

THE ALASKA DOG NEWS© Calendar is prepared as a service dog owners and to the clubs listed. Events and dates were supplied by the clubs or from their web sites and may be subject to change. Please check with the individual clubs to verify the time, date and places of the events. Clubs, please contact Image Works Publications to update and correct your club information at AlaskaDogNews@mtaonline.net

Can I take my dog? Some events are only for pre-registered dogs. Please leave your dog at home when attending sanctioned events. If in doubt, call the event host to find out the details.

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| <p><u>Alaska DockDogs</u> www.alaskadockdogs.org Contact: Cathy Moore 346-2071 akdockdogs@yahoo.com Please go to the website or call for club information. Jumps start in June. See the Alaska DockDogs Slide Video at http://alaskadognews.com/canineslidevideos.aspx</p> | <p><i>Holds DockDog sanctioned events for all breeds and mixes. Dogs need to be able to swim and have a desire to jump after an object suspended or thrown in the water. Fun event for spectators and competitors alike</i></p> |
| <p><u>Alaska Dogs Gone Wild</u> www.flyballdogs.com/alaska/ Contact: Curtis Smith alaskaflyball@gmail.com Practice on Sundays from 4-6 PM at an indoor training facility in Anchorage. Beginning in May practice Sunday 9:45-noon at an Anchorage ball field. April 26, 2009 Alaska Wild Football Game Demo Sullivan Arena, Anchorage. Come see our demo during halftime June 24-25 and June 27-28, 2009 Alaska Summer Solstice Tourneys 2009! The Alaska State Fairgrounds, Palmer, Alaska</p> | <p><i>The Alaska Dogs Gone Wild Flyball Club was created in October 2004. It was the first flyball club in Alaska.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Alaska Working Retriever</u> www.alaskaworkingretriever.com Contact: 907-279-9952 info@alaskaworkingretriever.com Every Saturday 8:30 to 10 a.m. at Arctic Tails 7820 King St # 4, Anchorage, AK Call (907) 644-1040 until the May 2nd picnic trials. See ad on page and check the webpage for calendar updates.</p> | <p><i>AKC registered retriever breeds. Events held in the Mat-Su Valley & Turnagain Pass AKC Field Trial, Hunt Tests & training.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Alaska Winds Lure Coursing</u> www.akwinds.com Contact : coursing@alaska.com Races are suspended until next spring after the snow melts. <u>Alaska Hound Group</u> www.akhoundgroup.com Contact: Bark@AkHoundGroup.com Thursday Evenings through the Summer – 6:30 Lure Coursing. Any breed or mix dog that likes to chase is invited to run. Dogs run without collars or restraint so your dog must have a reliable recall.</p> | <p><i>Both Alaska Winds Lure Coursing and Alaska Hound Group hold Fun Runs (any dog) and KC Qualifying runs JC Tests (registered site hounds) during summer months on the State Fair Grounds.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Anchorage Skijoring Club</u> www.skijoring.org Call the WOOF Line (349-WOOF) for event updates</p> | <p><i>Skijor season begins in September with the Run Rover's Run Canicross. Men and women's one and two dog class, 5K, 10k and 15K sprint races are held in throughout the winter. Junior racers are included within these divisions and a separate recreational class is part of all events to encourage novices to participate.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Arctic Bird Dog Association.</u> Anchorage & Mat-Su Valley www.arcticbirddog.com Contact: 907-333-0156, gwpkuv@gci.net or dhsweets@mtaonline.net Beginner classes starting in April 17 at Valley Canine Camp in Wasilla (Pointers & Spaniels) Fun Day June 6 Fun Day at Falcon Ridge Game Farm</p> | <p><i>AKC Pointing breeds and Spaniels, Field Trails, Hunt Tests & training. Gun Dog training and AKC competition for registered gun dogs. Other breeds and mixes can participate in some flushing training, Chuckar and Pheasant shoots on Pt. MacKenzie later in the summer & fall</i></p> |
| <p><u>Alyeska Canine Trainers</u> Anchorage www.alyeskak9trainers.com Contact: 907-663-4335 ACT@alyeskak9trainers.com 549 W International Airport Road , Anchorage suite A-15 (between Arctic and C St. next to Guido's AKC Canine Good Citizen - 2009 Test Dates: March 29, May 24 Rally Run Throughs - Friday's at 7pm Obedience Fun Matches- 2nd Sunday of the month</p> | <p><i>Alyeska Canine Trainers is an all volunteer, non-profit organization started in 1986, by a group of dedicated dog enthusiasts. We use positive training methods to teach you to train your canine companion to be a good family pet as well as a competitor in the sport of Obedience or Agility. Classes start every 4 weeks.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Aurora Dog Musers</u> - Big Lake www.auroradogmusers.net Larisa Myers-McCoin 907- 376-3943 lmyers@mtaonline.net</p> | <p><i>Aurora Dog Musers is a long established club that has had a resurgence in the last couple of years. ADM maintains a trail system around Big Lake and supports junior musers as well as adults. Novices and veteran musers are welcome. .</i></p> |
| <p><u>The Better Companion</u> / Regine Dog Training Center Mat-Su Valley www.BetterCompanion.com Contact: 357-2521 info@bettercompanion.com 1400 Regine Ave, Wasilla, Alaska 99654 (Mile 4.2 Fairview Loop)</p> | <p><i>The Better Companion opened in July 2002. The facility, run by Claudia Sihler CPDT and Iditarod Musher Frank Sihler, provides Doggy Day Care, Open Play for socialization and all levels of training in obedience, agility, rally and more. Claudia holds a Veterinary Degree with special emphasis in animal behavior.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Chugiak Dog Musers</u> www.chugiakdogmusers.com Contact: info@chugiakdogmusers.com 907-689-7899 Must be a member of the club to race. There are other requirements that are listed in the race rules found on the website. Membership is \$25/year (single) or \$35/yr (couple). Race entry fees range from \$5 to \$20. Members who train regularly on our trails donate a \$30 trail fee. Juniors race through the Chugiak Junior Dog Musers, which is a separate membership.</p> | <p><i>Holds sled dog racing events at Beach Lake Park in Chugiak For "Northern" type working breeds only.</i></p> |
| <p><u>Cook Inlet Kennel Club</u> www.cookinletkennelclub.com Contact: 907-745-3674 August and November conformation and obedience shows now scheduled. Fridays-Show n' Go at 7:00 to 8:00 pm</p> | <p><i>Holds dog training classes for all breeds. Hosts AKC sanctioned obedience and confirmation trials in the Valley.</i></p> |

