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# First Outreach of 2023



We had great representation at Strut Your Mutt held at Fair Park on April 15. Vicki Jackson made sure we had this great photo! A special thank you to all who participated. (Left to right) Marilynn Hopkins, Katriana Egglesten, Vernon Miles, Vicki Jackson, Robert Chojnacki, Emily Baca, Margaret Culbertson, Michele Hosey, Melissa Chojnacki and William Hosey. (See comments and photos starting on [page 31](#).)

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

Rosemary Minzgher	5/2	Daniel Hunter	5/24
Mim Aiken	5/10	Lynda Holman	5/27
Catilyn Chojnacki	5/14	Brad Ralph	5/27
Miriam Inglehart	5/15	Eric Coffin	5/28
Carolyn Liles	5/17	Madison Gover	5/29
Stella M. R. Moore	5/17	Kendalyn Hunter	5/29
Marilyn Hopkins	5/21	Chris Teel	5/29
Deanna Kuhn	5/23		



### 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

	MARCH	YTD
Proceeds	\$ 68.00	\$ 163.00
Expenditures	40.00	102.10
Net	\$ 28.00	\$ 60.90

## MAY GENERAL MEETING MAY 9 @ 7 P.M.

**CLICK [Here](#) TO REGISTER IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING USING ZOOM.**



## THEME: DOG MOMS' DAY

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# A Word from Our President



Being at these last two events, I cannot tell you how proud I am of our dogs (and members too). I know we all know our dogs are trained well. Seeing them with less trained dogs really shows the difference. As the “public” dogs lunged straight for our dogs, they keep their composure. Watching these “public” dogs pull and drag

their owners, ours are all on the left healing nicely. We’ve got great trained dogs!

And a shout out to the volunteers! Thank you! I know speaking to strangers is sometimes out of many people’s comfort zone, but everyone stepped up, passed out cards and talked to those around them.

And let’s not forget the wonderful compliment the new members gave us at the April meeting – that the members they encountered were so friendly and helpful.

How can one not be very proud of our club! I know those that came before us would be extremely pleased with where we are.

Everyone deserves a round of applause.

Your President,

*Margaret Culbertson*

**Happy  
Dog Mama’s  
Day!**



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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 DTDCDC Committees and Chairperson

## We have two committees that need committee chairs:

**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.

**Promotional/Community Events/Advertising** - Need a co-chair to help Nicole Litterio with finding, organizing, getting volunteers, set-up, take down of local events such as Meet the Breed, Doggie Days in Mesquite, Parades, Strut your Mutt, etc. This committee has 4-5 volunteers that can help but are not able to co-chair. Fun committee to be on!

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# DTCDC Committees Information



## **PawPrint Committee:**

**Chair: Lana Shuman**

**Member: Jean Villa**

The purpose of the PawPrint is to keep the membership up-to-date and serve as historical documentation of the club's activities, policies and members. It is published monthly and includes information from the president, training director, treasurer, board members and committee chairs.

Highlights include the following: monthly minutes from the board and general membership meetings; president's monthly column; training director's column; training schedule and policies; treasurer's updates; members' brags and wags; club events and activities; introducing new members; and much more.

At this point, we are a two-member committee. Lana Shuman is the editor, designer, and compiler, and Jean Villa is her indispensable proofreader extraordinaire. If you are interested in being on this committee, please let Lana know. She is interested in people who have a passion to write about dogs and dog topics. We have monthly themes and occasionally topics come up that members are interested in. Suggestions for monthly themes from members are also encouraged. Two unofficial members of the newsletter are the club president and training director. The president and training director help guide what is included in the newsletter according to their goals and objectives during their terms.

Members of this committee talk about once a month via phone or exchange text messages. The end of the month is always busy when the newsletter is compiled and proofed.

Contact Lana Shuman via email, phone or text.

Email: [pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org)

Phone/text: 214-244-0960

## **Printing Committee:**

**Co-chairs: Lynda Holman & Donna Heishman**

Assures continuity, quality and adequate supply of all Club printed materials.

Routinely inventories Club's supply of the various printed items in the storeroom and resupplies any items that are running low. Currently, two people are on the committee. Anyone interested in joining this committee is encouraged to do so. Please contact the co-chairs of the committee, Lynda Holman and Donna Heishman, to volunteer or if further information is needed.

