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We haven't set the exact Friday date yet, we have to firm up some evaluators. It will likely be in March.

## The next General Meeting will be a Trick Dog/CGC meeting



#### REMINDER

Remember to check the website http://www.vhoc.org

for announcements, cancelled classes, upcoming events and other important club information. If you know of a member who would appreciate receiving correspondence, such as a get-well card, sympathy card, etc., please email our Corresponding Secretary, Carole Hills, at

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Show 'N Go

Shiro Torquato

Newsette Deborah Lang

Raffle

Cindi Malchose Allison Pobirs Jan Racey

Yahoo Group Allison Pobirs

Trophies Deborah Lang Joyce Davis

Website Administrator Jennifer Voogt

(in order to activate membership, applicants need to attend one general meeting or volunteer to help at a VHOC event)

Mai Archer and her two All Americans - Blossom and Heidy Pam Basso and her Cockapoo - Abby Deanna Smith and her two Border Collies-Star and Teagan

#### Auditing spots at \$45 still available!

#### "Introduction to Tracking" workshop with Vita Allison"

Saturday, February 16 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Canoga Park Lutheran Church, 7357 Jordan Avenue, Canoga Park, CA 91309

This workshop is for all dog enthusiasts who are interested in learning the basics of tracking.

#### Some of the points covered will be:

- Why tracking is a great sport for almost everyone
- Training a "deep nose" for a solid foundation
- Article indication
- Line handling
- Personalizing your training plan for success
- Plenty of time for questions

Reserve your spot as auditor today! Reply to chills37@aol.com

Carole Hills, VHOC

Workshop Coordinator



### **VHOC Awards**

### **Banquet**



We want to thank everyone who attended the Awards Banquet. This years banquet was held in the Guide Dogs of America Visitor and Education Center, in Sylmar on January 27th. There was plenty of room for all and lots of great Stone Fire food for dinner. We had a great turn out and awards were earned by a variety of members, both old and new. We also had a walking tour of the facility.

We had 37 members earn title plaques (listed on the next page).

We had one **Breed Championship** submitted—**Cynthia Casby and CH Potter** 

WE had fourteen SPECIAL AWARDS recipients:

#5 George Giswein Memorial Trophy: Patti Rovtar & Pippi

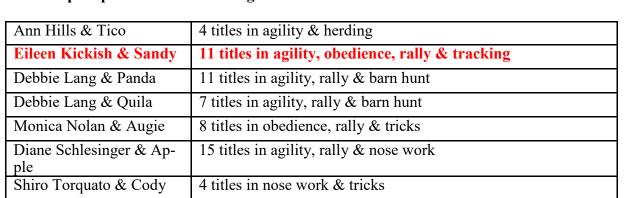
#6 200 Award (2): Flo Walberg & Duncan; Patti Rovtar & Pippi

#8 Greenberg-Hochman Memorial Trophy: Patti Rovtar & Pippi

#9 Okman-Tyzbir Trophy: Eileen Kickish & Sandy

#11 UDX Award: Patti Rovtar & Pippi

**#13 Multiple Sport Title Acknowledgment:** 



#14 Rally Novice Award: Monica Nolan & Augie

#15 Rally Advanced Award: Debbie Lang & Panda and Monica Nolan & Augie

#16 Rally Excellent Award: Eileen Kickish & Sandy

#18 AKC Agility Open Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd

#19 AKC Agility Excellent Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd

#21 ASCA/NADAC Agility Open Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd

#22 ASCA/NADAC Agility Elite Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd