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| <p>Dog Obedience Training Club of Anchorage http://dotcanc.org Contact: Sue Striebich (907) 345-9264 Striebich@aol.com March 7 & 8, 2009 153rd-154th Obedience Trials, 19th-20th Rally Trials Indoors at Alyeska Canine Trainers</p> | <p><i>Holds dog training classes for all breeds. Hosts AKC sanctioned obedience and conformation trial in Anchorage.</i></p> |
| <p>Fairbanks Retriever Club www.fairbanksretrieverclub.org P.O. Box 60463 Fairbanks, AK 99706 For more information contact Derrick Wilkerson, class coordinator through the FRC website. Hunt Test and Field Trials begin in June.</p> | <p><i>The Fairbanks Retriever Club is the oldest established retriever club in Alaska. The club remains dedicated to all the retriever breeds and helping their owners improve their knowledge and skills in training, testing, trialing and hunting their dogs.</i></p> |
| <p>Interior Alaska Gun Dog Association www.iagda.org P.O. Box 73043 Fairbanks, AK 99707 907-322-0241 May 16 – Fish & Game Kids Day May 17 – Joint Picnic trial see Fairbanks Retriever Club May 23-24-25 Sanctioned HRC hunt test July 18-19 Sanctioned HRC hunt test</p> | <p><i>Founded in 1984, IAGDA is a family oriented organization for bird dog enthusiasts. We are dedicated to raising, training and testing hunting dog breeds. Our goal is to promote and encourage hunting with a trained bird dog. This not only improves the hunting breeds, but also promotes conservation of waterfowl and other game birds. In 2002, our club became affiliated with the Hunting Retriever Club. Their motto, "Conceived by hunters, for hunters" is the foundation for all of our activities.</i></p> |
| <p>Northern Lightspeed Flyball Club Drag racing – canine style www.northernlightspeed.com Contact: huskiez6@yahoo.com Learn the fundamentals of flyball, how to train your dog and why so many dogs and their humans can't get enough of this fast-paced sport. See practices at Valley Canine Camp & Training Center they can be contacted at www.valleycaninecamp.com or 357-2267 for dates and times.</p> | <p><i>FLYBALL...Drag Racing – Canine Style!!! Flyball is open to all breeds and sizes of canine athletes and is fun for the whole family. Races consist of two teams of 4 dogs racing each other down side-by-side lanes to retrieve a tennis ball. Listen to the dogs rev their engines... Hold your breath for a perfect start... Feel the excitement of a photo finish!</i></p> |
| <p>Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association www.msgda.org Contact: Brad Hanson- President (907)745-5306 webmaster@msgda.org April 11 MSGDA Judges & Handlers Training Clinic Eagle River Elk's Club April 18 MSGDA Annual Auction & Banquet 6 PM - 9 PM Eagle River Lyon's Club May 9 Picnic Fun Hunt 9 AM Leroi Heaven's Field – Wasilla May 16 Picnic Fun Hunt 9 AM Boyd's Potato Farm - Palmer June 7 Picnic Fun Hunt 9 AM Boyd's Potato Farm in Palmer June 20-21 NAHRA Hunt Test (sanctioned) 9 AM Falcon Ridge – Point MacKenzie Locations may change due to conditions. Call the club to confirm locations</p> | <p><i>NAHRA hunting retriever events held in the Mat-Su Valley & Turnagain Arm. Purebred retriever breeds registered with recognized kennel clubs are eligible to participate in NAHRA Field Tests. All dogs (purebreds & mixed) are eligible to participate in fun hunts, picnic tests & training clinics; licensed NAHRA field tests, fun hunts events, training seminars & clinics. Families & youth are encouraged to participate.</i></p> |
| <p>Obedience Training Club of Chugiak 18606 Old Glenn Highway Mailing: PO Box 670051 Chugiak, AK 99567 Contact: sitstay@otccalaska.com (907)688-6822</p> | <p><i>OTCC is an AKC sanctioned club. Hosts training events and classes</i></p> |
| <p>Retriever Club of Alaska www.retrieverclubofalaska.com Contact: info@retrieverclubofalaska.com Membership Secretary Joanne Hanscom (907)522-5104 Skyelab90@gci.net June 5-7, Field Trial, Point McKenzie July 31, Aug 1-2, Field Trial, Turnagain Pass Aug 7, 8, 9 Hunt Tests Turnagain Pass</p> | <p><i>AKC Retriever Field Trial, Hunt Tests & training in summer months in Turnagain Pass & Mat-Su Valley.</i></p> |
| <p>Willow Dog Mushing Association www.willowdogmushers.com Contact: president@willowdogmushers.com Meetings every 4th Wednesday of the month at 7 PM in the Willow Community Center</p> | <p><i>It is the mission of the Willow Dog Mushers Association (WDMA) to protect and preserve the dog mushers' historical way of life today, tomorrow and for future generations. WDMA promotes good sportsmanship and the sport of dog mushing through education, communication, recreational activities and competition. It addresses issues related to the interests of current and future dog mushers, including but not limited to trail easements, trail safety, government regulations, noise ordinances, and zoning. Members establish and maintain relationships with other dog mushing associations in order to have a larger voice on dog mushing issues.</i></p> |

