	
Facilitator	Rob Bitler	
Note taker	Laurel Medley	
Timekeeper	Laurel Medley	

Agenda topics

Meeting was called to order at 8:31 am. Laurel Medley made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting (9/20/2017) which was seconded by Bonnie Smith.

Reports

Treasurer's Report: Megan Cloudman/ \$2623 balance.

Membership: Bonnie Smith/ 75 households with 95 members. Adding members to the closed FSDA FB is caught up.

Old Business

AKC Accreditation: Hector and Meredith Hector/ A revised timeline for accreditation was sent to the Board. AKC advised that they are back-logged and they will need the full 8-weeks. Locations for A & B matches will be needed.

Activities:

- Field/ Kathi Leonhardt- 10/7/2017 "Introduction to Field Training" was attended by 10 members representing 4 breeds. Kelly sent a report.
- Lure Coursing/ Kathi Leonhardt- Date will be changed from November to a date to be determined (possibly January) when the weather is cooler.
- Seminar/ Rob Bitler for Carol Lee Boyles- Lakeland Cluster in February was suggested for a Dr. Carmen Battaglia Seminar. There are many performance events going on during the cluster as well as another seminar. Laurel Medley and Bonnie Smith volunteered to committee with Carol Lee on another venue.

Give Away Items: Laurel Medley/ A list of options was sent to the Board from Inkheak on 9/28/2017. Rob Bitler motioned to approve \$550 to cover: shipping, Collapsible Koozie min 200 @ .87 w/setup \$224 and 24oz tervis like #32532 min 48 @ 4.84 w/ setup \$272.32. Laurel Medley 2nd the motion. Motion carried with no one opposed.

Award Ribbons: Rob Bitler for Carol Lee Boyles/ 5.5" rosette with 14" streamers, set-up fee of \$40 and ribbons \$4.50 each. Max per ribbon would be \$10. Rob Bitler motioned to approve the Award Ribbon plan and was 2nd by Megan Cloudman. Motion carried with no one opposed.

New Business

New Facility: Megan Cloudman/ Central Florida Dog Sports has opened up. They have agility and dock diving. The facility is clean and welcoming and would be available for events. 1060 N. Bee Street, Deland, FL 32720.

Next Board Meeting: November 15, 2017 at 8:30 AM via Conference Call. 9:31 AM Laurel Medley motioned to adjourn, 2nd by Rob Bitler.

Calendar of Events

Date	Day	Registry	Location	Club	Event type	Closing Date
Nov 16 - 19	Thurs - Sun	AKC	Ocala	Seminole Dog Fanciers/Greater Ocala Dog Club	Conformation , Obedience,	11/1/17
Nov 17 - 19	Fri - Sun	AKC	Vero Beach	Indian River Dog Training Club	Agility	11/2/17
Nov 18 - 19	Sat - Sun	AKC	Lake Park	Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County	Rally	11/1/17
Nov 18 - 19	Sat - Sun	AKC	Umatilla	Central Florida German Shorthaired Pointer Club	Hunt test	11/15/17
Nov 19	Sun	AKC	Palm City	Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County	Tracking	11/9/17
Nov 24 - 26	Fri - Sun	AKC	Pensacola	Five Flags Dog Training Club of Pensacola, FL	Agility	11/10/17
Nov 24 - 26	Fri - Sun	AKC	Palmetto	Upper Suncoast Dog Training Club	Agility	11/10/17
Nov 24 - 26	Fri - Sun	BHA	Morriston	G2 Barn Hunt	Barn Hunt	11/13/17
Nov 25 - 26	Sat - Sun	IABCA	Ocala	Interational All Breed Canine	Conformation	11/17/17
Nov 25 - 26	Sat - Sun	AKC	Umatilla	Suncoast German Wirehaired point Club of Mid Florida	Hunt test	11/22/17
Dec 1	Fri	AKC	Hilliard	Tampa Bay Vizsla Club	Field Trial	11/28/17
Dec 2 - 3	Sat - Sun	AKC	Miami	Miami Obedience Club	Agility	11/17/17
Dec 7	Sun	AKC	Orlando	Orlando Dog Training Club	Tracking	11/21/17
Dec 8 - 10	Fri - Sun	AKC	Daytona Beach	Obedience Club of Daytona	Obedience,	11/17/17
Dec 8 - 10	Fri - Sun	AKC	Miami	Greater Miami Dog Club	Agility	11/24/17
Dec 8 - 10	Fri - Sun	BHA	Morriston	G2 Barn Hunt	Barn Hunt	11/20/17
Dec 9 - 10	Sat - Sun	AKC	Montverde	Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club	Hunt test	11/27/17
Dec 8 - 10	Fri - Sun	UKC	Lakeland	Sunshine Terrier Club/Hurricane Alley Am. Hairless Terrier Assoc.	Conformation	12/1/17

