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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Judy Henry	2/1
Diane Gossett	2/3
Judy L. Harmon	2/7
Valarie Walton	2/13
Stephane Desproges	2/14
Tiffanye Taylor	2/17
Randall Taylor	2/17
Gary Holman	2/17
Laura Burdett	2/17
Hope McQueen	2/24
Ken Hagmueller	2/26
Carol Richtsmeier	2/27



A Very Happy Birthday To All!

Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to the club meeting for the month of their Birthday. The gifts go to the winners of the Sunshine Drawings. Sunshine funds raised are used to purchase cards, flowers, or other expressions of care and concern for club members who need support and comfort. Please support Sunshine by bringing your gifts. If you missed the month of your birthday or there was no meeting that month, you may bring your gift in a following month! Remember you can always donate to the **Sunshine Fund** on the club's Website.



Sunshine Fund Report

	<i>Dec 2019</i>	<i>YTD</i>
Proceeds	20.00	658.50
Expenditures	-0-	(315.02)
Net	20.00	343.48

**FEBRUARY MEETINGS:
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4
BOARD @ 6 P.M.
GENERAL @ 7:30 P.M.**

Refreshments provided by
David and Barbara Elliott

Herding Group Issue

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A Word from Our President

Why do we join a dog club? Why do we go to dog shows and trials? Why do we give up days, nights and weekends to spend hours and days as participants and volunteers? It started with a puppy, a rescue, or a gift, and all of a sudden, a furball becomes a part of our lives.

I grew up with a wire-haired fox terrier (Nikki) that was 2 years older than I was. She was my pal; she'd sneak into my playpen and sit by me. She sided with me over my parents. She sat when she came in the house to get her paws wiped, she sat up for treats, and she slept at the end of my parents' bed in a DOG bed. She NEVER got on the furniture. I thought all dogs came that way.....

As soon as I finished college, I got an apartment and a tri-colored Sheltie. Spencer was going to behave just like the wire-haired fox terrier I grew up with. That lasted about 2 weeks, then Spencer was allowed on the furniture, in the bed, and wherever else he wanted to go. I had no clue about how to train a dog. The only way that Spencer resembled Nikki was that they both lived to the age of sixteen.

Through the years I took several dogs of various breeds to training classes around the Metroplex, these were usually held outside and only at the beginner level. If only I had known

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2020 Officers & Directors

President – Shari Price
Vice President – Pam White
Training Director – Joe Warner
Secretary – Terri Schurr
Treasurer – Marilyn Hopkins
Member at Large – Benita Zapata
Member at Large – Linda Shearin
Member at Large – Shannon Quinn
Member at Large – Jana McBroom

Corporate Directors:

Lynda Holman
Mark Malone
Maurine Pearson



Training Committee News

Jan Hitchborn: “Let Me Introduce Myself”



Jan Hitchborn is very active in the club. She just served a two year term on the board. In the photo she is pitching the “Pet Fur’tographer” to club members at the Jan 2020 meeting.

I am the newest person to DTCDC and to the fascinating world of dog training to join the Training Committee. Joe has asked over the course of the next few months we committee members introduce or reintroduce ourselves to you, the members of the club.

I grew up always having a dog companion. In fact, when I married young at 18 one of the gifts from my parents was a puppy – “raise a dog not children for now” is what the card said. Somehow married to Navy gents (one at a time), dogs always stayed with us in the family. In Dallas I became very active with DFW Metro Golden Retriever Rescue 2003 until it shut down in late 2015. I was on the Tri City Animal Shelter Advisory Board for ten years. I recently just signed on with DFW Labrador Retriever Rescue and am training to do home visits with prospective families focusing on area south of I-30 and especially south of I-20.

Many of you may know me as “that lady always pushing nosework.” That is true, but I first came to DTCDC in January 2015 to take Beginner with Skye Blu then five months old. Reasons were twofold, Skye needed it and I needed to start doing something entirely different to carry me on into a retirement without my husband who was in the last stages of prostate bone cancer. With one doctor checkup, the retirement that was laid out before me changed.

Before mentioning all the wonderful folks I have had the pleasure to be in their classes, a little on my background. Elementary school teacher, California stockbroker, oil and gas investment firm in Boston, Top Secret Security Officer for a private government contractor in D.C. (my clearance was higher than my husband’s an active duty naval captain!), worked on teams reorganizing S&L institutions in the crash of those organizations upon moving to Dallas in 1985, at one point a three year career as the first facilities manager for Theatre Operating Company at the Majestic Theatre in Dallas, paralegal in Dallas, then back to oil and gas with two international oil and gas companies here in Dallas from which I retired in early 2014. My husband was a career naval officer and I had to be flexible and so took on new opportunities with every change of orders. Jim retired here in Dallas in 1988.

As I scrolled through the roster, I found so many names of folks who taught classes I attended. I took Beginner Obedience with four pups – Skye, Maggie, Logan and Snickers. Intermediate (many times with Skye!), Logan and Snickers, Rally with Skye, Maggie and Logan, Foundations with Logan and Novice with Maggie. Rally and nosework classes too.

Instructors along the way in many classes were Beginner Obedience Laurie Rodriguez and Bob Rodriguez. Intermediate class first with Jeff Young with assistants, Danika Taylor, Holly Taylor and

Thaun Mai. Other dogs in Intermediate with Tom Griggs, Greg Quintana, Lisa Wharton, Pam Chrystal and once with Mark Malone. Rally with Robin Quintana and Nosework with Victor Borrás, Bob Rodríguez, Danika Taylor and Holly Taylor. I have done other classes outside of the club instructed by club members Peggy Phelps, Sylvie Nuzzolilo and Caroline Oldham. I say a heartfelt thank you for all your wisdom, insights and plain putting up with the lady who said, "Don't care how my dog sits as long as the dog sits." Yes, that has come back to bite me! In truth you have all been an inspiration and the club has been so fortunate to be so rich in all its members and their knowledge over the last 44+ years. I truly apologize if I have overlooked someone.