Lynda Holman: [lyholman@flash.net](mailto:lyholman@flash.net)

Donna Heishman: [donna@heishman.net](mailto:donna@heishman.net)

## **Membership and Volunteerism Committee**

**Chair: Ruth Miles**

**Members: Shelley Carr & Emily Baca**

The membership and volunteerism committee develops and provides membership information to prospective club members, processes new membership paperwork, submits it to the board for approval and presents new members to the membership at general membership meeting for a vote. We also promote the involvement of new members at the club and our outreaches.

You may contact Ruth at: [rv\\_miles@yahoo.com](mailto:rv_miles@yahoo.com)

**We're looking for  
volunteers!**



# Congratulations!! Thank you for continuing your memberships

30+ Years	Year Joined	Years
LyndaHolman	1974	49
Gary Holman	1974	49
Maurine Pearson	1974	49
Todd Leffingwell	1974	49
Darlene D. Schermerhorn	1980	43
Judy L. Harmon	1984	39
Cathy Garrett	1986	37
Marilyn Hopkins	1988	35
Stella M. R. Moore	1992	31
Chris Teel	1993	30
Benita Zapata	1993	30

20 Years	Year Joined	Years
Brad Ralph	2003	20
Katilee Ralph	2003	20
David Ralph	2003	20

15 Years	Year Joined	Years
JoAnne McCraw	2008	15

10 Years	Year Joined	Years
Pamela Chrystal	2013	10
Margaret Culbertson	2013	10
Kristina Heishman	2013	10
Beth Hurley	2013	10
Chris Hurley	2013	10
Hope McQueen	2013	10
Jan Raines	2013	10
Jeffery "Jeff" Ray	2013	10
Norma Harlin-Ray	2013	10
Craig Shuman	2013	10
Lana Shuman	2013	10
Pam White	2013	10
David Yahraus	2013	10
Cathy Yahraus	2013	10

5 Years	Year Joined	Years
Gary Cathey	2018	5
Justin Normand	2018	5
Nicole Desproges	2018	5
Stephane Desproges	2018	5
Denise Johnson	2018	5
Nina Loftis	2018	5
Kay Mashburn	2018	5
Caroline Oldham	2018	5
Carol Richtsmeier	2018	5
Bill Schurr	2018	5
Jean Villa	2018	5



# A Note from Your Training Director



## WHAT WE DON'T SEE

*April 14, 1912, RMS Titanic scraped what appeared to be a small iceberg and sank.*

What does this have to do with dog training you might be asking yourself. The majority of an iceberg resides below the water's surface hiding the magnitude of its size. Likewise, the majority of dog training is done away from sight. The repetitions, the small steps to perfect a singular aspect of an exercise, the hours researching and studying a better way to teach an exercise, the travel time to matches for those precious few minutes of ring time in a different location, the time spent exercising the dog to

keep them fit, the daily brushing and nail trims, researching diets for the proper fuel to energize the dog. These are all elements that go into the performance ultimately viewed in the obedience, rally, agility, conformation, or multitude of other dog sport performances.

That sounds like an exhausting amount of work! So, what do you get out of that work besides a title and ribbon if you are successful at an event? Your bank account will most definitely be lighter. You will have less time on weekends to relax. You will have to commit your time and energy to training your dog. Is a ribbon and title worth all that work? I'm going to go on a limb and say yes, it is worth every second and penny spent. You get something more valuable than a title and ribbon. You get a bond with a dog that will be etched in your heart and soul for the rest of your life.

As you are thinking about your goals, I urge each of you not to set your goals so low that they can be easily achieved. Use those easily achieved goals as stepping stones to the larger goal. Set goals that push you and seem unattainable. Those larger goals help you grow not only as a trainer but as a person.

*Happy Training!*

***Lisa Wharton,*** Training Director



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](mailto:training@dallasdogtraining.org)



# Session 3 Training Schedule

Below are the classes for Session 3. Session 3 starts on April 24 and runs through June 4.

We hope you are enjoying your classes. We are currently looking for volunteers for Session 4. If you are available, please contact the Training Committee.