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Dec 10	Sun	AKC	Port St. Lucie	Tailwaggers Agility Club of South Florida	Tracking	11/30/17
Dec 12 - 15	Tues - Fri	AKC	Orlando	Space Coast KC of Palm Bay/Brevard KC, Central FL KC, ODTC	Conformation , Obedience, Rally	11/22/17
Dec 15	Fri	AKC	Umatilla	Central Florida German Shorthaired Pointer Club	Field Trial	12/13/17
Dec 16 - 17	Sat - Sun	AKC	Orlando	American Kennel Club, Inc.	Conformation	11/15/17
Dec 28 - 31	Thurs - Sun	AKC	Ft Pierce	Tailwaggers Agility Club of South FL	Agility	12/14/17
Dec 29 - 31	Fri - Sun	BHA	Lakeland	Das Hund Haus	Barn Hunt	12/13/17
Jan 5	Fri	AKC	Gainesville	Tampa Bay Vizsla Club	Field trial	2/2/18
Jan 5 - 7	Fri - Sun	AKC	Fort Pierce	Dog Obedience Club of Hollywood, Inc.	Agility	12/22/17
Jan 5 - 7	Fri	AKC	Ocala	Greater Ocala Dog Club, Inc.	Agility	12/22/17
Jan 5 - 7	Fri - Sun	AKC	Pensacola	Pensacola Dog Fanciers Association	Agility	12/20/17
Jan 6 - 7	Sat - Sun	BHA	Melbourne	Barnhunt Ratch Society	Barn Hunt	12/27/17
Jan 6 - 7	Sat - Sun	UKC	Crystal River	Cedar Key Kennel Club	Conformation	12/29/17
Jan 11 - 14	Thurs - Sun	AKC	Brooksville	Hernando County KC, Clearwater KC, others	Conformation , Obedience, Rally, Agility	12/27/17

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Jan 12 - 14	Fri - Sun	BHA	Tallahassee	G2 Barn Hunt	Barn Hunt	12/18/17
Jan 12 - 14	Fri - Sun	AKC	Fort Pierce	Palm Bay Agility Club	Agility	12/29/17
Jan 13 - 14	Sat - Sun	AKC	Tallahassee	Tallahassee Dog Obedience Club	Obedience, Rally	12/29/17
Jan 13 - 14	Sat - Sun	AKC	Lake Park	Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County	Obedience	12/27/17
Jan 14	Sun	NACSW	Clearwater	New Dawn Animal Behavior Center	Nosework ORT	
Jan 17 - 21	Wed - Sun	AKC	Brooksville	Hernando County KC, Pasco FL KC, Tampa Bay KC, others	Conformation	1/3/18
Jan 19 - 21	Fri - Sun	AKC	New Smyrna Beach	Obedience Club of Daytona	Agility	1/4/18
Jan 20 - 21	Sat - Sun	AKC	Ocala	Marion Alachua Dog Training Association	Obedience	1/3/18
Jan 25 - 28	Thurs - Sun	AKC	Miami	Miami Obedience Club	Agility	1/10/18
Jan 25 - 28	Thurs - Sun	AKC	Ocala	Lake Eustis KC, Greater Gainesville Dog Fanciers Assoc	Conformation, Obedience, Rally	1/10/18
Jan 27 - 28	Sat - Sun	AKC	Punta Gorda	Dog Obedience Club of Lee County Florida	Obedience, Rally	1/10/18
Jan 27 - 28	Sat - Sun	AKC	Okeechobee	Treasure Coast Retriever Club	Hunt test	1/15/18
Feb 2 - 4	Fri - Sun	AKC	Fort Pierce	Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County	Agility	1/17/18
Feb 2 - 4	Fri - Sun	AKC	Jacksonville	Pals & Paws Dog Agility Club of North Florida	Agility	1/19/18

