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APRIL BIRTHDAYS!

Donna Heishman	4/2
Michele Hosey	4/2
Renee Doyal	4/2
Rita Moreno	4/3
Kim Lullo	4/4
Donna Conner	4/5
Jose E. Rodriguez	4/6
Barbara Elliott	4/12
Charlotte Strom	4/15
Vanita Ellis	4/20
Shari Price	4/21
Kaitlin Hopkins	4/27
Margaret Culbertson	4/27

April General Membership Meeting is scheduled for April 7 at 3 p.m.

Refreshments provided by Terri Schurr and Krystal Hatcher

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A Very Happy Birthday To All!

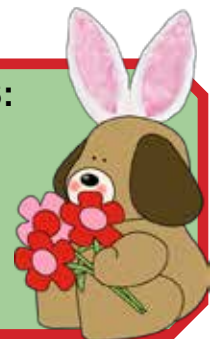


Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to the club meeting for the month of their Birthday. The gifts go to the winners of the Sunshine Drawings. Sunshine funds raised are used to purchase cards, flowers, or other expressions of care and concern for club members who need support and comfort. Please 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.

	Feb. 2018	YTD 2018
Proceeds	\$37.50	\$ 111.50
Expenditures	\$ —	\$(124.49)
Net	\$37.50	\$ (12.99)

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:
Kayla Emmons, Nicole & Stephane Desproges and Donna Conner**



A Word from Our President

Greetings to all,

March has up and headed down the trail of another successful journey in the adventures in the Dog Training Club of Dallas County. Thanks to all of the instructors and their wonderful assistants for making the classes a success. A big thanks to those who volunteered for the Show-N -Go, also. DTCDC volunteers rock. Way to go, to all the Nosework participants that represented the club last month — great to see your pictures in the Paw Print this month. April is fast coming upon us and I am not trying to fool anyone when I say I am looking forward to all the activities we have planned for the month.

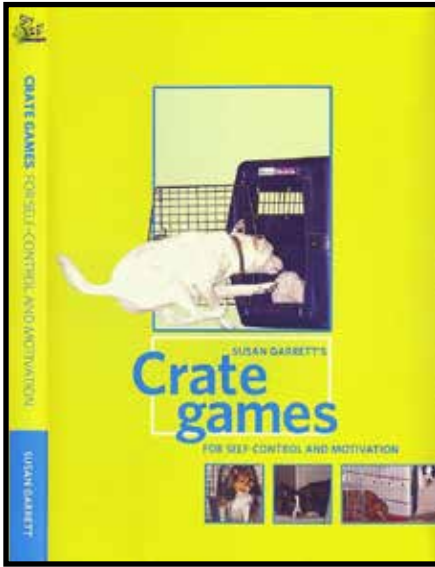
For those of you thinking about signing up for the Dallas Expo and the Bark for Life. Do it. You will be rewarded with lots of fun and you might be the person that inspires the next new club member.

Best regards,

David Elliott



Training Committee News



Progress is continuing on the Training Committee projects. I have seen a rough cut of the first training video from the Resources Team. The Member Development Team is still collecting resources for assistants and instructors. The Training Committee is reviewing a first draft of an updated manual for Puppy and Beginner classes. And our Movie Nights have started.

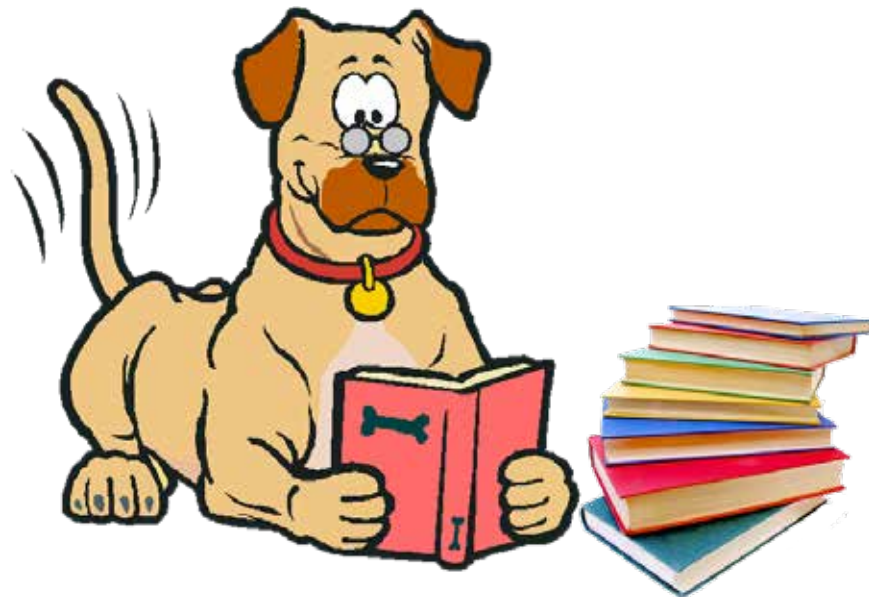
If you missed the first Movie Night, you missed a good time. Make plans now for the next Movie Night which will be Susan Garrett's Crate Games DVD. If you are not familiar with Susan, she is a world class agility trainer who has a unique way of setting up dogs to make the right choices. Puppy and Beginner instructors and assistants won't want

to miss this one. You will pick up some great tips for answering your students' crate training questions. Bring a wire crate or crate that has an opening on the top, treats, and your dog. After watching part of the DVD, we will try some of the exercises. Join us Sunday April 8th 6:30 p.m.