Best Regards,

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

Have a question? Contact the training committee at: [training@dallasdogtraining.org](mailto:training@dallasdogtraining.org)

2023 Session 3									
Class	Day	Time	Start Date	End Date	Instructor	Assistant	Assistant	Assistant	
Beginner	Monday	6 - 7 p.m.	4/24/2023	6/5/2023	Kristal Hatcher	Lisa Gonzales, Shelly Carr, Miriam Inglehart , Benita Zapata			
Puppy	Monday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	4/24/2023	6/5/2023	Jeff Young	Eric Coffin, Erin Castillo, Sergio Castillo, Holly Taylor			
Intermediate	Monday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	4/24/2023	6/5/2023	Lisa Wharton	Jean Villa			
Master Nosework*	Tuesday	1 - 4 p.m.	4/25/2023	5/30/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes				
DTCDC Board Mtg	Tuesday	7 p.m.	5/2/2023	5/2/2023	Margaret Culbertson				
DTCDC Gen. Mtg	Tuesday	7 p.m.	5/9/2023	5/9/2023	Margaret Culbertson				
DTCDC Club Trng	Tuesday	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	5/30/2023	5/30/2023	Training Committee				
Conformation**	Tuesday	6 - 7 p.m.	4/18/2023	4/25/2023	Ken Hagmueller	Sandi Myers			
Conformation **	Tuesday	6 - 7 p.m.	5/16/2023	5/30/2023	Ken Hagmueller	Sandi Myers			
Open/Utility*	Wednesday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Mona O'Gorman				
Intermediate	Wednesday	12:15 - 1:15 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Cindy Sullivan	Pam White, Robbie Zeske, Kendall Lake			
Beginner	Wednesday	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Carie Turner	Felicia Ruhter, Kay Mashburn, Sherry Worley, Lisa Gonzales			
Trick Dog Novice & Intermediate	Wednesday	2:45 - 3:45 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Michele Hosey	Pam White			
Open/Utility Beginners	Wednesday	4 - 5 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Mim Aiken				
Beginner	Wednesday	6 - 7 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Jorge Ayala	Kinnie Hardaway, Emily Baca, Vicki Jackson, Lisa Gonzales			
Puppy	Wednesday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Mary Ann Magness	Kinnie Hardaway, Cathy Yaurhus, Kat Eggleston, Vicki Jackson			
Novice Polish	Wednesday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	4/26/2023	5/31/2023	Mark Malone	Pam Joyce			
B Nose & B Obedience*	Thursday	2 - 3 p.m.	4/27/2023	6/1/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgann Hughes				
Rally Novice	Thursday	6 - 7 p.m.	4/27/2023	6/1/2023	Ruth Miles				
Rally Adv & Ex	Thursday	7:15 - 8:15 p.m.	4/27/2023	6/1/2023	Melissa Chojnacki				
Beginner Open/Utility*	Thursday	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.	4/27/2023	6/1/2023	Lisa Wharton	Melissa Chojnacki, Ruth Miles			
Open/Utility*	Friday	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.	4/28/2023	6/2/2023	Mona O'Gorman				
Advance Nose Work	Friday	6:15 - 7:15 p.m.	4/28/2023	6/2/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgann Hughes				
Beg Nosework	Friday	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	4/28/2023	6/2/2023	Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata, Georgann Hughes				
Adv Open *	Sunday	11 a.m. - 12 p.m.	4/30/2023	6/4/2023	Sheryl Archer/Joan Jung				
Adv Utility*	Sunday	1 - 2 p.m.	4/30/2023	6/4/2023	Sheryl Archer/Joan Jung				
May 29 Memorial Day - no class		* Invite only	** no class during club events						

## 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



## Session 3 Instructor Contact Information

The contact information for session 3 instructors is below in the event you will not be able to attend a class you registered for. You can also let me know and I will forward to the instructors.

