



GVR Canine Club

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Upcoming Events

Summer Educational Series
(Humans Only)

Canoa Ranch - Amado Room

June 15th – 1:00 PM

- Help for fearful, anxious & shy dogs
- Info on Rattlesnake training

Jul 20th – 1:00PM

- Discussion on Harnesses

Aug 16th – 1:00PM

- Who Rules the Roost?

RSVP to:

info@gvr canine.org

Note: Bring your GVR ID

Quote

“All Dogs Are Individuals”
-Best Friends



President's Corner

As the season quiets down for the summer months our steering committee is keeping the focus on becoming a fully sanctioned GVR Canine Club.

On May 6th we received approval of our club application by Scott Somers, GVR CEO. We are well through the information and structure building phase and on the approval track! It's our expectation that we'll receive a review by the GVR, Board of Affairs Committee (BAC) in mid-June and then receive our final approval at the GVR, Board of Directors (BoD) meeting this summer.

An update on Dog Parks:

We're so often asked “Doesn't it make the most sense to have a dog park at Canoa Hills Trails Park and/or Historic Canoa Ranch?”

At a recent “Friends of the Parks” meeting, we asked this very question. We heard the following:

There are 2 separate entities or divisions of Parks Departments in Pima County.

1. *Parks & Recreation - where you see parks, pools, tennis courts, dog parks, etc....*
2. *Natural Resources Parks and Recreation. These parks are strictly designated as Natural Resource Parks. You will never see any “recreational” type entities in these parks. No courts, no pools, no band stands, no dog parks, etc.*

Canoa Hills Trails Park is designated as a Natural Resources Park. As such, it will never have any of the entities described above. Therefore, no dog parks can be built at Canoa Hills Trails because of its specific designation as a Natural Resources Park.





TALGV Adoptable dog

Hi... my name is Norman,

I believe everyone needs the love of a dog to complete a home. Since I'm ready, willing, and able you might want to consider getting to know ME.

I'm a young Hound mix boy who's full of life and understands the commands "sit," "wait," "off," "leave it," "place," "let's go," and "free."

Even though I occasionally need reminders to pay attention, I walk reasonably well on a leash. I enjoy car rides, but I shouldn't roam free (I try to drive). I'm somewhat curious about other dogs. I have enjoyed "pack" walks and supervised "buddy" playtime without incident. I'm also young and rambunctious (rowdy and jumpy) and need a strong handler. I want (and need) that special kind of love that's mixed with "discipline and structure." With love like that...how can we fail!

If you are considering adoption, please call TALGV office (520-625-3170) and make a date to meet me soon. Kennel appointments are between 10 and 2 every day.

Interested in getting involved or joining our canine club? You can reach us at: info@gvr canine.org.

In a meeting with Tom Berezny, Pima County representative for Supervisor Steve Christy, I was informed that Pima County will proceed with a dog park at the Canoa Preserve location when & if they can find a 50% financial partner for development.

The search for a dog park is ongoing. We have and continue to explore all avenues including Parks, Freeport-McMoRan grant programs & properties, underdeveloped and under used GVR properties and unsold land opportunities in Green Valley. Stay tuned!

For those of you remaining in Green Valley this summer, we encourage you to attend the three educational sessions mentioned on page 1.

May your feet and paws be cool, water & shade trees refreshing, and walks relaxing. Remember to check in anytime to our website to stay connected. www.gvr canine.org or email us at info@gvr canine.org.

Educational Corner

IT TAKES A PACK!

Dogs love to walk together. It teaches them manners and builds confidence. Recently the GVR Canine Club gathered at Desert Meadows Park to do a "pack walk". The dogs greeted each other in the common way of approaching from the side, noses busy smelling up and down.

Almost immediately, all fell in line glancing from side to side taking in signals that we were starting to walk. I watched as the energy of the dogs picked up. You could almost hear them saying, "Yes, this is what we do best...walking together!"

If you're in the same old routine with your dog, try adding some flavor to your outings:

- Pick a new park to take your walk. Desert Meadows Park and Canoa Ranch Park are two of my favorites.
- Call a friend and walk together with your dogs. Walking together socializes dogs and helps them to build their confidence in new environments.
- Spend some time in the park, just sitting with your dog. Let them take in the sights, sounds and smells. It's an enriching experience and you'll be rewarded with a happy, tired dog when you get home.

Watch for more "pack walks" in the fall.

I look forward to spending time with you this summer!

Patricia Tinney