I started out as an assistant instructor for Jan Bajovich who surprised me by asking me to do this after we had been in nosework class together. I went on to teach a couple classes myself with Benita Zapata assisting steering me on a straight path. I have taught Foundations relying on Pam White and Sandi Myers, Novice Rally and Beginner and Advance Nosework with the constant help of Benita. I oversee Advance and Master Rally classes at times, but those classes are more a combined effort of all who take and anyone of us will step up to show how best to train a particular move. Folks in these classes with me over the years have been and still are Pam Chrystal, Jan Bruner, Peggy Phelps, Benita Zapata and Sheryll Barker all who have been doing rally competition for a long time. Master Nosework is basically a combined effort of those of us trialing at that level.

I also want to give a big thank you to Carol Ford, the very first person I had contact with at DTCCD. She did registration the old-fashioned paper way and was the person who called me when I left either a phone or an email message with questions. It was that happy upbeat human touch that had me walking thru the doors of this club with little Skye back in January 2015.

What I have hoped to convey to those who might be new to the club or here for a while who have been hesitant to instruct or be a co instructor, there are so many here willing to help you. Reach out to someone who taught one of your classes and ask them to teach a class with you or ask to co instruct one of their classes. They will guide you along the way. And perhaps the day will come when one of these instructors shows up in a class where you are teaching a sport they know nothing about and guess what, it turns out they are just as clueless about it as you might have been in their class at first! This club is truly unique as it is here for you to assist you in training your dog and all that is asked in return is a little bit of your time assisting in a class, being on a committee or just bringing cookies to a meeting. In return, look at all the knowledge and friendship you gain for so small a slice of your time.

Training Committee Report

The 2020 Training Sessions arrived with a big bang!

FOUR Beginner classes, all full, just bustin' at the seams.

A big wuf wuf and thanks to their instructors who get there early and stay late.

.....and to all club members...

The dogs, handlers and The Club could not do without you.

Session 2 begins in March.

To reserve your favorite spot to instruct or assist contact:

Sally Browning 903 654 7799

Carol Ford 806 928 9455



SESSION 1 - 2020					
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date	Instructor
Int Open Practice	Sun	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/23/2020	
Adv Open	Sun	1 - 2 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/23/2020	
Adv Utility	Sun	2 - 3 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/23/2020	
Novice Rally	Sun	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/23/2020	Mary Ann Magness
Overflow	Sun	5 - 6 p.m.	1/5/2020	2/23/2020	
Overflow	Mon	6 - 7 p.m.	1/6/2020	2/24/2020	
Beginner	Mon	7 - 8 p.m.	1/6/2020	2/24/2020	Sara Beall
Puppy	Mon	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	1/6/2020	2/24/2020	Jose Rodriguez
Board Meeting	Tues	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	1/7/2020	2/4/2020	
Club Meeting	Tues	7:30 p.m.	1/7/2020	2/4/2020	
Novice	Tues	7 - 8 p.m.	1/14/2020	2/25/2020	Melissa Chojnacki
Beg Open/Utility	Tues	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	1/14/2020	2/25/2020	Paul Cantwell
Advanced Rally	Wed	7 - 8 p.m.	1/8/2020	2/26/2020	Jan Hitchborn
Master Rally	Wed	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	1/8/2020	2/26/2020	Jan Hitchborn
Beginner	Thurs	1 - 2 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/27/2020	Tom Griggs
Intermediate	Thurs	2 - 3 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/27/2020	Pam White
Trick Class	Thurs	3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/27/2020	Michelle Hosey
Conformation	Thurs	6 - 6:45 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/27/2020	Jennie Dunaway
Intermediate	Thurs	7 - 8 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/27/2020	Danika Taylor
Beginner	Thurs	8 - 9 p.m.	1/9/2020	2/27/2020	David Elliott
Set up	Fri	5 - 6 p.m.	1/10/2020	2/28/2020	
Master Nosework	Fri	6 - 7:15 p.m.	1/10/2020	2/28/2020	Jan/Benita share
Beg Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	1/10/2020	2/28/2020	Jan Hitchborn
Adv Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	1/10/2020	2/28/2020	Benita Zapata
Show N Go	Sat		1/11/2020		

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about DTCCD. Joining a dog club lets you realize that whatever you are experiencing in your training or trialing, you aren’t alone. Let our club be a resource and likewise, sometimes YOU are the resource. Participate in dog events, the AKC sanctions over 22,000 events per year. Enjoy your dog!

In a few weeks, one of the greatest dog events in the world (my opinion) will be held at Madison Square Garden: Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show. This will be the 144th year. Mark your calendars for February 10-11. You can stream some of the events during the day and watch each evening from 7 to 10 p.m. A history of the AKC can be found at <https://www.akc.org/about/history/>

