

Dog Related Websites and Recommended Resources from A to Z
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No endorsement is intended nor implied by listing websites here. They are grouped by topic and compiled for your information. All links were functional using Internet Explorer in March, 2008. The intent is to share resources related to this year's March Dog Madness *Healthy is In* Theme.

A

Subject: Aging Pets

You will find tons of topics about aging pets and animals with disabilities at this senior dog site. Much of the information is gathered from Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine.
<http://www.srdogs.com/Pages/care.fr.html>

Subject: Agility

Did you know the sport of Dog Agility originated in England in 1977?
Affordable Agility is a company that has been known to help local 4-H clubs in New York. Visit their website here www.affordableagility.com or contact them at P.O. Box 237 Bloomfield, NY 14469. 585-229-4936. You'll find reasonably priced equipment, including portable teeters! Business Owner, Pamela Spock, was a guest speaker at March Dog Madness 2004.

Here is another private business, which sells inexpensive agility equipment. *Agility of Course* is located at 458 Blakesley-Nurse Hollow Road, Afton, NY 13730.
<http://members.aol.com/psbdrcolli/>

This company supplies equipment for large scale events. For more information see:
www.max200.com or phone 1-800-446-2920, 2113 State Rt. 31, Port Byron, NY 13140. They are in the business to travel and rent whole courses for trials.

JFF (Just For Fun) agility equipment is whatever works. This website gives you tips for creating equipment using everyday objects.
<http://www.dog-play.com/agility/agilitye.html>

Diane Blackman is the Dog-Play Webmaster. She considers herself a hobbyist. She has collected a list of related website links on everything from toys to dog assisted activities.
<http://www.dog-play.com>

The Finger Lakes Agility and Obedience Association offers training in Ithaca, NY. They also maintain a small lending library on other training topics such as Herding.
<http://flaoa.webs.com/>

Unites States Dog Agility Association, Inc., PO Box 850955, Richardson, Texas 75085-0955
TEL: (972) 487-2200, FAX: (972) 272-4404
<http://www.usdaa.com/>

North American Dog Agility Council (NADAC), HCR2 Box 277, St. Manes, ID 83861
<http://www.nadac.com>

More states with 4-H Agility sites:
Minnesota 4-H Dog Agility Rules & Guidelines, 1994. Reviewed 2005. Materials can be downloaded from the following website. These materials can also be ordered on-line for \$1.50 each. <http://www.extension.umn.edu/distribution/youthdevelopment/DA7538.html>

A

Subject: Agility

Washington

<http://4h.wsu.edu/projects/dog.htm>

Kansas

http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/Library/4h_y2/samplers/S124.asp

Ohio

<http://www.ohio4h.org/dogs/>

Subject: Animal Behavior

This is Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine Animal Behavior Clinic website.

<http://www.vet.cornell.edu/abc/>

Dr. Michelle Bamberger MS, DVM of Vet Behavior Consults was a guest speaker in 2003 and again in 2006. She can be reached at www.vetbehaviorconsults.com or 607-277-7732.

Puppyworks was founded in 1991 to provide high quality service, instruction and counseling for dog owners and their canine friends. Based in California, Puppyworks' reputation for reliability, credibility, client service and planning skills has made it a national leader for organizing educational dog events. Speakers like Karen Pryor and Ian Dunbar are often featured. You will also find an on-line catalog of resources at this site.

www.puppyworks.com

Subject: Animal Boarding/Kennel

The American Boarding Kennel Association

www.abka.com

Subject: Animal/Human Bonds

One center that studies human animal bonds is located at the University of Minnesota

<http://www.censhare.umn.edu/>

The People Pet Partnership is a Washington State University Vet College group that studies Human-Animal Bonds.

<http://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-pppp/>

Subject: Arson Detection

For more information about Arson Detection Dogs in New York State, contact the NYS-Dept of State, Office of Fire Prevention & Control/Arson Bureau, 41 State Street, Albany, New York 12231, Attn: State Fire Administrator James A. Burns, 518-474-6746 or the NYS Fire Academy, 600 College Ave., Montour Falls, NY 14865, Office: 607-535-7136 ext. 611. Investigator Dale Moone and his dog were our guests for March Dog Madness 2004. Dale can also be reached via e-mail: dhmoone@aol.com

Subject: Assistance Dogs

International Association of Assistance Dog Partners (IAADP), Editor / Information and Advocacy Center, 38691 Filly Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48310

<http://www.iaadp.org/>

Americans with Disabilities Act Home Page, part of the Dept. of Justice

<http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/ada/adahom1.htm#Anchor-47857>

B

Subject: Dog Bowl

Questions and Rule samples from Washington State 4-H. Thanks to Wayne County, NY 4-H Dog Program, the following resource has been found. You can download sample questions to create your own Dog Bowl fun!

<http://www.xwb.com/dogbowl/>

Now on-line are simple NY guidelines for conducting local and regional Dog Bowls.

www.ansci.cornell.edu

Subject: Dog Breeding

If purebred dog breeding is your interest, the American Kennel Club (AKC) has a ton of resources available. Canine Good Citizen (CGC) is a certification program offered by AKC that is designed to reward dogs that have good manners at home and in the community regardless of breed.

<http://www.akc.org>

The United Kennel Club is the second oldest and second largest all-breed dog registry in the United States. Located in Kalamazoo, MI.

<http://www.ukcdogs.com/>

The American Mixed Breed Obedience Registry (AMBOR) acknowledges that mixed breed dogs can also accomplish great things. As of June 1st, 2006, the North American Dog Agility Council will own AMBOR. AMBOR's agility and obedience programs will remain in place.

