



# Camp NewsWire

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## Spring is coming...

Fellow Campers,

It is a rainy Saturday in March. The temperature is a bit warmer than normal so the crocuses are coming up in the flower beds. Gracie, my golden and I are out for a walk and she is covered in mud which is plentiful this time of year. All these signs mean that camp is right around the corner. The Newswire has just started to receive some information from campers but I wish for more camper news to share your activities and accomplishments. So, I hope this edition finds you well and thinking of warmer days ahead in Vermont.

Lisa Emery  
NewsWire Editor



## Pet Expo

Honey, Jeanne Richter and Lisa Emery recently participated in the Greater Philadelphia Pet Expo on March 12 – 14, 2004 at the Fort Washington Expo Center. A number of alums visited the booth as well as greeted several new campers. It was a wonderful opportunity for people in the MidAtlantic region to learn about camp. Thanks to all who stopped by.

## On your way to camp.....

Valerie Steinman, June Camp Alum has a wonderful idea for your trip to Vermont. She takes her favorite movies along for trip. That's right movies. While you cannot watch them while driving, you can listen to them on a portable DVD player. Imagine Blazing Saddles, Caddyshack or Austin Powers making you laugh as you are riding to camp. It provides a nice alternative to music or books on tape. If you have any ideas for your trip to camp, drop me a line at [campnewswire@hotmail.com](mailto:campnewswire@hotmail.com).

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## Mary Ts Tips

Mary Thompson recently reminded me that vomiting dogs, while a common ailment, can be an indication that something serious is wrong. If your dog starts to vomit, discontinue any medication immediately and call your vet for further guidance (i.e., immediate visit or to schedule an appointment). Recently, a vendor at her husband's practice told him their dog had been vomiting and was on Amoxicillin, a common antibiotic. His advice was to stop the drug and call their vet. The dog underwent a battery of blood work, x-rays and ultrasounds and the final decision was an adverse action to antibiotics. Animals on NSAIDS (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs like aspirin ibuprofen, etc.) should be taken off them IMMEDIATELY if there is any vomiting, diarrhea, neurological signs, loss of appetite, etc. But those symptoms could be present with a reaction to the most common antibiotic! When in doubt, check with your vet.

Deramaxx is a new medication used to treat pain and inflammation associated with osteoarthritis. If you have a dog that has arthritis, ask your veterinarian about this new drug.

Smoked rawhide and pigs ears can be detrimental to you dogs health. Not only have they been linked to choking and digestive upset but also behavioral problems. Especially rawhide that has been smoked may lead to a Dr. Jekyll / Mr. Hyde personality in dogs.

Finally, if you are feeding a raw or cooked diet for your dogs, do not feed tuna fish more than once a week. Tuna may contain high levels of mercury that may adversely impact your dog.

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## Late Breaking Camp News

Honey continues to enhance the camp with new options. There are several new classes with a focus on the other end of the lead.

Boogie Woogie 101 for Humans will be lead by the talented Julie Norman. Julie will focus on the human end of the freestyle dance partnership in this class. Hopefully, she can help people with two left feet, like me!

A stretching and flexibility class will be lead by our own Irene Lackman, Mid Summer Merriment Alum. The class will include gentle techniques that incorporate some yoga and breathing exercises.

Even a poetry writing workshop will be offered so you can express your thoughts about dogs through writing. Local poet, Verandah Porche will be visiting one evening for a poetry session. Make sure you bring paper, a journal and your favorite writing instrument for this unique opportunity.

Leashes were very hot at the Fort Washington Expo! This year Honey has lots of new colors available for your leash making pleasure. Orange, lime green, hot pink, royal blue, turquoise, green, tan, black and of course purple.



## Honey's Home

In the spring, many of us place mulch in our flower beds. Cocoa mulch which is sold by garden supply stores contains a lethal ingredient called "theobromine". It is lethal to dogs and cats and the chocolate smell really attracts animals. Please check what types of mulch you are using before you use it in your gardens this spring.

An article recently highlighted the problems with sudden onset diarrhea that cannot be controlled with diet or medications. It appears dogs that graze near locations where wild birds are prevalent (i.e., bird feeders), may pick up an organism from their droppings. This organism is resistant to conventional methods of correcting diarrhea. If you know of an animal having this problem, this may be one possible connection.

Dogs Deserve Better is a nonprofit organization dedicated to freeing the chained dog and bringing our best friends into the home and family. Check out [www.dogsdeservebetter.com](http://www.dogsdeservebetter.com) for information about this organization.