## **VHOC Banquet Title Plaques**

#### Congratulations to all 37 of our title plaque recipients

Annette Ankele & Taylor MX

Linda Brooks & Olive THD

Laurie Burnam & Scusi T2B MX MXF GS-E-OP RS-E-OP JS-E-OP JS-E-SP ATCH

Cynthia Casby & MacGyver TKN CA RATI BCAT FDC

Cynthia Casby & Potter CH HT CGC TKI RATN BCAT

Cathy Davis & Ella NAJ OAJ

Cathy Davis & Jude OA

Tommy Dickey & Summer CGCA RN TKN FDC THDN THD THDA

Tommy Dickey & Teddy THDD FDC

Tommy Dickey & Linkin THDD TKN

Yvonne Garst & Barbie L1C NW-3 VN DDN TKI

Yvonne Garst & Captain NW3 L1C L1I L1E NW3-C NW3-E NW3-V EN TKI

Ann Hills & Tico HT GS-N WV-N TN-N

Sue Ingham and Flame NW3 NW3-E NW3-V SWN SHDN SIA SEA SBA SHDA SOG#6

Eileen Kickish & Sandy BN RN RA RE TD VST NAJ OAJ AXJ NF OF

Debbie Lang & Fable CGCU RATN RATO

Debbie Lang & Panda RA MX MF MJB RATN RATO RAX JS-O-OP JS-O-SP RS-O GS-O

Debbie Lang & Quila AGCH PJSP PDSP T2B4 RATN RATO CGCU RM

Cindi Malchose and Jenna NW2 L1E L1I

Melody Myers & Rocket SEN SCN

Monica Nolan & Augie TKN TKI TKA RN RI RA BN CD

Monica Nolan & Mikko TKN TKI CGCA

Karen Norris & Jack RN RA

Elizabeth Patterson & Mimosa L1C SCN SEN SIN

Allison Pobirs & Ladd OA OAJ AX AXJ GS-O JS-O RS-O GS-E JS-E RS-E NCC TN-N WV-N

Patti Rovtar & Pippi UDX UDX2 OM2 OM3

Diane Schlesinger & Apple OA OAJ AX AXJ NF OF RN SCN SIN SEN SBN SWN SBA L1E L1I

Trudi Schoolhouse & Simone RN RA

Marcia Siderow & Matisse CGC THDN TKI

Marcia Siderow & Remington Steele AJP TKI

Marcia Siderow & Pride TKN

Kathy Spilos & Caelia THDA

Kathy Spilos & Fritz THD

Shiro Torquato & Cody TKN SCN SIN L1C

Flo Walberg & Duncan UDX OM2

Robyn Zelden & Luca S.T.A.R. Puppy

Robyn Zelden & Lux TKI TKA SWN



## **Awards Banquet**

**A-Team Awards**—Eileen Kickish & Sandy BN RN NAJ NF; Melody Myers & Rocket SEN SCN; Elizabeth Patterson & Mimosa SCN SEN SIN; Diane Schlesinger & Apple RN

In recognition of first-time achievement, VHOC offers an award to all members who earned a Novice A title (or equivalent) in any registry in the current year.



### Patti Rovtar & Pinni



#### #5 George Giswein Memorial Trophy: Patti Rovtar & Pippi Utility B, 991.5 pts (198.3 avg)

A perpetual trophy to be presented to the member whose CDX or UD dog has the highest aggregate score for five separate shows during the current year, in either Open or Utility work, after earning their respective title. The purpose of this award is to encourage the continued exhibition of dogs that have earned obedience titles.

#### #8 Greenberg-Hochman Memorial Trophy: Patti Rovtar & Pippi 1389 pts. (198 avg)

Is a perpetual trophy offered by Ira & Loretta Greenberg and Ken & Susie Hochman in memory of Golden Pride of Iralor CD, Ch. Sebastian of Bel-Air and Ch Iralor's Bit of Gold CD, to the member whose dog has the 7 highest combined scores in any class from AKC licensed trials.

#### #11 UDX Award: Patti Rovtar & Pippi 3931/4000 (197 avg.)

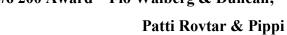
An award offered to the member with the ten highest combined qualifying scores in Open B and Utility B. The final leg must have been earned during the current year.





#### #6 200 Award—Flo Walberg & Duncan;

## **Awards Banquet**





Flo Walberg Duncan

**Patti** Rovtar **Pippi** 





Eileen Kickish & Sandy

#9 Okman-Tyzbir Hi Scoring VHOC Member Trophy: Eileen Kickish & Sandy 558.5(186)

Andy and Idelle Tyzbir offer a perpetual trophy to the VHOC member with the highest combined scores for matches or trials who does not qualify for any other trophy presented at this awards dinner.