Class	Time	Instructor	Phone	Email
Monday beginner	6 p.m.	Krystal Hatcher	832-721-9380	<a href="mailto:grkrr@yahoo.com">grkrr@yahoo.com</a>
Monday puppy	7:15 p.m.	Jeff Young	312-315-4409	<a href="mailto:jyoungtx@gmail.com">jyoungtx@gmail.com</a>
Monday Intermediate	8:30 p.m.	Lisa Wharton	817-371-3414	<a href="mailto:msdogmom@sbcglobal.net">msdogmom@sbcglobal.net</a>
Wednesday Intermediate	12:15 p.m.	Cindy Sullivan	214-883-7392	<a href="mailto:cindydsullivan@sbcglobal.net">cindydsullivan@sbcglobal.net</a>
Wednesday Beginner	1:30 p.m.	Carie Turner	972-639-0185	<a href="mailto:Carielt@sbcglobal.net">Carielt@sbcglobal.net</a>
Wednesday Trick	2:45 p.m.	Michele Hosey	214-476-3274	<a href="mailto:whosey@prodigy.net">whosey@prodigy.net</a>
Wednesday Beginner	6 p.m.	Jorge Ayala	214-564-0189	<a href="mailto:jayalah@gmail.com">jayalah@gmail.com</a>
Wednesday Puppy	7:15 p.m.	Mary Ann Magness	405-535-9005	<a href="mailto:mm_farms@hotmail.com">mm_farms@hotmail.com</a>
Wednesday Novice Polish	8:30 p.m.	Mark Malone	972-333-8553	<a href="mailto:j_Mark_Malone@yahoo.com">j_Mark_Malone@yahoo.com</a>
Thursday Rally Novice	6 p.m.	Ruth Miles	817-899-7808	<a href="mailto:rv_miles@yahoo.com">rv_miles@yahoo.com</a>
Thursday Rally Advance	7:15 p.m.	Melissa Chojnacki	919-210-0363	<a href="mailto:melissa.chojnacki@aol.com">melissa.chojnacki@aol.com</a>
Nosework		Jan Hitchborn	972-515-7360	<a href="mailto:2jsdoghaven@att.net">2jsdoghaven@att.net</a>
Conformation		Ken Hagmueller	214-263-8004	<a href="mailto:kenhagmueller@live.com">kenhagmueller@live.com</a>
Or		Sandi Myers	214-707-0270	<a href="mailto:myedachs@juno.com">myedachs@juno.com</a>
Training Director		Lisa Wharton	817-371-3414	<a href="mailto:msdogmom@sbcglobal.net">msdogmom@sbcglobal.net</a>

If classes are cancelled, I will send out an email to membership. Instructors, please send emails to your class with your contact information - the paying students don't receive the member emails.

Thanks so much for your understanding and cooperation. We only have a two-week period to make-up classes so I would prefer to not cancel until absolutely necessary. Considering this is springtime in Texas and we never know what the weather will throw at us.

*Lisa Wharton*



# Happy Dog Mom Day



# AGGRESSIVE DOG POLICY:



If a dog is determined to be aggressive or a danger in class it will be required to wear a muzzle in order to continue classes or be on club premises. If the dog continues to be a disruption it will be asked to leave the class and club premises.

Aggressive behavior includes but is not limited to lunging, barking, or growling at humans or dogs, and any bite. Any bite of human or dog will be reported immediately to the Training Director and an Incident Report completed by the instructor to include details of the incident (details should include all activity happening in the vicinity at the time of aggression), names, phone numbers and emails of persons witnessing the behavior. Description of any injuries and related treatment provided should also be included in the report. A statement should be obtained from the handler of dog involved and those witnessing the incident. These statements should be submitted to the Training Director within 24 hours.

Any dog-on-dog aggression where there is physical injury should be reported immediately to the Training Director and an Incident Report completed by the instructor. The report should include the same information as above for human injury.

Any dog-on-dog aggression where there is no physical injury should have an incident report completed by the instructor with name of handler/dog team, the dog victim, and witness names and contact information. The report should include the same information as above for human injury.

After a report is filed with the Training Director, the Training Committee will hold a special meeting to review the reports filed and determine if the dog can be safely returned to class wearing a muzzle. If the dog continues to bark/growl in a manner to sufficiently impede class instruction the dog will be removed and referred for private class instruction. Should the handler/dog team complete private instruction and achieve behavior modification it will be evaluated for re-entry to classes. A statement from the private instructor will be required detailing the steps taken to achieve the acceptable behavior and that the dog is proficient at the acceptable behavior.

Should a dog be required to wear a muzzle to attend class and is no longer disruptive, the handler/dog team will be allowed to continue in class. The handler is encouraged to seek assistance from other members or private instruction to train through the issues causing the behavior so the dog is no longer pushed to aggression threshold and is able to train in class without a muzzle. The handler must supply the training committee with information on the training duration and methods used to achieve the behavior modification.

