

DATE: Sunday August 10th

PLACE: The Kent Green at the entrance to the Kent Green Shopping Center - Take Rt. 7 south about 9 or 10 miles south of Cornwall Bridge - come into the Town of Kent, pass the Congregational Church on your right, then immediately pass the Kent Hill's Condo's on your left and then take your next left into The Kent Green Shopping Center (You will see the sign next to Rt.7) we will be set up in the Green (median). Parking is all around and plenty of it. A bathroom will be available at the Bird Store a short walk from where we will be set up.

TIME: SET-UP - we will begin to set up around 7:30 AM (Last year it took about an hour and a half to two hours to completely set up and our first spectators wandered in about 9:30)

PROGRAM - will start 9:30-10:00 and run until about 2:00 exact time depends on spectator interest (we were popular last year and saw about 300-400 people) and weather.

Come for as long or short a time as you would like. Please let me know how long you plan on attending. We would like everyone to be able to participate in the demonstrations and be able to give a brief explanation of their breed and what activities you do with your dogs.

PROGRAM SET-UP: The plan for this year is to do dog sport demo's (Obedience, Rally, Carting (if it is not to hot), Nosework and Conformation). Each demo will have one or several of our dogs doing the activity with another person in the ring explaining as they go along. At the end of the demo whoever's dog was in the ring will have the opportunity to give a brief description/talk about their breed). While the demo's are going on the rest of us will be under our pop-ups talking with the public and answering many random questions about individual breeds and dogs in general. Dee Chuisano will also be in attendance as an "Ask the Trainer" resource (general obedience questions only) and will also be doing a demo. There will be an AKC table with all the pamphlets and AKC info for the public to take and ask questions. We will have a club table set up with some club info and maybe some new member applications. Your dogs will get a lot of attention and there will be 300-400 people that will wander through during the course of the day.

OUR SPONSOR: Union Savings Bank will sponsor us again this year and will pay our insurance needed for the day as well provide us with lunch and beverages

OUR MAIN GOAL: Have fun, enjoy the company of our fellow club members and our dogs as well as provide a public service. We hope to educate the public about our specific breeds and all the fun things one can do with their dogs as well as advertise the club and our upcoming shows.

WHAT TO BRING: POP-UP TENTS if you have them, WATER/TREATS for your dogs, GROOMING TABLES are helpful, CRATES, BREED INFO for your specific breed to pass along to the public (can be copied off the AKC website or obtained from your breed's parent club, PICTURES of you and your dogs if you have them and as always when you travel with your dogs it is best to have a copy of your dogs RABIES CERTIFICATE and anything else to keep you and your dogs comfortable for the event.

PEOPLE AND BREEDS COMMITTED: Myself w/American Eskimo, Bob w/Australian Shepherds, Sandy G. w/ Wire Fox Terrier, MaryAnne w/ German Shepherds, Dawn and Don w/Golden Retrievers, Sharon w/ Shih Tzu's, Billie w/Tibetan Spaniels, Gene w/ Jack Russel Terrier, Liz w/ Border Terrier's and Russel Terrier, Jack and Donna w/English Setters, John and Molly w/ Springer Spaniels, Dee Chuisano and Mara w/Vizsla's, Jane Palinkas w/Alaskan Malamutes. LET ME KNOW IF I HAVE MISSED SOMEONE OR IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON COMING and I don't know yet.

PLEASE let me know what demo you would be interested in participating in. **We need** conformation dogs/handlers and someone willing to act as a judge and someone to explain what

it is all about and what the judge is looking for. **We need help with set up early AM.** It takes a while to get things set up. Pop-ups, banners, AKC table, Club Table etc. **We are always open to your ideas and suggestions. If you have one, let us know.** If you cannot attend please let me know. We need to get an idea of how many of us will be having lunch/drinks.

We are set up at the entrance to the Kent Green, so there is an IGA, a hardware store, post office, pharmacy at the other end of town etc.. As noted above , we also have easy access to a bathroom at the Bird Store next to where we will be set up.

MOST IMPORTANT is to come and HAVE FUN!! SHARE your LOVE of DOGS!!!! All members, breeds and demo's of any dog sport or Therapy Dog work are welcome!

I look forward to hearing from you. Have a great week!!

Jackie