Your President,
Shari Price



CLASS SCHEDULE 2020

SESSION 2				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Int Open Practice	Sun	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	3/08/2020	4/26/2020
Adv Open Utility	Sun	1 - 2 p.m.	3/08/2020	4/26/2020
Adv Utility	Sun	2 - 3 p.m.	3/08/2020	4/26/2020
Novice Rally	Sun	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	3/08/2020	4/26/2020
Overflow	Sun	5 - 6 p.m.	3/08/2020	4/26/2020
Overflow	Mon	6 - 7 p.m.	3/9/2020	4/27/2020
Beginner	Mon	7 - 8 p.m.	3/9/2020	4/27/2020
Puppy	Mon	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	3/9/2020	4/27/2020
Novice	Tues	7 - 8 p.m.	3/10/2020	4/28/2020
Beg Open/Utility	Tues	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	3/10/2020	4/28/2020
Advanced Rally	Wed	7 - 8 p.m.	3/11/2020	4/29/2020
Master Rally	Wed	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	3/11/2020	4/29/2020
Beginner	Thur	1 - 2 p.m.	3/12/2020	4/30/2020
Intermediate	Thur	2 - 3 p.m.	3/12/2020	4/30/2020
Trick Class	Thur	3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	3/12/2020	4/30/2020
Conformation	Thur	6 - 6:45 p.m.	3/12/2020	4/30/2020
Intermediate	Thur	7 - 8 p.m.	3/12/2020	4/30/2020
Beginner	Thur	8 - 9 p.m.	3/12/2020	4/30/2020
Master Nosework	Fri	6 - 7:15 p.m.	3/13/2020	5/1/2020
Beg Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	3/13/2020	5/1/2020
Adv Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	3/13/2020	5/1/2020
SESSION 3				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Int Open Practice	Sun	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	5/10/2020	6/28/2020
Adv Open Utility	Sun	1 - 2 p.m.	5/10/2020	6/28/2020
Adv Utility	Sun	2 - 3 p.m.	5/10/2020	6/28/2020
Novice Rally	Sun	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	5/10/2020	6/28/2020
Overflow	Sun	5 - 6 p.m.	5/10/2020	6/28/2020
Overflow	Mon	6 - 7 p.m.	5/11/2020	6/28/2020
Beginner	Mon	7 - 8 p.m.	5/11/2020	6/29/2020
Puppy	Mon	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	5/11/2020	6/29/2020
Novice	Tues	7 - 8 p.m.	5/12/2020	6/29/2020
Beg Open/Utility	Tues	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	5/12/2020	6/30/2020
Advanced Rally	Wed	7 - 8 p.m.	5/13/2020	6/30/2020
Master Rally	Wed	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	5/13/2020	7/01/2020
Beginner	Thurs	1 - 2 p.m.	5/14/2020	7/01/2020
Intermediate	Thurs	2 - 3 p.m.	5/14/2020	7/02/2020
Trick Class	Thurs	3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	5/14/2020	7/02/2020
Conformation	Thurs	6 - 6:45 p.m.	5/14/2020	7/02/2020
Intermediate	Thurs	7 - 8 p.m.	5/14/2020	7/02/2020
Beginner	Thurs	8 - 9 p.m.	5/14/2020	7/02/2020
Master Nosework	Fri	6 - 7:15 p.m.	5/15/2020	7/02/2020
Beg Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	5/15/2020	7/03/2020
Adv Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	5/15/2020	7/03/2020

Paw Print - February 2020

Summer Break		No classes in July		
SESSION 4				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Int Open Practice	Sun	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	7/26/2020	9/13/2020
Adv Open Utility	Sun	1 - 2 p.m.	7/26/2020	9/13/2020
Adv Utility	Sun	2 - 3 p.m.	7/26/2020	9/13/2020
Novice Rally	Sun	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	7/26/2020	9/13/2020
Overflow	Sun	5 - 6 p.m.	7/26/2020	9/13/2020
Overflow	Mon	6 - 7 p.m.	7/27/2020	9/13/2020
Beginner	Mon	7 - 8 p.m.	7/27/2020	9/14/2020
Puppy	Mon	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	7/27/2020	9/14/2020
Novice	Tues	7 - 8 p.m.	7/28/2020	9/14/2020
Beg Open/Utility	Tues	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	7/28/2020	9/15/2020
Advanced Rally	Wed	7 - 8 p.m.	7/29/2020	9/15/2020
Master Rally	Wed	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	7/29/2020	9/16/2020
Beginner	Thurs	1 - 2 p.m.	7/30/2020	9/16/2020
Intermediate	Thurs	2 - 3 p.m.	7/30/2020	9/17/2020
Trick Class	Thurs	3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	7/30/2020	9/17/2020
Conformation	Thurs	6 - 6:45 p.m.	7/30/2020	9/17/2020
Intermediate	Thurs	7 - 8 p.m.	7/30/2020	9/17/2020
Beginner	Thurs	8 - 9 p.m.	7/30/2020	9/17/2020
Master Nosework	Fri	6 - 7:15 p.m.	7/31/2020	9/17/2020
Beg Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	7/31/2020	9/18/2020
Adv Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	7/31/2020	9/18/2020
SESSION 5				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Int Open Practice	Sun	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	9/27/2020	11/15/2020
Adv Open Utility	Sun	1 - 2 p.m.	9/27/2020	11/15/2020
Adv Utility	Sun	2 - 3 p.m.	9/27/2020	11/15/2020
Novice Rally	Sun	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	9/27/2020	11/15/2020
Overflow	Sun	5 - 6 p.m.	9/27/2020	11/15/2020
Overflow	Mon	6 - 7 p.m.	9/28/2020	11/15/2020
Beginner	Mon	7 - 8 p.m.	9/28/2020	11/16/2020
Puppy	Mon	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	9/28/2020	11/16/2020
Novice	Tu	7 - 8 p.m.	9/29/2020	11/16/2020
Beg Open/Utility	Tu	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	9/29/2020	11/17/2020
Advanced Rally	Wed	7 - 8 p.m.	9/30/2020	11/17/2020
Master Rally	Wed	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	9/30/2020	11/18/2020
Beginner	Thurs	1 - 2 p.m.	10/1/2020	11/18/2020
Intermediate	Thurs	2 - 3 p.m.	10/1/2020	11/19/2020
Trick Class	Thurs	3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	10/1/2020	11/19/2020
Conformation	Thurs	6 - 6:45 p.m.	10/1/2020	11/19/2020
Intermediate	Thurs	7 - 8 p.m.	10/1/2020	11/19/2020
Beginner	Thurs	8 - 9 p.m.	10/1/2020	11/19/2020
Master Nosework	Fri	6 - 7:15 p.m.	10/2/2020	11/19/2020
Beg Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	10/2/2020	11/20/2020
Adv Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 9 p.m.	10/2/2020	11/20/2020

Club Information You Need to Know

1. Please review your **roster listing** and send updates to Margaret Culbertson immediately. This includes the spelling of your name, your phone numbers, your email address, your dogs' names and titles, etc.

Email Margaret at: dogtrainingroster@gmail.com

2. Laura Lipscomb volunteered to continue as our **Sunshine** Committee Chair, and in that regard, please let her know about situations that warrant a card, plant, or other gesture of caring. We have members who are dealing with grief, with sorrow, with loss, and with other challenges. Keeping in mind the need to respect our members' personal wishes, let Laura know when someone needs a bit of sunshine from our club.

Email Laura at: bouvsgrl@aol.com

3. Please remember when you lock a **combination lock**, you need to twirl the dials to complete the process. This applies to the gate locks and the inside cabinet lock.

4. Don't forget - **Dues for 2020** are due **no later than January 31**. You may pay via PayPal, leave your payment in the lockbox at the club, or mail it to the post office lockbox.