Should a muzzled dog be training in a class that performs a retrieve exercise, the muzzle may be removed for that particular exercise while no other handler/dog teams are on the training floor. The muzzle must be reapplied.

**DOG TRAINING CLUB OF DALLAS COUNTY, INC.  
CLASS FEE SCHEDULE  
(Effective April 1, 2023)**

**Participants are required to complete a Class Application/Registration Form and provide proof of required vaccinations for all classes.**

**SIX (6) WEEK FORMAT (the Club training fees are for “the individual dog”):**

\$110 for 6-week class: Non-member **OR** Club member training a Non-member’s dog  
\$55 for Non-member training a Club member’s dog [1/2 fee]  
No Charge Club member training his/her foster/rescue dog that may ultimately be placed with a new owner. Club member training dog owned or co-owned by a Club member.

**REPEAT COURSES:**

A handler may retake a Puppy or Beginner class at the discretion of the Instructor and Training Director/Committee. If applicable, the Training Director/Committee may decide to offer the repeated course at a discounted pro-rated price based on prior paid classes missed. This is for situations such as bitches coming into season or family/work situations that result in the inability of the student to attend classes.

**REFUNDS:**

Refunds are not given as a general rule. However, if there are extenuating circumstances, a refund may be approved by the Training Director. For example, if an instructor dismisses a dog at the first class, a request is made by a student, bitches coming into season, or family/work situations that result in the inability of the student to attend classes. Instructors must refer all refund requests to the Training Director for a decision.

**TRANSFERS:**

If a dog changes owner before completing a class, the original owner may transfer the right to complete the class to the new owner. The original owner would not be entitled to any fee reduction on a new dog they wish to train.

**DROP-IN STUDENTS:**

For drop-in students: a **by-the-class** rate will be \$20.00 per class and payment is to be collected at the beginning of each class by the Instructor. By-the-class rate will apply to Conformation, Advanced Open and Utility classes unless otherwise approved by the Training Director. A student who has attended 12 drop-in classes that does not wish to apply for membership may request to continue to pay “by-the-class” with the approval of the Training Director. Tracking payment for drop-in-students shall be kept on an attendance chart by each class Instructor. Instructors shall record the names of the student & dog and dates of payment. Instructors shall record payments & deposit monies as instructed by the Training Committee/Treasurer. Payment is due at the time the class is taken. Advanced Open and Utility classes are considered two separate classes.

*Approved by 2023 Training Director: Lisa Wharton and  
Training Committee: Melissa Chojnacki, David Elliott, Krissy Heishman, Pam White  
& the Board in April 2023 & published in May 2023 Paw Print*

# Information We Need to Know



1.	<p><b>Lock Codes:</b> Please contact Margaret Culbertson at (<a href="mailto:texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com">texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com</a>) if you need the codes.</p>
2.	<p><b>Incident Reports:</b> 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><b>Upcoming Board Meetings:</b> April Board Meeting will be held May 2 at 7 p.m. May Board Meeting is scheduled for June 6 at 7 p.m. <b>Upcoming General Meetings:</b> April General Meeting is a hybrid held May 9 at 7 p.m. Register for the zoom access at: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAv-fumgrz0qGd2HfCNVywBMfSi418D_IWdC">https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAv-fumgrz0qGd2HfCNVywBMfSi418D_IWdC</a> May General Meeting will be held June 13 at 7 p.m.</p>
4.	<p>Fill out <b>Class Registration Sheet</b> 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 <b>Zoom account for meetings.</b> If you need to have a committee meeting, training meeting, etc. contact Donna or Margaret, they can set you up. Donna Heishman (<a href="mailto:donna@heishman.net">donna@heishman.net</a>) or Margaret Culbertson (<a href="mailto:texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com">texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com</a>)</p>
6.	<p>The next <b>Show 'N Go</b> is scheduled for 5/13/2023. This is the 5/13/2023 Eventbrite <a href="#">link</a>. (It is now active). You must register by noon on Friday, May 12 (or until we reach our limit) to participate. Upcoming Show 'N Gos are scheduled for: 🐾 June 3 🐾 Aug. 19 🐾 Sept. 9 🐾 Oct. 21 🐾 Dec. 31 Contact Pam Chrystal @ <a href="mailto:valimar1@msn.com">valimar1@msn.com</a> or Jan Bruner @ <a href="mailto:janb0323@gmail.com">janb0323@gmail.com</a> with questions. Also see the flyer on <a href="#">page 58</a>.</p>
7.	<p>The club's <b>Wi-Fi and password</b> information is located in the purple binder labeled WIFI, located on white cabinet, nearest the front door.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New users - Sign the Acceptable Use Policy Form, then file alphabetically.</li> <li>• Previous users - Check the inside cover for the network name &amp; password.</li> </ul> <p>Contact: <a href="#">Donna Heishman</a>, Technology Chair</p>
8.	<p><b>FOR MEMBERS ONLY!</b> The <b>code for class registration</b> is: <b>peacelovetrain</b> Classes are found at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/dog-training-classes-905939">https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/dog-training-classes-905939</a></p>
9.	<p>Submit items for <b>PawPrint</b> to Editor Lana Shuman at: <a href="mailto:pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org">pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org</a> Questions? Call or text her at 214-244-0960.</p>
10.	<p>Please contact Vernon Miles, <b>maintenance</b> chairman, if you see anything at the club that needs his attention. Contact Vernon by email at: <a href="mailto:rv_miles@yahoo.com">rv_miles@yahoo.com</a> or cell at: 469-853-8293</p>