#13 Multiple Sport Title Acknowledgment: *Eileen & Sandy* (11 titles in 4 sports)

A perpetual trophy offered by Laurie Burnam and Mockingbird's Lil Scout to all members who obtain two or more titles from different performance sports (i.e., obedience, agility, conformation, herding, lure coursing, field, tracking, carting, or hunting) in any registry. All qualifiers names' will be listed by year and the plaque will be held by the person w/ the most venues earned.

Ann Hills & Tico - 4 titles in agility & herding

Eileen Kickish & Sandy - 11 titles in agility, obedience, rally & tracking

Debbie Lang & Panda - 11 titles in agility, rally & barn hunt

Debbie Lang & Quila - 7 titles in agility, rally & barn hunt

Monica Nolan & Augie - 8 titles in obedience, rally & tricks

Diane Schlesinger & Apple – 15 titles in agility, rally & nose work

Shiro Torquato & Cody - 4 titles in nose work & tricks

**#14 Rally Novice Award:** 

Monica Nolan & Augie 273 (91 avg.)

Sponsored by Sandy Walton and presented to the member with the highest total for all 3 legs of a rally novice title.



Monica Nolan

**Augie** 

#15 Rally Advanced Award: Monica Nolan & Augie AND **Debbie Lang & Panda** (tied with 283 points)

Sponsored by Carole Raschella and presented to the member with the highest total for all 3 legs of a rally advanced title.



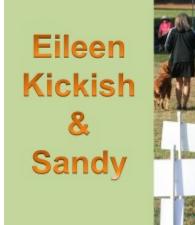




**Debbie** Lang **Panda** 

#16 Rally Excellent Award: Eileen Kickish & Sandy (97.3 avg.)

Sponsored by Sarah Sykes and presented to the member with the highest total for all 3 legs of a rally excellent title.





We also had a wonderful slide show presentation of

our past TOP DOG teams. Currently, VHOC is not a member of Southern California Dog Obedience Council (SCDOC). We would like to thank our past team captains for all their hard work:

A special thanks to our

#### TEAM **CAPTAINS:**

Cindi Malchose Allison Pobirs Patti Rovtar Sarah Sykes

**Agility Awards:** 

Allison
Pobirs
&
Ladd



#### #18 AKC Agility Open Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd

Sponsored by VHOC and presented to the team with the highest total for all 6 legs of open standard and jumpers titles.

#### #19 AKC Agility Excellent Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd

Sponsored by VHOC and presented to the team with the highest total for all 6 legs of open standard and jumpers titles.

#21 ASCA/NADAC Agility Open Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd

Sponsored by Carole Hills and presented to the team with the highest total for 5 legs of open standard and jumpers titles.

#22 ASCA/NADAC Agility Elite Award: Allison Pobirs & Ladd [swept agility awards]

Sponsored by Deborah Lang and presented to the team with the highest total for 5 legs of elite standard and jumpers titles.

Allison Pobirs & Ladd



## **Awards Banquet**





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## **Outstanding Service Award**

Awarded to the member who exemplifies outstanding dedication in service to the club.



The President's Bowl



## Special Accomplishments

**Awards Banquet** 



Laurie Burnam & Scusi

**ATCH** 

PACH 10, 11 and 12 Ronda
Harvey
&
Bam-Bam





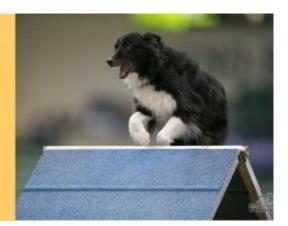
Ronda Harvey & Casper

Casper PACH 10 and 11

Special Accomplishments
Awards Banquet

**AGCH** 

**Debbie** Lang & Quila





Katie **McGuire** and Andrew







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#### **AKC Rally Champion (RACH) Title**

The Rally Champion title (RACH) was established on November 1, 2017. After approximately one year in the titling progression, the title requirements were revised effective 2/1/19 and the new title requirements will be grandfathered back to November 1, 2017.

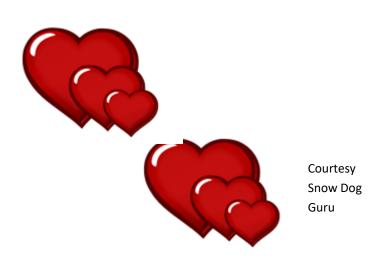
With the requirements changing while the RACH title was in its infancy, it was the right thing to do to backdate the title requirements to the beginning of the titling program. However, AKC will recognize those that have been working so hard to achieve the title as it was originally established.

