



Woofs and Wags from NOLA City Bark 🐾

located in historic City Park

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BARK BITS #53 **January 20, 2012**

LIGHTING AND IRRIGATION COMING SOON:

We can literally almost see the light at the end of the tunnel! NOLA City Bark will be closed all day on Tuesday, January 24 and for the week of Monday January 30 - Friday, February 3 for installation of lighting and irrigation. Improvements will also be made to the area surrounding the "fire hydrant" and new sand will be placed in the "pit" and the small dog park will get their very own sand pit. We will re-open on Saturday, February 4 to a new and improved dog park with longer hours, 6am-9pm, year round! We will still close every Tuesday until 1pm for general maintenance. (Note: If there are rain delays during construction, the closure could last longer. Please watch your email and notices on the fence for updates.)

EVENTS IN OUR AREA:

***Tuesday, February 7, 4:00 PM**
Lighting Celebration and NOPD K-9 presentation in the field across from the dog park followed by the ceremonial lighting and second line into the dog park. Costumes encouraged



Melanie, Pearl and friends excited



Yes, Molly, there will be lights in the small dog park!

NOW LET'S CELEBRATE!

On Tuesday February 7 we will celebrate the lighting of the Bark. Join us at the dog park gates at 4:00pm where we will be renewing existing permits and selling new permits, t-shirts, whistles and citronella spray. Then, cross over to the field across the street for a demonstration by the NOPD K-9 Unit at 4:30pm. Harold Chambliss, trainer and handler of the dogs in the K-9 Unit, will be there with some the 4-legged "officers" to demonstrate how the dogs assist the force. We will also learn about a day in the life of a police dog. Following the K-9 demonstration, will be the ceremonial lighting of NOLA City Bark, complete with a second line into the newly lit park. In the spirit of the carnival season, dogs and people are encouraged to costume. (Dogs attending the presentation in the field across from the dog park and participating in the second line must be on leash until they are inside the dog park gates.)

RECOMMENDED VACCINATIONS:

NOLA City Bark rules require that dogs be healthy and up-to-date on shots. We checked with Dr. Gary Levy of Lakeview Veterinary Hospital for his list of required vaccinations which includes:

- * Annually: rabies, distemper-hepatitis-leptospirosis-parainfluenza-parvo
- * Semi-annually: bordatella

There are some other vaccines available and some variations in vaccine intervals depending on which authority you ask. Check with your vet to make sure your pooch has the required shots.

PERMIT RENEWAL:

All 2011 permits expired on December 31, 2011 and will be **deactivated by January 31, 2012**. Permits for 2012 cost \$43 (\$38 for Friends of City Park members). To renew, just download the new 3 page permit form from the website, www.nolacitybark.org, read the new information, fill out the form completely, and mail with your payment to NOLA City Bark, #1 Palm Dr., NOLA 70124; your current swipecard will be activated for 2012. We accept credit cards or checks made payable to New Orleans City Park/dog park

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

NOLA City Bark is in need of volunteers for the following tasks:

- * A volunteer is needed to water the 3 new oak trees that were planted in the large dog area. The trees need to be watered by filling the bag around the tree with water once a week from now until the end of February, and twice a week from March - October.
- * The agility equipment is in need of repair. If you are handy with a hammer, saw, and paint, we could use your services to repair the equipment.

If you would like to help with one of these tasks, please contact info@nolacitybark.org. Woof!

BARK BUDDIES/PARK PALS:

Reggie Scanlan and Sally Cornelsen have 3 sensational daughters: Dellavega (Della), Lililana (Lil), and Domino (Min). These flighty, hilarious Afghans resemble their human parents...beautiful and flamboyant with silvery blonde manes. Reggie and Sally love the Afghan breed, which is one of the oldest dog breeds in existence. The girls' tenaciousness and their funny and smart, affectionate personalities make them an irresistible package according to Reggie. Reggie formerly played bass with the Radiators and is now with the New Orleans Suspects. When he's not playing a gig or visiting the park, Reggie and Sally enjoy dining at Muriel's or Crabby Jack's.

about the lighting. Congrats to Melanie for leashes in hand!

*** Friday, March 2:**

Lark in the Park.

Music, food, live auction, drinks and fun! Mark your calendar for Friends of City Park's annual fundraiser. This year's proceeds will help build a grand entrance to unite the Botanical Garden and the Storyland/Amusement area. Come for an evening of fun and support our very special City Park. For more information or to sponsor or buy tickets, visit www.friendsofcitypark.com, call 483-9369, or email: shudlow@friendsofcitypark.com

*** Sunday, March 4: Rock and Roll**

Mardi Gras Marathon in City Park. Be advised that Marconi Drive, as well as some other surrounding streets, will be closed for part of the day, making access to the dog park difficult. Visit www.runrocknroll.competitor.com/new-orleans for the exact route and times.



Agility Star!

Safety Items

Dog park safety items are available for purchase at the administration building. **Whistles (\$3)** and a **can of Spray Shield (\$8)** which is a citronella spray that is safe to use in breaking up skirmishes at the dog park or elsewhere..

Take the Bark to the Park
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***Want to see your pooch in Bark Bits?**

Send your photo with your name and your dog's name to info@nolacitybark.org. It must be a jpeg format not larger than 3mg.



Reggie with Min, Della and Lil



RAIN OR SHINE AT THE DOG PARK? Check out NOLA City Bark's very own weather station thanks to permit holder, Chris Berthaut.

<http://www.wunderground.com/weatherstation/WXDailyHistory.asp?ID=KLANEWOR29>