



# Wagging Tails

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## What to Know About Chemotherapy for Dogs With Cancer

By [Gemma Johnstone](#)  
Updated: Jul 05, 2024

Cancer is a common canine concern. Dog cancer affects an estimated 25% of all dogs and 30% of dogs over 7 years old, according to the [AKC Canine Health Foundation \(CHF\)](#). It's the leading cause of death in older pets, with as many as 50% dying from cancer.

The shock of a cancer diagnosis for your pet can bring with it a lot of questions. What op-

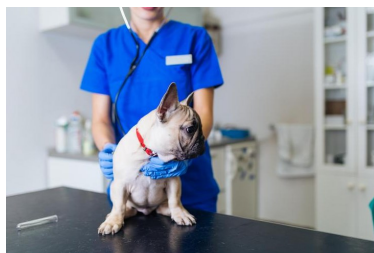
tions are there for dogs with cancer? Is chemotherapy one of them? What's involved in chemo treatment, and is it worth it? We spoke to Dr. Diane Brown, DVM, Ph.D., DACVP, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Scientific Officer of AKC CHF, to answer these canine chemotherapy questions.

### What Is Chemotherapy for Dogs?

As with humans, chemotherapy for dogs is a series of drug treatments. Chemotherapy works to stop or slow the growth of rapidly spreading cancer cells by preventing them from divid-

*Chemotherapy can help your dog enjoy many more months (or even years) of comfortable life without suffering from severe side effects.*

ing and multiplying. Chemo can sometimes help slow the progression and spread of cancer throughout your dog's body, reduce tumor size before surgery, and improve the dog's response (See **CHEMO** Page 5)



## Fun Dog Facts

Amazing Dog Facts & Trivia by Ryan O'Meara

1. The phrase "3 dog night" originated from the Aboriginals of Australia who would sleep with their dogs at night. A very cold night was referred to as a three-dog-night.
2. Cruft's dog show in England has an 85,000 square foot floor. It is covered with individual tiles which can be removed and replaced rather than cleaned after dog accidents.
3. In the 13th century, emperor Kublai Kahn owned 5000 Mastiffs for use in hunting and war.
4. In the 16th century, Queen Elizabeth I of England kept numerous Beagles, some of which were so small they fit in one's pocket. They became known as "pocket Beagles". Those are now extinct.
5. The largest dog registry is in India. The smallest is probably Guernsey, in the Channel Islands off the coast of France.

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

MONTH	DATE
FEBRUARY	4
MARCH	4
APRIL	1
MAY	6
JUNE	3
JULY	NO MEETING
AUGUST	5

Board Meeting begins 6:30pm

General Meeting begins 7:00pm

Attendance via Zoom is also available.

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 1600 E. Desert Inn Rd. Suite 240 , Las

