

This is the initial publication of the “new” PNWPWDC newsletter. As yet, it has no formal name! If you wish to make suggestions, I am open to them and you will have an opportunity to take part in that decision.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

December 6 Board Meeting

General Meeting

Election of officers

*Time to be determined possibly*

*via Zoom*

January 9/10, 2021 Tracking Test  
depending on Covid

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Jonathan Bowman

Vice President: Robin Husted ,  
Secretary: Katrina Jackson

Treasurer: Darlene Brushwein

Directors: Rachel Cullen, Anne Herberholz,  
Sarah Kahn, Judy James

## MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

The following members have been approved to move from associate to regular member status:

- Molly and Reinhaed Speckhardt
- Jill Hughes Richey
- Gail Snow
- Stevie Viaene
- Jacqueline Seigel

The PNWPWD Club has a policy, available to breeders and their new puppy owners, which gives the puppy owners a dues free membership for one. Because of the Covid 19 business and the fact we have cancelled many activities, we will be extending their 2020 membership thru 2021. Hopefully, we will be able to renew some of our activities and possibly add to them. A breeder may submit the application on behalf of the puppy owners or owners may do so themselves. As members, they will become part of the email list and thus receive information from the Club.

Many of you probably know Juno. For those who don't...she is my first PWD and was an interesting introduction to address issues or questions here we go...



the breed. She will, from time to time, you might have with your own PWD. So

Juno says: Be sure to reward rewards. There are two a blender or mixer to

your owners when they give the correct recipes that I prefer, one is made by using combine liverwurst, flour, and water to

the consistency of silly putty. You will probably want to knead them to a consistency you like and then divide it into small amounts to freeze until ready to use. The other recipe is canned sardines mixed with an egg and enough flour to the consistency of pancake batter. You can spread this mixture on a cookie sheet or pour the batter into silicone molds and bake at 350 until dry. This will probably take about 30-40 min. Caution: if you do not bake all the moisture out, the cookies should be frozen to store, otherwise they will become moldy. Substitute canned tuna fish for the sardines or, better yet, mix the two.

### Learning Resources

Denise Fenzi has a new offering for *Pet Dog Training on Line*. Check it out here:

[www.petdogtrainingonline.com](http://www.petdogtrainingonline.com) To get on the mailing list and get signed up go to <https://allthethings-775f2gr8.com> If you are not familiar with Fenzi Dog Sports Academy have a look at her stuff. Lots of classes, instructors and advice.

Tracking: Enthusiastic Tracking written by local judge Sil Sanders is a good step by step guide to begin this training. Although no longer in print, I can often find one at used book stores or through an on line search. His newer book, Modern Enthusiastic Tracking, is also good but can be intimidating for a beginner. Once we get back to a more normal, non-covid, world we may be doing a workshop or set up training sessions.

Many members have been training "trick dogs" and I am hoping they will share their experiences so I can include them in future newsletters.

### The *Courier* Spring Issue 2020- Special Edition

Available from the PWDCA web  
site

An excellent resource for those  
thinking about or have already  
gotten a PWD puppy.

### Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club

Friday, January 29, 2021

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2 Obedience Trials

Saturday, January 30, 2021

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1 Obedience Trial and 1 Rally Trial

Sunday, January 31, 2021

Jo Chinn, Trial Chair  
[researcherjo@gmail.com](mailto:researcherjo@gmail.com))

# Beware of Xylitol

## Read labels carefully

Many **foods** and dental products contain xylitol. Some commonly used products that may contain xylitol include:

- Toothpaste
- Mouthwash
- Chewing gum
- Peanut butter
- Sugar-free candy
- Sugar free breath mints
- Fruit drinks
- Jellies and jams
- Cereals
- Baked goods
- Sugar-free puddings and Jello
- Over the counter vitamin supplements

Believe it or not, some products advertised specifically for dogs, such as toothpaste, contain small amounts of xylitol! What are these manufacturers thinking?!

Not all product labels clearly state if they contain xylitol. If a label states only, "artificially sweetened," presume that it contains xylitol. If you opt to use xylitol-containing products in your household, be sure to keep them completely out of your clever dog's reach.

**Some peanut butters  
contain xylitol !**

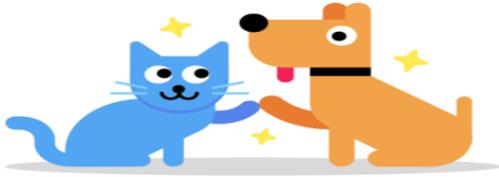
## What to do if your dog eats xylitol

If you believe that your dog has just eaten (as in you just watched it happen) something containing xylitol, contact a veterinary hospital staff member right away. You might be advised to induce your dog to vomit at home. This is accomplished by forcing your dog to swallow hydrogen peroxide.