MORE POOCH EVENTS

ART EXHIBITS

FOR THE LOVE OF DOGS at the Wild Olive, formerly the Loon Attic, 2061 E. Palmer-Wasilla Hwy, Wasilla. This exhibit remains open until May 8. Produced by the Valley Arts Alliance www.valleyartsalliance.com

David Jensen Photography presents :
 TALKING TO ANIMALS 2009, an exhibition of animal companions as photographed by David Jensen. Kaladi Bros on Brayton Dr. in Anchorage until May 1

Look for the Friends of Pets Pet Patrol 20th Anniversary Exhibit at Border's Books coming in June.
www.alaskaportraits.com/Exhibit.html



*Have fun with your dog!
 People who are active with their dogs take better care of them and themselves.
 Call or e-mail Alaska Dog News with your event to get into the next issue.*

VACCINATION & ADOPTION CLINIC
 APRIL 18 – 9:00 to 1:00
CATS & DOGS
 GLACIER VIEW SCHOOL
 Mile 104 Glenn Hwy
 40 miles north of Sutton
Rabies vaccination
 \$5, Must be 3 months old)
Borough Registration
 \$15 altered
 \$30 unaltered
PARVO/DISTEMPER (dogs over 6 weeks of age)
 \$12.50
BORDATELLA (Kennel Cough)
 \$5
FELINE DISTEMPER (Cats over 8 weeks of age)
 \$12.50
I. D. MICRO-CHIPPING
 \$20
 ALL DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH OR IN A CRATE

This clinic is sponsored by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Animal Care and Regulation Shelter

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