We are now filling instructor and assistant positions for Sessions 4 – 6. Don't wait for us to call you. Contact Sally Browning or Carol Ford to pick the session and class that is the best fit for you. We now have so many classes and students that we need 150 volunteers a year to fill all the positions! Thank you to all of you who have already volunteered! You are appreciated!

Jan Bajovich
Your Training Director



Instructor/Assistant Corner:

Since our first Movie Night, you may have been hearing the term “engagement” tossed around. What is the difference between “attention” and “engagement?” Your dog may have good attention watching you during a training exercise but what happens the second the exercise ends? Is your dog sniffing the floor or looking around at the dog next to them? That dog is not “engaged.” An engaged dog is committed to the training game and between exercises is begging you to play the game some more! I encourage you to check out the Forest Micke DVD “Engagement Skills” in our library to learn more.

Jan Bajovich
Your Training Director



Session 3 Instructors and Assistants

Session 3 2018	Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Instructor	Assistant	Assistant	Assistant
Beginner	Mon	7-8 p.m.	4/16/2018	5/21/2018	Kristal Hatcher	Janna McBroom	Felicia Ruhter	
Beginner	Mon	8:15-9:15 p.m.	4/16/2018	5/21/2018	Joe Warner	Nicole Desproges		
Conformation	Tu	6:15-7 p.m.	4/17/2018	5/22/2018	Jenny Dunaway			
Foundation Skills	Tu	7 - 8 p.m.	4/17/2018	5/22/2018	Carol Ford	Linda Shearin		
Puppy	Tu	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	4/17/2018	5/22/2018	Bob Mullins	Jeff/Norma Ray	Debra Tanguay	Gail Lyssy
Novice Rally	Wed	6 - 7 p.m.	4/18/2018	5/23/2018	Carol Wright			
Advanced Rally	Wed	7:15-8:15 p.m.	4/18/2018	5/23/2018	Jan Bruner			
Master Rally	Wed	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	4/18/2018	5/23/2018	Jose Rodriguez			
Beginner	Th	1 - 2 p.m.	4/19/2018	5/24/2018	Chris Hurley			
Foundation Skills	Th	2 - 3 p.m.	4/19/2018	5/24/2018	Donna Conner			
Novice	Th	7 - 8 p.m.	4/19/2018	5/24/2018	Peggy Phelps			
Beg Open/Utility	Th	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	4/19/2018	5/24/2018	Jan Bajovich/ Lynda Holman			
Master Nosework	Fr	7-8 p.m.	4/20/2018	5/25/2018	Benita Zapata	Jan Hitchborn		
Beg Nosework	Fr	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	4/20/2018	5/25/2018	Jan Hitchborn			
Adv Nosework	Fr	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	4/20/2018	5/25/2018	Shari Price			





Class Schedule for 2018

SESSION 2				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Beginner*	Mon	7-8 PM	2/26/2018	4/2/2018
Puppy*	Mon	8:15-9:15 PM	2/26/2018	4/2/2018
Conformation	Tu	6:15-7 PM	2/27/2018	4/3/2018
Intermediate	Tu	7 - 8 PM	2/27/2018	4/3/2018
Novice Rally	Wed	7 - 8 PM	2/28/2018	4/4/2018
Advanced Rally	Wed	8:15-9:15 PM	2/28/2018	4/4/2018
Novice	Th	7 - 8 PM	3/1/2018	4/5/2018
Beg Open/Utility	Th	8:15 - 9:30 PM	3/1/2018	4/5/2018
Beg Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	3/2/2018	4/6/2018
Adv Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	3/2/2018	4/6/2018
Adv Open	Su	1 -2 PM	2/25/2018	4/8/2018
Adv Utility	Su	2 - 3 PM	2/25/2018	4/8/2018
SESSION 3				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Beginner*	Mon	7-8 PM	4/16/2018	5/21/2018
Puppy*	Mon	8:15-9:15 PM	4/16/2018	5/21/2018
Conformation	Tu	6:15-7 PM	4/17/2018	5/22/2018
Intermediate	Tu	7 - 8 PM	4/17/2018	5/22/2018
Novice Rally	Wed	7 - 8 PM	4/18/2018	5/23/2018
Advanced Rally	Wed	8:15-9:15 PM	4/18/2018	5/23/2018
Novice	Th	7 - 8 PM	4/19/2018	5/24/2018
Beg Open/Utility	Th	8:15 - 9:30 PM	4/19/2018	5/24/2018
Beg Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	4/20/2018	5/25/2018
Adv Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	4/20/2018	5/25/2018
Adv Open	Su	1 -2 PM	4/15/2018	5/20/2018
Adv Utility	Su	2 - 3 PM	4/15/2018	5/20/2018

