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Obedience is Alive and Well at DTCCDC

These five DTCCDC teams competed and qualified in Novice B at Glen Rose, Texas on January 7, 8 and 9 and blew the competition away. Great job, ladies! See more about the competition on [page 20](#).

(Left to right) Joan Jung and Sera, Sheryl Archer and Tango, Jan Bruner and Happy, AKC Judge Aimee P. Kincaid, Sheryll Barker and Emma and Melissa Chojnacki and Gozer. Photo taken by Ruth Miles.



FEBRUARY 2023



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS



Judy Henry	2/1
Diane Gossett	2/3
Barbara DeLamar	2/4
Judy L. Harmon	2/7
Stephane Desproges	2/14
Robin Vogel	2/14
Amy Quinn Schwartz	2/15
Laura Burdett	2/17
Gary Holman	2/17
Hope McQueen	2/24
Ken Hagmueller	2/26
Carol Richtsmeyer	2/27

FEBRUARY MEETING FEBRUARY 14 @ 7 P.M.

CLICK Here TO REGISTER IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING USING ZOOM.



**THEME: TRAINING GOALS
2022 AND 2023**

A Very Happy Birthday To All!

Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to the club meeting for the month of their Birthday. All members are encouraged to buy a ticket for \$1 or 3 for \$2. The gifts go to the winners of the Sunshine Drawings.



Sunshine funds raised by the drawing are used to purchase cards, flowers, or other expressions of care and concern for club

members who need support and comfort.

Our Sunshine fund has been slightly funded by this drawing over the last few years. However, our members have still needed to know of our love during their trying times. If you want to donate please go to our website, <http://www.dallas-dogtraining.org/>, to the *Members Only* section, and select *Sunshine Donation*. You can donate with PayPal or a credit card.

Your donation is NOT tax deductible since we are not-for-profit organization.

Sunshine Fund Report

	DECEMBER	YTD
Proceeds	\$20.00	\$ 713.75
Expenditures	0.00	(217.68)
Net	\$ 20.00	\$ 496.07

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A Word from Our President



If you have spent any time around me over the last year, you will have more than likely heard my question of how do we get members to volunteer/be more involved? I realized I am always talking to those that DO volunteer and are active members – you show up to general membership meetings and read the PawPrint – both avenues I have used to discuss volunteering. I realize the message is not getting to those that aren't as active as you. Somehow, we, as a club, need to reach out to those less active members. We all

know that it is human nature for most people to avoid uncomfortable situations. Going to a club meeting and not knowing anyone there, is an uncomfortable situation. But we also know being active members, that after a few of those uncomfortable situations we start to meet people. The more people a member knows, the more comfortable he/she is at the club, and is therefore more likely to be at meetings, volunteer and attend socials. We also know that we have all found very good friends through this club that we would have never met otherwise.

It is a disservice to our new members (and our other less active members) that we do not help them find the full potential of this club both in training and friendships.

A few years back, new member orientation meetings were started and have continued to be held on a somewhat quarterly basis. If you get the call from the New Member committee to speak at the orientation, please do. Please reach out to the new members and make a DTCDC connection with them while you are at the orientation.

This year we are adding a list of committees to the New Member Request form. New potential members will be asked to select at least one committee to start their club journey. Chairpersons have been asked to accept these requests. Do not turn away a new member or any member that wants to be on your committee or volunteer to be at your event.

Be a great DTCDC member and help less active/new members become great members themselves. Any ideas you might have on getting these new/less active members involved, please shoot me an email (texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com). Your club depends on great members, volunteers and friendships!

Your President,

Margaret Culbertson



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2023 Officers & Directors

President - Margaret Culbertson
Vice President - Ruth Miles
Training Director - Lisa Wharton
Secretary - Lisa Gonzales
Treasurer - Pamela Joyce
Member at Large - Marye Boyce
Member at Large - Jan Bruner
Member at Large - Michele Hosey
Member at Large - Robin Vogel

Corporate Directors:

Lynda Holman
Mark Malone
Maurine Pearson

The objectives of the Club shall be:

- A. To develop and present training programs which will produce dogs which are both obedient and happy, a source of pleasure and pride to their families and good citizens in their communities.
- B. To promote responsible dog ownership through obedience training and other dog-related activities.
- C. To prepare and educate trainers and dogs for successful participation in competitions, trials, tests and competitive dog sports.

Article I, Section 2 of the Dog Training Club of Dallas County, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws As Amended as of November 10, 2020

2023 DT CDC Committees and Chairperson

We have two committees that need committee chairs:

Social - this chair (with committee as he/she needs) decides on the 2 socials (summer and holiday), the theme, the food, the decorations. This chair (and committee as needed) will set up/clean up, decorate and pick up food for the socials. Expenses will, of course, be reimbursed by the club. Any games or fun activities are always welcome. Event planner, caterer, etc? Even if not but like to throw parties - this is for you! Fun committee! Let Margaret Culbertson know if you are interested.

Historian - this chair keeps up with newspaper clippings, events and other things pertaining to the club. If you like to scrapbook, this is the committee for you! Let Margaret Culbertson know if you are interested.

Committee	2023 Chair	Emails
Building	Vernon Miles	rv_miles@yahoo.com
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Promotional/ Community Events/Advertising	Jose Rodriguez	jrod61a@icloud.com
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Wall	Benita Zapata	bzapata21@yahoo.com
Website	Glen O'Gorman	glen@apollomts.com

DTCDC Committees Information



Bylaws Committee

Chairpersons: Lynda Holman and
Donna Heishman

The Bylaws Committee is responsible for the Constitution and Bylaws interpretation and any revisions or additions the club votes to incorporate therein.

The Bylaws Committee is also responsible for fully understanding the basic rules for conducting club business in order to accurately advise leadership.

Historically, for simple issues, Committee discussions are conducted by group emails. For complex issues or consideration of Bylaws Amendments, Committee meetings would be held in person or via Zoom.

Building Rental Committee

Chairperson: Sheryl Archer

The building rental committee handles all rentals. Contacting potential renters. Providing information on our facility. And providing /handling the contract to the renters.

Also opening, closing and inspecting our facility during and after the rental time.

Watch for write-ups on each committee over the next few months.

Building Maintenance Committee

Chairperson: Vernon Miles

Members: David Yahraus,
Vicki Jackson and
Kinnie Hardaway

Building maintenance committee is responsible for maintaining the buildings overall maintenance.

This includes:

- heating/ac
- changing air filters and lightbulbs,
- overseeing the building cleaning,
- yard maintenance and
- all of the basic functions/repairs that are needed to keep our building comfortable and in working order.

If you are interested in joining our committee, please let us know.

**We're looking for
volunteers!**



Training policy updates:

Missed Class Policy

Attending class for free is a benefit of membership. Entering a class prevents both members and non-members from class participation once the class limit has been reached. If a non-member cannot register revenue for the club is lost.

If a club member signs up for a class session and misses three or more classes without notifying the instructor or training director of the absence for reasonable cause (injury or illness of the person or dog) prior to class, they will not be eligible to enroll in classes the next session.



First Responder Discount Policy

First responder discounts will be limited to Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, EMT, and Paramedics.

Closing Checklist

- Lock the backdoor
- Turn off monitor for surveillance cameras
- Turn off ceiling fans
- Turn off interior lights
- Lock the front door
- Lock the gate

*Thanks for taking care
of our building!*



Sunshine Fund

February Birthdays Recognized!

