

Singles, canines and cocktails



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Remember the hit movie “Must Love Dogs”? It stressed the importance of sharing a passion for dogs if a meaningful relationship is to be forged between two people.

A mutual love for dogs can connect two strangers in a matter of minutes since there are things we do because of our love for dogs that non-dog people just don’t understand. Because of this canine synergy, Lucky7Match.com, Pawtopia, Love Happens Here and Dogtown San Diego are collaborating to host an event for single dog lovers to mingle and unleash the connecting power of their dogs.

Doug Hokstad, from DogtownSanDiego.com, says “Before becoming a part of the “inner circle” of dog lovers; as a “non-dog” person I thought dog people were nuts! I entered the dog universe just four years ago when I took a 9-week-old English bulldog puppy named Dozer home with me... I did not know it at the time but that homecoming began a complete transformation of my life. Dozer has enhanced my life beyond belief and all the things that I did not comprehend as a “non-dog” person, I now fully understand and completely embrace; it’s the transforming “power of gog”. Dozer has introduced me to so many wonderful dog loving people.”

Dogs, because of their stubborn love and unbiased dispositions, break down barriers and facilitate meaningful relationship. Our dogs are “connectors.” Through their wagging tails and wet noses, dogs have a way of creating commonality and kindred spirits between people. Colleen Demling, owner of Pawtopia Dog Training states “It only makes sense to let our dogs take the lead in opening up opportunities to meet new people and develop dynamic relationships.” This is especially for the single dog lover. Reza Garajedaghi of Lucky7Match.com relates that many singles have been asking about events for dog lovers. Reza went on to say, “We are thrilled to bring dogs into the equation of our singles events. Dogs are the ultimate ice breaker.”

Named “Summer Lovin’ Doggie Style”, the dog loving singles event will take place on June 30th from 6 to 9 p.m. at J6 in the Hotel Solamar. DOGS ARE WELCOME!

The singles event will include drink specials, fun and creative

interactions, vendor booths and the chance of meeting that special someone. Cost to attend is \$15 before event date and \$20 at the door. For all the event details, visit www.dogtownsandiego.com.

Besides being a great way to meet new people, a portion of the proceeds from the event will go to support FOCAS. FOCAS is a volunteer, non-profit organization formed to help the lost and abandoned dogs and cats in the three San Diego Department of Animals Services shelters. FOCAS is dedicated to giving second chances to animals that otherwise may have no hope at all. This is reflected in the group’s commitment to helping the animals that need it most.



Kimberly Primerano (Love Happens Here)
Colleen Demling (Pawtopia Dog Training)
Reza Garajedaghi (Lucky7Match.com)
Doug Hokstad (DogtownSanDiego.com)

Your hosts for the event

Lucky7match.com provides social events for single individuals to meet other singles. Their mission is to take the stress out of dating and meeting other singles.

Love Happens Here is a professional matchmaking service assisting and coaching people through the entire process of dating successfully from first introductions to happily ever after. www.lovehappenshere.com

Pawtopia Dog Training is a professional dog-training company that coaches and trains dogs and humans alike to become more socially fit and compatible. www.pawtopiadogtraining.com

DogtownSanDiego.com is a community site catering to dog lovers in San Diego. Dogtown San Diego informs dog lovers about everything that is happening in town that involves the dogs we love.

To register for the “Summer Lovin’ Doggie Style” event visit www.dogtownsandiego.com.