Class Schedule for 2018

SESSION 4				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Beginner*	Mon	7-8 PM	6/11/2018	7/16/2018
Puppy*	Mon	8:15-9:15 PM	6/11/2018	7/16/2018
Conformation	Tu	6:15-7 PM	6/12/2018	7/17/2018
Intermediate	Tu	7 - 8 PM	6/12/2018	7/17/2018
Novice Rally	Wed	7 - 8 PM	6/13/2018	7/25/2018
Advanced Rally	Wed	8:15-9:15 PM	6/13/2018	7/25/2018
Novice	Th	7 - 8 PM	6/14/2018	7/19/2018
Beg Open/Utility	Th	8:15 - 9:30 PM	6/14/2018	7/19/2018
Beg Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	6/15/2017	7/27/2018
Adv Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	6/15/2017	7/27/2018
Adv Open	Su	1 -2 PM	6/10/2018	7/22/2018
Adv Utility	Su	2 - 3 PM	6/10/2018	7/22/2018
SESSION 5				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Beginner*	Mon	7-8 PM	8/6/2018	9/17/2018
Puppy*	Mon	8:15-9:15 PM	8/6/2018	9/17/2018
Conformation	Tu	6:15-7 PM	8/7/2018	9/11/2018
Intermediate	Tu	7 - 8 PM	8/7/2018	9/11/2018
Novice Rally	Wed	7 - 8 PM	8/8/2018	9/12/2018
Advanced Rally	Wed	8:15-9:15 PM	8/8/2018	9/12/2018
Novice	Th	7 - 8 PM	8/9/2018	9/13/2018
Beg Open/Utility	Th	8:15 - 9:30 PM	8/9/2018	9/13/2018
Beg Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	8/10/2018	9/14/2018
Adv Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	8/10/2018	9/14/2018
Adv Open	Su	1 -2 PM	8/5/2018	9/16/2018
Adv Utility	Su	2 - 3 PM	8/5/2018	9/16/2018
SESSION 6				
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date
Beginner*	Mon	7-8 PM	10/1/2018	11/5/2018
Puppy*	Mon	8:15-9:15 PM	10/1/2018	11/5/2018
Conformation	Tu	6:15-7 PM	10/2/2018	11/6/2018
Intermediate	Tu	7 - 8 PM	10/2/2018	11/6/2018
Novice Rally	Wed	7 - 8 PM	10/3/2016	11/7/2018
Advanced Rally	Wed	8:15-9:15 PM	10/3/2016	11/7/2018
Novice	Th	7 - 8 PM	10/4/2018	11/8/2018
Beg Open/Utility	Th	8:15 - 9:30 PM	10/4/2018	11/8/2018
Beg Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	10/5/2018	11/9/2018
Adv Nosework	Fr	7 - 9 PM	10/5/2018	11/9/2018
Adv Open	Su	1 -2 PM	9/30/2018	11/4/2018
Adv Utility	Su	2 - 3 PM	9/30/2018	11/4/2018
*Additional Puppy and/or Beginner classes will be added as needed.				
Check Eventbrite each session for day/time of these added classes.				

DTCDC Suggestion Box

by Vicki Jackson



A DTCDC Suggestion Box has been put on the shelves across from the kitchen.

The suggestion box was created to assure your suggestions get to the board accurately and in a timely manner. A notebook has been attached to the side of the box for your convenience. You can use its paper or use your own. Signing is optional. If you prefer, you can still bring suggestions directly to the board, but you are encouraged to use the Suggestion Box.

If five of you have the same idea it is best all five place the suggestion in the box, so the board will know there is more than one person with the same suggestion. If you wish to be contacted about your suggestion, please note that with your suggestion.

For security purposes, the box has two locks on it. Two people will open the box and count the suggestions and give them to the board before their monthly meeting.

A special thanks goes to Victor Borrás for donating the box and Sandi Myers for donating a thank you gift for Victor (a Belgian Malinois pin.) Also, thank you to Donna Heishman for the decals and David Yahraus for putting it up so quickly.



Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Meeting - March 3, 2018

Minutes

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	General Membership Meeting
Facilitator	David Elliott
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson
Attendees	See Attendance Roster
	<p>March MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY David Elliott at 3:23pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructors and assistants for Session 2 were recognized and thanked. • Thank Lana Shuman and Barbara Elliott for bring the snacks • No Quorum

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – David Elliott/Felicia for LAURA LIPSCOMB

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winners were Lynda Holman, Felicia Ruhter, & David Elliott
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SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David asked if there were any additional corrections or additions to the February 3rd minutes of the General Meeting.
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandi Myers had changes • With no quorum membership will vote on January and February meetings in March provided a quorum
	<p>February Minutes changes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Added Carol Richtsmeier as a new member 2. January’s minutes were not voted on due to not having a quorum 3. In training committee section, Sandi Myers name was incorrectly spelled