In February 2019, all dog's records will be recalculated using the new title requirements. Prior to recalculating the records, AKC will publish a list of dogs who have achieved the RACH title from November 1, 2017 through and including January 31, 2019. The list will include the dog's name, breed, owner's name with their state, and the date they earned the RACH title under the original requirements.

Any dog that earned the RACH title under the original requirements will receive a title certificate acknowledging their achievement. Once the records have been recalculated a new title certificate will be generated for any dogs that have achieved the title under the new RACH title requirements.

AKC Rally event results processing normally takes 3-4 weeks from the date of the trial; and the trials are processed in date order. All event results are normally completed by the 15th of each month from the month prior. This means that in the middle to the third week of February 2019, the RACH title holders list will be published on the AKC website and then all dog's records will be recalculated for the new RACH requirements. New title certificates will be mailed to any dog that achieves the RACH title under the new requirements.

Taken from: https://www.akc.org/sports/rally/rally-news-updates/





October 17, 2018

#### AKC Rally – Enhancements to the Rally Champion Title – Effective 02/01/2019

The AKC Board of Directors approved modifications to the requirements to earn the Rally Champion title (RACH). The following changes were approved: (1) earn RACH points from the Advanced B class, (2) amend the Point Schedule to award a greater number of points by score, (3) calculate points toward the RACH title after a dog earns the Rally Excellent (RE) title, and (4) reduce the minimum number of RACH points that must be earned from the Master class.

These changes will be effective February 1, 2019 and on/after that date, AKC will recalculate the RACH points on all dogs' records using the new point schedule. The recalculation of the records will be backdated to the inception of the RACH title, which was November 1, 2017.

#### AKC Rally Regulations – Chapter 4 will be amended as follows:

#### Regulation Language:

**Section 1. Dogs That May Compete.** Rally Championship points and triple qualifying scores will be recorded for dogs after they have earned the Rally Excellent (RE) title. When a dog earns the Rally Champion (RACH) title, it may continue to compete and earn points.

Section 2. Championship Points. Rally Championship points will be recorded for dogs earning a score of 91 or better in the Rally Advanced B, Rally Excellent B and Rally Master classes. A dog must earn a total of 300 points, with a minimum of 150 points from the Master class. Additionally, the dog must receive qualifying scores in Advance B, Excellent B and the Master class, on the same day at the same trial at 20 separate licensed or member rally trials.

#### Comments:

Calculate the points toward the RACH title after a dog earns the Rally Excellent title to bring the title more in line with the other Companion Events championship titles.

Points will be added for the Advanced B class, since the class is required to achieve the title as part of the 20 triple qualifying scores.

Reduce the minimum number of Championship points required from the Master class from 200 to 150 points.

#### Section 3. Point Schedule.

l		Score	Points	Comment -
	Classes:	91-94	5	Increase the Championship point values
l	Advanced B	95-96	6	on the Point Schedule.  Add the Advanced B class to the Point Schedule since it is a required class to achieve the title.
l	Excellent B	97	7	
l	Master	98	8	
l		99	9	
		100	10	Taken from: https://www.akc.org/sports/rally/rally-news-updates

## Nails Too Long



Whole-body posture changes can occur due to the dog needing to shift weight backwards in an attempt to relieve nail pressure.

all cap. To

Submitted by Allison Pobirs

## Nails Well Maintained



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Call 818:832:9906 for more information www.j9sk9s.com **Laurie Burnam and Scusi**—*January 12/13, 2019, Australian Shepherd Club of S. Calif., ASCA Agility, Juniper Hills, CA:* 

Elite Regular 10 Q 1st place

Elite Regular 5 Q 3rd place

Elite Gamblers 10 Q 2nd place

Elite Gamblers 10 Q 3rd place

Elite Jumpers 10 Q 1st place

Elite Jumpers 10 Q 2nd place

Elite Jumpers 10 Q 3rd place

In the wind, rain and cold we all continued and had a fun time.





