

D Tails Monthly Ruff \_\_\_\_\_ June 2017

## NEWSLETTER



Summer is finally here as  
of Wednesday, June 21!

Some dogs love to swim in the pool, lake, river, or the ocean. Not many dogs will interact with the sea animals, though. Kira is a dog who swims with wild dolphins for fun and loves every minute of it! Check out her extraordinary habit here:

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time\\_continue=58&v=nrhD  
8JPn7Vo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=58&v=nrhD8JPn7Vo)

### June Classes

**Mondays:**

Drop-In Obedience at Saybrook Pt, 7:00-8:00 PM. \$7.00  
Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 PM. **New 8-week class starting on June 12, 2017. There is still time to register for this class. You can register on-line at dtails.biz or call the shop 860-388-1819.**

**Tuesdays:**

Show Handling, 6:00-7:00 PM. **No classes on Tuesday, June 27th.**

Beginner Obedience, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

**Thursdays:**

Beginner Obedience, 6:00-7:00 PM.



D.Tails is raising money for a local K9 who is in need of a bullet proof vest. Porter has been part of the Connecticut State Police department since 2014. Throughout his service to the state police, Porter has been certified in Search and Rescue, Disaster Recovery, and Cadaver Specialty. On April 18 2016, Porter was on a Search and Rescue callout for a missing, suicidal female when he suffered a right forelimb and carpus injury after falling approximately 25 feet from a rock ledge. After 4 months of inefficient treatment from various veterinary clinics, Porter underwent surgery in August of 2016 for his injury at Veterinary Orthopedic Sports Medicine Group in Annapolis Junction, Maryland. He received physical therapy from September of 2016 through April of 2017 from Wizard of Paws Physical Rehabilitation for Animals in Colchester, Connecticut. Porter is now re-certified and back to work full time. While Porter is back to work, he still does not have a bullet proof vest for protection.

Unfortunately like many states, Connecticut does not cover the complete cost of a bullet proof vest. The average bullet proof vest from Vest-a-Dog is \$1,000-\$2,400. However, if you wish to add stab protection to the vest, it costs an additional \$1,000. Each vest is made of the same material as human officers' and only weighs about 6 pounds to wear.

D.Tails is making a vast effort to raise money for Porter. We currently have "Heatstroke Awareness" cards for sale, costing \$1.00 each. D.Tails is also taking recommendations or ideas towards a fundraiser or event to raise money towards this cause. To date, D.Tails has raised \$130 towards our goal. Together, we are aiming towards a goal of \$1,000 to reward Porter with a vest. Any donation will be generously appreciated!

- JUNE 23 IS BRING YOUR
- DOG TO WORK DAY! FIRST
- CELEBRATED IN 1996,
- BRING YOUR DOG TO
- WORK DAY CELEBRATES
- THE JOYS OF PETS IN THE
- WORKPLACE. ORIGINALLY,
- BRING YOUR DOG TO
- WORK DAY WAS MEANT TO
- RESTORE PUPPIES TO THE
- WORKPLACE AND HELP
- PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THE
- HUMAN-ANIMAL BOND.
- MORE THAN 5,000
- COMPANIES PARTICIPATE IN
- THIS DAY, AND SOME WILL
- LET YOU BRING YOUR FUR
- KIDS EVERY DAY OF THE
- YEAR! WHY LET YOUR PUP
- MISS OUT ON ANYMORE OF
- YOUR DAILY ACTIVITIES?



*Fathers Day is June 18. Show some extra love and appreciation for all of the amazing dads out there. Pictured is one of Channel's sons, Baxter. Happy Fathers Day, Channel!*



The Meriden Rotary Foundation & Saving Paws will be hosting its 9th annual Central CT Pet Fair, Dog Walk and 5K Road Race on June 24! This fundraiser benefits the lifesaving services and programs for pets! Last year, over \$22,000 was raised. Admission is free, but donations are always welcome! Enjoy vendors, food trucks, pet related vendors, demonstrations all in support of a great cause! If you would like to walk/run, registration is required and can be done at [www.tinyurl.com/ctpetfair2017](http://www.tinyurl.com/ctpetfair2017).