TREASURER’S REPORT – David Elliot for Shari Price

Discussion	<p>Financial Statement Summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February financial statements were passed • David went over the income and expenses for both
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval and discussion of any changes will vote in March provided a quorum

WALL COMMITTEE - Barbara Elliott

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the wall plaques and requirements. Member supplies 5x7 picture dog with title club pay for frame and first plaque
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PAW PRINT EDITOR –Lana Shuman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next month theme is Nosework • Wanting to highlight activities of member’s dogs
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Paw Print family – Joanne McCraw
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Building Maintenance – David Yahraus & Donna Heishman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Security cameras in and taping.• New clock
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SOCIAL COMMITTEE - RITA MORENO

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No report
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TRAINING COMMITTEE – Carol Ford for JAN BAJOVICH

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changes in up coming classes• 2 new master classes for rally and nosework• Fundamental class (advanced beg and Intermediate – for CGC, Rally or Novice polish class) beginner class retake until skills at are at the appropriate level• Movie Night – last month was a big success, April will be Susan Garret movie• Looking for instructors and assistants for session 3.
Conclusion	

PURCHASING COMMITTEE - LYNDA HOLMAN

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Has ordered nametags for new instructors and assistants• Asked if any instructor or assistant in the group without a nametag• Shirts available
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BUILDING ADDITIONS COMMITTEE - DAVID ELLIOTT

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board voted on 29K for building expansion• We will vote next month on this provided we have a quorum. Any questions or discussion needs to be directed to David or brought up at the April meeting. Timeframe of the work being done pending until David speaks to Jan about class schedule.• Lynda spoke about the Video Surveillance Review Policy – see policy in board minutes.
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SHOW N GO COMMITTEE – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• March 17th is the next Show N Go• Clock has been installed and is being used to time runs.• Runs are \$7 for the first 5 minutes, \$1.50 for each minute to 10 minutes maximum.• Come watch, visit, and/or volunteer. Volunteers do not need to know how to steward – training is available.
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CITIZEN CANINE COMMITTEE – David Elliot for Pam Chrystal

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pam Chrystal resigned• The new committee Chair is Robin Quintana
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COMMUNITY EVENTS – David Elliott for Shannon Quinn

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sign up for Pet Expo 5/19 and Bark for Life
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dogs with a title can go to Bark for Life. No dogs at Pet Expo due to the number of animals and chaos.• Essential Oil class is cancelled for today and pending a new date.
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PUBLIC RELATIONS AND ADVERTISING – Lynda Holman for Donna Heishman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New business cards in supply cabinet
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THERAPY DOG COMMITTEE – Mark Malone

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spoke about Cyan’s passing referring to the article in the March Paw Print
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MEMBERSHIP & VOLUNTEERISM - TERRI SCHURR

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member to vote on the 4 new members and 2 renewing• New Members: Nicole & Stephane Desproges, Donna Conner and Kayla & Scott Emmons• Renewing members: Jan Bruner and Teresa York & Lindsay Orr (niece)
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No quorum - David will take votes by email• All were voted into the club by that evening.

LIBRARY – Carol Ford for SALLY BROWNING

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Books and DVDs are available in the Library• Working on a list for the website
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OLD BUSINESS - DAVID ELLIOTT

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
Conclusion	.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Present award to Joe Warner
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The meeting was adjourned at 4: 28 PM to Break for refreshments and brags.

Next month’s snacks provided by Terri & Krystal.

Respectfully submitted for approval, Margaret Culbertson.

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting – March 3, 2018

Minutes

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	Board Meeting
Facilitator	David Elliott
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson, Secretary
Attendees	David Elliott, Margaret Culbertson, Carol Ford, Felicia Ruhter, Maureen Pearson, Lynda Holman, Mark Malone
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – David Elliott	
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> David called the meeting to order at 1:29 pm

SECRETARY’S REPORT – David Elliott

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> David asked if there were any corrections or additions to the February 3rd minutes. If not the minutes of the February 3rd meeting are approved by general consensus.
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved by general consensus

TREASURER’S REPORT – David Elliott for Shari Price

Discussion	Balance Sheet as of February 28, 2018:		
	Cash		
	Operating	\$5,514	
	Savings	\$59,849	
	PayPal	\$-	
	Profit and Loss Statement		
		February	YTD
	Total Proceeds	\$1,199	\$7,393
	Total Expenditures	\$(1,947)	\$(3,423)
	Net Surplus	\$(748)	\$3,970
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved by general consensus 		

TRAINING COMMITTEE - Carol Ford for Jan Bajovich

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Masters class for Nosework & Rally class Session 3
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intermediate and Advanced Beginner to a Fundamental class • Discussion about 6 or 8 week classes • Upcoming class changes • Movie Night needs
Conclusion	

REGISTRATION - Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data base update
Conclusion	

BUILDING MAINTENANCE – David Elliott for David Yahraus

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internet options discussed AT&T and Hughes • Donna has PC • Thermostat
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to use Hughes as our internet provider Maureen made the motion, Carol 2nd it – motion passed