Our next monthly meeting is coming up Tuesday, February 14. We will be recognizing people who have birthdays in February. If your birthday is being recognized, feel free to bring a wrapped gift for the raffle.

Thanks,
E'Lynne Elliott
elynnnew@gmail.com

A Note from Your Training Director



We are almost through the first session! Thanks to all those who volunteered to instruct and assist. Each of you taking time away from your busy schedule makes everything at this club possible. Your dedication and commitment are very much appreciated. To borrow a phrase from the Show-N-Go Committee: Thanks, is not enough!

Session 2 is in the works. If you were unable to help Session 1 we could use your help now. If you haven't been contacted by training committee members yet and you have available time contact them. Session 2 Puppy/Beginner/intermediate classes are below.



Class	Day	Time	Start	End
Puppy	Monday	3 - 4 pm	2/27/2023	4/3/2023
Beginner	Monday	6 - 7 pm	2/27/2023	4/3/2023
Puppy	Monday	7:15 - 8:15 pm	2/27/2023	4/3/2023
Intermediate	Monday	8:30 - 9:30 pm	2/27/2023	4/3/2023
Beginner	Wednesday	6 - 7 pm	3/1/2023	4/5/2023
Puppy	Wednesday	7:15 - 8:15 pm	3/1/2023	4/5/2023

The January fun night had to be canceled because of the unpredictable weather. In the works for February 28 is an informative night of the requirements to become a CGC evaluator which allows you to instruct puppy class. If you have wanted to become an evaluator but were unsure, this will be the night for you.

Also, if there is something you would like to know more about or would like to have happen please let us know. This club grows and thrives as members grow. We are here to help you grow.

Happy Training!

Your Training Committee,

Lisa Wharton, Training Director
Melissa Chojnacki, David Elliott, Pam White, Krissy Heishman

If anyone has any ideas for topics they would like to see presented at the Members Training Program? Please feel free to submit them to the training committee at: training@dallasdogtraining.org



Session 1 Training Schedule

Below are the classes for Session 1. Session 1 started on January 2 and runs through February 12. Please see the Session 2 schedule on page 9.

Below are also are the session dates for the 2023 calendar year.

Best Regards,

Lisa Wharton, Melissa Chojnacki, David Elliott, Pam White, Krissy Heishman
2023 DTCCDC Training Committee

Have a question? Contact the training committee at: training@dallasdogtraining.org

SESSION 1 - 2023							
Class	Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Instructor	Assistant	Assistant
Puppy	Monday	3 - 4 p.m.	1/2/2023	2/12/2023	Terri Schurr	Kinnie Hardaway, Carol Wright, Kay Mashburn	
Beginner	Monday	6 - 7 p.m.	1/2/2023	2/12/2023	Danika Taylor	Holly Taylor, Benita Zapata, Gail Lyssy	
Puppy	Monday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	1/2/2023	2/12/2023	Jeff Young	Shelley Carr, Jorge Ayala, Holly Taylor	
Overflow	Monday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	1/2/2023	2/12/2023	David Elliott		
Master Nosework*	Tuesday	1 - 4 p.m.	1/3/2023	2/13/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes		
DTCCDC Club Training	Tuesday	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	1/24/2023	1/24/2023	Topic: Training Fun and Games		
Conformation Class**	Tuesday	6 - 7 p.m.	1/17/2023	1/31/2023	Jan Bruner	Pam White	
Open/Utility	Wednesday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	1/4/2023	2/14/2023	Mona O'Gorman		
Intermediate/Advance Beginner	Wednesday	12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	1/4/2023	2/14/2023	Pam White, Michele Hosey		
Beginner	Wednesday	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	1/4/2023	2/14/2023	Pam White, Nicole Anterio		
Trick Dog Nov & Intermediate	Wednesday	2:45 - 3:45 p.m.	1/4/2023	2/14/2023	Shari Price		
Beginner	Wednesday	6 - 7 p.m.	1/4/2023	2/14/2023	Doreen Reese	Lisa Gonzalez., Brad Ralph	
Puppy	Wednesday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	1/4/2023	2/14/2023	Mary Ann Magness	Ruth Miles, Nicole Littero	
Novice Polish	Wednesday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	1/4/2023	2/14/2023	Marye Boyce		
B Nose & B Obedience*	Thursday	2 - 3 p.m.	1/5/2023	2/15/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes		
Rally Master*	Thursday	3:15 - 4:30 p.m.	1/5/2023	2/15/2023	Sheryll Barker		
Rally Novice	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.	1/5/2023	2/15/2023	Sheryll Barker		
Rally Adv & Ex	Thursday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	1/5/2023	2/15/2023	Sheryll Barker		
overflow	Thursday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	1/5/2023	2/15/2023			
Open/Utility	Friday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	1/6/2023	2/16/2023	Mona O'Gorman		
Advanced Nosework	Friday	6:15 - 7:15 p.m.	1/6/2023	2/16/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes		
Beg Nosework	Friday	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	1/6/2023	2/16/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes		
Miscellaneous	Saturday		1/7/2023	available for optional training events			
Adv Open *	Sunday	11 a.m. - 2 p.m.	1/8/2023	2/19/2023	Sheryl Archer, Joan Jung		
Adv Utility*	Sunday	2 - 3 p.m.	1/8/2023	2/19/2023	Sheryl Archer, Joan Jung		
Overflow (puppy)	Sunday	4 - 5 p.m.	1/8/2023	2/19/2023	Krissy Heishman		
Trick Dog Adv	Sunday	5:15 - 6:15 p.m.	1/8/2023	2/19/2023	Krissy Heishman		
* Invite only							

Training Sessions and Start Date 2023

Session 1	-	start date	-	January 2	Session 4	-	start date	-	June 19
Session 2	-	start date	-	February 27	Session 5	-	start date	-	August 14
Session 3	-	start date	-	April 24	Session 6	-	start date	-	October 9



Training Schedule for Session 2

Here are the classes that need instructors and assistants for Session 2. Session 2 starts on February 27 and runs through April 8. Please contact the Training Committee if you would be willing to assist or instruct.

Best Regard,

Lisa Wharton, Training Director

David Elliott, Pam White, Melissa Chojnacki, Krissy Heishman

Have a question? Contact the training committee at: training@dallasdogtraining.org