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**We are on the Web!**



**Upcoming Events Calendar**

**February 1, 2025** SSKC Handling Class

**February 7-9, 2025** **VVDOC** Trials

**February 30-March 3, 2025** Superstition Kennel Club Trials, Arizona

**March 15, 2025** SSKC "B" Match

**April 3, 2025** **VVDOC** Spring Class Registration

**April 10, 2025** **VVDOC** Spring Class session begins

**April 25-27, 2025** Apple Valley Kennel Club Show & Trials, California

**May 2-4, 2025** Beehive Cluster Shows & Trials, Utah

**June 12-15, 2025** Nut Farm Classic Show & Trials, California

**July 11-14, 2025** Truckee Meadows Dog Training Club Trials, Nevada

**July 17-18, 2025** **AKC Rally National Championship**, Ohio

**July 19-20, 2025** **AKC Obedience National Championship**, Ohio

**July 26-27, 2025** Flagstaff Kennel Club Show & Trials, Arizona

**September 5-7, 2025** Red Canyons Kennel Club Show and Trials, Utah

**September 11, 2025** **VVDOC** Fall Training Class Registration

**September 12-14, 2025** Great Salt Lake Kennel Club Show & Trials, Utah

**September 18, 2025** **VVDOC** Fall Training Classes Begin

**September 20-21, 2025** Prescott AZ Kennel Club Show and Trials

**October 4-5, 2025** Chino Valley Canine Training Club of AZ Trials

**October 11-12, 2025** Bakersfield Obedience Training Club Trials, California

**October 24-26, 2025** Pahrump Valley Obedience Club Trials

**November 14-16, 2025** Poodle Club of Las Vegas Show & Trials

**December 14, 2025** **VVDOC** Obedience Trial

**January 1-4, 2026** Palm Springs Kennel Club Show & Trials, California

**January 8, 2026** **VVDOC** Winter Class Registration

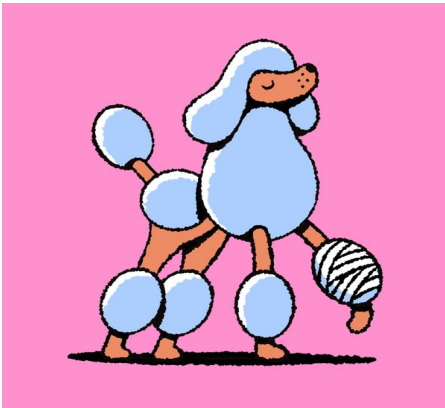
**January 10, 2026** **VVDOC Awards Dinner**

**January 15, 2026** **VVDOC** Winter Class session begins

**January 17-18, 2026** Phoenix Field & Obedience Club Trials, Arizona

**Jan. 29-Feb. 1, 2026** Heart of the Desert Classic Show & Trials, Arizona

# Looking for Pet Insurance? Some Dog Breeds Will Cost More to Cover.



Premiums for big dogs and purebreds are generally higher. But as one expert put it, "Every dog can get sick." Here's what to know about coverage.

By [Ann Carrns](#)

The most popular dog in the country for the last two years has been the French bulldog, beloved for its batlike ears and deep wrinkles. But because of their flat faces, they are prone to respiratory and eye problems. That may be why "Frenchies" are the second-most-expensive dog breed to insure, behind the Cane Corso, a mastiff, according to Spot Pet Insurance, one of dozens of companies selling pet health insurance. The company recently ranked the costliest breeds of dogs and cats to cover, noting that some purebreds may be more expensive because their genetic makeup makes them susceptible to certain health conditions. The rankings were based on average policy premiums as well as the most costly claim paid for the breed, said Trey Ferro, chief executive of Spot Pet Insurance, which has 330,000 active policies. (The dog's age and the type of policy chosen can also affect costs, the company said.) At the other end, the cheapest breeds to insure were the Chihuahua and the Maltipoo, a Maltese-poodle cross. The most expensive pet claim paid in 2023, according to the pet health (See **INSURANCE** Page 7)

## FUR OR HAIR?

In general, a double coat is called a fur coat, and a single coat is called a hair coat.

The Komondor has the heaviest amount of fur in canines. Its corded coat resembles dreadlocks and takes almost 3 days after a bath to dry. While herding, its coat allows it to blend in with the sheep.



## SAVE THE DATE!

### VVDOC Obedience Trial

February 7-8-9, 2025

Clark County Fairgrounds Logandale NV

## DID YOU KNOW?

February 20, 2025 is National Love Your Pet Day

## 'Who's a good boy?' Humans use dog-specific voices for better canine comprehension

The voice people use to address their dogs isn't just because of their big puppy eyes. Humans slow their own speech when talking to their dogs, and this slower tempo matches their pets' receptive abilities, allowing the dogs to better understand their commands, according to a study published October 1<sup>st</sup> in the open-access journal *PLOS Biology* by Eloïse Déaux of the University of Geneva in Switzerland and colleagues.

Dogs respond to human speech, even though they themselves cannot produce human sounds. To better understand how people and pups communicate, the scientists analyzed the vocal sounds of 30 dogs. They also analyzed the sounds of 27 humans across five languages speaking to other people, and 22 humans across those languages speaking to dogs. The scientists also used electroencephalography (EEG) to examine the brain responses to speech in humans and dogs.

Humans are much faster 'talkers' than dogs, the study showed, with a speech rate of about four syllables per second, while dogs bark, growl, woof, and whine at a rate of about two vocalizations per second. When talking to dogs, the humans slowed their speech to around three syllables per second. EEG signals of humans and canines showed that dogs' neural responses to speech are focused on delta rhythms, while human responses to speech are focused on faster theta rhythms. The authors suggest that humans and dogs have different vocal processing systems, and that slowing down our speech when speaking to pets may have ultimately helped us better connect with them.

The authors add, "What's further interesting, is that while dogs use slow rhythm to process speech and contrary to popular beliefs, they need both content and prosody to successfully comprehend it."