OLD BUSINESS - DONNA HEISHMAN

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At November 2017 meeting, review 2015, 2016 & 2017 financials were deferred to David Elliott. Need to set a date. Per the club Bylaws (Section 2, E, b) “At the Annual Meeting, the Treasurer shall render an account of all moneys received and expended during the previous fiscal year. As soon as practicable, following the Annual Meeting, there will be a review of the financial records of the Club by the President and two (2) qualified Club members appointed by the Board.” • Policy on desk top use if we get a desk top
Conclusion	

New Business -

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building addition – 2 bids - request approval of \$29K to do in July or August • Discussion of those members that did not renew • New business card - Lynda
Conclusion	<p>Wording of video Surveillance review policy Approved new member Lynda motioned to approve, Maureen 2nd the motion. Motion passed. Motion to approve \$29K on building addition Carol motion to approve, Maureen 2nd the motion. Motion passed. Video policy – Mark motioned to accept the policy, Felica 2nd the motion. Motion passed.</p> <p>Video Surveillance Review Policy A video surveillance system was purchased and installed in order to protect club assets. The system includes a digital video recorder which records when motion is detected. These recordings may only be accessed by first entering a security</p>

code which will be shared by the President, Training Director, and Corporate Directors. Circumstances when review may be necessary include but are not limited to instances or reports of 1) negligence, 2) theft, 3) potential liability claims, 4) damages, & 5) review of vendor provided services. Requests for review should be directed to either the President, Training Director, or a Corporate Director.

By general consensus, meeting adjourned at 2:59pm
Respectfully submitted for approval, Margaret Culbertson



Happy Easter
from the Easter
Bulldog!

Nosework

by Jan Hitchborn, Logan and Maggie

Many ask what is nosework? The answer – ah, I hear the sighs as you all think a technical step by step instruction about it is now coming. It is and is not. For the most part, this is about my journey in nosework and what it has meant to me and taught me. Bottom line, it brought me into Obedience and Rally trialing!

Over the years I had taken beginner and novice classes with my family dogs. I just wanted well behaved dogs. I always marveled at the working dogs and the dogs doing directed jumps and dumbbells, jumping off docks and was actually in awe of those handlers. I had taken beginner and intermediate obedience classes at the club in the winter and spring of 2015. Nosework was being discussed and a beginner class was offered midsummer 2015 and as I was curious, I took it. It was fascinating to see my Lab, Logan, come alive with this sport. He had been ho hum with obedience (as I had been!). Doing it, but not into it. Suddenly he wanted to train all the time. Contrary to some opinions, obedience is needed for this sport, but in a different context than the obedience ring. Obedience is the foundation of a well-behaved dog and the creation of a handler canine partnership. However, unlike obedience where the dog looks to the handler for commands and direction on what to do, in nosework the handler must learn to



This is how Jan and her successful nosework dog celebrate.



become almost invisible. Nosework teaches a dog to think independently about the job needing to be done and then to go and do it. Handlers who are struggling with the sport are most likely too engaged with the dog's search and trying to "help" with constant chatter. Trust me, a "I don't know, you tell me" is either white noise to the dog ("Quiet. Let me work on this") or it causes a dog to just give up and give a false alert (indication).

A dog instinctively knows how to search. Later on in this sport handlers might need to learn how to do a directed search, but again mostly in silence. A dog really just needs to be taught what it is we want them to find whether it is in training for SAR, drugs, bombs and bomb making material or the essential oils used in Canine Sport Scent Detection aka Nosework.

So, in the beginning of Nosework, a dog is introduced to a cocktail of the scents used by the various organizations teaching and holding nosework trials – UKC, AKC, C-WAGS and NACSW are some of the well-known ones in the US. Using all the scents used by these organizations, a cocktail – a tin with small holes with six swabs, one each of the combination of the six scents used – birch, anise, clove, cypress, myrrh and vetiver – is introduced to the dog. Strange as it might seem to the person who only has companion dogs, although a combo of scents is mixed together for the dog to smell, the dogs are in fact learning all six scents individually all at the same time. The game is on.

As Logan and I progressed in learning nosework, I became intrigued that I was in fact teaching my dog this sport and he was so totally engaged and absorbing everything I challenged him to do. During this time, I had gone back to obedience classes with one of my mini Aussies, Skye, and was noticing an entirely different demeanor in her for obedience than I had gotten from Logan. She seemed to be embracing it and she wanted to train all the time too. I continued and started novice Rally with her. Then I added novice obedience and after much persistence and patience we are a team and she is now in ASCA excellent rally and almost has an ASCA CD. We are working all the pieces for Open and Utility and I have a little girl who carries that dumbbell and jumps with it.

Then I brought Maggie in for classes and she has turned out more like Logan in her likes and dislikes! (Dock Diving and Nosework are for her too). Maggie likes action sports or sports where she must think. She is a totally different dog from Logan and nosework training with her is teaching me to be a more patient handler. I must watch her nuances in a different way from Logan's. So nosework is working to make me a better handler and a better instructor for classes at the club in all sports. I now watch others as they work with their dogs and assist in strengthening their partnerships.