If you're not really sure when the xylitol was consumed (you've just returned home from work and the remains of sugar-free gum wrappers are decorating the couch), transport your dog to a nearby veterinary clinic or 24-hour emergency hospital right away. Be sure to take the label of the consumed product with you. Time is always of the essence when treating xylitol toxicity.

Look around your house and see if you have any xylitol-containing products. What did you find?

*People who come into you home  
sometimes have mints or gum in  
their bags, PWD's can find them.*



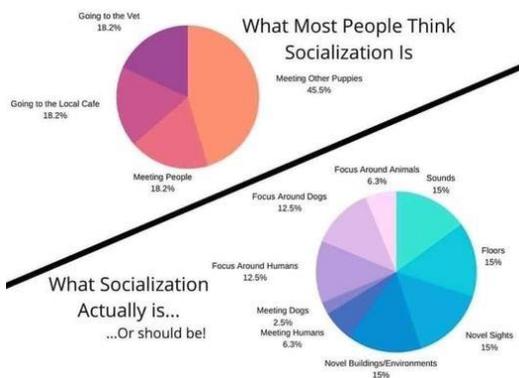
## SOCIALIZATION: WHAT IT IS WHAT IT ISN'T

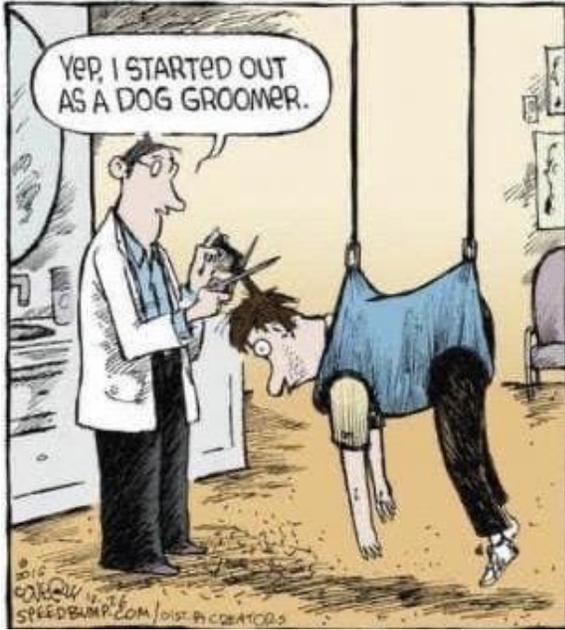
Sarah Kahn

The big thing I think about is that you want your dog acclimated more than socialized. They don't need to meet everyone and every dog, especially if they are on the cautious side already. Covid can be a blessing for these dogs that need time and space to learn about the world. I take them to busy streets and let them watch. Some neighborhoods have more walking than others where they can see things. Hanging out near the front of a grocery store. Hanging out near things but not to the point where they are scared. On the other side of this is cold and wet? I still walk my dogs every day.

Rachel Cullen

COVID is the ideal environment for socialization in many ways. Rather than your dog actually \*meeting\* people, dogs, etc you actually want your dog to have exposure to those at a distance and learn to focus on you in their presence. Floors, sounds, new buildings, etc are all a large part of socialization. Hardware stores are great for that, and even something as simple as sitting in the back of your car with the hatch open as the world happens around you can be really salient socialization.





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Next issue deadline is

December1,2020

**Finally, a little about my past experience as a newsletter editor...Many years ago, before my hair was grey, I was responsible for the Evergreen Golden Retriever Club newsletter. I believe it is still called *The Golden West*. This was long before computers so I relied on my IBM Selectric typewriter, a messy mimeograph machine, hand folding, and address labels. Not so sure if it was easier or harder. I do allow the computer to frustrate me but am learning a few tricks.**

**As/When you get back to entering competitions and earning titles, be sure to let me know. I am getting pretty good at the copy/paste business. If you have photos, articles, training tricks, upcoming events, great places to track or train I will be happy to include them under your by-line.**

**I will send out an e-mail about a week prior to the next publication which will probably be the first week of December**

*Judy*

**The Board is looking into holding a “virtual”grooming event. Rachel Cullen has volunteered to look into this so you might contact her if you can help.**