Marilyn's home email address is: hopkinsranch@hotmail.com and work email is: marilyn_hopkins@misd.gs

5. The monthly Board **Meetings** will start at 6 p.m. followed by the General Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on the following Tuesdays at DTCDC:

- February 4
- March 3
- April 7
- May 5
- June 2

6. Upcoming **Show 'N Go** Schedule:

- Feb. 8
- March 14
- April 11
- May 9

7. CGC/CGCA Testing Schedule:

- March 4



Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting – January 7, 2020

Agenda

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	Board Meeting
Facilitator	Shari Price
Secretary	Terri Schurr
Attendees	Attendance: Shari Price, Joe Warner, Shannon Quinn, Pam White, Linda Shearin, Marilyn Hopkins, Terri Schurr, Jana McBroom, Benita Zapata and Mark Malone
	CALLED TO ORDER BY Shari Price @ 6:05

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Terri Schurr

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shari asked if there were any corrections or additions to the November Board Meeting minutes; there were none.
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT – Marilyn Hopkins

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss December financials 																						
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proceeds from the holiday action were \$1,507.00. Upcoming expenses: Property taxes for 2019 are due January 31. \$4,283.29 & \$85.66 <p>Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2019:</p> <p>Cash</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Operating</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$6,804</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Savings</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$51,998</td> </tr> <tr> <td>PayPal</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ -0-</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">\$58,802</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">=====</td> </tr> </table> <p>Profit and Loss Statement</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th style="text-align: right; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">December</th> <th style="text-align: right; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">YTD</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total Proceeds</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 3,763</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 47,829</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total Expenditures</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ (1,914)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ (33,147)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Net Surplus</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black;">\$ 1,849</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black; border-bottom: 3px double black;">\$ 14,682</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Operating	\$6,804	Savings	\$51,998	PayPal	\$ -0-		\$58,802		=====		December	YTD	Total Proceeds	\$ 3,763	\$ 47,829	Total Expenditures	\$ (1,914)	\$ (33,147)	Net Surplus	\$ 1,849	\$ 14,682
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TRAINING COMMITTEE – Joe Warner

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joe reported that Puppy and Beginner and intermediate classes will be 8 Weeks and all other classes will be 6 Weeks. The 2 weeks at the end of advanced classes will be used for training seminars, make up work and CGC and CGCA testing. All assistants, which are now called instructors, will now be required to help teach the class. There will be a lead instructor to supervise. The first week will again be an orientation class. • All upper level classes will be members only. • Karen Deed seminar “Marker Mechanics” will be TBD. There will be working and audit spots available.
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please email or text Joe with comments or suggestions.

MEMBERSHIP & VOLUNTEERISM COMMITTEE – Carol Ford

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linda Shearin reported that a New Members Social is being planned. Different people from the club and board will be invited to socialize.
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board approved a pizza gathering for this.

OLD BUSINESS – Shari Price

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The building is rented January 25 & 26 to MAYBOC. It will be off limits to members Saturday and Sunday.

NEW BUSINESS – Shari Price

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion Box-Pam White. • 1. Get rid of photos in bathroom. • 2. Remove the Suggestion Box from the bathroom. • 3. Request for email Evaluation of Class to be sent to students. • 4. Silent auction for Annual Christmas Party or a Raffle of gifts. • 5. Certificates for Instructors and Assistants Awards.
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These suggestions will be evaluated and presented to the general membership in the future.

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pet Furtographer; a date will be set soon.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board members are asked to be a Liaison with the various committees. Shari asked Board members to let her know which committees they would be interested in.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bixbi Foods has a promotion and are using dogs from the club.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Schurr, Secretary



Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Meeting – January 7, 2020

Agenda

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	General Membership Meeting
Facilitator	Shari Price
Secretary	Terri Schurr
Attendees	See Attendance Roster
	CALLED TO ORDER BY Shari Price @ 7:35 <i>(Start attendance and brag sheets Secretary normally produces)</i>

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – Laura Lipscomb

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the purpose of Sunshine box
Conclusion	The box was passed around the room. There was only 1 gift this month.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Terri Schurr

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asked if there were any corrections or additions to the November General Meeting meetings.
Conclusion	Benita Zapata moved to accept the minutes and Shannon Quinn seconded. Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Marilyn Hopkins

Discussion	Marilyn presented the financials for December 2019.	
Conclusion	Proceeds from the holiday auction were \$1,507.00	
	Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2019:	
	Cash	
	Operating	\$6,804
	Savings	\$51,998
	PayPal	\$ -0-
		\$58,802
	Profit and Loss Statement	
		<u>December</u> <u>YTD</u>
	Total Proceeds	\$3,763 \$47,829
	Total Expenses	\$(1,914) \$(33,147)
	Net Surplus	\$1,849 \$14,682

REGISTRATION – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Session 1 classes started.
Conclusion	The new code for Eventbrite will be available in February after membership renewal is finished.

PAW PRINT COMMITTEE – Lana Shuman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A new series of articles will start in the February edition of the Paw Print. Lana will be highlighting a different group of dogs each month.
Conclusion	Deadline is January 25 for the February Paw Print. The Herding group will be the first highlight. Pictures and articles are needed.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Jan Hitchborn

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report
Conclusion	

MANTENANCE COMMITTEE – David Yahraus/Vicki Jackson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vicki Jackson reported.
Conclusion	There are some minor repairs to be made (vents). The Committee is planning to paint the building this year.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE- Lynda Holman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report.
Conclusion	

PRINTING COMMITTEE- Lynda Holman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report.
Conclusion	

PURCHASING COMMITTEE – Lynda Holman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report.
Conclusion	

PROMOTIONAL COMMITTEE- Vacant

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report.
Conclusion	

PICTURE WALL COMMITTEE – Jan Hitchborn

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jan Hitchborn is the new chairman.
Conclusion	Please send her your pictures and title information.