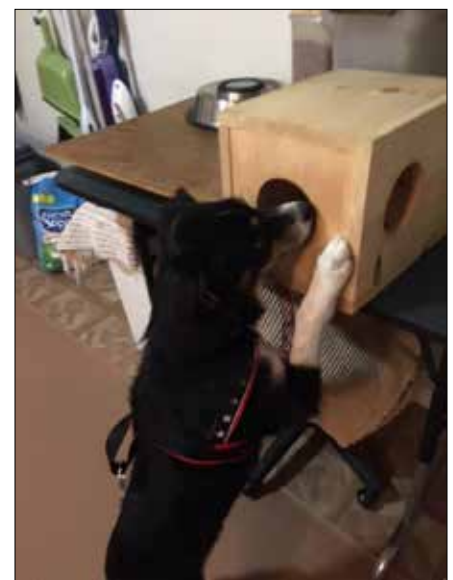


I am now fascinated more than ever about what the canine nose is capable of. At times I wonder what it would be like to be able to have all the scents around me detectable by my nose all the time. Then I shudder because we humans, overall, are obsessive by nature and I think that ability would drive us mad. Let's give our four-legged friends a break if they seem distracted, are wildly sniffing the air and acting strange. Who knows what they are smelling and from how far away. I stand and just watch as a nose goes up, a body stiffens, and I just wonder what is it?

Nosework opened my eyes to canine partnerships. To the excitement of working with a dog and having the dog respond with enthusiasm and vigor. It made me curious to try other canine sports.

I also have watched timid and fearful dogs gain confidence and grow into dogs who go about getting the job done. Another great side effect of nosework is I started to go to trials in nosework and then rally and I found a world of great friendly folks who all are having fun with their dogs and those same dogs are having a ball with their people.

So, when the day is gloomy or dragging, I see three sets of eyes on me and I am off to set hides for nosework practice and grab a dumbbell to do exercises while scents set. Then we are off and running. I have not truly had a bored day since I learned what a canine partnership and working together is all about. Thank you Nosework.



DTCDC Bulletin Board



THE APRIL GENERAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 7TH AT 3 P.M.

THE APRIL BOARD MEETING IS AT 1 P.M.



MAY PAW PRINT

THEME: RALLY

SUBMISSIONS DUE DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 21 (or earlier)

UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:

JUNE	OBEDIENCE
JULY	CONFIRMATION
AUGUST	DOCK DIVING
SEPTEMBER	AGILITY
OCTOBER	THERAPY DOGS
NOVEMBER	THANKFULNESS
DECEMBER	HOLIDAY FUN



- APRIL DOG CALENDAR:**
- National Heartworm Awareness Month.
 - National Pet First Aid Awareness Month.
 - Prevent Lyme Disease in Dogs Month.
 - Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month.
 - April 1-7: International Pooper Scooper Week.
 - April 11: National Pet Day.
 - April 11: Dog Therapy Appreciation Day.
 - April 8-14: National Dog Bite Prevention Week.
 - April 15 – 21: National Pet ID Week.
 - Apr 18: Pet Owners Independence Day.
 - April 21: Bulldogs are Beautiful Day.
 - April 22: Earth Day.
 - April 26: National Kids and Pets Day.
 - April 30: Adopt a Shelter Pet Day



When: April 14, 2018. ~ 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Where: Midlothian Multi-Purpose Stadium (1800 South 14th Street)

Bark for life was a great time last year and word is it's even bigger this year! I'm looking for volunteers to come share with others what an amazing club we have!

Please email me at lawlover23@yahoo.com or send me a text if you would like to volunteer!

Shannon Quinn



- SHOW 'N GO SCHEDULE:**
- April 14
 - May 12th
 - June 16th
 - July 14th
 - Aug 11th
 - Sept 8th
 - Oct - none
 - Nov 10th
 - Dec- none





DTCDC
Bulletin Board

Save the date for 2018 Dallas Pet Expo

Saturday, May 19, 2018 10 AM to 5 PM

Sunday, May 20, 2018 11 AM to 4 PM

Dallas Market Hall
FREE Admission



Dallas
PETEXPO™



PLAY ★ SHOP ★ LEARN ★ ADOPT

The club will have a booth and need volunteers to staff .

Saturday, May 19		Sunday, May 20	
<i>Volunteers</i>	<i>Times</i>	<i>Volunteers</i>	<i>Times</i>
First Crew	10 a.m. – Noon	First Crew	11 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Second Crew	Noon – 2 p.m.	Second Crew	1 – 3 p.m.
Third Crew	2 – 4 p.m.	Third Crew/Take Down	3 – 4 p.m.
Fourth Crew	4 – 5 p.m.		

I am looking for volunteers for the Pet Expo! The preferred times are listed above, but we still need more people for Saturday, May 19th for the Noon – 2 p.m., 2 – 4 p.m. and 4 – 5 p.m. and on Sunday, May 20th we need all shifts filled.

Last year we had a blast, got a bunch of freebies, met some great vendors and able to network, and just have a great time with other club members! You don't want to miss your chance, let's show everyone what an amazing club we have!!