"Honey's goal in life and philosophy for the good life is expressed in this poem by Milan Kundera."

### A Dog Poem

Dogs are our link to Paradise.  
They don't know evil or jealousy or discontent.  
To sit with a dog on a hillside  
on a glorious afternoon is to be back in Eden,  
Where doing nothing was not boring – it was peace.

*Milan Kundera*

## Amazing Competitor

June Alum, Cathy Taylor's friend Sandy Dupree is truly amazing. She is very well known in agility circles on the west coast. She and her awesome dog have a Mach II. They received their 2nd Mach only 13 months after the first. As if that is incredible enough, Sandy is an amputee. Cathy provided the newswire with a link to one of Sandy's recent runs at a CKC agility trial in Denver. While the video takes some time to load and is of low resolution, Sandy is truly inspiring to watch. <http://sand.pnp-agility.com>

## 2004 Camp Countdown

June  
**67 Days**

Fall 1  
**158 Days**

Fall 2  
**165 Days**



## The Book Nook

### Management Magic by Leslie Nelson-Moss & Gail Pivar

When you first bring a new dog or puppy into your family, it takes a lot of planning and management to set up for success. As your puppy matures or your new dog becomes part of your family, less and less management is required. Good management means: Plan Ahead for Success!! In other words, you set up your dog to be right! Use positive reinforcement to shape and reward behavior.

**Voted one of the TOP TEN puppy books by the Association of Pet Dog Trainers in its first year of publication!!**

Leslie has been teaching at camp for more than 13 years and her classes are extremely popular. A number of campers who teach pet obedience classes provide this book as part of their curriculum. It is a quick read with very practical information. A must have for new or existing dog owner who wants to improve their relationship.

For more information in this and other books by Leslie Nelson-Moss, go to [www.dogwise.com](http://www.dogwise.com).



## Liver Muffins

Puree in blender  
1lb raw liver (any kind)  
3 eggs  
3 tbsp molasses

Dry Ingredients:  
2.5 cups whole wheat flour  
1 tsp baking soda  
1 tbsp garlic powder  
1 tbsp onion powder

Optional Ingredients (to produce muffin consistency, about  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup added to above)

Wheat germ  
Bran  
Bulgar wheat  
Brewer's yeast  
Parsley

Add moist mixture to the dry ingredients and stir until mixed. Place in greased muffin tins (do not use muffin cups, as they will not come out as muffins). Bake at 350 degrees for about 20 minutes. Makes about 18 muffins. Reserve for your next training session....a very special treat!



## When Do You Win?

By Katrin Andberg – Agility Instructor June Camp

You and your dog have been working together and competing in agility for some time now. You've completed your NADAC Novice Regular title and are going for Outstanding. You and your dog have a bit of ring experience and understand how the trialing piece of the agility game works. Like every team old or new, you and your partner still have many things to work on. At the last few trials you noticed that back crosses seemed to be a bit of an issue in all of your runs. Come to think of it, you never practiced backcrosses much with your dog and so you take some time to teach him. You're at the point where backcrosses are becoming fluent and easy in practice at home and class. Thank goodness because you've got a trial coming up this weekend and who knows if you might have to use this new skill!

You are at the trial. Your first run of the weekend, Novice Regular B. You take a look at the course map and then walk your course. Eek gads, it looks like you'll need to back cross at a tunnel and a jump! Good thing you practiced. Opening is jump, jump, to that tunnel you're going to cross at, to the A-frame, jump, jump, weave poles, jump, back cross, jump and so on.

Your timer says, "Go now, please." And you signal your dog to go; by the way he was very good and waited at the start line. You get down the 1<sup>st</sup> two jumps rather nicely and send him into the tunnel. Now you have to cross. It works! You're on the right side for the A-frame! Way to go! Time for the A-frame. Oh no! He just blew that contact. He knows how to do the A-frame correctly! He never blows the A-frame contact! What would you do? Keep going or stop him and correct him for blowing that contact? Say you continue on the course.

You get through the course over the jumps and through the poles. You're at the jump before the cross. He knocks the bar, but he continues over the next jump nicely as you cross. "Why did he knock that bar?! He shouldn't be doing that", you think. What do you do? Keep going or stop him and correct him for knocking that bar 2 jumps and a cross ago? You keep going, you did make that backcross after all, and you complete this course. You and your dog make it through just under time and with another knocked bar, so with 20 faults. What do you say to your dog and how do you act at the end of that run?

