

Tangens Whippets

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Happy Spring to all Tangens friends!

Joey the dancer

From Alex Carswell, the owner of "Joey", (*Tangens Charade, litter 08, co-bred with Melissa Magno*) comes this update:
"Mandy and I have Joey and two Maltese. Joey goes to work with me every day. He usually rides with us to jobs or hangs out in the office on his bed.
Joey is an absolute fiend when it comes to food. He will eat any food, any time, with no questions asked. Needless to say, sometimes the family will feed him at work. Somehow, without intentionally doing so, my brother and father taught Joey to "sing and dance" when they had some food that he wanted. I've included a video of the process.



(Only two frames here, EE)

Joey is a very good dog and we are very happy with him. His favorite things in the world, in order of priority are: 1) food 2) food 3) running/sleeping. If we fed him a quarter of the amount he wanted to eat he would probably weigh 100 pounds. He has figured out how to unzip the zipper on my lunch box with his nose/mouth. He can then extricate my lunch one piece at a time through an opening in the zipper that is no more than 2" wide. From there he would

chew a small hole through the sandwich bag and eat the sandwich. The whole process took about 30 seconds from start to finish. Now I have an Igloo cooler type lunchbox that serves more as a safe than a lunchbox. Joey is very affectionate and loves laying with people on the couch or bed. He is also excellent with children and other pets. He is a very tolerant and sweet boy."

Alex further writes:

"When Mandy and I got married a year and a half ago my best man had his uncle, an oil painting master, do a portrait of the three of us standing in front of our familial castle in Ireland. We made sure to get our three dogs in the picture."



"Mandy is a CPDT certified dog trainer (*in Central California, EE*). She has been working on it since we originally got Joey. You can see her website at

<http://jumpinjaxdogtraining.com/>



You'll notice a few pictures of Joey throughout. Joey has been an interesting dog

to train. Because he is so food motivated he will work as long as there is food involved.”



More dog trainers with Whippets

Sarah Herrick is a dog trainer in Northern California and the owner of *CH Tangens Moonshine* for Maverick, litter 07.



Sarah's web site is:

www.furryfamilycareandtraining.com

See Sarah at work:



Here in Southern California, San Diego County, we have Rachel Amado of Maverick Dog training:

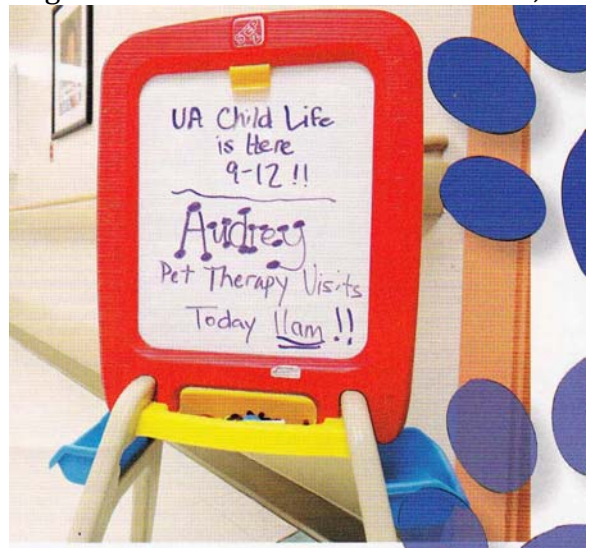
www.maverickwaydogtraining.com

Rachel is the breeder/owner/trainer of the number one obedience Whippet in the country: Maverick Cowgirl Chic, UD



Audrey the therapist

A six page article in the glossy Tuscaloosa Magazine featured the Hand In Paws pet therapy program with focus on Whippet “Audrey” (*Tangens Lunar Mare*, litter 09) and owner Laura Beasley. Although Hand In Paws is an organization with several programs, the story centered on patient visits at the pediatric floor of the DCH Regional Medical Center in Tuscaloosa, AL.



Here are excerpts from the article:

“A little girl has been crying for an hour. Then Laura Beasley came in with her

Whippet named Audrey, placed the dog in the crib, and the child completely stopped sobbing. It's the only thing that has helped."



"To see Audrey so unflinchingly react to her young patients, you'd label her a serene dog" – 'Oh no' said Laura. 'It is the scarf that makes the difference – like work clothes and play clothes. At home she is a normal crazy dog knocking down the trash can or jumping on the counter to get food.'



Litter mates steal the show

On the first day of the large hound show in Silverado, Orange County, CA, April 11-13, 2014 puppy litter mates *Kamio Marshmallow Creme* and *Kamio Creamy Smooth Taffy* won Best in Sweepstakes and Best Opposite Sex. Breeder and owner is Sarah Balkam (left in the photo upper right). We cheer them on, as they belong to our extended family; their sire is *Ch Tangens Antonio Vivaldi* (litter 2011).



The litter sister *Kamio Sweet Taste Of Tangens*, our crazy puppy "Candy", was not entered in Sweeps but won from the regular classes her puppy 9-12 months class and then went on to win Reserve Winners Bitch. Here she is taking a rare time out - with her ribbons.



Dog attacks

Have you or your dog been attacked by a dog, coyote, or other creature? What happened and what did you do? Please let me know. I will cover this topic in the next newsletter. Until then, have fun with your dogs.

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