Please email me at lawlover23@yahoo.com or text me at 214-478-9848.

Shannon Quinn

A graphic for a bulletin board. At the top is a green rectangular sign with the letters "DTCDC" in white, bold, sans-serif font. This sign is pinned to a yellow rectangular board with the words "Bulletin Board" in black, bold, sans-serif font. There are four pushpins: a red one on the left, a pink one on the top left, a yellow one on the top right, and a blue one on the right.

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.

SMILE:



Our camera system is up and running.

Dear God - From Dog



Dear God,
Are there dogs on other planets, or are we alone? I have been howling at the moon and stars for a long time, but all I ever hear back is the beagle across the street.



Dear God,
I've always lived at the shelter and have everything I need. But many of the cats here have names and I don't. Could you give me a name, please? It would be good for my self-esteem.



Dear God,
Are there mail men in Heaven? If there are, will I have to apologize?



Dear God,
The new terrier I live with just peed on the Oriental rug and I have a

feeling my family might blame me because they think I'm jealous of this stupid dog. Since they have no sense of smell, how can I convince them that I'm innocent? Does the pet store sell lie detectors?



Dear God,
Is it true dogs aren't allowed in restaurants because we can't make up our minds what not to order? Or is it the carpet thing?



Dear God,
When my family eats dinner they always bless their food., But they never bless mine. So, I've been wagging my tail extra fast when they fill my bowl. Have you been noticing my own blessings?



Dear God,
There is a lot of temptation here - cats! I do not eat the cat's food before he eats

it or after he throws it up. Same goes for the litter box - it is not a cookie jar *sigh*. The cat is not a squeaky toy; if we play and cat makes squeaky noises, I back way far away from the cat. Question: When you created cats, what were you thinking?! They're lazy, shed like crazy and they don't even know how to fetch a ball. I don't get it why they think they're so special.

Pawsitive Thanks!

*We have a lot of terrific members of the DTCCDC doing wonderful things for the club and each other.
Here is your opportunity to thank them publicly.*

I've been in DTCCDC for almost 2 years. When I joined, already in my 70's, I admitted that I had just adopted Teddy and that I had never owned a dog. Thanks to DTCCDC, 77 lb. Teddy, although a handful, has successfully passed his CGC, CGCA, and TDI.

My intent is not a brag. I want everyone I've worked with as either classmate or instructor, to know how much I appreciate your constant feedback, support, and, yes, commiseration when Teddy decides to do what Linda called "be a goofball." In this session, Mark has over and over encouraged me, despite my being near tears, that I'm just going through what every dog handler has endured, and not to be discouraged. Other classmates have approached me and offered their suggestions, always saying: "I've been there; don't give up."

My previous instructors, Pam, Michelle, Joe, Benita, and others, have all been a big help too. Somehow, it's taken me 2 years, but I'm finally "getting it." I can actually feel comfortable despite failing and feel ready to try again...and again...and again.

To adopt a big dog so late in life is indeed a challenge, but the club and its members, with their aura of support and encouragement, have introduced me to a whole new concept that has added so much to my life. I am beyond grateful to you, one and all.

Thanks,
Judy Werner

Cleaning out my in box today and wanted to thank all who helped me prepare my dogs for their CGC testing. Also all who helped with evaluations. They both were ready and passed with no problems. I'm sure it helped them prepare for the weekend with MIA earning her CD title and Teddy earning 2 legs in beginner NOV B in the Lubbock trials with two 2nd.

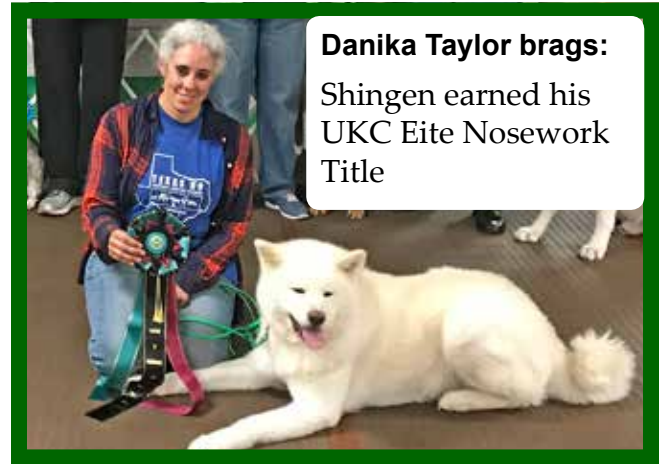
Thanks to all that helped and especially club member Peggy Phelps who was there with both of them from the start and Pam Chrystal for putting the great program together.

Tom Griggs

My thanks to Jan Bruner and Carol Ford who stepped up and taught my class when I was sick.

Carol Wright





back row, left to right: Benita Zapata with Raiden, Georgann Hughes with Swish, Jan Bajovich with Kelly, Jane Bungarz with Ellie, Horst Bungarz with Kaiser
front row: Danika Taylor with Shingen

Advanced Nosework class brags:

There was some serious haul of ribbons from the Lonestar K9 Nosework Trial March 3rd and 4th. Danika Taylor and her dog, Shingen, earned the Elite Nosework title, the culmination of all the Nosework levels and received the gorgeous rosette ribbon.

