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The
SaddleBarker

The SaddleBrooke Dog Park Newsletter

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**From Your President**

Welcome Kathleen Dunbar, a Dog Park member (of course) and our new Saddlebarker Newsletter Editor/Publisher. Kathleen just moved to Saddlebrooke about six months ago and we're very excited that she has volunteered to become one of our Board Members and to work on the Newsletter.

The plan is to publish the newsletter every other month. We know she will be a real asset to the Dog Park and I know she will be always welcome your feedback on the Newsletter and will be on the lookout for interesting stories for future issues, so if you have something of note about the dogs or people in the park, please contact her at k.dunbar@reagan.com.

We've corresponded with you in the past regarding the need for volunteers and you've always responded. Well we still need someone to come forward to be a candidate for the Vice President position for 2017. This position is primarily responsible for assisting the President in managing the many functions of the park. Our elections take place in February of 2017 at the Dog Park Association Annual Meeting. If you have any interest or know of someone you think would be a good candidate, please let me or anyone on the Board know.

This summer, some of you have reported seeing rats and ground squirrels around the Dog Park, primarily in the wild area. Well, we've called in an expert and he has been attempting to live trap and use them in a program at Catalina State Park. His first report to me indicated that we have both Cotton Rats (not Pack Rats) and Round-Tailed Ground Squirrels around the park. He considers both as harmless, particularly the Ground Squirrels which hibernate in the ground for most of the year. However, he did indicate he would take your phone calls of sightings of the rodents, particularly the Cotton Rats and attempt to trap them. You can call him (Jerry Schudda at 235-6899) or let me know.

President's Message—

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The Safety Corner -by Dan Grossman

Regarding the status of some of our projects in the Dog Park, you may have noticed that last week we finally got our erosion control project completed along the north and west fences on the Big Dog side. We also had a contractor cut the weeds in the Wild Area and we hope within the next couple weeks to have the fall reseeded done. The re-seeding can only be done when our current grasses become dormant, the night temperatures cool off, and the day temperatures fall below 100 degrees. As you probably remember, we have to close the Big Dog side during that time and only the Wild Area is available for the big dogs to run. On the Small Side we do it one half at a time so half of the side always stays open for use. I will notify you by email when we know the exact times of this project.

Thank you for your membership and participation in the Dog Park.

Respectfully submitted,
Marlin Waller,
President

After the Dog Park— A foot bath!



It's a simple idea...but it works!

To help prevent the spread of disease a foot bath after a walk or trip to the park is always a good idea. A shallow plastic container is easy and not scary for a dog to walk into (or be placed). Some soapy water (blue dawn is my pick) and their feet are clean (and so is your house). Rinse with clean water and when they lick their paws, that bad stuff they might have contacted on the street is gone.

A healthy pet is a happy owner!!!

We love our Sponsors... Kathy Majer

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Soliciting for NEW sponsors is easy if you have some facts to share with a potential sponsor.

Sponsors pay \$300 per year, which can also be divided into quarterly payments of \$75.

Sponsorship provides the following benefits:

- ⇒ **Plaques** inside the de-leashing areas
- ⇒ **Business card** displayed on our website
- ⇒ **Business article** or promo in our bi-monthly newsletter
- ⇒ **Business listed** in our Bi-monthly newsletter
- ⇒ **Business card** available in a weatherproof box at the front entrance to the park
- ⇒ **Business listed** at entrance to the park

⇒ **Business advertised** at our events, including any promo items

⇒ **Framed certificate** to display at their business

If a business owner seems interested please contact Kathy Majer at 520-825-2999 or e-mail me at jazzerlady@wbhsi.net. I will then contact that individual and offer to send him/her the potential new sponsor letter describing the benefits of sponsorship and an application form.

Thank you for your help! REMEMBER...support our sponsors. Their advertising keeps our dues lower. The DOG PARK is an amazing part of the overall amenities' available in SaddleBrooke!!!



For picking up after your dog-it's not just polite... **it's the law!!!**

AND a special thanks for picking up what your neighbor didn't!!!

**For up to date
information, membership
forms, etc. go to**

[www.
SaddleBrookedogpark.com](http://www.SaddleBrookedogpark.com)

Membership News

The 2017 Dog Park Member Directory...

Do you wish you had the contact information for the person you met today at the dog park? Do you like the idea of a directory being emailed to you? I do...and so do several people I have met at the dog park.

We also understand that there are some people who do not want their personal information published.

If you do not want your phone number or email published please email

me and tell me and you will not be included.

Kathleen Dunbar

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The directory will not be published until next year to give those who wish not to be included notice.

Thank you for any ideas or suggestions for our dog park and newsletter.

We have 210 members!!!

37 new members

so far this year...



Until we
meet again
at the

Rainbow Bridge....

Dallas McDougal Dunbar

August 13, 2008—August 12, 2016



The SaddleBarker...Kathleen Dunbar

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I am pleased to be the *new* newsletter editor. My philosophy is newsletters are for the benefit of our members. We need to keep dog park people informed on both the *fun stuff* and pertinent news about our park and anything that could affect the welfare of our dogs.