<http://www.amborusa.com/>

American Rare Breed Dog Association can be found here. 9921 Frank Tippet Rd., Cheltenham, MD 20623, 301-868-5718

<http://www.arba.org/>

Want to learn more about animal genetics? Go to Cornell University's Animal Science Department, Animal Breeding site and visit with internationally known professors.

<http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/abc/index.html>

The Canine Diversity Project is an attempt to acquaint breeders of domesticated **Canidae** (dogs) with the dangers of inbreeding and the overuse of popular sires. This site is sponsored by the Department of Biology at the University of Ottawa, Canada.

<http://www.canine-genetics.com/>

Subject: Breed Rescue

Are you looking for a breed rescue group? Here's a nationwide Pet Rescue Directory.

<http://www.petstation.com/central.html#TOP>

Golden Retriever Rescue of Central NY can be found here. Rue Chagoll, a member, was a guest speaker at March Dog Madness 2004. <http://www.grrcny.org/index.htm>

Glen Highland Farm, Sweet Border Collie Rescue in Otsego County, NY can be found here. Executive Director, Lillie Goodrich, was an invited guest speaker at March Dog Madness 2004.

www.glenhighlandfarm.com

C

Subject: Canine Companions and Assistance Dogs

Dogs help people in many ways. Here are a few groups which have been featured at March Dog Madness and Animal Crackers in the past.

C

Subject: Canine Companions and Assistance Dogs

Canine Companions for Independence is a national organization with regional chapters. The New York Chapter serves the 5 boroughs of New York City and upstate NY. CCI dogs in training were featured at March Dog Madness and Animal Crackers in 2003.

www.caninecompanions.org

Canine Helpers for the Handicapped, Inc. A Non-profit organization in western NY is dedicated to training dogs to assist people with disabilities. Beverly Underwood is the Executive Director.

www.caninehelpers.netfirms.com/index.html

Ohio State University modeled a program after the Delta Society's Pet Partner's Program. 4-H PetPALS is an animal-assisted activities curriculum whereby adult volunteers who are trained as Master 4-H PetPALS volunteer leaders, teach youth who train their pets to visit residents of nursing homes and health care facilities. See more information about their program here.

<http://4hpetpals.osu.edu/>

International Association of Assistance Dog Partners, Editor/Information and Advocacy Center, is a non-profit, cross-disability organization representing people partnered with guide, hearing and service dogs. The site is disability friendly. 38691 Filly Drive, Sterling Heights, MI 48310 (586-826-3938) E-mail: info@iaadp.org or www.iaadp.org

Subject: Canine Good Citizen Program

Certification offered by the American Kennel Club.

www.akc.org/events/cgc/

Subject: Dog Carting

Dog Carting can be an enjoyable activity for any dog. You will find Information/History and Trivia from South Africa here.

<http://staff.petech.ac.za/cartingcorner/>

More links to Dog Carting – This is a non-commercial collection of articles which also has many links to Dog Sledding and Skijoring.

<http://www.doginfomat.com/dog09a.htm>

Newfoundland Club of America offers a Draft Equipment Guide and Draft Test Rules here:

www.newfdogclub.org

One of many commercial sites that sells carting and other dog related equipment.

www.dogworks.com

Subject: Canine Units

New York State Police Specialized Services or K-9 Units have been operating since 1975. State Trooper Brian Dilorenzo from Sidney, NY and his working canine were our guests for March Dog Madness 2007. For a glimpse of the work they do and the training they receive see:

http://www.troopers.state.ny.us/Specialized_Services/Canine_Unit/

Subject: Consumer Protection

The New York State Consumer Protection Board has seasonal newsletter tips for children and pet safety. Free hard copies of the newsletter are available by calling Kelly McCready, Division of Special Project for the NYS Consumer Protection Board at 518-486-3935

http://www.nysconsumer.gov/pdf/kidsumer_winter07.pdf

D

Subject: Detector Dogs

USDA programs to protect Agriculture and Wildlife. Find out more about the dogs involved. Brochure published in 2001

<http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/detdogs.pdf>

Subject: Diagnostic Lab

The Animal Health Diagnostic Center (AHDC), a division of the [Department of Population Medicine and Diagnostic Sciences](#), represents a partnership between the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets and the College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell University.

<http://diaglab.vet.cornell.edu/>

Subject: Disaster Preparedness

Here are some excellent publications and links prepared by the American Veterinary Medical Association.

<http://www.avma.org/products/disaster/default.asp>

Subject: Disaster Preparedness

The Empire State Animal Response Team (ESART) hosts training opportunities to those who are interested in becoming members of a County Animal Response Team in New York. Training topics include: county emergency planning, search and rescue operations, animal handling, zoonotic diseases, legal issues and more! <http://www.agmkt.state.ny.us/nysart/events.html>

As of September, 2006, the New York State P.E.T.S. Act became a law. This new legislation provides for state and local disaster preparedness plans to address the needs of individuals with household pets and service animals following a disaster, with particular attention to means of evacuation, shelter and transportation options. For tips about keeping your pets safe in an emergency see New York State's Emergency Management Office (SEMO) site for details.

<http://www.semo.state.ny.us/>

Emergency Preparedness for Animals (small animals) prepared by Tompkins County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

<http://www.spcaonline.com/disaster%201%20web.pdf>

Subject: Disaster Relief/National Youth (Community) Service Day

On April 25-27, 2008 young people across America will clean up schoolyards, assist animal shelters, set up citywide recycling projects, paint murals over graffiti, mentor, counsel and serve in soup kitchens as part of the annual *National & Global Youth Service Day* (NYSD). Now is the time to mobilize youth to serve their communities, to recruit a new generation of volunteers and to educate the public about the role youth play as community leaders year-round. Through a series of tens of thousands of service projects over three days nationwide, *National Youth Service Day* highlights the amazing contributions young people make to their communities 365 days a year.