SESSION 2 - 2023							
Class	Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Instructor	Assistant	Assistant
Puppy	Monday	3 - 4 p.m.	2/27/2023	4/3/2023			
Beginner	Monday	6 - 7 p.m.	2/27/2023	4/3/2023		Benita Zapata	
Puppy	Monday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	2/27/2023	4/3/2023			
Intermediate	Monday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	2/27/2023	4/3/2023			
Master Nosework*	Tuesday	1 - 4 p.m.	2/28/2023	4/4/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes		
DTCDC Board Meeting	Tuesday	7 p.m.	3/7/2023	3/7/2023			
DTCDC General Meeting	Tuesday	7 p.m.	3/14/2023	3/14/2023			
DTCDC Club Training	Tuesday	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	3/28/2023	3/28/2023			
Conformation Class**	Tuesday	6 - 7 p.m.	3/21/2023	3/28/2023	Jan Bruner	Pam White	
Open/Utility*	Wednesday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	3/1/2023	4/5/2023	Mona O'Gorman		
Intermediate	Wednesday	12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	3/1/2023	4/5/2023	Pam White/Michele Hosey		
Beginner	Wednesday	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	3/1/2023	4/5/2023	Pam White		
Trick Dog Nov & Intermediate	Wednesday	2:45 - 3:45 p.m.	3/1/2023	4/5/2023	Michele Hosey		
Beginner	Wednesday	6 - 7 p.m.	3/1/2023	4/5/2023			
Puppy	Wednesday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	3/1/2023	4/5/2023			
Novice Polish	Wednesday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	3/1/2023	4/5/2023	Marye Boyce	Steven Boyce	
B Nose & B Obedience*	Thursday	2 - 3 p.m.	3/2/2023	4/6/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes		
Rally Master*	Thursday	3:15 - 4:30 p.m.	3/2/2023	4/6/2023	Sheryll Barker, Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata		
Rally Novice	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.	3/2/2023	4/6/2023	Sheryll Barker		
Rally Adv & Ex	Thursday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	3/2/2023	4/6/2023	Sheryll Barker		
Beginner Open/Utility*	Thursday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	3/2/2023	4/6/2023	Lisa Wharton, Melissa Chojnacki, Ruth Miles		
Open/Utility*	Friday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	3/3/2023	4/7/2023	Mona O'Gorman		
Advance Nose Work	Friday	6:15 - 7:15 p.m.	3/3/2023	4/7/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes, Barbara DeLamar, Kadee Ingelhart		
Beg Nosework	Friday	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	3/3/2023	4/7/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes, Barbara DeLamar, Kadee Ingelhart		
Miscellaneous	Saturday	available for optional training events					
Adv Open *	Sunday	11 a.m. - 12 p.m.	3/5/2023	4/16/2023	Sheryl Archer/Joan Jung		
Adv Utility*	Sunday	12 - 1 p.m.	3/5/2023	4/16/2023	Sheryl Archer/Joan Jung		

* Invite only

** no class during club events

- no class 4/9/23 - Easter Sunday

Information We Need to Know



1.	<p>Lock Codes: Please contact Margaret Culbertson at (texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com) if you need the codes.</p>
2.	<p>Incident Reports: Should you be at the club and something happens, a dog fight, someone falls, a bite (by dog or human) whether during a class or a members meeting to practice, please complete an incident report so the training committee and/or board are aware of the issue. The forms are in the white cabinets in the front closet. Complete the form with as much detail as possible and then put in Training Director box.</p>
3.	<p>Upcoming Board Meetings: February Board Meeting will be held February 7 at 7 p.m. March Board Meeting is scheduled for March 7 at 7 p.m.</p> <p>Upcoming General Meetings: February General Meeting is a hybrid held February 14 at 7 p.m. Register for the zoom access at: https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEkcuvqjs-rE9L8k2ztPV0b-JRtyaJRUB1r March General Meeting will be held March 14 at 7 p.m.</p>
4.	<p>Fill out Class Registration Sheet for your dog(s): Don't forget all members bringing their dogs to the club need to fill out an Annual Class Registration sheet for each dog. Place it alphabetized in the white notebook on top of the white cabinet located by the front door. Remember these forms are in lieu of having to show proof of dog's vaccinations.</p>
5.	<p>The Club has a Zoom account for meetings. If you need to have a committee meeting, training meeting, etc. contact Donna or Margaret, they can set you up. Donna Heishman (donna@heishman.net) or Margaret Culbertson (texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com)</p>
6.	<p>The next Show 'N Go is scheduled for 2/11/2023. This is the 2/11/2023 Eventbrite link. (It will be active 1/27/2023). You must register by the evening of February 10 (or until we reach our limit) to participate. Upcoming Show 'N Gos are scheduled for: 🐾 March 11 🐾 April 15 🐾 May 6</p> <p>Contact Pam Chrystal @ valimar1@msn.com or Jan Bruner @ janb0323@gmail.com with questions. Also see the flyer on pages 29.</p>
7.	<p>The club's Wi-Fi and password information is located in the purple binder labeled WIFI, located on white cabinet, nearest the front door.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New users - Sign the Acceptable Use Policy Form, then file alphabetically. • Previous users - Check the inside cover for the network name & password. <p>Contact: Donna Heishman, Technology Chair</p>
8.	<p>FOR MEMBERS ONLY! The code for class registration is: dogsandpuppies2022 Classes are found at: https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/dog-training-classes-905939</p>
9.	<p>Submit items for PawPrint to Editor Lana Shuman at: pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org Questions? Call or text her at 214-244-0960.</p>
10.	<p>Please contact Vernon Miles, maintenance chairman, if you see anything at the club that needs his attention. Contact Vernon by email at: rv_miles@yahoo.com or cell at: 469-853-8293</p>

February Member Training

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

7:30 – 8:30 p.m.



Have you considered becoming an AKC CGC evaluator? The training this month is for you. We will be talking about the requirements to become an evaluator. There are plenty of opportunities for you to help with S.T.A.R. Puppy, CGC, CGCA, CGCU and Trick Dog testing as an evaluator with DTCCD. See you there!

Active Membership Requirements:

For persons sixteen (16) years or older who wish to work to accomplish the objectives of DTCCD and contribute their time to the tasks necessary to further these goals.

Only Active Members may vote at Club meetings. To remain an Active Member in good standing, a member should qualify yearly in one or more of the following ways:

- A. Serve as chair or working member of a DTCCD committee
- B. Perform tasks on behalf of DTCCD not formally assigned to a committee
- C. Serve as an instructor or an assistant in DTCCD training classes
- D. If elected, carry out the duties of a position on the Board

*From THE DOG TRAINING CLUB OF DALLAS COUNTY, INC. CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS.
As Amended as of November 10, 2020. Article II, Section 1: Membership*



AKC CGC Evaluator Opportunity

Want to become a new AKC CGC Evaluator and train S.T.A.R. Puppies for DTCCD? We have an independent sponsor who can help you with your first AKC evaluator fee!

Anyone interested in becoming a new AKC Evaluator, who meets AKC requirements, and commits to teach at least two STAR Puppy classes their first year, please contact our training committee for more info. Offer is limited to two new evaluators per year.

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting – January 3, 2023

Minutes

Meeting called by	Margaret Culbertson
Type of meeting	Board Meeting
Facilitator	Margaret Culbertson
Note taker	Lisa Gonzales
Attendees	At Club: Margaret Culbertson, Lisa Gonzales, Lisa Wharton, Ruth Miles, Jan Bruner, Robin Vogel, Michele Hosey, Pam Joyce By Zoom: Mark Malone, Marye Bryce and Lynda Holman
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Margaret Culbertson	
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Margaret Culbertson called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve the December board minutes
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes approved

TREASURERS REPORT – Pam Joyce

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial information Still accepting Dues
Conclusion	
	Total Revenue \$5,377.55 Total Expenditures \$6,370.34 Total \$ -992.79
	Sunshine Collection \$ 20.00 Sunshine Expenses 0 - Total \$20.00

TRAINING COMMITTEE - Lisa Wharton

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Session 1 has started Plan for training in 2023
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is only one full class this session. Canceling Sunday Trick Dog class, moving only registered student to another date. Training night-bring dogs, have some fun while learning.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plan to teach how to get CGC evaluator certification. in Feb. - Start planning session 2 - Policy to eliminate members not showing up for classes. 3 absences in a session without notification will not be allowed to take a class next session.
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SHOW N GO – Jan Bruner