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Feb 3 - 4	Sat - Sun	AKC	Davie	Dog Obedience Club of Hollywood, Inc.	Obedience, Rally	1/17/18
Feb 3 - 4	Sat - Sun	UKC	Lakeland	Florida Siberian Husky Association	Conformation	1/15/18
Feb 3 - 4	Sat - Sun	AKC	Tampa	Tampa Bay Agility Club	Agility	1/19/18
Feb 9 - 11	Fri - Sun	AKC	Ocala	Marion Alachua Dog Training Association	Agility	1/26/18
Feb 9 - 11	Fri - Sun	AKC	Vero Beach	Indian River Dog Training Club	Agility	1/24/18
Feb 10 - 11	Sat - Sun	AKC	Myakka City	Sarasota Obedience Training Club	Obedience	1/24/18
Feb 10 - 11	Sat - Sun	AKC	Milton	Emerald Coast Vizsla Club	Hunt test	2/6/18
Feb 10 - 11	Sat - Sun	UKC	Montverde	Central Florida Hunting Retriever Club	Hunt test	
Feb 16 - 19	Fri - Mon	AKC	Lakeland	Lakeland Winter Haven KC, Greater Ft. Myers Dog Club	Conformation, Obedience, Rally	1/31/18
Feb 16 - 18	Fri - Sun	BHA	Lakeland	Das Hund Haus	Barn Hunt	1/31/18
Feb 16 - 18	Fri - Sun	AKC	Pensacola	Five Flags Dog Training Club of Pensacola, FL	Agility	1/31/18
Feb 17 - 18	Sat - Sun	AKC	Tampa	Tampa Bay Agility Club	Agility	1/31/18
Feb 21 - 25	Wed - Sun	AKC	Tallahassee	Okaloosa KC, Greater Panama City Dog Fanciers Assoc, others	Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Agility	2/7/18
Feb 22 - 25	Thurs - Sun	AKC	Brooksville	Tampa Bay German Shepherd Dog Club	Agility	2/7/18
Feb 24 - 25	Sat - Sun	AKC	Clearwater	Upper Suncoast Dog Training Club	Obedience, Rally	2/9/18

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Feb 24 - 25	Sat - Sun	AKC	Melbourne	Indian River Dog Training Club, Inc.	Obedience, Rally	2/7/18
Feb 24 - 25	Sat - Sun	AKC	Umatilla	Suncoast German Wirehaired Pointer Club of Mid Florida	Hunt test	2/21/18
Mar 2 - 3	Fri - Sat	AKC	Plant City	Imperial Polk Obedience Club of Lakeland, Florida	Agility	2/16/18
Mar 2 - 4	Fri - Sun	AKC	Davie	South Dade KC, Ft. Lauderdale Dog Club	Conformation	2/14/18
Mar 2 - 4	Sat - Sun	AKC	Pensacola	Pensacola Dog Fanciers Association	Conformation	2/14/18
Mar 9 - 11	Fri - Sun	AKC	Miami	Miami Obedience Club	Agility	2/21/18
Mar 10 - 11	Sat - Sun	AKC	West Palm Beach	Palm Beach County Dog Fanciers Association	Conformation	2/21/18
Mar 10 - 11	Sat - Sun	AKC	Jupiter	Jupiter-Tequesta Dog Club, Inc.	Obedience	2/23/18
Mar 10 - 11	Sat - Sun	AKC	Myakka City	Sarasota Obedience Training Club	Rally	2/21/18
Mar 16 - 18	Fri - Sun	AKC	Fort Pierce	Treasure Coast Kennel Club of Florida	Agility	2/28/18
Mar 16 - 18	Fri - Sun	AKC	Ocala	Greater Ocala Dog Club, Inc.	Agility	3/1/18
Mar 17	Saturday	AKC	Thomasville, GA	Tallahassee Hunting Retriever Club	Hunt test	3/5/18
Mar 23 - 25	Fri - Sun	AKC	Palmetto	Sarasota Obedience Training Club	Agility	3/2/18
Mar 24 - 25	Sat - Sun	AKC	Eustis	Central Florida Obedience Dog Club	Obedience, Rally	3/2/18
Mar 24 - 25	Sat - Sun	AKC	Newberry	Suwannee Valley Kennel Club of Florida	Conformation	3/7/18