National & Global Youth Service Day is a public education campaign organized by Youth Service America (YSA). Visit <http://www.ysa.org/nysd> to register your project and find project planning resources.

For more information about President Bush's Council on Service and Civic Participation, visit www.usafreedomcorps.gov The President's Student Service Awards is a White House initiative that recognizes young Americans with awards for outstanding community service, while encouraging more young people to serve. Awards are given for any youth who has performed between 50 and 100 hours of service in a 12 month period.

D

Subject: Disaster Relief/Emergency Preparedness/More Community Service Opportunities

The American Red Cross helps with human and animal relief efforts worldwide. Find out how you can help.

<http://www.redcross.org/>

Subject: Disaster Relief continued The Salvation Army is an international faith based organization. Its mission is to help meet needs throughout the world. For more information see:

<http://www1.salvationarmy.org/>

Take the Lead was founded in 1993 as a not-for-profit foundation under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code dedicated to provide direct services, support and care for all qualified participants in the sport of dogs who suffer from the devastating realities of life-threatening or terminal illnesses. Take the Lead is located in Watertown, NY. Do you know someone who needs help? For more information see: <http://www.takethelead.org/>

Subject: Disasters

Many lessons were learned during the 2005 Hurricane season regarding Emergency Preparedness. Contents of a Pet Disaster Kit are downloadable from the Federal Emergency Management Agency

<http://www.fema.gov/kids/petkit.htm>

Subject: Dog Diseases (Infectious)

Here is a good general educational website that addresses common infectious dog diseases. The site is supported by the Columbia Animal Hospital in Maryland, among many other veterinary medical groups.

<http://vetmedicine.about.com/library/diseases/bldog-infectious.htm>

New York State Department of Health Communicable Disease Fact Sheets can be found at the website below. Revised in October 2007.

http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/communicable_diseases/en/index.htm

The James A. Baker Institute for Animal Health at Cornell University is one of the oldest research centers dedicated to the study of veterinary infectious diseases, immunology and genetics. Discoveries made at the Baker Institute have important implications for all animals, including humans. Links about **Canine Influenza** and **Hip Dysplasia** can be found there.

<http://bakerinstitute.vet.cornell.edu/>

You will find NYS Department of Health links to local county health departments and Rabies education facts here:

<http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/consumer/director/rabies.htm>

To find out more about plants poisonous to Dogs, see the Cornell Toxic Plant Database here.

<http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/plants/doglist.html>

Did you know every year the 3rd week in March is National Poison Prevention Week? The American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) and the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) have educational information you can use.

<http://www.poisonprevention.org/>

D

Subject: Dog Diseases (Infectious) continued

American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) has a wealth of educational materials including A Pet Owner's Guide to Common Small Animal Poisons

<http://www.avma.org/default.asp>

Toxins/Poisons that effect Dogs by Dr. Michael Richards

<http://www.vetinfo4dogs.com/dtoxin.html>

E,F

Subject: Earthdogs

The American Kennel Club offers links to Earthdog clubs and resources, even video clips of events.

<http://www.akc.org/events/earthdog/index.cfm>

Subject: First Aid

Multiple vendors offer first aid kits for Dogs. This ASPCA first aid kit and DVD video is just one on-line order source.

https://secure2.convio.net/aspca/site/Ecommerce/1629406093?VIEW_PRODUCT=true&product_id=1723&store_id=4681&s_src=landingpage&s_subsrc=disaster&JServSessionIdr001=vbo8eyd5y2.app26b

Subject: Flyball

Flyball is a team sport for dogs that was invented in California in the late 70's. Legend has it that Herbert Wagner first showed it on the Johnny Carson Show to millions of Americans. In the early 80's the sport became popular and the North American Flyball Association (NAFA) was formed. The worldwide authority for Flyball is here.

<http://www.flyball.org/>

More interesting facts about Flyball and sources of equipment can be found here.

<http://www.flyballdogs.com/FAQ.html>

Subject: Freestyle with Dogs

Freestyle is a new canine sport with roots in obedience, but requiring many more movements from the dog and handler, in a routine set to music. In 1994, Joan Tennille co-founded the Canine Freestyle Federation. See March 2003 Dog World Magazine for a feature article about Joan. This site below is one of many sites about the sport of Freestyle.

<http://www.dogpatch.org/obed/obpage6.cfm>

The Canine Freestyle Federation, Inc. (CFF) is an international organization dedicated to the sport of Canine Freestyle. They provide structure to offer competitions and demonstrations.

<http://www.canine-freestyle.org/>

World Canine Freestyle Organization, Inc. (WCFO) hosts conferences and offers training videos.

<http://www.worldcaninefreestyle.org/index.html>

Subject: Frisbee® Dogs

Learn more about Disc dog events from the International Disc Dog Handlers' Association.