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday January 21 • Show n Go for Nosework
Conclusion	<p>Had a successful day, and Feb Show N Go will open for registration soon. Obedience Show N Go will have priority for dates; Nosework Show N Go will have 4 a year until we see how it goes. Pam and Jan will coordinate with the Nosework committee, but will not be on the committee. Margaret will ask some to chair the Nosework Show N Go committee. Suggested - Jan Hitchborn</p>

MEMBERSHIP - Ruth Miles

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Members • New member orientation • Membership information • Talk to Renee R about 4 H club members who might be interested in joining the club. • Added committee sheet to New member forms?
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New Member app - M. Snow -accepted. To be presented at next general member meeting. - Talked about requiring new members to volunteer within x months of joining. Attend 3 meetings, or some percentage of what meetings are left for the year. - Suggested if a new member doesn't attend 50% of meetings, then they pay 50% of the fee for class. Margaret said a chart was kept years ago and it did not work. - New member orientation to be planned in March, Date TBD - Add survey to new member packet. Get questions from Margaret. - Have a physical new member packet. - Renee didn't feel her classmates could attend classes here. But they would want to participate. Weekend classes suggested. Ruth will talk to Renee about what classes they would like to take. Need to figure out what classes. - Lynda H will print out some membership forms for Ruth

SUGGESTION BOX – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Checked suggestion box
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No suggestions

MEMBER-AT-LARGE – Jan, Robin, Marye, Michele

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports from the MALs
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Robin: comment from Jan Hitchborn. Wendy, commissary, is sick, and Jan is going to pick up supplies from Wendy. And we should send a card to both she and her husband, they have been sick since Christmas. - Covid requirements. Are negative tests required. - No other reports from MALs - Margaret will send a list to MALs of people who have not paid dues yet.

CGC – Margaret Culbertson for Terri Shurr

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concerns about minimal membership volunteering
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ways to get volunteers - Concern about lack of help from CGC evaluators
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Conclusion	- Terri Shurr will continue with CGC evaluations. Many people have CGC evaluator certification and are willing to help.
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Executive Session

In at 8:32 p.m.

Out at 9:08.p.m.

OLD BUSINESS -

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy for Social Accounts • Lifetime membership • Committee chairs have been notified, awaiting response. Still need a Historian • Ideas about mentoring, appreciation for conformation course, ideas for getting members involved
Conclusion	To be carried over to the next board meeting due to time

NEW BUSINESS -

Discussion	• n/a
Conclusion	-


By general consensus, meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.
Respectfully submitted for approval, Lisa Gonzales.



HOW TO WALK A HUMAN A Dogs Guide

Humans need exercise. If they don't get it they become "chubby". It's up to you to save them.

1. Allow your human to tether themselves to you. This keeps them from wondering off or running away.
2. Your human will probably need breaks. Be considerate and stop and sniff often.
3. Bark frequently. Humans have short attention spans.
4. When you go to the bathroom, walk away. If you have trained your human correctly, they will pick it up. Good aerobics.
5. Periodically drag your human as fast as you can. This is called interval training.
6. Do not allow your human to shorten the walk. They are being lazy. Sit in protest if you must.
7. Once you return home, allow your human to remove their tether, then lick their face many times. This is positive reinforcement for a job well done.



By George

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Meeting – January 10, 2023

Agenda

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	General Membership Meeting
Facilitator	Margaret Culbertson
Note taker	Lisa Gonzales
Attendees	See Attendance Roster – Zoom & in person
	<p>CALLED TO ORDER BY Margaret Culbertson 7:01 p.m. Thank everyone for being at the club and online Happy New Year Remind all speakers to be short and to come up to the “spot” Thank Stephanie and Ruth for snacks Dues are past due Holiday social was a huge success</p>

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Margaret asked if there were any additional corrections or additions to the November General Membership meeting minutes
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General consensus approved

TREASURER’S REPORT – Pam Joyce

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial report information for December
Conclusion	

SUNSHINE – Shelly Carr and Barbara Elliott

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunshine Box needs donations January Birthdays
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MEMBERSHIP – Ruth Miles

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No new members this month New Member Orientation in March. Date TBD Putting list of committees in the new member application so people can circle what they are interested in and the chair of that committee will contact them and accept them into their committee.
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PAWPRINT – Lana Shuman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for February PawPrint is January 21, 2023 February theme is Training Goals What were they last year, did you meet them and what are your goals this year. What do you do to have fun with your dog when training? Suggestions for PawPrint Topics are encouraged Don't forget to send in brags, pictures
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TRAINING – Lisa Wharton

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Session 1 classes started last week. Full schedule and lots of assistants.• New policy regarding first responders discount- law enforcement, police, firefighters only.• Members signing up for class and no show/no call. If 3 or more classes missed, not allowed to take classes for the next session. This is to encouraging people to be considerate of fellow members and instructors.• Train the Members• Jan 24 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. bring dogs have fun.• Feb plan on CGC class for new people who want to get certified to teach S.T.A.R. puppy
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CGC COMMITTEE – Margaret Culbertson for Terri Shurr

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CGC/CGA/ Trick Dog Feb 15th or 18th TBD• Need volunteers people to be bystanders in a crowd.
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PURCHASING – Lynda Holman and Donna Heishman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Custom order for Long sleeve shirts for sale must be prepaid. Cash check or PayPal• Adult unisex sizes• Short sleeve and polo shirts are in stock in back storeroom.• Order by Jan 21, 2023
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SHOW N GO – Jan Bruner

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next Show n Go is Jan 21st.• Full crew already. Wait list if anyone wants to try.• Feb 11th next Show n Go
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TECHNOLOGY – Donna Heishman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Need volunteers for both zoom and in person IT, using projector. Etc.• Computer, router, nest help.
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OLD BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	N/A
Conclusion	

NEW BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New lock on the gate, same combo but numbers line up on the top not middle• New combination will be after dues are in• Need to be turned in and accounted for by end of month.
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Snacks for February: Abby Thomas and Barbara Elliott

Adjourn the meeting to brags at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Gonzales



