

Teaching Children How To Greet A Dog Sue Peters, Education Committee



At the recent Lure Racing exhibition at Cobo Hall, I was impressive to see how many children knew the correct way to greet a dog. Yet, there were some who needed guidance. It is never too early to begin teaching the children in your life the correct method of greeting a dog.

1. It's important to receive permission before petting the dog. If the owner says "no," politely accept the answer and don't pet the dog.
2. If the owner says "yes," turn your body so you are not facing the dog. Stay relaxed. Do not make eye contact.
3. Stand straight or squat. Do not bend over the dog. Bending over a dog can be threatening.
4. Let the dog come to you.
5. Allow the dog to sniff the back of your hand. Humans recognize people on sight; dogs recognize people by their scent. Dogs sniff people to learn their scent.
6. After the dog has sniffed your hand and become familiar with you, pet it on the shoulder, neck or chest.
7. The dog will let you know if it wants more intervention or if it is finished.
8. If at any time the dog backs away, stop what you are doing.

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Avoid hugging, kissing, and patting roughly.
This is too familiar and disliked by many dogs.

DOG SHOW INFORMATION Jackie Curtis

DATE	LOCATION	TYPE OF EVENT	SPONSORING CLUB
March 30-April 1	Kalamazoo	Obed, Rally,	Kalamazoo KC
April 6, 7, 8	Birch Run	Obed, Rally	Saginaw Valley KC
April 7, 8	Birch Run	Conformation	Saginaw Valley KC
April 20, 21, 22	Whitmore Lake	Agility	AADTC
April 27	Birch Run	Conformation, Rally	TCM
April 28	Whitmore Lake	Conformation	WHWTCSEM
April 29	Birch Run	Conformation, Obed.	Progressive KC
May 4,5, 6	Flint	Obedience, Rally	Tri Cities Dog Training Club
May 4, 5, 6	Kentwood	Agility	Grand Rapids Agility Club
May 12, 13	Midland	Conf., Obed, Rally, Agil.	Midland Michigan KC
May 19, 20	Corunna	Conformation	Genessee KC
May 24-28	Kalamazoo	Conf., Obed., Rally	Various KCs
May 25-27	Grand Blanc	Agility	Companion Dog Trg Club
June 1, 2, 3	Lapeer	Agility	Sportsmens Dog Trg Club

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Tickets are \$2 each, or 3 for \$5. The raffle drawing will be held at the Spring Specialty Show on April 28, 2012. You need not be present to win.

For tickets to sell, email your request to suzanne105@comcast.net. To purchase tickets, send your ticket request and check payable to WHWTCSEM to:

Suzanne Peters
3128 Walton Boulevard, PMB126
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Mail Orders must be received by April 20, 2012



The Motor Cities Fox Terrier Club once again invited our Club to attend the Detroit Kennel Club's Dog Show at Cobo Hall March 3 & 4 and participate in the Terrier Racing exhibition. It was two fun-filled days of racing and meeting people who have an interest in Westies. Jake Widdows crossed the finish line first in all the races except two. Rocket Peters managed to pass Jake twice. In his first year, Charlie Michael ran to the finish every time. Smooch Kittle, Abby Tavrazich, and friend of the Club and former foster girl, Roxie, also raced. This year, the Education Committee made children's activity handout bags that included AKC coloring books and bookmarks, AKC puzzle books, Westie coloring pages, crayons and a tuggie with the rescue business card attached. The Club website was on the bag's front cover. Thank you to friends of the Club, Peg & Art, and Maggie Tavrazich, for participating. Thanks also go out to Kathy Kittle, Chris Finkbeiner, Angela Evans, Tom & Eileen Michael, Sue Peters, and Beth Widdows for representing our Club.



GRAND AVENUE By Steve Breen and Mike Thompson



HEARTS IN THE CITY By Angela Evans

(Submitted by Angela Evans)



Saturday, April 28th, 2012

This show is dedicated to the memory of Neil Stoll, a founding Club member.

Show Hours: Approx. 10am to 2pm;
Building is open from: 7:30 A.M. to 5:00
(See Schedule below)
Public Welcome - No Admission Charge

Ann Arbor Dog Training Center
1575 E. North Territorial Road
Whitmore Lake, Michigan

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Judges

Sweepstake Judge: Greg Shively
Regular Class Judge: Linda Wells

Photographer

Photos by Susan & Lenna
P.O. Box 397
Haslett, Michigan 48840
(517) 655-6124

3-day dog show weekend with the Terrier Club of
Michigan All Terrier Show (Fri, April 27)
and Progressive Kennel Club All Breed Show (Sun,
April 29)!!

SPECIALTY SHOW SCHEDULE

7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m. Rescue and Club Silent Auctions Open
10:00 a.m. Sweepstakes Class Judging
10:45am or 15 minutes after close of Sweeps,
whichever comes last Rescue Parade
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Lunch (available on site)
12:45 p.m. Rescue Silent Auction Closes
1:00 p.m. Regular Class Judging
Show Completion
Whenever judging is completed
Usually 2 p.m. or slightly later
Club Silent Auction Closes 15 minutes after
regular class judging is complete.

Show Chair:

Jackie Curtis

Show Secretary:

Martha Sayles

Ring Stewards:

Barb Boggess
Cathy Kelley

HELP NEEDED

ATTENTION ALL CLUB MEMBERS:

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED AT THE SPRING SHOW.

WE NEED HELP:

- SETTING UP FOR AND CLEANING UP AFTER LUNCH
- AT THE FLAG, COLLAR AND LEASH SALES TABLE

IF YOU CAN HELP OUT ON

SATURDAY, APRIL 28TH ANY TIME FROM 9AM TILL 3PM,

PLEASE CONTACT JACKIE CURTIS

VIA CLUB LIST, EMAIL: JACKIE451@YAHOO.COM OR

TELEPHONE: 810-632-477

IT TAKES US **ALL** TO RUN A GREAT SHOW.

THANKS FOR ANY HELP ANYONE CAN GIVE.