*PLOS. "Who's a good boy?' Humans use dog-specific voices for better canine comprehension." ScienceDaily. ScienceDaily, 1 October 2024. <www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2024/10/241001142525.htm>.*

## Breed of the Month

### Height

Males 13½ to 14½ inches  
Females 12½ to 14 inches

### Weight

15-20 pounds

### Life Expectancy

11-13 years

### AKC Working Group

### About the Breed from the AKC



The beginnings of AKC's [newest] 202nd breed are ... in the mists of history.

Archaeologic digs at Viking burial sites have revealed canine remains of Farmdog type. The breed we know today was taking shape by the 1700s in rural areas of Denmark and southern Sweden, employed as an energetic ratter and all-purpose farmhand: herder, watchdog, hunting partner, and family companion.

As with all the world's farm dogs, the rise of centralized and mechanized agriculture led to a reversal of the Farmdog's fortunes.

As the Scandinavia's small family farms declined, the Farmdog's numbers dwindled.

By the 1970s, the breed was being kept alive by its rural partisans. The Danish Kennel Club organized the efforts among Danish and Swedish breeders to rescue



### Danish-Swedish Farmdog

the breed from oblivion and preserve a delightful aspect of the region's history. A small, compact, lively, smooth coated, and slightly rectangular dog. Known to mature late. The Danish-Swedish Farmdog is not to appear refined or elegant. Clear differentiation between the genders is important.

Despite their love for exercise and play, they love relaxing in their owner's lap and cuddling. As a working dog, this breed needs adequate exercise and playtime.

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to other anti-cancer treatments.

### How Does Canine Chemotherapy Differ From Human Treatments?

Veterinarians administer the same types of chemo drugs to dogs that doctors administer to human cancer patients. In humans, drug doses are high, and treatment is aggressive. While chemotherapy can cure cancer or extend a person's life, it usually results in severe side effects.

Chemo treatment for dogs involves significantly lower doses of drugs. On its own, chemo for dogs isn't likely to cure your pet. However, chemo can help your dog enjoy many more months (or even years) of comfortable life without suffering from severe side effects.

### What Types of Canine Cancer Does Chemotherapy Treat?

There have been significant advancements in chemotherapy treatments for dogs in recent decades. However, chemotherapy doesn't work to treat all canine cancers. For example, oral melanomas are resistant to chemotherapy treatment. Even when studies show positive results, chemo benefits depend on various factors. These include the cancer type, the stage of its development, other available treatments, and your dog's age and overall health and well-being.

Some canine cancers your vet might discuss the possibility of treating with chemotherapy include osteosarcoma, transitional cell carcinoma, hemangiosarcoma, and lymphoma.

There are over 30 types of canine lymphoma, and studies show chemo is the most effective treatment for most of these. In many cases, treatment results in the disease going into remission, with no detectable signs of the

cancer being in the body for an extended period. Treatment often involves administering a combination of chemo drugs overall several months.

A veterinarian or a veterinary oncology specialist will recommend treatment options for the type, grade, and stage of cancer. These and other factors will also help determine if other treatment options, such as surgery, radiation, immunotherapy, complementary therapies, or a combination of therapies, are a fit,

### How Are Chemo Treatments for Dogs Administered?

How a dog receives chemo treatment depends on the type and severity of the cancer. Often veterinarians administer the drugs intravenously to your dog as a day patient. Occasionally veterinarians inject the medication directly into the tumor, a muscle, or a body cavity, like the abdomen. Other times, owners can dispense oral medication at home.

### How Long Does Chemo Treatment for Dogs Last?

"It's very individualized based on the type of cancer, the stage, and the treatment that's recommended," says Dr. Brown. "So, there's no single one answer." A course of chemo typically involves multiple treatments. Some are administered daily, some weekly, and others every few weeks. Some dogs may stay on chemo for the rest of their lives. Others may receive sporadic treatment or end treatment altogether if their cancer clears up or goes into remission.

### How Much Does Chemotherapy for Dogs Cost?

There's also not one answer to the question of cost, as this also varies by type of cancer and stage. However,

chemotherapy treatment for dogs can be expensive and pet insurance doesn't always cover it. Costs range from \$150 to about \$600 per dose, according to the Veterinary Cancer Society. This means treatment could set you back anywhere from several hundred dollars to several thousand (or more).