THERAPY DOG COMMITTEE – Mark Malone

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report.
Conclusion	

SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE – Sandi Myers

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report.
Conclusion	

SOCIAL COMMITTEE – Kristal Hatcher

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report.
Conclusion	

TRAINING COMMITTEE – Joe Warner

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduced Committee. Establishing a calendar was a challenge. We will have 8-Week Puppy and Beginner classes. All other classes will be 6-Weeks. We have a hybrid schedule. It will allow for more flexibility.
Conclusion	<p>We will have Lead Instructors and Instructors, no more assistants. All Instructors will help instruct with the Lead floating between groups in the class. Carol Ford reported another Beginner class on Monday @ 6:00 p.m. is now open. Instructors are still needed for all classes.</p> <p>Members enrolled in the classes will be required to help as needed.</p> <p>Advanced classes will be Member Only with non-members going through the Training Committee.</p> <p>Email or text Joe with suggestions or comments.</p>

LIBRARY COMMITTEE -Sally Browning

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Books can be checked out by non-member students in the name of the instructor.
Conclusion	

RENTAL COMMITTEE – Sheryl Archer

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The building is rented January 25 & 26 by MAYBOC.
Conclusion	Classes will be held as normal on Friday, January 24.

COMMUNITY EVENTS/PUBLIC RELATIONS/ADVERTISING – Jose Rodriguez

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donna Heishman introduced the new Chair, Jose Rodriguez.
Conclusion	We have lots of plans and events for the next year. Jose will keep the club informed of upcoming events.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – Donna Heishman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All systems are working.
Conclusion	

CGC COMMITTEE – Robin Quintana

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next CGC and CGCA tests are scheduled for March 4.
Conclusion	More information will be available when posted on Eventbrite.

COMMISSARY COMMITTEE-

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report.
Conclusion	

SHOW N GO – Pamela Chrystal/Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteers are still needed for the Show-n-Go on Saturday, January 11.
Conclusion	

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE- Linda Shearin

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report.
Conclusion	

HISTORIAN COMMITTEE- Felicia Ruhter

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report.
Conclusion	

WEBSITE COMMITTEE- Glen O' Gorman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report.
Conclusion	

MEMBERSHIP & VOLUNTEERISM COMMITTEE – Carol Ford

Discussion	<p>Carol introduced her new Committee. There are 7 new member applications. 1. Mike and Marcee Rinaldi. 2. Tom Januszeuski. 3. Joan Britt. 4. Robin Vogel. 5. Bruce Kinney and Ghazaleh Moayed . 6. Christopher Langham. 7. Scott and Christy Godwin.</p>
Conclusion	<p>Sandi Myers moved to approve all applications. Mary Ann Magness seconded. Motion passed.</p>

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Spirit Award-Mark Malone. Appreciation Awards-David Elliott
Conclusion	<p>E'Lynne Elliott and Bandit received the Spirit Award. Joe Warner and Michelle Hosey received Appreciation Awards.</p>

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pam White read suggestions from the Suggestion Box. Jan Hitchborn is planning a photo opportunity with the Pet Fur'tographer .
Conclusion	<p>Move Suggestion Box to another location. Replace the pictures from the bathroom. Jan is thinking "Christmas in July" for the Pet Fur'tographer .</p>

Next month's snacks provided by David and Barbara Elliott volunteered.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jana McBroom and seconded by Mary Ann Magness

Adjourn the meet to brags and refreshments at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Schurr, Secretary

*Where there are
 dogs there is love!*



Herding Group



Up until 1983, the breeds in the Herding Group were part of the Working Group. All Herding breeds share an instinctual ability to control the movement of other animals. These breeds were developed to gather, herd and protect livestock. Today, some like the Belgian Malinois and the German Shepherd Dog are commonly used for police and protection work. The herding instinct in these breeds is so strong that Herding breeds have been known to gently herd their owners, especially the children of the family. In general, these intelligent dogs make excellent companions and respond beautifully to training exercises.

The **Herding Group** is comprised of 41 different breeds all possessing the same natural drive to control the movement of other animals – to **herd** them. That works out great when they work on a farm and need to control the sheep or cattle, but less so when they are **herding** school children getting on a bus.

From AKC website...

AKCBreed list

- Australian Cattle Dog
- Australian Shepherd
- Bearded Collie
- Beauceron
- Belgian Malinois
- Belgian Sheepdog
- Belgian Tervuren
- Bergamasco
- Berger Picard
- Border Collie
- Bouvier des Flandres
- Briard
- Canaan Dog
- Cardigan Welsh Corgi
- Collie
- Entlebucher Mountain Dog
- Finnish Lapphund
- German Shepherd Dog
- Icelandic Sheepdog
- Miniature American Shepherd
- Norwegian Buhund
- Old English Sheepdog
- Pembroke Welsh Corgi
- Polish Lowland Sheepdog
- Puli
- Pumi
- Pyrenean Shepherd
- Shetland Sheepdog
- Spanish Water Dog
- Swedish Vallhund





Miriam Inglehart

I have had herding dogs since 1991. Started with shelties and now have 1 sheltie, 1 border collie and a collie.

I love their temperament, ease of training, athleticism, and their willingness to work until they drop.

I do not use them for herding sheep, but both the sheltie and collie have tested well, and the BC comes from herding lines so they are all true to what they were originally bred for. The collie in particular also demonstrates qualities that would be important for farm/ranch. She is in charge of vermin control, alerts us of strangers (human & animal), and yet has a sweet disposition with young kids and farm animals.

Together these herding breeds have introduced me to so many dog sports. Agility, dock diving, lure, tracking, obedience, barn hunt, and disc. They have also been Therapy dogs and Scottish breed representatives at festivals. They can do it all!

These photos are of Tris and Finn in herding class.





Photos from Carol Wright of her beautiful Sheltie Maddie.

(Top right) Maddie was five weeks old.

The photo to its left was Maddie receiving her Star Puppy!

Carol Wright says, "I have always been fascinated with herding dogs because of their ability to work with people. They have been bred for many, many generations to work both with people and to some extent on their own. They are very easy to train, and I always want all the help I can get with that!"



Jan Bruner:

(Left) Ace earning his UKC UR01 rally title last fall in Marshall, Texas.

(Right) AKC Grand Champion Ace with owner handler placements in conformation from last year.



Marilyn Hopkins and Sergeant



Here are a couple of pictures of Sergeant, my border collie.