What a Fun Time for Shows

By Lisa Wharton

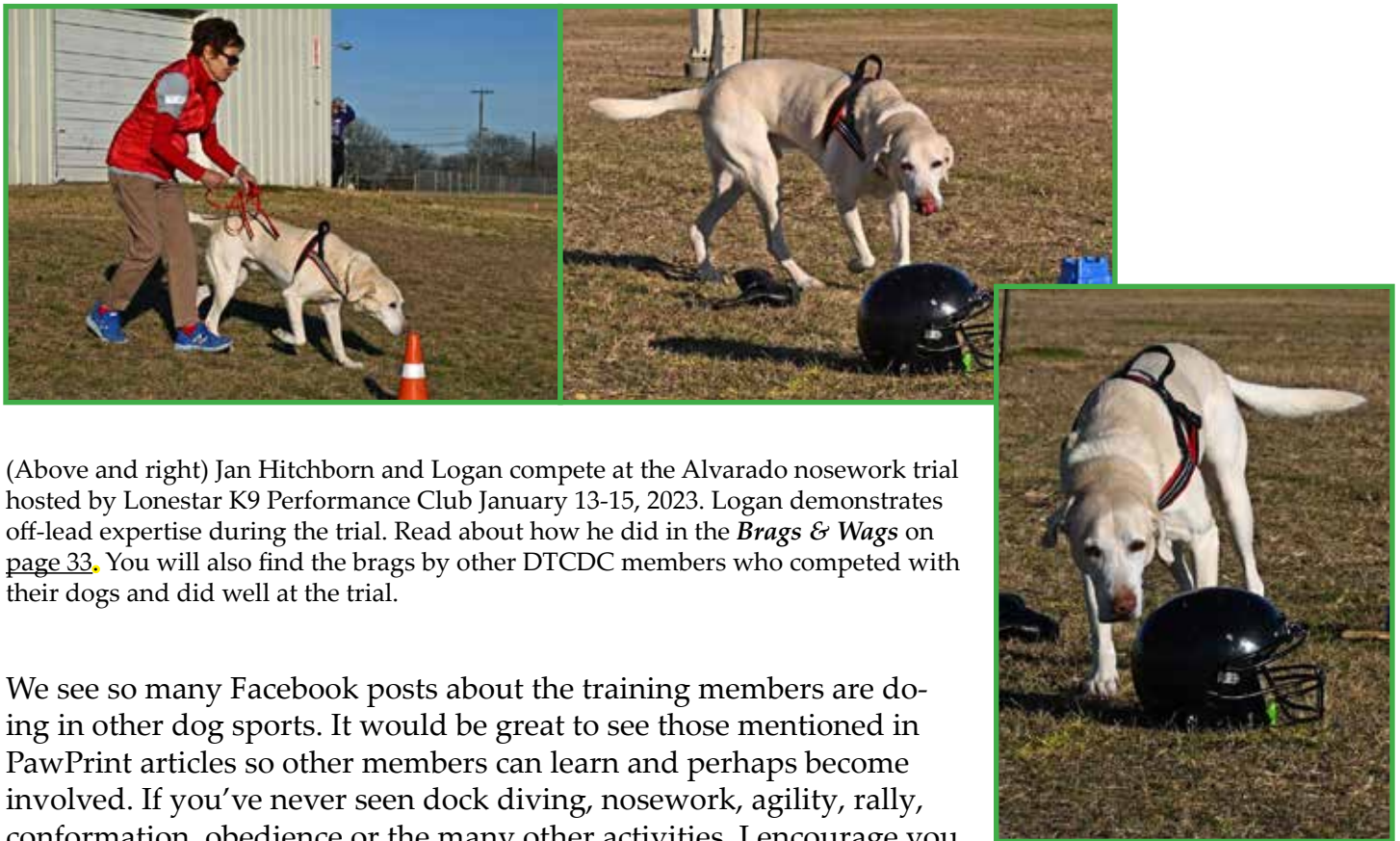
January started with a show in Glen Rose, Texas, where a multitude of members competed in Conformation, Rally and OBEDIENCE! As you can see from the picture (front page) not only did members compete but they did well. Several members received invitations to national competitions. Shows are stressful for the dogs and humans. Ring nerves are REAL! The training, travel, weekends at shows, the slips that ruined the qualifying score, and so much more all goes into accomplishing the goals. We've all heard an observer say "oh my dog can do that" like it's so easy. IT'S NOT EASY!



Nolan River Kennel Club
Glen Rose, Texas
January 7 - 9, 2023

(See more about the members competing at the Nolan River Kennel Club dog show on [page 20](#).)

I had the opportunity to tour a Nosework Trial. Again, it is so much more than a dog sniffing a few boxes or articles. A lot of training goes into the dogs making a consistent mark, not grabbing the item and taking off in a game of chase, or the unforgivable marking as their own.



(Above and right) Jan Hitchborn and Logan compete at the Alvarado nosework trial hosted by Lonestar K9 Performance Club January 13-15, 2023. Logan demonstrates off-lead expertise during the trial. Read about how he did in the *Brags & Wags* on [page 33](#). You will also find the brags by other DTCCDC members who competed with their dogs and did well at the trial.

We see so many Facebook posts about the training members are doing in other dog sports. It would be great to see those mentioned in PawPrint articles so other members can learn and perhaps become involved. If you've never seen dock diving, nosework, agility, rally, conformation, obedience or the many other activities, I encourage you to go watch, ask questions and get involved. You never know what will make the light in your dog's eyes shine.

(See the March 2023 PawPrint for articles written by members talking about other sports they compete in with their canine athletes.)

happy valentines



Jan Bruner Goals:

2022 Goals Met:

- Finished Ace's RACH
- Earned Ace's CDX
- Earned Happy's CD and Rally titles through Excellent.

2023 Goals:

- To get at least 1 herding title on Ace and complete his BCSA Versatility.
- To start Happy on his way to his RACH and start training for Open.
- To finish Dazzle this spring and get her Rally Novice and Beginner Novice obedience titles.
- To be able to afford to compete with Ace and Happy at the RNC in June.

Mary Ann Magness goals:

For 2022 I put 28 titles on several dogs:

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| • Canine Good Citizen | X 6 |
| • Trick Dog Novice | X 6 |
| • Rally Novice | X 6 |
| • Companion Dog (CD) | X 3 |
| • Rally Intermediate | X 2 |
| • Rally Advanced | X 1 |
| • Rally Excellent | X 1 |
| • Rally Advanced Excellent | X 1 |
| • AKC Championship | X 2 |

For 2023, I have 2 titles (RN & BN) so far and hope to get at least 20 more this year.

Jan Hitchborn goals:

In reality I have never been someone who sets goals, reads them often and thinks about them often and then gets upset when things don't go accordingly. I basically think what I want to accomplish and then move forward not worrying especially as I have aged because one has to make way for the bumps and detours along the way.

As the world of training and competing with dogs is relatively very new for me, I was starting in "kindergarten" more or less. As either pup and I learned something, we took more steps forward. As I knew nothing previously, every success was a surprise and enjoyed. Quite early on Logan fell hard for nosework and the sport fascinated me. The more involved with nosework that I became, the more I wanted to know all I could about the nose of the dog and its tremendous capabilities. I love that this is a sport that has the dog taking control. I needed to learn, and still am learning how to make sure my dog(s) have the "tools" to be successful and then to give them the space to learn in their individual ways. All the book learning and seminars give some insights to the handler, but in reality, one has to pay attention to the dog and become the partner that dog needs, and it is impossible to try to follow other folks ways of training as their dogs are not my dogs. I can get ideas to try and if they work, good, and if not, file the info away for another day or dog.



Yes, at first, I would be anxious before going into a turn in a trial. At a certain point I noticed that my anxiousness was diminishing in nosework as I gained confidence in my dogs. (This was not the case in other sports so it is probably why I am all nosework.) As we approach some major milestones or levels, I have decided that we will work towards them. Along the way one pup or the other has hit “a wall” at a level so to speak, and we just kept at it and I made the decision it would happen when it did. So basically, my training goal is to keep training and we will achieve this and that when it happens. Since I took that attitude, we have been flying thru with my dogs surprising me. I find it interesting that when I stopped worrying so much, my dogs have done a fantastic job of surprising me. Oh, don’t get me wrong, they have thrown me some curve balls and I have let them down, but we are having a blast. I did pursue one title in 2018 and that was Logan’s Elite Nosework Title which at the time was the highest. Then to pursue securing master champion before the rules changed so he would be grandfathered into the championships for all levels below master and this one had a year end date. Did it. Then Covid slowed stuff down. But the goals as they were - finish elite championship for full new overall nosework title while also focusing on earning qualifying runs needed for each grand championship title for the big Nosework Grand Championship which we are on the doorstep. At the same time, I figured out some issues with Skye, found how to be her partner and to overcome my distrusts in her abilities and she has absolutely soared. In recent months I am as confident in her blind hides runs as I am with Logan. In fact, Logan will accommodate my asking for some additional checks, but Skye as she is leaving the area heading totally out gives me

that “really” look. She is very clear that there is nothing more to find. As they say, when the dog heads out, defer to the pup. With either pup, I am calm, turn the world off and follow the dog each run for the best fun of my life. I am totally in their world, saying nothing totally fascinated in watching them work. So for 2023 we will be having fun finishing Logan’s grand championship and now that Skye has her Elite Title we will be working all levels for her championships and onward. I also have a new pup in nosework training and I am having a fun time figuring him out. I have no time limits set on him. We are playing with the sport having fun figuring each other out. I look forward to the partner he turns into and the one I need to become for him.