### What are the Side Effects of Chemotherapy for Dogs?

Side effects vary widely. Much depends on the type of treatment, the dose, and the dog's overall health and individual reaction.

Dogs tolerate chemo much better than humans, with side effects usually being mild and manageable at home. Adverse effects typically only affect 20 to 25% of patients. Some of the most common symptoms include:

- **Gastrointestinal issues:** Most commonly, dogs suffer from symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea. These usually only last for a few days after treatment and are controllable with medication and diet adjustments.

- **Blood marrow suppression:** This results in a decrease in white blood cell counts, leading to a greater risk of contracting infections. Stay vigilant to early signs of infection which would typically occur around seven days after chemo administration. These include a high temperature, vomiting, lack of appetite, weakness, increased heart rate and rapid breathing. When counts are particularly low, your vet might prescribe antibiotics as a preventive measure and recommend avoiding a raw food diet during treatment.

- **Coat changes:** Unlike with humans, hair loss is rare. However, it is more likely to affect breeds with continuously growing hair, like Poodles or Maltese. Other dogs may experience changes in coat texture or color.

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- **No appetite, weight loss:** Vets can offer medication to help stimulate your dog's appetite.
- **Urinary tract infections:** Again, these can be cleared up with medication from your vet.
- **Lethargy**

Your dog will attend regular check-ups during chemotherapy treatment, and your vet can adjust the protocol if side effects are severe. If your dog experiences any out of the ordinary, worrisome, or prolonged clinical signs, always discuss these with your veterinarian.

### Safety Considerations During Canine Chemotherapy

The risk to you or other family members is small. However, avoiding unnecessary exposure to chemotherapy drugs is a sensible precaution. Your vet will talk you through specific handling guidance, but some general safety measures include:

- Feces and urine contain traces of chemo drugs for 72 hours to several weeks after treatment. However, the highest concentrations are present within the first few days. Where possible, avoid contact with feces and urine during that time.
- If your dog urinates, vomits, or has diarrhea in your home, use gloves to clean it up and wash your hands thoroughly afterwards.
- Avoid cleaning up feces or urine if you are pregnant, trying to conceive or breastfeeding.
- Wash soiled bedding separately on a hot cycle twice.
- Pick a no- or low-traffic space to allow your pet to go potty to prevent unnecessary exposure for other pets and people.
- Use gloves to administer oral medications and wash hands after.
- Supervise your pet's interactions with children, and always wash hands after contact.

### Is Chemotherapy Worth it For Your Dog?

While the overriding factor of whether chemotherapy treatment is right for your dog relates to their quality of life, other factors can also influence your decision. These include:

- **The type of cancer:** Some cancers, like lymphoma, respond very well to chemo treatment. The UW-25 protocol is a common lymphoma treatment which lasts six months. As many as 80% of dogs on this protocol will go into remission, and it can be over a year before they require further treatment.
- **The stage of cancer:** If your dog has cancer that has aggressively metastasized (spread into various parts of the body) and shows signs of pain and discomfort, chemo treatment may not help improve or extend their quality of life.
- **Financial considerations:** Non-curative and expensive chemo treatments can be a significant commitment.
- **Your dog's age and health:** Does your dog have other health issues, like heart or kidney disease? Ask about these and other factors affecting your dog's overall comfort.

Learning about cancer and chemo can



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be overwhelming and raise a lot of questions. To ensure you get all the answers you're looking for and to help you make a decision on the way forward, Dr. Brown recommends:

- **Ensure you receive a definitive**

**diagnosis:** This will involve testing (such as X-rays and a biopsy), getting results, and determining if additional diagnostic testing is needed (such as an MRI).

- **Figure out a timeline:** In some cases, there may not be much time to research your options. Therefore, make sure you have a plan in place for different scenarios.

- **Get all the guidance you need:** One way to do this is by having open discussions with your veterinarian. Additionally, consider seeking counsel from a canine oncologist.

- **Learn from others going through the same thing:** Support groups may be available near you for families with dogs with cancer.

To learn more, including how you can help fight canine cancer, get involved in supporting canine cancer research for dogs through the [CHF's Canine Cancer](#) digital resource.

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insurance association, was \$51,133 for a golden retriever with lymphoma. Other top claims included \$46,900 for a vomiting black and tan coonhound, and \$43,389 to treat a French bulldog with a corneal ulcer.