Do you still celebrate and tell your dog he is the best thing since sliced bread? After all you did manage to complete those two backcrosses. You've been working so hard on backcrosses and you did it!! And he waited at that start line and hit the dog walk contact to boot! Or

Do grab your leash, ignore or glare at your dog and go put him away? He knows better than to blow that contact. And I don't care where I was; he shouldn't have knocked those bars! Because of that we didn't Q and probably didn't place.

If your reaction is reaction #2, take a bit of time to think about your relationship with your dog. What does winning mean to you? Is it the purple ribbon you

receive for a qualifying round? Or is it successfully executing a skill that you have been training lately? If winning is successfully executing a skill, your reaction should have been much like that of reaction #1. Who cares about the bobbles or the ugly parts, you nailed those backcrosses!

This little scenario can be changed to fit anyone's situation. Look back on a few of your past runs. Think about how you began that run and how you ended it. Did you start with a goal in mind? Had you been working backcrosses like the person in this example and so begin with the goal of executing them successfully? Or did you just run the run, forgetting to set a goal?

Setting a goal before you run is a wonderful way to gauge your success. By giving yourself and/or dog a set criteria of your own before your dog ever sets foot over the start line, you prevent yourself from dwelling on every mistake. If you and your dog were successful and reached your goal that run, but didn't qualify, you still won! You achieved your goal, awesome job! If you were successful and reached your goal and qualified as well, bonus! Two wins in one run!! If you happened to not reach your goal or Q that is ok as well, you now have one thing that you know you still need to work on. And you realize that maybe your goal was too broad and not specific enough for the time you spent training that issue. Anyway you go, by setting a goal you win. You either gain the satisfaction that for one part of that 15-22 obstacle course, you and your dog did something right or you learn how to easily discover one thing you need more work on, thereby giving yourself an easy way to break training issues up. When you set goals you enable your self to look at each course much as your dog should, as an opportunity to play on the obstacles, work with your partner and most importantly as a way to have fun.

## **Newsire Special Report**



Ann Bulke, Summer Camp Alum from Australia inspired this section. Thank you Ann for your wonderful article and poetry. From March 4-7, 2004, the UK Kennel Club staged what the Guinness Book of Records recognized as the largest dog show in the world. Entries for Crufts 2004 total 21,622 in all sorts of activities.

[www.the-kennel-club.org.uk/index.asp?section=crufts/cruftsframe.html](http://www.the-kennel-club.org.uk/index.asp?section=crufts/cruftsframe.html)

**CRUFTS – A DREAM COME TRUE  
OR NIGHTMARE IN A NIGHTIE...**

Ann Bulke

I attended Crufts in Birmingham, England for the four days from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> March, 1997. To say that it is a dog enthusiasts dream come true is an understatement.

I should explain “nightmare in a nightie” first – on the day Crufts was due to start, the Hotel where I stayed in Birmingham had a fire alarm at three o’clock in the morning. We were evacuated into the street for about an hour, at minus five degrees I might add, while the firemen came to the conclusion that it was a false alarm.

Back to bed, but half an hour later another alarm and another evacuation. I was only dressed in a nightie, jacket and boots, and as the time dragged on, firemen again rushed around to another repeat false alarm. I realized that I could possibly end up attending Crufts in a nightie as I did not want to miss the beginning of the first day and would in fact travel on the train in my nightie if needs be! Luckily, however, after returning to my room, I had time for a quick change and breakfast and was still the first person to walk into Crufts when the doors opened.

Crufts is held in the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham. The Centre itself is so huge that the show only takes up about half of the total area. There were 20,505 dogs at Crufts over the 4 days – 18,963 of that number were show dogs.

### *First impressions*

There are five large halls which house the various show rings, trade stands, main ring (seems to be the size of a football field), smaller rings, restaurants, benching boxes, exercise and grooming areas etc.

The main entrance opens onto the English Kennel Club’s huge stand. Office staff can answer a range of queries and they are connected to their main computer and can give any print-out required on a wide range of topics.

The hundreds of trade stands vary in size from huge (Pedigree Chum, Arden Grange, Purina, Eukanuba, etc.) to smaller rows which held every type of dog memorabilia imaginable – ornaments, books, paintings, clothing, grooming equipment, stationery, collars, leads, training equipment, crafts, etc. etc. etc. – it just went on for miles!

