



THE GAMBOL

Southwest Agility Team Newsletter
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News From the Executive Committee

- **SWAT Membership**
SWAT Membership is FREE. The membership application for VOTING MEMBERS is posted on the SWAT website, www.southwestagilityteam.org. New Voting Members, please send the form to Martha Kent, Marikent666@gmail.com or Vicki Wilson, 1324 Espejo NE, Albuquerque, 87112. Current Voting Members, you will continue as Voting Members unless you notify Martha by email that you wish to discontinue. In addition to the ability to vote on club business, Voting Members receive club announcements, including trial announcements and premiums.
- **Vendor Policy**
Beginning in January, 2020, vendors who do not have a dog entered in the trial and/or vendors who expect to use a larger space than 24" x 36" at the Expo (fairgrounds) must submit an application at least three weeks before the trial. A complete description of the new policy, as well as the vendor application form, are posted on the SWAT website.
- **Fundraising Policy**
SWAT requests that all persons or groups wishing to conduct fundraising or other charitable activities at a SWAT dog agility event submit a fundraising request. The fundraising policy is posted on the SWAT website, and requests should be made to the SWAT Executive Committee via the SWAT website.
- **New vouchers**
Starting January, 2020, SWAT will be issuing re-designed vouchers for volunteers and major workers at SWAT events. Only the format of the vouchers is changing. Vouchers will continue to be in \$25 and \$50 denominations, and exhibitors will be limited to use of \$150 in vouchers per dog entered in a SWAT event. As always, the vouchers have no cash value, are transferable to other exhibitors, and are each assigned a unique tracking number, which is recorded when it is issued and when it is used.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Entries for the WCA/SWAT AKC Trial in January close on **January 8, 2020**.

Entries for the USDAA Starters/Advanced Test at Animal Humane close on **January 27, 2020**.

THANKS, SWAT

SWAT received a letter of appreciation from Donna Stumpf, the director of Animal Humane New Mexico. She expressed thanks for the donations collected at the December USDAA. The donations went to helping homeless pets.



THANK YOU, Nancy

SWAT would like to thank Nancy DaCosta for the festive photo back-drop at the recent USDAA trial. Many participants took advantage of getting a holiday photo of their dogs.

THANK YOU, HOWARD

All Photos in this newsletter are provided by the courtesy of Howard George, www.howardgeorge.com/MaxDogPhotos

2020 SWAT EVENTS

January 24-26, 2020 - AKC Weimaraner Trial – Fairgrounds, Indoor Horse Arena.
Premium is posted on the SWAT website.

February 8-9, 2020 - USDAA Advanced/Starters Trial - The Center @ Animal Humane.
Premium is posted on SWAT website.

May 1-3, 2020 - NADAC – Inez Elementary School. Premium will be posted in April.

May 30-31, 2020 - USDAA – All levels titling classes plus Tournament classes, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Posse Arena.

June 26-28, 2020 - AKC - Weimaraner Club of Albuquerque - Fairgrounds, Indoor Horse Arena.

July 11, 2020 - FUN MATCH – Bernalillo County Sheriff's Posse Arena.

September 11-13, 2020 - AKC - Weimaraner Club – Bernalillo County Sheriff's Posse Arena.

December 11-13, 2020 - USDAA - All levels titling classes, Tournament classes, Team/PVP - Fairgrounds, Indoor Horse Arena.

OPEN MEETINGS

SWAT members are welcome to attend any SWAT executive committee meeting as an observer, voting members may vote at the meetings. The time and location of an upcoming meeting will be published in the minutes of the most recent meeting, which can be viewed on the SWAT website at <http://southwestagilityteam.org>

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