Mr. Ferro said his own German shepherd had died about six months ago from liver cancer, leading to a \$12,000 bill for three months of chemotherapy. (His insurance policy covered all but \$2,000.) And when a Labrador retriever owned by another company officer gulped down a bagel impaled with a toothpick, he said, most of the resulting \$10,500 surgical bill was covered as well.

Such bills make clear why more pet owners are interested in insurance.

About 5.7 million pets were insured in the United States in 2023, the pet health insurance association reported, up from 4.8 million in 2022.

While people have always had strong bonds with their pets, they grew even stronger during the pandemic as people stayed home all day, said Kristen Lynch, the association's executive director. Many pet owners let their dogs sleep in their beds, and half of American owners consider their pets — especially dogs — as much a part of their family as human relatives, a Pew Research Center survey found.

"In our lifetime, we have gone from the barnyard to the backyard to the bedroom," Ms. Lynch said, so people are loath to face a situation where they can't pay for lifesaving treatment for a pet.

Despite incidents when staggering bills

were covered, he said, a survey of about 2,000 Consumer Reports readers with pet insurance suggested that "most folks break even, at best."

The average monthly health insurance premium in 2023 was about \$56 for accident and illness coverage for a dog and about \$32 for a cat, the insurance association said. Such policies cover injury from ingesting things they shouldn't, cuts, car accidents, ligament tears and poisoning, as well as treatments for cancer, infections and digestive problems. Some add wellness coverage, like routine vaccinations and dental care, at an extra cost.

**And what about cats?**

The costliest felines to insure were the Maine coon, one of the largest house cats, which can be prone to a type of muscle atrophy, and the chin-chilla, a popular longhair, Spot Pet Insurance said. The least expensive were the Russian blue and the Siamese.

In general, you choose the vet you want and pay the bill upfront, then file with the insurer for reimbursement. (Most companies process claims within a day or two, although complex claims can take as long as two weeks, the pet health insurance association says.) Policies usually have a waiting period, from a day or two to as long as 30 days, before coverage starts. Policies usually do not cover pre-existing conditions. As pets age, they generally require more care, so your premium and deductibles will typically increase over time. Some insurers won't offer new coverage to pets past a certain age. Some policies may offer discounts for covering multiple pets.

**How can I reduce the risk of acquiring a dog with serious health ailments?**

Dr. Klein at the American Kennel Club advised researching breed characteristics and seeking a reputable breeder, such as one recognized by the club as a "breeder of merit," meaning the breeder meets criteria like performing health screens recommended for the breed. A directory of individual breed clubs, which can provide referrals, is available on the kennel club's website. Another resource he suggested is the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, a nonprofit in Columbia, Mo., that works with breeders to encourage screening for genetic diseases, such as canine hip dysplasia, a degenerative disorder causing loose joints and arthritis.

**What if I can't afford vet bills or pet health insurance?**

Mr. Vines suggests calling around to local vets to check prices for services, since they can vary widely. Some practices may allow you to pay over time or have funds set aside to help cover care when owners can't afford it. So ask your vet. Also, pet telehealth services may be less expensive than in-person visits. Try setting aside money in a savings account to cover needed care. The Humane Society offers a Pet Help Finder tool on its website to find "financially friendly" vets in your area. Local shelters and animal rescue organizations may also offer help or referrals.



## Pet Food Drive

Help feed pets of the homeless and low-income individuals in your community!



Support those in need by donating pet food and supplies to our pet food drive at the VVDOC Trials February 7th thru 9th. Donations of dog and cat food and treats (canned and dry) are needed every day. All pet supplies are also needed (new and gently used) such as: leashes, collars, toys, beds, harnesses, bowls, jackets, etc. You can also give a monetary donation via check ( we will have pre-printed envelopes for your use), on their website at <https://petsofthehomeless.org/make-a-donation/> or via a QR code available on site. No cash please.

All donations will go to pets of the homeless in your area!

**When: February 7th -9th**

**Where: Clark County Fairgrounds**

**1301 Whipple Ave**

**Logandale, NV 89021**

For more information on Feeding Pets of the Homeless®, visit:

**[petsofthehomeless.org](https://petsofthehomeless.org)**





## AKC California Wildfire Donation Collection

California is currently being ravaged with wildfires, and has entered a state of emergency, with many residents being forced to evacuate.

By purchasing an item from this collection, a donation will be made to [LA Animal Services](#) to aid in their efforts to keep animals safe during the devastating fires.

