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with our favorite Jack Russel Terrier...

"Trees" in the House

Well, it's that time of year again. The time of year my owners go "coo-coo" on me and start bringing all kinds of odd things into the house. It may have something to do with the weather getting colder.

You see, they don't spend as much time outside when it's cold out there....so I figure that's why they bring the "trees" inside. I use quotation marks because these are not real trees. I mean, they look real....they kind of feel real....but they sure don't smell real.

These "trees" get all kinds of special treatment. They get pretty sparkling lights and other shiny things hanging from their so-called branches. I'm sure the real trees outside are glad they don't get all of this nonsense wrapped around and dangling from them. (Although I have seen some at other people's houses who do!)

I've heard my people talking about putting popcorn on strings and wrapping that around the "trees." But I couldn't be that lucky....

seems that I'm part of the reason they voted against that idea. I overheard the lady of the house

telling a story of a dog from her past and popcorn strung on the tree. I don't think the tree fared very well at the end of the story. And I don't think the dog was on the nice list for Christmas that year either.

Ahhh....Yes! Christmas! That's what the people around here keep calling the "trees".... they are "Christmas trees." All of the other things that are sitting around have something to do with Christmas as well.

It's all coming together now! You'd think I would have figured this out before, but I guess it just seemed so odd that I never made the connection.

The "trees," the little statues of the chubby guy in the red suit, the snowmen that are EVERYWHERE and the baby Jesus (yes, I know who Jesus is) are all part of this Christmas celebration that my people go on and on about through December.

Wow....what a revelation! I know I am rambling, but I can't believe I just figured this

out. I actually LOVE Christmas. I get my own stocking and presents. They turn up every year under the "tree."

Now it makes sense. Now I get it. The "trees" are part of the Christmas theme in the house! And all of this time I thought they were just trying to bring the outside inside!

I still think my people go a little overboard. I mean, really...two trees and hundreds of snowmen....a miniature village, a nativity scene (or two), chubby "Santas" (I figured out the name) and reindeer, lights and shiny bulbs everywhere. I guess I should be glad. It keeps life interesting here at the ranch.

Hoping for popcorn strings.
Merry Christmas!