<http://www.iddha.com/>

The Yankee Flyers Dog & Disc Club members were featured performers at Animal Crackers 2003. For more information about their group and where they travel in the Northeast see:

<http://yankeeflyers.com/>

G

Subject: Guard Dogs

Guard Dog Reference – Livestock Guarding Dogs Protecting Sheep from Predators
<http://www.nal.usda.gov/awic/companimals/guarddogs/guarddogs.htm>

Guard Dogs, Llamas & Donkeys – Colorado State University Research
<http://www.ext.colostate.edu/pubs/livestk/01218.html>

Subject: Grooming Dogs

National Dog Groomers Association of America, Inc.
www.nationaldoggroomers.com

Subject: Guide Dogs

Guiding Eyes for the Blind, Inc. is based in Yorktown Heights, NY. Below is their home page. Jolene Hollister, an instructor's assistant for Guiding Eyes for the Blind, was a featured career panel member at March Dog Madness in 2002.
<http://www.guiding-eyes.org/>

International Guide Dog Federation. Over 72 Guide Dog Schools are members of this federation.
www.ifgdsb.org.uk

H

Subject: Hearing Dogs

International Hearing Dog, Inc.
<http://www.ihdi.org/>

Subject: Herding Dogs

International Sheep Dog Society
<http://www.isds.org.uk/>

AKC Herding Trial information
http://www.akc.org/events/herding/getting_started.cfm

Subject: House for Dogs

This site was developed in Canada to meet K-9 officer needs for construction plans. This is a commercial site.
www.doghouseplans.com

Subject: Humane Education

The Latham Foundation, founded in 1918, is a clearinghouse for information about humane issues and activities, the human/companion animal bond (HCAB), animal-assisted therapy and the connections between child and animal abuse and other forms of violence. The foundation works in many non-partisan roles including publisher, producer, facilitator, sponsor and colleague. For more information, contact Latham Foundation www.Latham.org 1826 Clement Ave., Alameda, CA 94501, Phone: 510-521-0920. Fax: 510-521-9861. E-mail: info@Latham.org.

H

Subject: Hunting Dogs

Dogs with a natural prey drive are likely to be found engaged in this sport. For AKC regulations and tests involving pointers and retrievers, see:

<http://www.akc.org/pdfs/rulebooks/RHTRET.pdf>

I

Subject: Identification

Having a permanent form of identification for your dog is important. Options include microchips, tattoos, tags, photographs or sketches. One source for micro chips can be found here:

<http://www.avidmicrochip.com/>

Subject: Insurance (for Dog Activities)

Contact your local insurance providers for the best quotes. Search for companies that have been reported "pet friendly" by pet owners.

Farm Family Insurance offers homeowner and farm liability insurance coverage. Based in Glenmont, New York. <http://www.farmfamily.com>

J,K,L

Subject: Dog Law

Below is a non-commercial, educational website maintained by attorney Kenneth Phillips, nationally recognized as knowledgeable about both sides of an issue.

<http://www.dogbitelaw.com/index.html>

Subject: Lure Coursing

The sport of lure coursing began in the 1960's. The American Sighthound Field Association (ASFA) invited other sighthound fanciers from across the nation to join the organization, with its democratic structure and centralized method of keeping hound records. You will find video clips of the sport here.

<http://www.asfa.org/coursing.htm>

M

Subject: Dog Magazines

Here are just some of the popular subscription publications available. This is not an inclusive list.

Dog Fancy

Dog Watch

Modern Dog

Whole Dog Journal

Your Dog

BARK Magazine

Dog World Magazine

Mushing Magazine

Subject: Mushing

Did you know in Alaska, 4-H members participate in Junior World Championship Sled Dog Races? Check it out!

<http://www.alaska4hdogmushingprogram.com/>

M,N

Subject: Mushing

Have you ever wanted to make a sled for a dog?

<http://www.oowoo.com/JUNIOR/doityourself/k12sled.html>

Subject: Nutrition

Association of American Feed Control Officials (AAFCO) Policies

<http://www.aafco.org/>

Subject: Nutrition

Nutrient Requirements of Dogs and Cats (2006) National Academies' National Research Council (NRC) Dog Nutrient Guidelines

www.nap.edu

O,P

Subject: Obedience Training

The basic lessons for a good companion dog never change (sit, down, stay, come, leave it or off). However, training methods may vary for different dogs. This is a well researched site with good recommendations for basic obedience lesson plans that are appropriate for children and their dogs.

<http://www.loveyourdog.com/training.html>

Subject: Pet Care Activities

The American Veterinary Medical Association Care for Animals Site Index can be found here.

Short articles about picking the right pet for you can be downloaded from this site.

<http://www.avma.org/careforanimals/CFAsiteindex.asp>

Learn about the American Animal Hospital Association here. Coloring pages for small children are downloadable.

<http://www.healthypet.com>

Compassionate Kids curriculum from Massachusetts SPCA can be downloaded by clicking on Advocacy Link. Materials are appropriate for grades K-5.

<http://www.mspsca.org>

Subject: Pet Loss

Grieving is a natural process we all must go through at some time in our lives. Here are some resources for helping children cope with the loss of a pet.

http://www.aspsca.org/site/PageServer?pagename=hurricane_petloss

The first Pet Loss Support Hotline was set up in 1989 at the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of California at Davis. Cornell used their guidelines in construction of their hotline. The hotline is staffed by volunteer veterinary students who have undergone extensive training with professional grief counselors. They also have a reading list available that is appropriate for children. 607-253-3932, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Tuesday-Thursday.

<http://www.vet.cornell.edu/org/petloss/about.htm>

"When a Pet Dies" is a fact sheet prepared by the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. <http://aacap.org/page.wv?name=When+a+Pet+Dies§ion=Facts+for+Families>

P

Subject: Photography

Taking pictures is a great project to incorporate with animal science activities. For curriculum suggestions see the NYS 4-H Resource Directory. "Focus on Photography" is a National 4-H publication for beginners. Pet Photography can also be an entrepreneurial career awareness activity.