The organization was outstanding, all ushers, door attendants and officials had smart uniforms on. A constant team of “hygiene officers” patrolled the areas with picker-uppers and disinfectant in hand. I never saw one ‘mess’ anywhere and with 20,505 dogs in the area over the 4 days this was amazing. There were small dog toilet areas with sawdust on the floor along the sides of the benched areas.

### *Obedience comparisons*

I spent the first two days from 9am to 4pm seated in the Main Ring to watch the Obedience Championships. The first day saw 25 bitches compete - only 3 qualified. The second day was the turn of the dogs – 27 entries and 4 qualifiers.

The dogs only competed in “C” Class (equivalent to our U.D.) and had to have won a first place at a trial in order to enter Crufts. Very different exercises and judging than ours – the routine is handled by a “caller”, the Judge walks behind and the “scorer” who stays very close to the Judge writes down the scores on a board as the Judge gives them out. At the end of every exercise the scoreboard is handed to the operator who puts them up on a huge electronic scoreboard at each end of the ring.

end of the ring.

### *How they scored*

Out of the 300 points, in order to qualify, the dogs could not lose more than 15 points. Unlike our scoring, where the highest score wins, in the U.K. the lowest score wins.

The ultimate winner from the Dog section – a Working Sheepdog named “Takawalk Zak” owned by Dot Watts, scored 11.5. The winner in the Bitch section, Obedience Champion “Ashluan Karisma Kid”, a Long Haired German Shepherd owned by Kim Innes, scored 13.5. Surprisingly out of all the entries, this Shepherd and a Belgian Shepherd were the only two different breeds other than Border Collies and Working Sheepdogs.

### *The routines*

Their heelwork routine lasted for 5 minutes and included a lot of turns, two different sized figure eights drawn on the floor, leaving the dog in three different positions and picking up again whilst still walking. This exercise had a 60 point value.

The send away was like our U.D. send away except that they do not jump (there is no jumping in any of their obedience classes) – when the dog reached the box and dropped, the handler started a heeling pattern and gave the command for the dog to follow while they walked ahead with their back to the dog. This exercise was worth 40 points.

Retrieve an article was a straight retrieval, but the Judge supplied the article – on the first day it was a silver horse shoe and on the second day it was a silver stirrup. At a separate training session I saw dogs retrieving nuts and bolts threaded on a wire – and also stuffed toys. 30 points for this exercise.

Distant Control is where the dog is left in a given position while the handler walks a distance away and then facing a board with the order of commands, has to sit, drop and stand the dog 6 times in any given order. 50 points for this exercise.

Their Scent Discrimination involves the setting out of 10 pieces of white cloth in a random order and the dog has to find the cloth with the Judge’s scent on it. Two stewards also place decoys with their own scent on them. 50 points for this exercise.

Two minutes out of sight sit stay –and ten minutes out of sight down stay finish off the routine – 70 points for these two.

In the stays, if a handler has two dogs, they can handle them both together at the same time. Also the handlers line up in any order, leave the dogs in a bunch and come back the same way, not in the nice straight lines we are used to!

Obedience Competitors were beautifully and stylishly dressed, and their boxes were decorated with write-ups, photos and good luck cards.

### *Highly motivated*

The dogs that were entered in the obedience were highly motivated; some of them were almost “over the top”. They were very excited, pulling on their leads, playing tug-of-war with their leads, barking, jumping and generally dying to get started. Unlike us, handlers were allowed to manhandle the dogs into the ring,

pulling on collars and also using their feet to position the dog at the start peg.

### *What I Thought*

I felt that the wrap-around position of the dogs during heeling (which the British handlers seem to favor) was their letdown. Out of the 52 dogs entered, only 7 scored well in the heelwork: however all the dogs scored well in all other exercises.

The dogs worked too close to their handlers. Some dogs leaned on their owners, others seemed to be so close that their four feet were intertwined. Handlers even seemed to limp as the dog wrapped around their leg.

### *Other attractions*

There were many other attractions, both in the main ring and the many other ring areas. "Discover Dogs" was a huge area devoted to breed clubs. Most breeds had a stand with photos, leaflets and information as well as the live product. Other stands with dog displays included the Police, Guide Dogs, Support Dogs, Drug Squad, Good Citizens Award Scheme, Hearing Dogs etc.

I spent a few hours watching the International Junior Handlers final, which had competitors from 26 countries, including our own Michelle Fisher from Victoria. The eventual winner was from Norway, United Kingdom second and United States third.