**Allison Pobirs and Ladd** – 1-19-2019, SVKC Agility Trial, Woodley Park, CA:

On Saturday, January 19, 2019 Allison & Ladd enjoyed lovely AKC Agility courses.

All the courses were grand fun, but these two were commemorated with bling!

Novice B FAST - 20 Inch Judge: Kenneth Boyd

Score: 60 (Q) Time: 36.30 seconds

1st Place

Master JWW - 20 Inch Judge: Danielle LaGrave

Distance: 175 yards SCT: 47 seconds Score: 100 (Q) Time: 29.04 seconds

1st Place 17 MACH Pts





#### Cynthia Casby and Potter—Two Brags

Potter is pregnant! So excited. Due March 8. Secondly, she got certified today after the HDOC tracking test (they had an extra track left over after the trial). So now we are allowed to enter a TD Test. So excited! (It took 5 tries over the last two months but we got it!).





#### Cathy Davis and Ella -

Ella earned her **Novice Interior title** February 9th, at the Poodle Club of So Ca trial. Thank you Julie & Daneen for a super day. Always a learning experience with my girl.





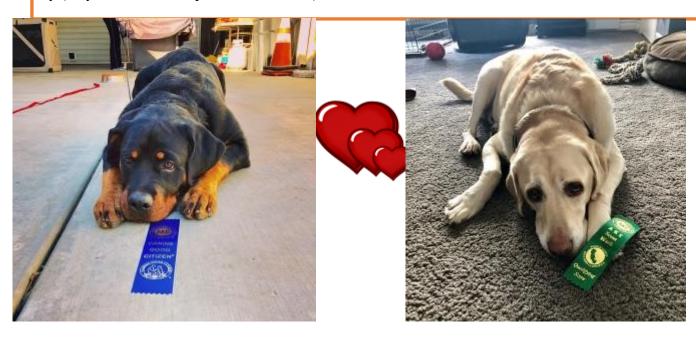
**Yvonne Garst & Barbie -** 2-10-19 NACSW Element trail L1I Los Angeles Police museum.

#### **New Title L1I**

#### Robyn Zeldon with Luca and Barron

January 19, 2019 Luca got her CGC and Novice Tricks title.

February 10, 2019 Barron Q'ed and got 2nd place in interiors at the AKC Scent Work Trial in Simi Valley (they didn't have the placement ribbons)



## **BRAGS**

Allison Pobirs and Ladd—January 12/13 2019, ASCA Agility, Australian Shepherd Club of Southern California, Judge Pamela Bryant-Meeks, Juniper Hills, CA:

What a wild weather weekend of seriously cold temps and really wet conditions Saturday afternoon, due to a downpour.

Still we had a fabulous time! Amazing hospitality and camaraderie. One of those weekends that produces a story to share with grandchildren!

Elite Jumpers, Round 2 4th Q

Elite Jumpers, Round 3 1st Q

Elite Gamblers, Round 3, 1st Q

Elite Gamblers, Round 4, 1st Q





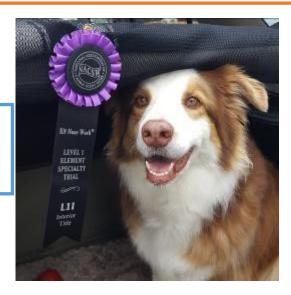
#### **Eileen Kickish and Sandy**

Sandy earned a 98 for her third qualifying score in Rally Master on January 26 at the Orange Empire Dog Club trial.

Sandy also earned her first Q in Master JWW on February 3 at the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club trial.

#### **Elizabeth Patterson and Mimosa**

Mimosa won her **Level 1 Interiors element specialty title** from NACSW in February 10th



### ASCA

### Rally Trial Champion (RTCH)

10.1.2 Requirements The RTCH Certificate will be awarded to dogs that have successfully earned a minimum of 200 points total from competing in both the Excellent B and Masters B classes in the same Trial.

- a. 100 points must come from the Rally Excellent B class, including a minimum of five scores of 195 or higher
- b. b. 100 points must come from the Rally Masters B class, including a minimum of five scores of 195 or higher

**Laurie Burnam and Scusi**—Feb 2/3, 2019, Central Valley Australian Shepherd Club, ASCA Rally and Obedience, Fairgrounds in Fresno, Calif:

#### Rally

Masters B 197 2nd place 7 championship points \*NEW RTCH TITLE\* Rally Trial Championship

Excellent B 195++ 2nd place 5 extra points = 145 Excellent points to date

Masters B 195+ 2nd place 5 extra points just in case = 105 Master points to date

Excellent B 188 darn stood up on the down get your leash, otherwise we would of hand a 198. ARGH that was a first time goof!