<http://www.cerp.cornell.edu/4h/>

Subject: Population Control

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets is the agency responsible for enforcing **dog licensing** and animal control regulations in New York State. The Animal Industry Division is the division to contact for more details about Dog licensing.

<http://www.agmkt.state.ny.us/AI/doglic.html>

In 1995, the New York State Animal Population Control Program was enacted into law. Through the NYS Animal Population Control Program (APCP), eligible persons adopting a dog or cat from an approved SPCA, humane society, municipal shelter or dog or cat protective association may have their animal spayed or neutered at a reduced price.

<http://www.agmkt.state.ny.us/Programs.html>

Subject: Population Control

The National Council on Pet Population Study and Policy gathers and analyzes nationwide data.

<http://www.petpopulation.org/>

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) exists to promote humane principles, prevent cruelty, and alleviate fear, pain, and suffering in animals.

<http://www.aspca.org/site/PageServer>

The American Humane Association has been in existence since the mid 1800's. Links to disaster relief efforts nationwide are listed here.

<http://www.americanhumane.org>

The home page for the Humane Society of the United States is located here. The HSUS initiates major programs to promote the protection of all animals. Downloadable disaster preparedness materials can also be found here:

<http://www.hsus.org>

National Animal Control Association

www.nacanet.org

P,Q

Subject: Dog Pulling (also see Dog Sledding)

The International Weight Pull Association is a not-for-profit organization which was founded in 1984. The objective of a competition is to see which dogs (within their weight class) can pull the most weight 16 feet within one minute. A tie is broken by the dog that pulled in the least amount of time on the preceding weight. Dogs compete within their own weight class, of which there are eight: 0-20#, 21-40#, 41-60#, 61-80#, 81-100#, 101-125# , 126-150#, 151#and over.

www.iwpa.net

Sled Dog Central is a commercial site. Their mission is to provide world wide access to sled dog products and information for all levels of mushing experience.

<http://www.sleddogcentral.com/>

P,Q

Subject: Dog Pulling (also see Dog Sledding)

The Pennsylvania Sled Dog Club was founded in 1971 with the purpose of conducting sled dog races, and to promote the safe and humane racing, driving and training of sled dogs.

www.pennsledclub.com

Two more sites promoting sled dog racing and care.

www.mushing.com

A commercial education/vacation destination in Minnesota.

www.dogsledding.com

R

Subject: Rally Obedience

The Association of Pet Dog Trainers Website at: <http://www.apdt.com/> was one of the first organizations to establish criteria for Rally Obedience exhibition. The founder of this brand new canine sport was Charles L. (Bud) Kramer. His books and signs are protected by copyright laws. Contact Charles L. (Bud) Kramer at: 401 Bluemont Circle, Manhattan, KS, 66502-4531 (785-537-7022) or e-mail: KramerC@ksu.edu for more information. Rules for competitive events vary depending upon the organization you are affiliated with.

Subject: Rally Obedience/AKC

As of 2005, NYS 4-H Rally O competitive events will follow AKC rules. See

<http://www.akc.org/rules>

Signs are downloadable here:

http://www.akc.org/events/rally/descriptions_and_signs.cfm

S

Subject: Search and Rescue Dogs

This site is the home of the NYS Federation of Search and Rescue Teams. The NYS Federation of SAR is a nationally recognized, not-for-profit organization consisting of independent Search and Rescue teams that make themselves available to any official agency to assist in searches for lost or missing persons in New York State or the northeast. Patti Thompson is a member. She and her dogs were featured at March Dog Madness in 2002.

<http://www.nysfedsar.org/>

The National Association for Search and Rescue (NASAR) offers training and certification for K-9 handlers in land, water and snow recovery.

<http://www.nasar.org/nasar/>

Subject: Sewing for Dogs

Simplicity and McCall's have pet patterns for such things as coats, dog beds, accessory totes, crate covers and more.

Subject: Skijoring

For a list of links including the North American Skijoring and Ski Pulk Association (NASSPA), see:

<http://www.skijornow.com/links.html>

Subject: Sled Dogs (also see Dog Pulling)

International Sled Dog Racing <http://www.isdra.org/>

S

Subject: Sled Dogs (also see Dog Pulling)

International Sled Dog Veterinary Medical Association <http://www.isdvma.org/>

The official site for the Iditarod, a competitive sled dog race over 1150 miles of Alaskan territory. <http://www.iditarod.com/>

T

Subject: Dog Training/Instructor Certification

One size does not fit all. However, this site gives some very sound advice on how to choose a good trainer and find trainers in your area. This Certification Council for Pet Dog Trainers is based in New Jersey. 1-800-PET-DOGS or contact via e-mail at information@apdt.com

Also see <http://www.apdt.com>

International Association of Canine Professionals

P.O. Box 560156, Monverde, FL 34756-0156 (407-469-2008) E-mail: iacp@mindspring.com or see www.dogpro.org

Subject: Dog Trainers

Many qualified trainers and training facilities exist across New York State. This is just one example of a training facility that offers multiple classes and services in the Ithaca, New York area. Janet Frand has served as a 4-H dog training instructor and judge at the New York State fair. She runs her own private training classes as well as a doggie daycare business.

<http://www.pawsitivelyfun.biz/index.html>

Subject: Dog Training

The American Dog Trainers Network is a comprehensive, one-stop resource for dog owners, dog trainers, and the media. They offer a recommended book list, seminars, and free referrals to reputable dog trainers, pet care services, associations and organizations throughout the United States. Their primary goal is to promote humane education, responsible pet care, and positive motivational dog training.