# Information We Need to Know



<p>11.</p>	<p><b>Missed Class Policy</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>12.</p>	<p><b>First Responder Discount Policy</b></p> <p>First responder discounts will be limited to Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, EMT, and Paramedics.</p>
<p>13.</p>	<p><b>Sunshine Fund</b>  <u>May Birthdays Recognized!</u></p> <p>Our next monthly meeting is coming up Tuesday, May 9. We will be recognizing people who have birthdays in May. If your birthday is being recognized, feel free to bring a wrapped gift for the raffle. If you have any questions please contact E'Lynne Elliott at <a href="mailto:elynnew@gmail.com">elynnew@gmail.com</a>.</p> 
<p>14.</p>	 <p><b>May Members Training</b></p> <p>Date: Tuesday, May 30, 2023          Time: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.</p> <p>See you at the club for the May Members Training on May 30. Details pending. Watch your email inbox for information soon...</p> <p>See you there!</p>
<p>15.</p>	<p><b>Return Equipment to Original Storage Location</b></p> <p>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.</p> 
<p>16.</p>	<p><b>Help Wanted by Technology Committee</b></p> <p>Need assistance setting up the technology for our hybrid meetings.  <a href="#">Donna Heishman</a>          Technology Committee</p>
<p>17.</p>	<p>Please <b>DO NOT turn the AC/Heater off or switch between the two settings.</b> It is on a program and set to jump from heat and cool as needed during the day. If turned off or on one setting it cannot cycle as needed. If it's too hot or too cold when you arrive and you do not know how to properly adjust it, please text me 214-926-4273. I can adjust it remotely.</p> <p>Margaret Culbertson</p>

# MAY MEETING PARADE AND JUDGING

*With the coronation of King Charles and Queen Camilla and the 149th running of the Kentucky Derby both on May 6th, with all the hats and fascinators, it seems only fitting that DTDC should have a hat /fascinator parade /competition of their own. Bring your dog wearing his /her fancy hat for our parade and judging.*



## Active Membership Requirements:

For persons sixteen (16) years or older who wish to work to accomplish the objectives of DTDC 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 DTDC committee
- B. Perform tasks on behalf of DTDC not formally assigned to a committee
- C. Serve as an instructor or an assistant in DTDC 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 DTDC? 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 – April 4, 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, Pam Joyce, Michele Hosey, Ruth Miles, Jan Bruner, By Zoom: Lisa Wharton, Marye Boyce, Mark Malone, Lynda Holman
<b>MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Margaret Culbertson</b>	
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Margaret Culbertson called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM</li> </ul>

### SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approve the March board minutes</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes approved by general consensus</li> </ul>