It may sound weird, but he herds my chickens into the coop at night, so the coyotes, bobcats and racoons don't eat them.

I tried to get a picture of him with the chickens, but he is just too fast! I had to set up the picture by putting him in the house and situating myself between him and the

chickens. When my husband, Rob let him out, I got a pretty good picture of him giving them the hairy eyeball. The chick-

ens were already running in the coop.

Sarge competes in Obedience, Rally, Trick Dog and CGCA. I'm hoping to get him into Dock diving this summer.

On Fridays, Sarge goes to school with me at Mt. Peak Elementary in Midlothian. He helps me teach a Dog Training for Kids class for our Genius Hour. The kids love it and so does Sarge. Today, we had a fire drill and it was so loud! He did ok though and helped me lead the class outside to our spot.

Thanks!



Michele Hosey and Random:

This is Random. He lived a pretty feral life on a ranch until he was about 7 months old, running loose with the cattle. Then he came to live with us and became a much loved friend and agility partner. He had a great life and sadly passed in July after being with us for 15 years. He once saw this piece of yard-art at my Mom's, and apparently remembered his roots!

Tom Griggs:

I was born on a cattle ranch where herding dogs were always around. I grew up 12 miles from town so these dogs were my pals and watched over me, I was told.

After a health issue and losing a GSD before his time. I was advised to look into the Belgian breeds. This led me to a fellow club member Beth Lachnitt who was a breeder of Belgian sheepdogs. After satisfying her questions, I acquired my first Belgian sheepdog and acquired my first Malinois as a 7-month-old rescue in 1998.

Thirty years, 6 Belgian sheepdogs and 2 Belgian Malinois later, I very proud to call her a friend and mentor.

I have been doing obedience trials for over twenty years and have met lots of great people along the way, including club member Peggy Phelps. She has been my trainer and inspiration.



Tom's first three Belgian's.



EZ with gloves.



This Teddy he is just getting started. He has a couple obedience titles and one major in confirmation.



This is EZ He was Tom's Holiday dog. He got his CDX on Saint Patrick's Day and his UD on Valentine's day. He was ranked as high as 3rd in front and finish.



This is a HIT photo! Mia has a CDX and will be working on a UD this year.



Shari Price shared these photos of her herding dogs:

(Top, left) Taylor and her aunt, Nikki, playing in the snow.

(Bottom, left) Simon (lounging in the sun).



THANK YOU

I would like to thank the Dog Training Club of Dallas County for the lovely service award presented at the last meeting. It has been my pleasure to develop and teach a Tricks program for our club. I hope the program will continue to be enjoyed into the future!

Michele Hosey

DTCDC Wall Committee Members:

- **Jan Hitchborn, Chairman**
- **Benita Zapata**
- **Becky Hill**
- **Pam Chrystal**
- **Julie Whitehead**

SHOW & GO
SATURDAY ♥ FEBRUARY 8th

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

604 Crestside Dr. ~ Duncanville, TX 75137

Climate Controlled ~ Fully Matted ~ Mirrors ~ Crate & Chair Space



Classes Offered: Beg Nov ★ Novice ★ Grad Nov ★ Open ★ Grad Open ★ Utility
Day of Show OR Pre-entry: \$7.00 first five minutes
1.00 each additional minute
(5-minute minimum/10-minute maximum)



Doors open at 7:30 A.M.
Utility & Grad Open Run-throughs begin at 8:00 AM
Day of Show Entries 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Other classes Run-throughs begin after Utility/Grad Open
Day of Show Entries 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Novice runs include one Group Sit/Down Stay Exercise
Additional runs of same dog in same class are done when first entry runs are completed.



Entering day of show? Check DTCCD Facebook 
late Friday for Pre-entry numbers & approximate times

Pre-Entry go to “Events” on DTCCD website or [DTCCD Feb 8th Show & Go](#)

Pre-entries close at noon the Friday before & you will receive email with show order

MARK YOUR CALENDERS ♥ UPCOMING DATES

♥ March 14th ♥ April 11th ♥ May 9th ♥



Directions: Driving South on 67- take Cockrell Hill Rd exit-continue thru intersection
Stay on access road - Turn Right at first street (Crest Lane)
Turn Left at next street (Crestside). Clubhouse is on left at the end of the block.
White building with black paw prints  across the front.

Questions??? Contact Pamela Chrystal @ (214) 415-1955
or valimari@msn.com

2019 Spirit Award

Presented by Mark Malone at the January meeting.

Once again it is my privilege to honor an outstanding therapy team for their accomplishments. The Spirit Award was named to honor Charlotte and Tom's Sheltie Spirit. He was a true pioneer for our club in the therapy world and many of us might not be involved in therapy work without his example. Many great dogs have followed Spirit's path and have been awarded the Spirit Award. Some of those would include Sasha, Vandy, Cosmo, Steffi, Lassie, Cyan, Echo, Fiona, Charlie, Raider and the Quintana Quintet of Chance, Jax, Parker, Maya & McKenzie, Sheba, Chester, Daniel and Mickey.



- **Big heart** in a small package that “steals” the spotlight and makes everyone smile. They are very popular on all of their visits.
- **Active team** that gets around and visits several locations in a single day and they make multiple visits every month. At libraries, they “rob” children of their shyness to help them become better readers.
- **Nurturing soul** on their nursing home visits. This little “thief” sneaks into as many rooms as possible during visits. Many therapy handlers have commented on how well this team does on visits.
- **Dandy** like the candy strippers at Charlton Methodist Hospital. They bring so much cheer to the patients that they are always on the “Most Wanted List”.
- **Ideal “burglar”** at the Ronald McDonald House as they gather up the frowns and frisk them away.
- **Thankful** that this team has joined our group to spread joy where ever they go. They are 9% German Shepherd (I’m not sure which whisker that is.) and they are 100% Therapy Dog. It would be a “crime” if they did not receive this award.

Big – Active – Nurturing – Dandy -Ideal – Thankful. B-A-N-D-I-T. Bandit.

Please join me in congratulating the 2019 Spirit Award Recipients: E'Lynne Elliott and Bandit.