Not only are they helping save lives, they are working hard to educate their community on ways to keep pets safe due to these

[https://shop.akc.org/collections/california-wildfire-donation-collection?utm\\_source=emarsys&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=shop-teddy&utm\\_campaign=20250114\\_shp-donation-teddy-californian-wildfires](https://shop.akc.org/collections/california-wildfire-donation-collection?utm_source=emarsys&utm_medium=email&utm_term=shop-teddy&utm_campaign=20250114_shp-donation-teddy-californian-wildfires)

Our hearts and prayers go out to our friends and families in Southern California that have been affected by the devastating wildfires. Below are some of the ways you may support those which are helping pets.



<https://bestfriends.org/emergency-response/los-angeles-wildfires>



<https://www.newsweek.com/how-you-can-support-animals-amid-california-wildfire-crisis-2012787>



<https://ktla.com/news/local-news/heres-how-you-can-help-animals-affected-by-the-los-angeles-wildfires/>

For a list of emergency shelters and rescues:

<https://www.worldanimalprotection.us/latest/blogs/california-wildfire-emergency-animal-shelters-and-rescues/>



# From the Editor

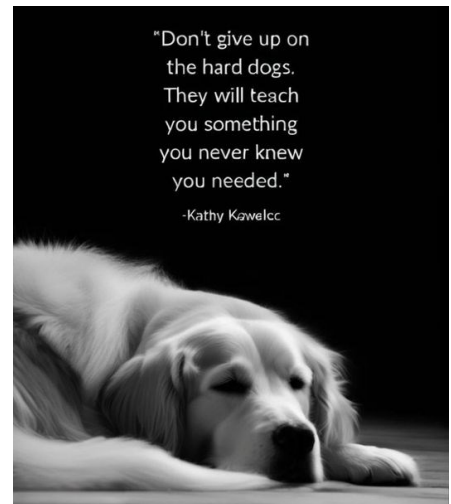
**Do you have a brag? Did you get a new puppy?**  
**Do you have other dog-related news, photos, articles, humor, or upcoming events to share?**  
**Do you have a canine product or service you'd like to promote?**  
 Send your information to Pam Chadwick at  
[Goldenz1@centurylink.net](mailto:Goldenz1@centurylink.net)  
 Submission deadline is the 10th of each month



## Braggs and Member Photos



Daniele Ledoux-Starzyk shared that Mahlu returned from his European trip as a French Champion. He won best of opposite every day to a bitch who took best to breed.



# Tidbits

Many of you will remember having had the pleasure of showing or stewarding under AKC Judge John Cox. He left us recently, but his “tidbits” deserve repeating. Below are some of his valuable and timeless tips.

**#24**—Today’s Random Little Tidbit – **AKC’s Obedience & Rally Judge’s Blog**  
<https://akcobedrlyjudges.wordpress.com/>

This may be old news for some, but in case you have not heard, the American Kennel Club has a judge’s blog for Obedience and Rally on the web ([link above under title](#))! The blog is a very useful tool for covering specifics in the Regulations, plus helpful for keeping up on current topics.

**Pamela Manathon**, Director of Obedience, Rally & Tracking writes, “We are replacing our traditional newsletters that were formatted in PDF documents and emailed out to each of you. Now we will be posting topics of interest by use of the AKC Obedience & Rally Judge’s blog. In doing so, we will be able to provide more timely write-ups and take full advantage of the blog’s Search and Category functions. This will make it easier for you to quickly research and access past information.

You will be able to sign up to get a notice each time something new is posted. If you misplace the link you will be able to locate it on the AKC website under “Judges Newsletter” just as you do now.

Our goal is to keep you as up to date as possible and give you the tools you need to be the best AKC Obedience & Rally Judge you can be. We can’t do it without you!”

Sincerely,

Pamela Manaton, Director of Obedience, Rally & Tracking

One can follow the Blog via email, if you wish. Under the red “Search” box, there is another box to enter your email address to receive notifications of new posts. Plus, there is an Archive which has links to older Judge’s Newsletters of the past. I really like this blog and I think you will too!

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Vegas Valley Dog Obedience Club was founded in 1962. We are licensed by the American Kennel Club. Our purpose is to promote responsible dog ownership, humane training methods, and to further the sport of canine Obedience through AKC Obedience & Rally Trials. We offer Training Classes to the public and our members three times each year.

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