Mona O’Gorman goals:

Gerry received his Master Rally Title and Gabbi received her Intermediate Title at the Tri-City Rally show Dec. 4, 2022. Gerry and I are working on second RAE and RACH. Gabbi, is working towards her Rally Advanced and hopefully her Novice B title. We have targets for the coming year. I hope we succeed.

Nicole Desproges goals:

Our overarching goal for 2023 is to complete a minimum of one formal training class and add a minimum of one new title for each of our three dogs: Neo, Zedd and Finn.

- For Neo: Complete his CAT title and experiment with a Nose Work class or Rally class
- For Zedd: Earn his CGC and take another Rally or Obedience class
- For Finn: Enter the world of Conformation, a whole new sport for us, and complete basic obedience, Puppy STAR and CGC

For myself and the club I will continue to perform Registrar duties, supporting the club however I can throughout the year, and read at least one dog training book.



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Ruth Miles went to the show to watch. A good number of the photos shown here, including the cover photo, were taken by her. Here are her comments of her experience:

“What a great time we had at the Nolan River Kennel Club show. Watching all of our members perform in their sport was an awesome sight to see. I went from the rally ring to the obedience ring to the conformation ring and it was awesome to be able to stand on the sideline and support our members while they gave their best.”

- Ruth Miles



Darlene Schermerhorn and Sassy competed in Utility.



Joan Jung and Sera conduct a Master Class in Novice B at the Nolan River Kennel Club trial. Way to go!



Mary Ann Magness and Rain competed in Novice B, Open A and Rally in Glen Rose, Texas.

Photos by Ruth Miles.



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Glen Rose, Texas
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(Left and right) **Melissa Chojnacki and Gozer** competed in Novice B. Gozer knew his stuff. See *Braggs & Wags* to read about his successful week-end.



(Below) **Mona O’Gorman** looks pleased with her ribbon following competing at the dog show.



(Right) **Sheryl Archer and Tango** competed in Novice B.



Photos by
Ruth Miles.



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Madison Gover and Harper:

Harper and I went to Nolan River Kennel Club's Dog Show in Glen Rose. We car camped at Dinosaur Valley State Park, where I worked as an intern last summer. On Saturday, I was excited, but I realized the number of dogs at the show was overwhelming Harper. At a certain point, she would not move when entering the main potty area and I had to carry her out of the grass. So, the first day we entered in beginner novice obedience and rally. I REALLY thought we'd get something the first day, but the nerves were high for both of us. Of course, the conformation huskies had to line up at the same time we were trying to do the rally course (Harper doesn't like huskies). We relieved some stress by hiking and visiting our dinosaur tracks. The next day was Sunday and it was SO less crowded, and we BARELY qualified, but we were the only team in beginner novice A to do so that day!!! We both had a good time, and I enjoyed being able to enjoy my weekend full of doggy fun.



(Right) **Sheryll Barker and Emma** compete in Novice B.

Photo at right by Ruth Miles.





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Teresa Reynolds & Betty Boop

MPossible Betty Boop and I had been practicing Rally for weeks. I went in to the Glen Rose Rally trial feeling very confident. However, due to the environment and overall atmosphere, Betty didn't do as well as I expected on Saturday. We eked out an 80. The judge told me that if I had one more tight-leash he would have disqualified us. I was so disappointed and not sure what I could do to change it. On Sunday, I decided that since Betty Boop had a slow pace I would just keep pace with her instead of trying to speed her up. We went through the course and didn't miss a sign. As we were walking out of the ring, the judge said 100. I couldn't believe it! She was perfect in executing every sign and won 1st place. She qualified in intermediate rally on both days and I could not be more proud of her and achieving her first 100 score. Just awesome! She is an exceptional dog and I enjoy working with her.



Teresa Reynolds & Elvis

We adopted MPossible Elvis I'm All Shook Up in July 2022. Our first Rally trial was in Glen Rose January 2023. He shivered and he shook and he qualified on both Saturday and Sunday with a 97 and a 98. I'm looking forward to more great scores from Elvis. Until he decides to leave the building that is! Here is a picture of him and Melissa Chojnacki and Gozer as they took 1st and 2nd.



Happy Valentines Day

Photo Album



**Jan Hitchborn and Logan
celebrate a great win!**

Dog in White



Jan Hitchborn and Logan were selected as “Dog in White” to test the nosework finds to make sure they were all able to be found. Once finished, the dogs actually competing took their turns. It was very dark by the time they got to the end of the show in Alvarado. The top two photos and bottom left photo are original photos without light adjustments. The one at left was photoshopped to show what was in the photo. As was the one below, right. The bottom two photos are the same photo, the one at right was light adjusted.





2023 AKC Rally & Obedience National Championships

*Wilmington, Ohio
June 16 - 17, 18 - 19*



- **The 2023 Rally National Championship will be held at the Roberts Centre in Wilmington Ohio, Friday & Saturday, June 16 - 17, 2023**
- **2023 AKC National Obedience Championship will be held at the Roberts Center in Wilmington, Ohio. Sunday & Monday, June 18-19, 2023**
- **Darlene Schermerhorn - Stormy was invited to the Rally National in Novice.**
- **Jan Bruner - Both Ace and Happy have qualified for Rally Nationals. Invites have not been received as yet. Ace is qualified for the Championship Class and Happy for Advanced Rally.**
- **Mona O’Gorman - Gerry & Riki have been invited the Rally Nationals. Gerry Advanced and Riki in Excellent.**
- **Sheryl Archer - Flyer is #20 golden retriever in 2022 and is invited to the National Obedience Championship in 2023. To qualify to be invited to this event he has to be in the top 10% of goldens determined by OTCH points. He earned 150 OTCH points in 2022.**
- **If you were invited and not mentioned here, please let me know and I will list you in the March PawPrint.**



Need a new trick to teach your dog?

Here's a trick from addictionpet.com that can easily be taught on a bad- weather day, when you can't go out to play!! Happy training!

Michele Hosey

Teach Your Dog to CRAWL



If your dog knows the basic down / lie down command, teaching him to crawl along the ground will be easy.

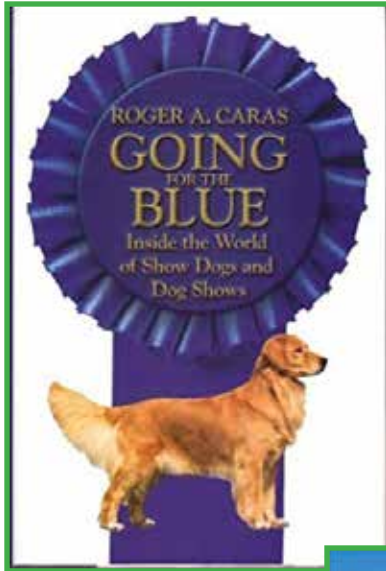
First, give your dog the down command. With an irresistible treat in your hand, allow your dog to smell it while slowly moving it further, luring it to move forward while maintaining the down position.