The Inter-Regional Obedience Competition was held on the third morning in the main ring. Teams of six represented the Northern Region, The Midlands Region, The Welsh Region, the Southern Region, the Scottish Region, The Western Region and Northern Ireland. They had to have one dog in Novice, one in Class "A", one in Class "B" and two in Class "C", with one Reserve.

The most interesting one I watched was a huge Komondor competing in Novice, which worked well but looked like a moving hay stack in the recall! The eventual winners were the Western Region team. The previous week I had been home in Northern Ireland and spent some time at the Northern Ireland team's preparation. The team is managed by Judge Michael McCartney who has brilliant Border Collies himself.

### *The Main Ring*

In the evenings at Crufts from 5pm to 8pm the main ring was devoted to a great variety of demonstrations. Flyball, Agility and Mini-Agility run offs were on every night with the finals on the last night.

A working Gundog group showed how their dogs were trained to find and retrieve game. The Police Dog Squad showed drug dogs in action, and how they train their control and attack dogs.

The Essex Dog Display Team put on a particularly good demonstration with their dogs, which were either RSPCA or rescued dogs. All the dogs were multi-handled and did a variety of interesting things, including high ramp running and jumping, tunnel running, seesaw weaving, wheelbarrow races. The finale saw a tandem bicycle with dogs on their handler's shoulders.

Heelwork to Music was on three nights and Mary Ray, the original developer of the new sport did a brilliant routine with her Border Collie. A Standard Poodle and another Border Collie, together with their individual handlers also put on

and another Border Collie, together with their individual handlers also put on riveting performances in this exhibition sport.

### *Best In Show*

Group judging was also in the main ring every night with Terriers and Hounds the first night, Toys and Utility the second, Gundogs the third and the Working Group the last night followed by Best In Show. The final build up to the judging of the Best In Show was electric. Brass band, light show, TV cameras, huge crowds and of course, the magnificent trophies all added to the atmosphere.

Each group winner came out from behind a curtained doorway and took their place in a spotlight before the actual judging. Upon presentation of the winners, the area was swamped with TV cameras, photographers, reporters and lots of security (there have been incidents in previous years apparently). I was lucky enough to be chatting with a very nice policeman who let me into the main ring at the end and I took close up photos of the winners (the general public is not allowed in the ring).

Visiting Crufts was a wonderful experience – a childhood dream come true. Not cheap however – tickets for the 4 days entry (plus ringside seating which must be pre-booked) was \$135. Show entries were \$34 per dog. Airfares plus accommodation, which in Birmingham was quite dear, all added up to an expensive visit – but I intend to do it all again!!



## THE CRUFTS WINNER

He trudged along the road,  
An old and weary tramp –  
Then stumbled in surprise  
On a golden shiny lamp.

He rubbed it hard with glee  
Imagine his surprise –  
When a Genie who would grant his wish  
Stood there before his eyes.

“I want my dog beside me  
To win Best In Show at Crufts –  
Even though he has one eye  
And his hair is all in tufts”.

The Genie looked in wonder  
At the mutt with half a tail  
No ear, three legs, a limp  
And very, very frail.

“It can’t be done cried the Genie  
It is a definite ‘no’,  
I’m sorry poor old man,

You'll have to have another go".

The old tramp looked thoughtful  
As he made his second wish –  
His eyes alight he said with glee  
"I want Seagulls to win the Premiership".

The Genie's mouth flew open,  
His eyes were all agog –  
"My God you must be joking  
Gi'z another look at that bloody dog!"

ANN BULKE - MAY 1996

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## When I am Old...

I shall wear Turquoise and soft gray sweatshirts ... and a bandana over my silver hair.....and I shall spend my Social Security Checks on Sweet Wine and My Dogs.....and sit in my house on my well-worn chair and listen to my dog's breathing.

I will sneak out in the middle of a warm Summer night and take my dogs for a run, if my old bones will allow..... and when people come to call, I will smile and nod as I show them my dogs...and talk of them and about them...

The Ones so Beloved of the Past and the Ones so Beloved of Today....

I still will work hard cleaning after them and mopping and feeding them and whispering their names in a soft, loving way..

I will wear the gleaming sweat on my throat, like a jewel.  
And I will be an embarrassment to all...and my family ... who have not yet found the peace in being free to have dogs as your Best Friends....

These friends who always wait, at any hour, for your footfall...and eagerly jump to their feet out of a sound sleep, to greet you as if you are a God.

With warm eyes full of adoring love and hope that you will stay and hug their big, strong necks...and kiss their dear sweet heads...and whisper to them of your love and the beautiful pleasure of their very special company....