But oh so proud of getting her CH and on the heels of her agility CH too.

#### Obedience

Open ODX 187.5 1st place

Open ODX 180.5 1st place Her brain was fried in this last class, please mom, no more sits!

Darn one goof each in the two utility classes, called Futility for sure





## BRAGS Congratulations!

## Preferred Agility Champions



Nancy Giltner and Weegie—February 2, 2019—Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club



Nancy Gast (Kirsten Cole) and Cannon—February 3, 2019—Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club



AKC Preferred Agility Champion—PACH—any dog can run in the Preferred Class, they will jump 4 inches lower than their Jump Height card recorded height. To earn a PACH the dog must earn 750 points and have 20 Double Qs. Points are earned by the dog completing the course clean with no faults and coming in under Standard Course Time (SCT). Every second under SCT equals a point. The Double Qs are earned by running qualifying rounds in both the Standard course (course with contact and table), and the Jumpers with Weaves course on the same day.

## BRAGS

Joyce Davis and Caper—February 8-10,

2018—Las Vegas Dog Obedience Club, Las Vegas, NV:

Caper with all her loot from our three day stint at the Las Vegas Dog Obedience Club's obedience trials in Las Vegas this past weekend.

She was first in Utility twice, went High Combined once, got two more UDX legs and a High Scoring Golden Retriever award.

Way to go CapeStar!







#### Monica Nolan and Mikko, Shirley Miller and Smudge

Mikko and Shirley Miller's Smudge earned their Love on a Leash Therapy Dog certifications this month, finishing up with a visit to the Bernardi Adult Day Care Center in Van Nuys.

Not only is this a great community service but it's a fun way to stay active with your "retired" performance dog. For more info on becoming a Therapy Dog, email Kathy Spilos (kathy@spilos.net).

Love on a Leash—Therapy Dog Certified

Tommy Dickey—Our book "The Therapy Dog Adventures of the Great Pyrenees Ted E. Bear and Friends" is officially available on Amazon.com. The profits will go to therapy dog organizations. The book's cost is \$12.95 plus tax and shipping. Just go to the amazon.com website and then search for the book putting in the title and my name. It should pop right up. If not, let me know.

After reading the book, we hope you may have a little time to write a very brief amazon review of the book. Apparently, reviews help increase purchases and in our case more donation dollars to therapy dog organizations. Please let me know if you have trouble figuring out how to submit an amazon review and I can provide detailed instructions.

Thanks so much for considering purchasing and reviewing the book.

Best, wishes,

Tommy and his Great Pyrenees

**Debbie Lang with Panda, Morgan and Max**—January 27 2019—West Coast Australian Shepherd Association, ASCA Rally Trial, Anaheim, CA:

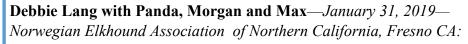
ASCA Rally -

Panda—finished her **ASCA Rally Excellent title** with 1st place in AM and PM trials

Morgan—first ASCA Rally Novice leg in PM trial

Max—AM Trial 196 first Rally Novice leg, and Rally Novice Excellent Leg—1st place

PM Trial 194, 2nd place for second ASCA Rally novice leg.



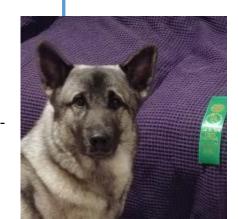
Panda—qualifying for second RE leg with a second place

Max—qualifying for his first RN leg with a 97/100 and 2nd place

Morgan—qualifying for his first RN leg.

Panda—qualifying for her first Novice Obedience leg placing 2nd

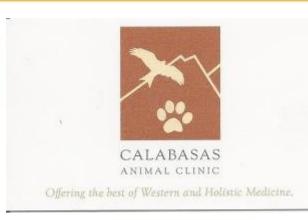








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Taken from a Leashes of Love FB post.

### Got News?

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