<http://www.inch.com/~dogs/notice.html>

Subject: Dog Training Clubs

This club uses Cornell's Livestock Pavilion for weekly obedience training. Members have assisted with local and statewide 4-H Dog programs in the past. The Ithaca Dog Training Club website is <http://www.ithacadogtrainingclub.org/>

This club also uses Cornell's Livestock Pavilion for weekly obedience and agility training.

Members have assisted with local and statewide 4-H Dog programs in the past. The Finger Lakes Agility and Obedience Association website is: <http://flaoa.webs.com/>

Subject: Therapy Dogs /Pet Assisted Activities

Delta Society is the leading international resource for the human-animal bond. Delta Society has been the force to validate the important role of animals for people's health and well-being by promoting the results of research to the media and health and human services organizations.

Careers in animal assisted activities and animal assisted therapy can be found here. Dr. Leslie Appel, founder and former Director of the Cornell Companions program, was a featured speaker at March Dog Madness in 2002 and touched on the benefits of connecting with the Delta Society.

<http://www.deltasociety.org>

T

Therapy Dogs International, Inc.

To belong to Therapy Dogs International, Inc., all dogs must be tested and evaluated by a Certified TDI Evaluator. A dog must be a minimum of one (1) year of age and have a sound temperament. Each dog must pass the American Kennel Club's Canine Good Citizen Test (CGC), and a temperament evaluation for suitability to become a Therapy Dog. The test will also include the evaluation of the dog's behavior around people with the use of some type of service equipment (wheelchairs, crutches, etc.). For more information contact: 88 Bartley Road, Flanders, NJ 07836. (973-252-9800) E-mail: tdi@gti.net or check out their website www.tdi-dog.org

Therapy Dogs, Inc.

P.O. Box 5868, Cheyenne, WY 82003 (877-843-7364) E-mail: therdog@sisna.com or see the website www.therapydogs.com

Subject: Temperament Testing

This is the site of the American Temperament Test Society, Inc. The American Temperament Test Society, Inc. (ATTS) is a national not-for-profit organization (registered in the state of Missouri) for the promotion of uniform temperament evaluation of purebred and spayed/neutered mixed-breed dogs. <http://www.atts.org/>

Subject: Tellington Touch

What is it? The Tellington TTouch is a specialized approach to the care and training of our animal companions. Developed by internationally recognized animal expert, Linda Tellington-Jones, this method based on cooperation and respect offers a positive approach to training. Many believe it can improve performance and health and presents solutions to common behavioral and physical problems. A list of practitioners can be found listed by state here. <http://tteam-ttouch.com>

Subject: Traveling with your Pet

Flying? This site offers some general good tips. The best advice is to check with the airline directly about policies they have in place. <http://www.petflight.com/pet-travel-tips>

The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is responsible for regulating national and international pet travel and importation. Here are things to think about before you travel. This site was last updated in January, 2008.

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_welfare/pet_travel/pet_travel.shtml

Licensing and Health Requirements for Pets and Wildlife covers U.S. Customs Regulations. Published January 2002.

<http://www.cbp.gov/linkhandler/cgov/toolbox/publications/travel/pets.ctt/pets.pdf>

Traveling by Train, Bus or Boat? Again, the best advice is to check with the company providing the service. Some tour companies cater to pet owners. Some commercial passenger companies do not allow animals at all unless they are service animals. Call before making reservations.

http://www.pettravel.com/passports_pubtrans.cfm

U

Subject: USDA Beagle Brigade

Did you know that dogs work for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)? For a free video about what these amazing dogs do, contact: Dennis Trainum, USDA APHIS, 4700 River Road, Riverdale, MD, 20737. Kennedy International Airport uses Beagles extensively. For more information about the Beagle Brigade, in airports and at the border, please visit the APHIS website at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/lpa/pubs/detdog5.html> or contact APHIS at: USDA, APHIS, LPA Public Affairs, 4700 River Road, Unit 51, Riverdale, MD 20737 Phone: (301) 734-7799 Fax: (301) 734-5221

V

Subject: Vaccinations

For current public health information on canine vaccines recommended in New York, see: <http://bakerinstitute.vet.cornell.edu/cahrc/index.html>

Subject: Vaccinations

American Animal Hospital Association Canine Vaccine Guidelines updated in 2006. www.aahanet.org

Subject: Veterinary References

The Merck Veterinary Manual is now on-line!
<http://www.merckvetmanual.com/mvm/index.jsp>

Behavior Clinic at Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine in Massachusetts
www.tufts.edu/vet/behavior

University of Illinois, College of Veterinary Medicine
www.cvm.uiuc.edu

Washington State University College of Veterinary Medicine
www.vetmed.wsu.edu/ClientEd

Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine Veterinary Library
www.vet.cornell.edu/library/vetaccess.htm

The Humane Society of the United States
www.hsus.org/pets

The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
www.aspca.org/site/PageServer?pagename=pets_dogcare

Veterinary Approved source of articles
www.petplace.com

Drs. Foster & Smith education site
www.peteducation.com

V

Non-inclusive List of Vendors for Dog Supplies

Drs. Foster & Smith www.DrsFosterSmith.com

J&J Dog Supplies www.jandjdog.com

J-B Wholesale Pet Supplies www.jbpet.com

The Dog's Outfitter www.dogsoutfitter.com

Care-a-Lot www.carealotpets.com

Nordkyn Outfitters www.nordkyn.com

Handcraft Collars www.handcraftcollars.com

Premier Pet Products – Makers of [Gentle Leader®](#)

<http://www.premier.com/>

PetsMart www.petsmart.com

More Cornell Community Pet Services in Tompkins County have been compiled by the Tompkins County SPCA

http://www.spcaonline.com/sp_services.htm#training

Veterinary Science Teacher's Guide, Cornell Educational Resources Program 2003

http://www.cerp.cornell.edu/4h/search_result_details.asp?pid=146

W

Subject: Water Dogs

DockDogs® is the independent governing and sanctioning body for regional, national, and international dock jumping performance sport for dogs. For more information about this relatively new sport see:

<http://www.dockdogs.com/>

Subject: Water Dogs

Did you know dogs work with the Coast Guard?