Welcome

New Members



Mike and Linda Rinaldi



Robin Vogel



Scott and Christy Godwin
with daughter



Joan Britt

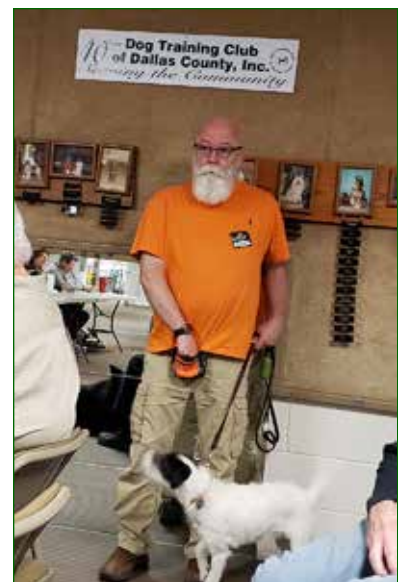
**See page 24 for
details on each new
member!**



Tom Januszeuski



Bruce Kinney &
Moayede Gihazaleh



Christopher Langham

Name	City	Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email	Birthday	Dog Call Name	Dog Breed
Joan Britt	Ft Worth		817-437-8766	joan_britt@sbc-global.net	10/15	Cabernet Quincy	Basset Hounds
Christy Godwin	Oak Leaf		910-644-4190	cygodwin@gmail.com	3/15	Zoey	All American - Aussie Doodle
Scott Godwin	Oak Leaf		910-644-4194	sagodwin@gmail.com	11/7	Reya	Beauceron
Tom Januszeuski	Midlothian	972-723-8014	469-537-5165	tomj795@att.net		Kelsi Chase	Golden Retrievers
Bruce Kinney	Dallas		817-658-7668	kinney.bruce@gmail.com	9/27	Reyhan	German Shepherd Dog
Moayede Gihazaleh	Dallas		832-595-9009	ghazal.pie@gmail.com	2/23	Noro	German Shepherd Dog
Christopher Langham	Dallas		214-912-0518	landhamc@mac.com	6/13	Bandit	Parson Russell Terrier
Michael Rinaldi	Midlothian		972-646-0449	rinaldi.mike@gmail	5/28	Scarlett	Dutch Shedherd
Marcee Rinaldi	Midlothian		972-804-4147	marcee.l.rinaldi@gmail.com		Gizmo	Boston Terrier
Bailey Sage Lynne	Midlothian				9/28	Cookie	Chihuahua
Robin Vogel	Lancaster		972-978-7476	vogels2@sbc-global.net	2/14	Midori Gabe	Shetland Sheepdogs

Many thanks to Pam White and Michele Hosey for going above and beyond to accommodate our daughter's limited time schedule and hold an unscheduled test center.

After only 3 weeks of classes, Miss Lola (Grumble) Bean Bola and Krissy earned their first ever titles & ribbons - CGC & TKN.

Donna & Bill Heishman



CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (CGC)



**Titles earned on
January 23, 2020:**
Congratulations to:

- *Krissy Heishman & Miss
Lola (Grumble) Bean Bola*



TRICK DOG TITLES



Titles earned on
January 23, 2020

- *Krissy Heishman & Miss Lola (Grumble) Bean Bola - TKN*



TKN = Novice Trick Dog TKI = Intermediate Trick Dog TKA = Advanced Trick Dog TKP = Trick Dog Performer

DTCDC
Bulletin Board

MARCH GENERAL MEETING
MARCH 3 @ 7:30 p.m.

MARCH PAW PRINT

THEME: HOUND GROUP

If your dog is a hound, this is your month to highlight your dog's accomplishments and talents. What things does your dog like to do that clearly shows you he/she is an awesome hound.

DUE DATE: SAT., FEB. 15 (or earlier)

UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:

APRIL	NON-WORKING GROUP
MAY	SPORTING GROUP
JUNE	TERRIER GROUP
JULY	TOY GROUP
AUGUST	WORKING GROUP
SEPTEMBER	ALL-AMERICAN DOGS

FEBRUARY DOG CALENDAR:

- Dog Training Education Month.
- Spay/Neuter Awareness Month.
- Pet Dental Health Month.
- Responsible Pet Owners Month.
- National Prevent a Litter Month.
- Unchain a Dog Month.
- Feb. 3: Doggie Date Night.
- Feb. 3: National Golden Retriever Day.
- Feb. 14: Pet Theft Awareness Day.
- Feb. 7-14: Have a Heart for Chained Dogs Week.
- Feb. 10-11: Westminster Kennel Club Annual Dog Show.
- Feb. 20: Love Your Pet Day.
- Feb. 22: Walking the Dog Day.
- Feb. 23: International Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day.
- Feb. 23: National Dog Biscuit Day.
- Feb. 23-29: National Justice for Animals Week.
- Feb. 25: World Spay Day.
- Feb. 25: Spay Day USA.

Do you have a suggestion for the club?
 Put it in the DTCDC Suggestion Box!





My idea is....



DTCDC Bulletin Board

DTCDC STORAGE

Chair leg rubber tips

Members, if the rubber tip is getting old on the bottom of the chair leg you are sitting in and will not stay on, please get a new one from the storage closet.

They are in the white USPS envelope hanging on the wall.



REMEMBER



Closing Checklist

- Backdoor is locked
- Garage door is locked
- HVAC is on program
- Ceiling fans are off
- Interior lights are off
- Lock the front door
- Lock the gate

Thanks for taking care of our building!

The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund



Greg started with his first dog McKenzie in puppy class in 2005. McKenzie and Greg went on to compete in obedience and rally. He and Jax once again started in puppy classes in 2009 and competed in obedience, rally and



conformation. Greg also shared his six dogs in therapy work. Dog training opened many doors for him to pursue many adventures. He would be proud to see the juniors carry on his love of dog training and showing.



The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund will offer scholarships to Juniors for training classes and entry fees for any venue in conformation or performance event. Juniors can apply up to three times a year. A request for an application can be sent to grquintana@sbcglobal.net.



Benita Zapata Brags:



AKC SCENT WORK

Before 2019 came to an end Raiden wanted to acquire a few more accomplishments towards her AKC Scent Work. She traveled to Tulsa and took the challenge by competing in the Buried Excellent Level.