Do this a few times while using the command word "crawl" and giving him the treat in your hand. After a few more tries, try doing this using just the command word and give him the treat only after he has successfully crawled on the ground.



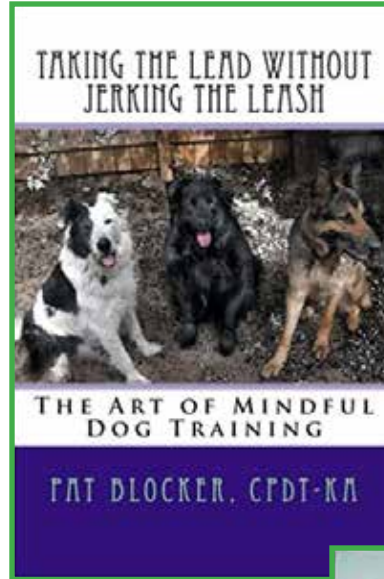
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Recommended Resources:



Competition/Sports:
Going for the Blue: Inside the World of Show Dogs and Dog Shows by Roger Caras

Takes you into the fascinating world of the dogs & humans who compete for fun, glory, & that coveted blue ribbon.



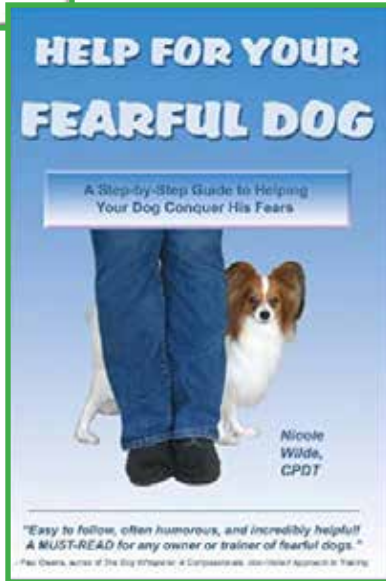
Training and Behavior:
Taking the Lead without Jerking the Leash by Pat Blocker

Book for dog owners, dog trainers, other dog professionals, and all dog lovers. Intended to educate and entertain, it covers the many aspects of living with, training, and understanding dogs.

Issues:

Help for your Fearful Dog by Nicole Wilde

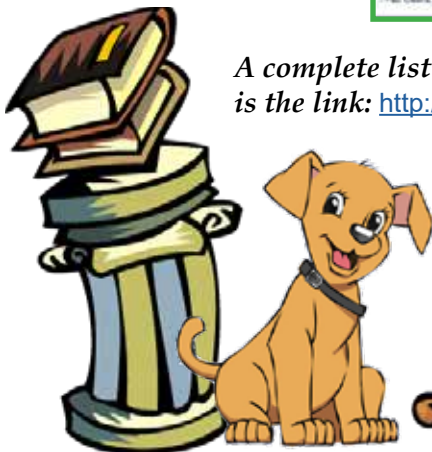
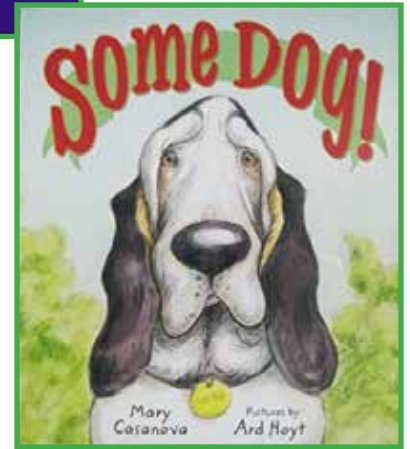
Written by a canine behavior professional with over 30 years of specialization in helping dogs overcome their fears, this comprehensive volume will guide you step by step through treatments for your dog's anxieties, fears and phobias.



Fiction:

Some Dog! by Mary Casanova

Children's picture book about an older, Basset Hound who saves the day when the new dog in the family, who is full of energy and is named Zippity get's lost. Proof that an old dog can still have a few tricks up his sleeve, so to speak!



A complete list of the library's current holdings is listed on the DT CDC website. Here is the link: <http://www.dallasdogtraining.org/members/dtcddc-library/>

Do you have a book or DVD you would like to see in our library? Or other suggestions for the library committee?

Contact: Lisa Gonzales, Stephanie Schoolcraft or Lana Shuman



SHOW & GO

SATURDAY ♥ FEBRUARY 11th

Dog Training Club of Dallas County
604 Crestside Dr. ~ Duncanville, TX 75137

Pre-Entries Only
Limited to 8 hours of ring time



Classes Offered: ★ Utility ★ Grad Open ★ Open ★
★ Grad Nov ★ Novice ★ Beg Nov ★
PRE-ENTRIES ONLY: \$9.00 first five minutes
\$1.00 each additional minute
(5-minute minimum/10-minute maximum)



Doors open at 7:30 A.M.
Any Entry May Do Group Sit/Down Stay Exercise



Pre-Entry at "Events" on DTCDC website
Link active @ 6am on 1/27/2023: [DTCDC Feb 11th Show & Go](#)
Pre-entries close Friday, Feb 10th @ noon or when limit is reached
Emails with run-thru order sent Friday evening



UPCOMING DATES
☘ March 18th 🌸 April 15th 🌸 May 6th 🌸



Directions: Driving South on 67- take Danieldale Rd exit
Stay on access road - Turn Right at first street (S Alexander Ave)
Turn Right at next street (Crestside Dr). Clubhouse is the first drive on the right.
White building with black paw prints across the front.

Questions???
Pamela Chrystal
(682) 683-1321
valimar1@msn.com



Questions???
Jan Bruner
(972) 567-0375
Janb0323@gmail.com

CGC, CGCA, CGCU and Trick Dog Testing



CGC, CGCA and Trick Dog Testing: Saturday, February 18 @ 9:30 a.m.

Held at the Training Facility. Terri needs evaluators and volunteers to help with testing and a dog to use for the walk-by.

PRICING: \$25.00 per entry

LINKS FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL
BE AVAILABLE SOON.

Contact Terri Schurr at terrischurr@me.com with questions.





DTCDC
Bulletin Board

MARCH GENERAL MEETING

MARCH 14
7 P.M.



MARCH PAWPRINT

THEME: Dog Sports & Competitions

This issue is dedicated to learning about different dog sports and competitions available locally. What sports do you and your dog compete in that you enjoy that are not taught at the club?



DUE DATE: Sat., March 21 (or earlier)

UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:

April	Fun with your dog - games you play
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Do you have a monthly theme idea that you would like to see in the upcoming PawPrint editions? Please share them with Lana Shuman at:
pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org

FEBRUARY 2023 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
- Second week in February: Have a Heart for Chained Dogs Week
- February 9-11: Westminster Kennel Club Annual Dog Show
- February 14: Pet Theft Awareness Day
- Third week in February: National Justice for Animals Week
- February 20: Love Your Pet Day
- February 22: Walking the Dog Day
- February 23: International Dog Biscuit Appreciation Day
- February 28: World Spay Day



There are scholarships currently available by the club. If you know a worthy recipient for the Terri Clary scholarship, please contact a DTCCDC Board member or Training Committee member.