We depend on volunteers for several functions that keep our park pristine. Starting with this newsletter we have a

Volunteer Appreciation Corner. If you know of someone who is quietly working to make our park better, please send me an email.

Let's celebrate landmarks in the lives of our dogs. Birthdays, obedience graduations, and or any other amazing accomplishment. Photos that capture the moment are especially fun! Send them!!

Sadly, if there is a passing , we

will give remembrance in the Rainbow Bridge.

Marlin does an amazing job of keeping people updated on issues that could effect your usage of the park and he will continue.

This is your newsletter. What would you like to see in the future? Any ideas for events, or articles, just let me know.

THANK YOU!!!

The Annual Halloween Party is Monday October 31



All Halloween Lovers...mark your calendar. Once again we will celebrate with our pooches!!! It's a costume party for your dog (and you if you like) at the **SaddleBrooke DOG PARK.**

SMALL DOGS 3PM

Large Dogs 4PM

Trophies

Prizes

Treats

FUN

New This Year: We will email a registration form to all dog park members.

Start thinking about your dogs costume! See you October 31st!



Summer Maintenance Volunteers

Those of you who stayed in Saddlebrooke for part or most of the summer may have noticed our Volunteers doing a variety of maintenance functions in the park such as emptying the poop containers, re-supplying poop bags, sweeping rocks, spraying ants, replacing pools to their rightful places, and performing minor repair work as needed. In the summer, our regular maintenance volunteers are usually gone so we look for other members to help. This summer the following volunteers helped us:

Mike, Kay and Rusty Reagan Mike Regan (May and July), John Trojanowski (June) and Mary Kay and Dan Nordhill (August & part of September). They all did a great job and Mike also helped with the purchase of the new pools and devised a way to hang them. Dan did some extensive repair work to the poop container in the Big Dog side. Everyone appreciates your extra effort in keeping our park special. Thank you from the membership and especially me!!!



Do I smell birthday cake?

We want to acknowledge all our four legged friends special days...just send me the information and photo to publish... Especially Birthday Photos
Kathleen

Some Very Special Birthdays in SaddleBrooke



Kenzie Johnson
August 17th
2 years



Starbuck
Wotherspoon
Adopted September 29th
8 years



Riley-the miracle dog!
Cancer survivor-
Sept. 1st he was 16!



The Network's "Payoff the Vet Debt" Campaign Exceeds Goal!

Our 1st fundraising effort *outside the Brooke* was a success! Last winter the Network raised \$10,000 and, to maximize its impact in the rescue community, we challenged Tucson animal lovers to a \$1 for \$1 match up to \$10,000. With the help of Facebook, local television and the Star, we raised \$12,050! Combined with our \$10,000, 14 rescue groups each received \$1,575 towards their vet bills. A big thank you goes to the Dog Park who donated \$1000 toward our match from the SaddleBrooke Dog Park's *Cowboy Cookout* held in March.

Remember, we always have wonderful dogs like Charlie looking for their forever home. Call **Leslie Rocco, 724 689 9843**

The SaddleBarker Sponsor Page...



Baby and Bob...off to work!

A big thank you to **Bob Witt** our new Dog Park Sponsor. Bob is a 2nd generation **StateFarm** insurance agent following in his father's footsteps. His father has been with State Farm for 46 years and Bob has been in the business for 15 years.

Bob, originally from Salem, Oregon, has been in Tucson for 10 years. He recently (June 1, 2016) took over the office at 12995 Oracle Road from a retiring agent. Bob prides his office as a **customer focused** operation. Bob's goal is to always find the right product for his customer and not just sell product. **The customer comes first** is how his father did it and how Bob does it!

Bob is married to Melissa and they have three lovely children; Austin 17, Parker 11, and Brooklyn 8. Of course **Baby**, their 2 year old Maltese-Poodle mix runs the house-hold. Baby and Bob go to work together most every day.

Bob is an avid College Football fan (some team in Oregon that will remain nameless) and he loves golf.

A big thank you to Don and Karen Richey who suggested the great benefits of being a SaddleBrooke Dog Park sponsor and to Kathy Majer who followed up.

Welcome Bob Witt to your new office and to the wonderful sponsors of the SaddleBrooke Dog Park. THANK YOU! If you are in the market for insurance... consider calling Bob, 520 825 3232!



Just a reminder....

The holidays are around the corner...if you are going to need boarding, grooming or day care...

Make reservations today!!!

16725 N Oracle Rd , Tucson, Arizona 85739

520 742 6476

Terri Maxey –She is a sponsor, a volunteer, and always there to pitch in a dollar when needed!!! She recently paid for the four new pools and the hardware to mount them on the fence.



Thank you Terry!



Hapi's Designs, LTD.

Hapi Kendall, Allied Member ASID

"I do everything from helping you with paint color selection to managing the total remodel of your home".

Have a question...I'm Hapi... to help!"

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We Love Our Sponsors—

*They help pay the bills so please say thank you...
or better yet, use their services!*

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Just a friendly reminder— Vaccinations are important for your dogs health and safety. Please keep them current.

*It is also a state law that all dogs **must** have **Rabies Vaccinations** and they **must** be current to use the park.*

THANK YOU...