I look in the Mirror.....and see I am getting old... this is the kind of woman I am...and have always been. Loving dogs is easy, they are part of me, accept me for who I am, my dogs appreciate my presence in their lives...when I am old this will be important to me...you will understand when you are old...& if you have dogs to love too.

Author Unknown

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# Campers Corner



## Super Model

Marilyn Braunstein Summer Camp Alum with her Sharpei, Blossom, was recently on the National Geographic Channel's Dogs with Jobs program. The show features 3 segments each week on working dogs. Marilyn was contacted because the show was looking for dogs that do "modeling" and her Sharpeis have been used in advertising over the last 12 years. An interview with the Canadian production company was performed over the telephone. These people were definitely interested. Marilyn advised the production company to contact the producer of a Sears commercial that featured Blossom. The tape was procured; they saw her "in action" and knew Blossom should be part of the show. Of course Blossom's agent got involved to work out the details.

The shoot took twelve hours. The production company came to Marilyn's home and took some footage there. Then it was off to the Palegas' house, where two of Blossom's daughters reside. More footage was taken of Blossom with her kids. Throughout the day, an interview was performed. This would be segmented and portions of that discussion inserted throughout the show. Marilyn discussed the breed and lots of other good stuff but alas, most of it ended up on the cutting room floor. That's showbiz, folks!

From there, Marilyn, Blossom and the crew went into the city. The premise was that Blossom was going on an audition. They filmed the pair in the car as they were driving into New York City. As they came over the 59th Street Bridge with the view of the New York City skyline in the background, Marilyn turned to Blossom and said, "here we are Blossom, the Big Apple. If you can make it here, you can make it anywhere!" They arrived at the studio and several dogs were being auditioned for the part. Each dog had an opportunity to strut their stuff. The best was saved for last. Marilyn had Blossom holding an iron (get it, wrinkledog...), taking a bow and then Marilyn and Blossom did freestyle moves. The crew then took the pair to a photo shoot, where they interviewed a photographer doing some shots for Blossom's portfolio. The photographer said, "I have worked with a lot of dogs before, but Blossom well, she is a professional!" Finally, it was back to the audition for the decision. The producer announced, "Blossom got the job!" Much to Marilyn's surprise, it was a real job. Blossom would be "Miss April" on a company calendar!



## Calendar Gal

Caroline Shelley, Summer & Fall Camp Alum, has wonderful news that two of her dogs are currently appearing in Browntrout Sheltie calendars. In the "For the Love of Shetland Sheepdogs", Oreo is Mr. March. In the small Shetland Sheepdog calendar, Oreo and his mother Daisy are together for the month of March, and then Oreo weaves his way through May.

# Camp Application

If you have a friend that is interested in camp, here is an extra application form:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code

What dogs are you bringing (2 Allowed) Breeds? Names? Titles (real or made up)?

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Program:

- Summer Camp (June 6-12, 2004)  
 Fall Camp 1 (September 5-11, 2004)  
 Fall Camp 2 (September 12-18, 2004)

What activities interest you: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Housing:

- On-site Single       Cabins, Single (June only)  
 On-site Double       Marlboro North (June only)  
 Offsite       On-site Triple (June only)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Roommate Request / Traveling Companion

How did you hear about Camp Gone to the Dogs?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of people attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$100 per person =

Total deposit enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_

Send application and payment to:

Camp Gone to the Dogs, P.O. Box 600, Putney, VT 05346

## Camper Comments



Here are just a few camper comments about the wonderful staff. If you are an alum, you can relate to what these campers are saying. If you are new to camp, just look what you have you to look forward to. ....

*“Everyone on the staff is such a pleasure to be with, aside from the fact they are so good at what they do.”*

*“It’s not only that the instructors are so good, but also that they are having such a good time themselves.”*

*“Honey, your staff is the best that can be offered for any dog person.”*

*“I know you hear it all the time, but your instructors are great. You feel very good about yourself and your dog after they get through with you.”*

*“Your instructors are the tops.....and so are the other campers.”*

*“It is so great to come back to camp each year and see all the familiar faces; instructors, campers and of course, their dogs.”*

*“Honey, your staff is “awesome.” They are all gods and goddesses.”*

*“I cannot rave enough about your staff. It’s a privilege to train with such talented and caring people.”*

*“Camp is such a wonderful environment in which to learn. Your staff is so generous with their knowledge, time and spirit. If only my other training classes were like this.”*

*“The only downside about camp is that it is not year round.”*