TERRI CLARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In keeping with the club's mission and in recognition of the hard work of both dog and handler, the Terri Clary Memorial Scholarship is awarded to the canine/handler pair that has made the most progress overcoming significant training challenges. This Scholarship allows dog and handler to come back to the next session of beginner obedience classes, free of charge, to allow them both to meet their goals.

REMINDER



When using the equipment in the storage area please return the equipment and any equipment moved in the process back to the original location. Several members have spent hours straightening that room and it would be nice if it could be maintained in an organized manner. The more careful everyone is with the equipment the longer it can be used.



Georgann Hughes brags:



Huge thanks to East Texas Scentwork Club for doing such a great job holding another super trial! Special thanks to judges Ellen Heavner, Richard Beezley, Peter Betchley and Julie Morton. They were fantastic as usual! Super thanks to Ann Bridges, Trial Secretary Extraordinaire!! Many thanks to the rest of the club for working so hard to keep things moving smoothly, especially Judith Powell and her crew of volunteers. As you who have been following us or trained/trialed together know, I am so extremely proud



of this once extremely fearful of everything dog who now just has a few things she really doesn't like, but enjoys our Scentwork/Nosework time together.



This was probably Swish's best overall trial weekend ever in terms of qualifying in several classes over a weekend. We ended up with 8 Q's out of 10 classes, which is super as we're moving up in AKC levels. Here's how we ended up:

- Q's in Excellent Handler Discrimination, earned her Excellent HD title plus an extra leg.
- Q's in Advanced Buried, 1 each Sat/Sun which completed her overall Scentwork Advanced Title.
- Q's in Excellent Containers Sat/Sun, completed that element title.

- 1 Q in Excellent Interior and Excellent Exterior each on Sat. Completed the Excellent Exterior and Excellent Interior Titles.

We had fun, enjoyed visiting with our friends, cheering successes, commiserating the NQ's, and just being together at another trial is rewarding in itself!!

Swish and I had fun at the Lonestar K9 Performance Club UKC Nosework trials Jan 14-15 in Alvarado where we started our quest for Novice Nosework Champion legs and we were successful. We only need one in more in each element because we qualified in each class, Containers, Interiors, Exteriors and Vehicles. We managed a couple of placements in Interiors against many younger and faster dogs. We had fun, as always, in another 3-day weekend of searching!

Jan Bruner brags:



Dazzle went Best of Winners Saturday with Heather Robertson Miller handling at the Nolan River KC Dog Show in Glen Rose! Sunday, I showed her and she again was Best of Winners plus Best of Breed Owner

Handled! Monday, she went WB and BOBOH!

We had a good 3 days at Glen Rose at the Nolan River KC Dog Show Obedience Trials:



- Ace 1st place in Preferred Open Obedience;
- Happy earned his CD title with a Q in Novice Obedience;
- Monday Ace placed 1st in Preferred Open and Happy earned an insurance leg

on Novice! And after returning from Glen Rose, I learned that both Ace and Happy have qualified for the AKC Rally National Championship! -- Ace in the Championship Class and Happy in the Advanced Class.

Jan Hitchborn brags:



On the weekend of January 13-15, 2023, Logan and Skye were in a nosework trial hosted by Lonestar K9 Performance Club in Alvarado, Texas.

Skye was in six trials and did seven as Logan ended up not needing a run and Skye did it instead. She had four 1st, one 2nd and one 3rd places. She earned her coveted Elite Nosework title and then all



the rest were championship legs. The weather was interesting and Saturday ran long - finished around 7 so Skye actually did a final superior exterior in the dark with a few lamp post lights. I thought, well all I need to really see is her sit for indication even if quite dark as she only really needed to use her nose. She nailed it and on Sunday the wind really kicked up for her vehicle runs especially for the last one midafternoon. Both the strong winds and the dark did not phase her.

Logan was in 12 trials, qualified in all placed in 9 with three 1sts, four 2nds, one 3rd and one 4th and gave the 12th to Skye. He earned his Superior Grand Nosework Championship and his Master Grand Nosework Championship leaving a few runs to complete for his overall Grand Championship.

The darkness and wind of course phased him not. He did an elite exterior "Dog in White" run in the dark and the photographer got some shots that are dark BUT the large white dog definitely shows up!

Karen Raschio brags:



Renee Raschio and her pup Evie competed at the AKC Junior Rally Classic in Orlando in December. Evie won 2 Triple Qs and a double Q along with Masters twice and also Excellent classes in Rally. Way to go, Team Evie!



Melissa Chojnacki brags:



Gozer showed for the first time in obedience (3 entries) and rally (2 entries) at the Nolan River shows. He came away with three obedience legs and a CD title, and two rally legs with two third place ribbons.

Mona O’Gorman brags:

Gerry received his Master Rally Title and Gabbi received her Intermediate Title at the Tri-City Rally show Dec 4, 2022. Gerry and I are working on second RAE and RACH. Gabbi, is working towards her Rally Advanced and hopefully her Novice B title. We have targets for the coming year. I hope we succeed.

Robin Vogel brags:



Time to brag on my Gabe! Finally, the drought has been broken! Gabe earned his Master’s Interior Title and his overall Master’s Nosework Title.

Thank you, Lone-star K9 Performance Club, for the fun trial.

Sheryll Barker brags:



Emma finished her CD January 7 – 8, 2023 week-end. Good girl Emma!

Sheryl Archer brags:



Flyer is #20 golden retriever in 2022, and is invited to the National obedience championship in 2023. To qualify to be invited to this event he has to be in the top 10% of goldens. That is determined by OTCH points. He earned 150 OTCH points in 2022.



Flyer received his OTCH 9 and UDX30, and earned a couple of high in trials and a high combined along the way. Not to be outdone, Tango finished his BN and CD with 2 high in trials. Well done, boys!

Tango and I earned another High in Trial in Groces, Texas.

Benita Zapata brags:

Raiden had a great weekend competing and having fun. UKC nosework trials were held January 13 - 15 in Alvarado. She qualified in all eight trials entered. Two HD Excellent Q's will go toward her Excellent Handler Discrimination Supreme Title. In two HD Master Q's she earned a 2nd and 4th place. This two extra runs she did for extra fun since this is her favorite element to compete in.

On Saturday Raiden competed in two Exterior Master trials and earned a 3rd and 1st place win. Trial two was the highlight of the weekend when she had to search in the dark. She followed her nose and I followed her. When we returned on Sunday morning there was her 1st place blue ribbon from searching in the dark. We both felt so proud that even in the dark we had successfully worked as a team. The last two trials on Sunday

were searching five scattered Vehicles. In Master level Raiden has to find three hides and avoid a distraction which was either food or a toy. In trial one I could tell she was working slower, but she didn't give up. She finds the three hides; I call the alerts and the judge says "yes" each time. This was her 7th Q for the weekend. Before her last vehicle trial, we had to energize ourselves. We had some apple snacks and had some encouraging words. I told her how proud I was of her work



ethic throughout the three days of trialing and having fun. Her last trial run soon followed so I dressed her in her harness and went to the staging area and waited for her turn. Raiden finished her last vehicle trial run with a 2nd place win. Besides her five placement and eight Q ribbons she also won two awesome raffle prizes. Thank You!! to the Lonestar K9 Performance club for hosting the trials and to our DTCCDC members that volunteered.

It was nice to see some of our DTCCDC nosework students trialing or visiting and enjoying the experience.