Exercises, trials and tests for Water Rescue dogs are conducted by the Newfoundland Club of America

<http://www.ncanewfs.org/working/water/index.htm>

Subject: Welfare

The Animal Welfare Information Center (AWIC) is part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Agriculture Library. The center is mandated by the Animal Welfare Act (AWA) to provide information for improved animal care and use in research, testing, teaching, and exhibition. For more details, contact: The Animal Welfare Information Center, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, National Agricultural Library, 10301 Baltimore Avenue, 4th Floor, Beltsville, MD 20705-2351, Phone: (301) 504-6212 or Fax: 301-504-7125, e-mail:

awic@nal.usda.gov or web: www.nal.usda.gov/awic/

Subject: Working Dogs

Facts about some types of working dogs can be found here. Article copyright 1997.

<http://www.faqs.org/faqs/dogs-faq/working/>

You will find books and articles on sled dogs to search and rescue teams here.

<http://www.workingdogweb.com/>

Here is another International Cyber Magazine and on-line resource catalog for working dog enthusiasts.

<http://www.workingdogs.com/doc0001.htm>

W

Subject: Working Dogs

This "Dogs with Jobs" site is a youth friendly site sponsored by National Geographic. Do you think your dog has TV star potential? Check it out!

<http://channel.nationalgeographic.com/channel/photogallery/dogs/>

Schutzhund work - While individual dogs of a particular breed may be suitable for the work, the following are most consistently able to perform: Belgian Malinois, Doberman Pinscher, Bouvier des Flandres, Rottweiler, Tervuren, Boxer, Giant Schnauzer, etc. Generally, these are larger working breeds with strong prey and defense drives, and temperaments suitable for the tasks of the training. The United Schutzhund Club of America's membership is dedicated to protecting and preserving the German Shepherd Dogs working heritage. This is one of many organizations. Schutzhund (literally "protection dog") is a sport composed of three parts - tracking, obedience and protection work. The dog and handler must pass all three parts at the same trial in order to earn a Schutzhund title. <http://www.germanshepherddog.com/>

X,Y, Z

Subject: Zoonosis

A Zoonosis is a disease of animals that may be transmitted to humans. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention has many fact sheets about diseases which can spread from animals to people.

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dpd/animals.htm>

Subject: Zoonosis (MRSA) *Staphylococcus aureus* bacteria resistant to multiple antibiotics
Delta Society has collected facts.

<http://www.deltasociety.org/MRSA.htm>

2008 4-H Dog Program Recommended Library includes:

The **PAW I,II, and III curriculum** was distributed statewide for the first time in 1999. This was the precursor to a brand new curriculum published in 2008. Topics addressed include safety, basic nutrition, anatomy and health care. Breeds of dogs, ethics and careers for people who work with dogs are also explored. Dog ownership is not required. **PAWSitively Youth: A Guidebook about dogs for Community Outreach Leaders**, is available for order from <http://www.nraes.org/>

4-H Dog “Skills for Life” Series developed by the 4-H Cooperative Curriculum System

(4-HCCS) is part of the national 4-H reviewed and recommended resource collection. Price ranges vary according to quantity. The average price per book is approximately \$3-4 each.

Dog 1 Wiggles Wags

Dog 2 Canine Connection

Dog 3 Leading the Pack and

Dog 4 Helper’s Guide

Booklets can be ordered separately or in packages of 4. These resources were updated in 2005. The National 4-H Council website also features the same recommended resources on their on-line product catalog site. <http://www.4-hmall.org/>

The National 4-H Supply Service is part of the National 4-H Council located at 7100 Connecticut Ave., Chevy Chase, MD, 20815-4999 Phone: (301) 961-2934 Fax: (301) 961-2937 e-mail: 4Hsupply@fourhcouncil.edu

Ohio State University Learning Lab Dog Kit can be ordered directly from Ohio State University’s Curriculum Materials Service, 1114 Chambers Rd., Columbus, OH 43212-1702. Phone: 614-292-4848; Fax: 800-292-4919; Price = \$410 or E-mail: cms@osu.edu Orders can also go to the following web site: <http://www-cms.ag.ohio-state.edu>

Pet Pals – Ohio State University 4-H Curriculum, written in partnership with Virginia Tech. Resource Member Guide #230 ~\$5 and Leader Guide #230 GPM ~ \$25.75 published in 2002. Written for youth and families interested in connecting companion animals with animal assisted activities such as nursing home visits. For ordering information, send orders or requests to pubs@ag.osu.edu or for inquiries call: (614) 292-1607 or <http://estore.osu-extension.org/>

Your Puppy, Your Dog – A Kid’s Guide to Raising a Happy, Healthy Dog. By Pat Storer was printed in 1997. Price = \$14.95. This and many other popular Storey Books are available from www.storey.com

The NYS 4-H Dog Program lending library includes books, games, videos and more!

Aggression in Dogs: Practical Management, Prevention & Behavior Modification by [Brenda Aloff](#), Publisher: Brenda Aloff, Edition: 2002 Paperback, 418 pages, ISBN: 1591960738, \$49.95

Animals in Translation: Using the Mysteries of Autism to Decode Animal Behavior, by [Temple Grandin](#). ISBN 0743247698, \$25.