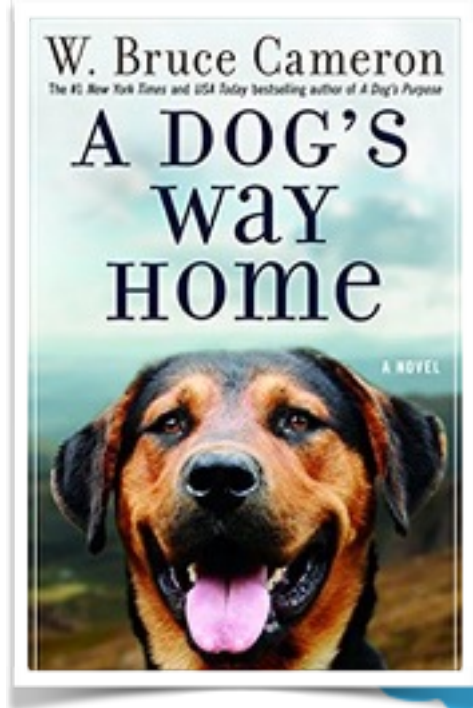
**CATHERINE VIOLET  
HUBBARD ANIMAL  
SANCTUARY BUTTERFLY  
PARTY SATURDAY, JUNE 3,  
12:00-5:00 PM, NEWTOWN,  
CT.**

**THIS IS EVENT IS FOR ALL  
ANIMALS. THERE WILL BE  
ANIMALS FOR ADOPTION,  
DEMONSTRATIONS, MUSIC,  
FOOD TRUCKS AND MORE.  
TWO KNOWN NEW YORK DOG  
PHOTOGRAPHERS WILL BE  
THERE AS WELL. SOPHIE  
GAMAND (WHO WAS  
MENTIONED IN LAST MONTH'S  
NEWSLETTER) AND THE  
DOGIST, ELIAS FRIEDMAN.  
SUSIE'S SENIOR DOGS WILL  
BE THERE TOO. YOU CAN  
FIND MORE INFORMATION  
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When you live in Colorado, you learn to live with wildlife, but I did have some scary experiences. One time, I agreed to run with my friend's dog while they were away. He was a rather large black lab named Boomer. Boomer had not been properly trained. He was not friendly with other dogs and he was incredibly stubborn. If he felt he had run enough, he would stop and head back home, no matter what. It made for a very interesting week. One day, I was running on a trail next to open space, and coming towards us was a coyote. I don't know if I stopped or Boomer did, but there we were, face to face with a coyote. I was terrified and did not know what to do and did not know what Boomer or the coyote would do either! It was tense. Lucky for me, they just stared at one another and the coyote turned and ran into the field. Much to my relief, Boomer did not want to follow him. Our Eastern coyotes are different in size and color than their Western counterparts. Some say they have crossed with either wolves or dogs. In any case, all coyotes are opportunists and their numbers in Connecticut are increasing. If they think they can get an easy meal, they will. Do you know what to do if you come across a coyote on a walk with your dog? Here is an excellent article on this subject. <http://urbancoyoteinitiative.com/what-to-do-if-you-encounter-a-coyote-while-walking-your-dog/>.

A Dog's Way Home by W. Bruce Cameron

The author of *A Dog's Purpose*, Cameron has written another wonderful story about dogs. Bella is a pit mix and banned from living with her rescuer, Lucas, in Denver. Until he can figure out his next move, he fosters Bella some 400 miles away in Durango. Bella decides to go home to Lucas. This is reminiscent of *Homeward Bound*, and told from the dog's perspective. This is a good read, filled with one determined dog and believable characters.



Left to right: Channel, Tukka, Cay.



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### Fun in the Sun!

Cay, Channel, and Tukka posed pretty for the camera on a beautiful day!