Laura Lipscomb brags:

Reggie (Judge's Black T Affair) passed the following Pre-trials at the Lonestar K9 Performance Club Nosework Trials in Alvarado on 3/4/2018:

Pre-Trial Superior (PTS) – Clove

Pre-Trial Master (PTM) – Myrrh

Pre-Trial Elite (PTE) – Vetiver

He previously passed his ORT - Advanced (Anise) through the NACSW back in October 2017.

Due to handler error, we did not pass the Pre-Trial Novice - Birch. This is all we need out of all of them to proceed in UKC Nosework trials! Go figure :)

Jan Hitchborn brags:

Great nosework trial in Alvarado March 3-4 put on by Lonestar K9 Performance Club. Maggie earned her advance vehicle title with two qualifying runs and one first place and one leg in novice interiors with a third place.

Logan picked up one of two runs needed in Elite interiors with a first place and high in trial.

Jan Bajovich brags:

On March 3rd and 4th, we attended the Lonestar K9 Performance Club UKC nosework trial. On Saturday Kelly earned his Superior Vehicle title which was the last Superior Element he needed to earn his UKC Superior Nosework Title as well. On Sunday he achieved his Masters Interior title. He earned First Place both times and High In Trial in Masters Interior. Nice haul!





Jan Bajovich says this is Kelly's weekend haul from a year ago at a nosework trial.



Kelly is still at it this year. This is a weekend's bling from a Nosework Trial. I would say Kelly is a great nosework dog.



Shannon Quinn brags:

Bear is half way to a new title! He ran his first Fast CAT trial and earned just over half the points he needed for his title!

Interested in knowing more about this title? You can read about it at: <http://www.akc.org/sports/coursing/fast-cat/>



Georgann Hughes brags:

This is Swish (at left) with her ribbons from the Lonestar K9 Performance Club Nosework Trials in Alvarado March 3 & 4. She passed her PreTrial Elite qualifying, completed her Novice Interior Title, thereby finishing her overall UKC Novice Nosework title - Yippee! Went on to move up & earned an Advanced Interior leg with a 3rd place. She also qualified in both legs of Advanced Vehicles, earning her Advanced Vehicles Title with a 3rd place & 4th place! The 3 blue rosettes were her New Title ribbons! She qualified in 5 out of 5 tries! Fun weekend!

Carol Wright brags:

Those members who know my little Maddie may be surprised to learn that She got her first Beginner Novice Obedience leg in Ft. Worth on Saturday, March 24.



Paw Print Photo Album

Nosework



GeorgAnn Hughes shared these photos. The top two at right are of Swish, border collie, searching a vehicle.

At left, Swish is practicing in her nosework class.



Jazzy loved by Georgeann Hughes at the Kroyer Box in Nosework Class.



Jan Bajovich shared this photo taken at the club during the Karen Shivers seminar. Bob Rodriguez and his beautiful Brody are working.



Jane Bungarz and sweet Ellie doing a Nosework search



Horst Bungarz and Kaiser practice at advanced nosework class.



Benita Zapata and Raiden at the North Texas Nosework Club Match Trial on March 2nd. She was a participant in Container Master B.



Benita Zapata and Raiden in an exterior search during nosework class on Tuesday, March 13, 2018.



Benita and Raiden in nosework competition during Raiden's Elite exterior search in Tulsa where she earned her Elite exterior title.



More photos of Benita and Raiden in nosework competition during Raiden's Elite exterior search in Tulsa where she earned her Elite exterior title.



Raiden, Logan and Swish were participants in a nosework demo on Saturday, March 24th. The demo took place at the first annual Barks & Rec 5K Run & Festival in Mansfield.



Vicki Jackson's Bolin is showing off his qualifying and placing ribbons from a nosework trial.

March New Members



(Left to right) Kayla Emmons, Nicole & Stephane Desproges, and Donna Conner

Kayla Emmons

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Donna Conner

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Dog:	Cricket -All American - Manchester Terrier & Chi

Nicole Desproges & Stephane Desproges

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Dogs:	Neo - Miniature Pinscher Neo the Explorer Zedd - Miniature Pinscher Zedd the Lover





Sandi Myers shared these two photos of Cyan the Cool Cool Bunny at North Oak Cliff Library Earth Day and Tedi with the Easter Eggs.

Jan Hitchborn shared this photo of a very happy Easter Bogie!





Angela Averhart says Kiah and Nikko are ready for Easter.



Lynda Holman says here are the Holman Easter bunnies: Sweetie, Kate, Mr. Magoo, Duncan.



David Elliott presented Joe Warner the 2017 Board Award of Appreciation.



Jan Bajovich presented Pam Crystal with a gift certificate and leash as a thank you for her service as Training Director the past two years. The leash was handmade by our own Beth Hurley.

Editor's note: I mistakenly used this photo in the March Paw Print in the coverage of the DTCCDC Movie Night. My apologies to Pam and Jan.