Cancer and Your Pet by Debra Eldredge, DVM and Margaret H. Bonham, 2005, Capital Books, Inc. ISBN 1-931868-86-7

Canine Body Language: A Photographic Guide by [Brenda Aloff](#), Publisher: Brenda Aloff, Edition: 2005 Paperback, 370 pages, ISBN: 1-929242-35-2, \$49.95

Delta Society Pet Partners Team Training Course Manual - A Delta Society Program for Animal-Assisted Activities and Therapy. Project Director: Dianne Bell, Pet Partners Program Manager.

Publisher: Delta Society, 875 124th Avenue NE, Suite 101, Bellevue, WA 98005-2531 e-mail: info@deltasociety.org website: www.deltasociety.org ISBN: 1-889785-22-9. \$45

The Complete Dog Book for Kids, Official Publication of the American Kennel Club, copyright 1996 and AKC's Guide to Purebred Dogs poster. Special offer gift pack available for \$16.95. To order, contact The American Kennel Club, 260 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016 or Call 919-233-9767. Fax: 919-816-3627. www.akc.org or e-mail: info@akc.org

Great Dog Adoptions – A Guide for Shelters, by Sue Sternberg. Price = \$18.50 available from the Latham Foundation www.Latham.org 1826 Clement Ave., Alameda, CA 94501, Phone: 510-521-0920. Fax: 510-521-9861. E-mail: info@Latham.org.

Head of the Class – A Teen Dog Expert Teaches You to Raise and Train the Perfect Pal by Kate Eldredge with Debra Eldredge, DVM, 2006, Howell Book House ISBN 13 978-0-471-77962-9

A Guide to Backpacking with your Dog. Revised edition by Charlene G. LaBelle. Copyright 2004, Alpine Publications, Loveland, Colorado.

Renting with Rover and other Pets. Joanne Carriera. Alpine Publications, Loveland Colorado.

Livestock Protection Dogs Selection, Care and Training. Orysia Dawydiak and David Sims. Copyright 2004. Alpine Publications.

Pills for Pets by Debra Eldredge, DVM, 2003, Citadel Press Books ISBN 0-8065-2436-7

The Ultimate Dog Treat Cookbook by Liz Palika, 2005, Wiley Publishing, Inc. ISBN-10:0-7645-9773-6

Also available from the Latham Foundation, Teaching Compassion: A Guide for Humane Educators, Teachers and Parents by Pamela Raphael with Libby Colman, Ph.D. and Lynn Loar, Ph.D. Copyright 1999. Price = \$19.95 and Breaking the Cycles of Violence – A video and training manual by Phil Arkow. For youth development and shelter professionals. Price = \$ 29.75

Many more books and videos are also available at the following on-line bookstore catalog sites. <http://www.dogwise.com/>

www.dogbooks.com

www.amazon.com

www.borders.com

Alpine Publications Retail Catalog www.alpinepub.com

Search by title or author to get the latest market price. Cost per book range is \$5 - \$55. Here are just some of the many titles and topics available from Grooming & Kenneling, Tracking & Herding to Doggie Day Care and Pet Sitting. Some reference books may also be available at your local county library.

Around the Clock Scent Discrimination by Janice DeMello – video for scent discrimination available at www.jandemellobordercollie.com

Building Blocks for Performance by Bobbie Anderson available at www.dogwise.com

Beyond Basic Dog Training by Diane Bauman available at www.dogwise.com

Competition Obedience: A Balancing Act by Judy Byron & Adele Yunck available at www.dogwise.com

Positively Fetching by Judy Byron and Adele Yunck – video for teaching the retrieve, available at www.DogWise.com

Domestic Dog, Its Evolution, Behavior and Interactions with People by James Serpell. Price=\$55.99

Excel-erated Learning; Explaining How Dogs Learn and How Best to Teach Them by Pamela Reid. Price = \$11.95

K-9 Structure and Terminology by Edward Gilbert and Thelma Brown. Price = \$23.95

Positively Obedient – Good Manners For the Family Dog by Barbara Handler. Price = unknown. Originally available from Alpine Publications.

The New Encyclopedia of the Dog, second American Edition, 2000, by Bruce Folge, published by Dorling Kindersley. Price = \$25.20

Emergency First Aid for your Dog by Dr. Tamara Shearer. Price = \$4.25

Dog Training Projects for Young People by Joel M. McMains. Price = \$11.55

Dog Owner's Home Veterinary Handbook by Dr. Delbert Carlson and Dr. James Giffin. Price = unknown.

Don't Shoot the Dog: The New Art of Teaching and Training by Karen Pryor
Price = \$11.16. Sunshine Books Clickers and Clicker-Training Books & Videos can also be found at <http://www.dontshootthedog.com>

Therapy Dogs: Training Your Dog to Reach Others, by [Kathy Diamond Davis](#) Publisher: Dogwise Publishing, Edition: 2002 Paperback, 248 pages, ISBN: 1929242050, Item: DTH121DMG, Ships in 24 hours. \$10. Also available in some county libraries.

For a free catalog of Clicker Training materials call 1-800-888-3737 or Fax: 206-888-9836. Karen Pryor has become known as the Guru of Clicker Training due to her many years of research and writing on subjects like operant conditioning and positive reinforcement, and reinforced behavior. The Clickerpet.com @ Sunshine Books, Inc. is located at 49 River Street, Suite #3, Waltham, MA 02453-8345, 1-800-47-CLICK (2-5425);1-781-398-0754 ; FAX: 1-781-398-0761 or Email: sales@clickerpet.com

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