The second competition was in HD Handler Discrimination Advanced level.

This is where she had to find my scented cotton ball which is hidden and ignore the judges scented cotton ball that is also hidden in the search area.

Here are Raiden's last AKC Scent Work accomplishments for 2019:

Raiden is getting ready and training in the sport she loves, and dealing with the Challenges in the master level which she will compete in 2020.

Nov. 30, 2019

Buried Excellent: 2nd leg, with a 2nd place win

Dec. 1, 2019

Handler Discrimination Advanced: 2nd leg with a 2nd place win

Buried Excellent: 3rd leg with a 3rd place win

Scent Work Buried Excellent- SBE TITLE

Scent Work Excellent-SWE TITLE



Benita and Raiden at the Nolan River Kennel Club Scent Work Trials.

We made it through our 1st AKC Scent Work Challenge of 2020!!

Raiden's Trial Results Jan. 4-5

Container Master 2 leg with a 1st place win.

Buried Master 1st leg with a 1st place win.

Container Master 3 leg with a 1st place win and earned her Container Master Title.

Georgann Hughes brags:



A couple of brags from my two from three trials.

First, we competed in the first Scentwork trials offered at the Nolan River Kennel Club shows in Glen Rose Jan. 4 & 5. Jazz earned his first AKC legs in Novice Containers with 1st & 3rd places. Swish earned two Advanced Containers legs, one with a 4th place. She also earned her second Novice Buried leg.



On Jan. 12, Jazz earned his second Excellent Handler Discrimination leg with a second place at the Lonestar K9 Performance Club in Alvarado.

Jan. 18, we traveled to Leander, Texas, and the Heng 10 United States Canine Scent Sports Nosework Trials. Jazz earned a leg in the Go the Distance game - the handler stands behind a line which she cannot cross and sends the dog into the search area to work independently. No placement, but for his first time to do this with very little practice, he had a nice time of 24+ seconds. Swish



placed 2nd in Novice Vehicles and also earned a leg in Novice Exteriors.

3 busy, fun weekends of Nosework/Scentwork in 3 different organizations with 3 different sets of rules & time limits. Very proud of my puppies!

Linda Shearin brags:



Tobin and I went to Glen Rose to hopefully finish his CD. On Friday we placed 1st with a respectable 184.5, on Saturday we placed 2nd with a 192 and for our "just in case leg" we placed 1st with 194.

I am so proud of my amazing guy...how he loves to show and can't wait to get in the ring...he makes me look good!

Now to get ready for his CDX!

Laura Lipscomb brags:

Pearl (Meridian's Consider It A Gift SCN CGC) earned her AKC Scent Work Novice Container title at the Nolan River trial on January 4 of this year. She lacks one leg for her Novice Buried title. She is my shy girl and has really gained confidence from training and participating in this sport! I'm very proud of her accomplishments!

Jose Rodriguez brags:

Eichler and Ruffino ask, "Brother/Sister can you spare a dime?"

I am glad these dogs have fairly reliable recalls because I could never catch them.



On Dec. 29, Ruffino earned his novice Fast Cat title, a BCAT. He did it in his first 4 runs. He is 2nd on the AKC top 20 fastest Peruvian Inca Orchids



2019 rankings and 1st place for his size class. His fastest time was clocked at 29.6 mph. Look at that little guy go! Our little 1 year old puppy earned 10 AKC performance titles and a Qualified Lure Coursing Certificate in 2019.



On Dec. 30, Eichler also earned his novice Fast Cat title. He did it in his first 6 runs (he's bigger so the scoring system is harder). He is also 2nd



on the AKC top 20 fastest German Pinscher 2019 rankings. His fastest time was clocked at 26.09 mph. We used to call him the Batman but now he's the Superman. He earned an additional 9 AKC performance titles in 2019 and the German Pinscher Versatility Excellent title.

In total we earned 20 titles in 2019. All in the past 6 months.

Jan Hitchborn brags:

Great long nosework weekend in Alvarado hosted by Lonestar K9 Performance Club January 11/12. Maggie was confident happy searcher. She



earned a first place in her first try of Excellent Handler Discrimination and qualified her first Superior Exterior. She almost qualified in Superior Vehicles but I was just about to call it when we ran out of time. I was so proud of how she searched those four vehicles.



Skye was still unsettled but rallied to earn a first and second place in Novice Exteriors also earning her Novice Exterior Title and High in Trial. On Sunday she earned 5th in Novice Vehicles.

Logan was entered in all offered trials in Elite to start working on his Elite Nosework Cham-

pionship. Is a new day in elite in 2020 as elite searches are unknown number of hides 1 to 4 hides possible and need to call finish when you feel all have been discovered. In Exteriors I called it one hide short with time still on clock. My bad



as I totally missed one far corner item. But I really got good training reading his body language. Today he earned first place in Elite Containers at 45 seconds finding all four. Then he earned a second place in Elite Vehicles searching six vehicles and was one of only two dogs to qualify. Only

two hides and we got it. So, two qualifying runs of 12 he needs. Now he was the super star in the new element of Master Handler Discrimination. Day one a first in 28 seconds and today a first in a minute 29. Both runs fault free. He had to search



on his own with my being in a measured off area find my scent article - a sock - in an open box do a sit or down and when I called alert he had to hold until released with my release word.

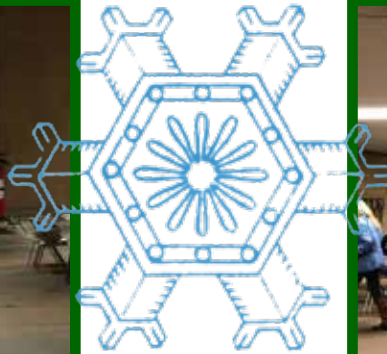


Paw Print Photo Album

January General Meeting Photos:



Joe Warner (left photo) and Michele Hosey (right photo) receive 2019 Board Appreciation Awards from former President David Elliott.



Club members set up chairs and tables for the January meeting. The attendance roster count was 59 in attendance.







A special thanks to Vicki Jackson for sharing photos of the meeting!