### TREASURERS REPORT – Pam Joyce

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financial information</li> </ul>
Conclusion	Total Revenue \$ 5,391.71(+.27 interest income) \$5,391.98 Total Expenditures \$ 5,098.95 Total \$ 293.03 Sunshine Collection \$ 68.00 Sunshine Expenses \$ 40.00 Total \$ 28.00

### TRAINING COMMITTEE - Lisa Wharton

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Session 2 – classes underway</li> <li>Session 3</li> <li>Train the trainer</li> <li>Nosework study options for SNG</li> </ul>
Conclusion	Session 3- still need three more assistants. Train the trainer will not be held in April. That date is open for new member training if wanted. Working on something for May. Speak to Jan Hitchborn about Nosework Show n Go

**SHOW N GO – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Show N Go – April 15</li> <li>• Change May 6<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>?</li> <li>• Other dates no July, 8/19, 9/9, 10/21, no Nov, 12/30</li> <li>• Jan Bruner is leaving the SnG but Kinnie Hardway is taking her place</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May 13<sup>th</sup> reschedule for Show and Go approved</li> </ul>

**MEMBERSHIP - Ruth Miles by Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 new member applications Ana Laureano, Dana Willmot and Vanessa Martinez</li> </ul>
Conclusion	- Board approved all 3

**PR Events/ Advertising – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 15<sup>th</sup> – Strut Your Mutt at Dallas Fair Park 6am setup – 11:00pm – meeting them Thursday 4/6 to see our spot</li> <li>• April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Doggie Derby Days at The Opal Lawrence Historical Park – Mesquite – 9am set up – 2pm – met with them in March</li> <li>• May 6<sup>th</sup> – Pets Supply Plus Waxahachie 9am set up – 2:30pm ish</li> <li>• May 13<sup>th</sup> – Strut Your Mutt at Waxahachie Park estimated 7am setup – Noon</li> <li>• Missing tent</li> </ul>
	<p>Still need more volunteers for these events. Emails sent. Need the green tent with DT CDC Logo on it- has anyone seen it?</p>

**SUGGESTION BOX – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No suggestions in box</li> </ul>
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**MEMBER-AT-LARGE – Jan, Robin, Marye, Michele**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Members have been called</li> </ul>
<b>Conclusion</b>	- Those reached had nothing to talk about

**OLD BUSINESS -**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lifetime membership</li> <li>• Still need a Historian and Event/PR/Adv co-chair</li> <li>• Volunteers-Greatly needed</li> </ul>
Conclusion	Encourage members, new and long term to help with Training. Not just the same people doing it all every session.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AED machine</li> <li>• Thermostat</li> <li>• Board meeting scheduled for 4<sup>th</sup> of July – vote on cancelling meeting</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Speaking to insurance and finding out more about having an AED in the building. Calling AED company for more information on the device and the required training and certification for use.</li> <li>- Pricing.</li> </ul>



- Thermostat usage instructions seems to be working out well.
- Board meeting July 4<sup>th</sup> cancelled. Gen membership mtg in July cancelled if we have social that month.

By general consensus, meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM  
Respectfully submitted for approval, Lisa Gonzales

# Not Sure if Your Pet Is Fit or FAT?

In general, dog and cat owners should be able to feel their pet's ribs through a thin layer of fat and see a defined "waist" between the ribs and hips. "You should not be able to see all of a pet's ribs and spine," says Dr. Buisson. "And if you have to really press hard to find his ribs under fat, he's too big." Your veterinarian will be able to give you a more accurate picture of your pet's weight and health based on individual factors; however, you can check the BCS scale below to get an idea of where your pet falls on the weight spectrum:

1	2	3	4	5
				
Very thin	Underweight	Fit	Overweight	Obese
				
Ribs are easy to see or feel. When viewed from above, there is an accentuated waist.	Ribs are easy to feel. When viewed from above, there is an hourglass shape.	Ribs can be felt. There is a slight waist when viewed from above.	Ribs are difficult to feel. There is no waist when viewed from above.	Ribs are very difficult to feel. When viewed from above, there is no waist and a broad back.

# Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Meeting – April 11, 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><b>CALLED TO ORDER BY Margaret Culbertson 7:02 pm</b>            Thanks to everyone for being at the club and online            Remind all speakers to be short and to come up to the “spot”            We thank Ruth and Pam for bringing snacks(and Emily)</p>

### SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

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

### TREASURER’S REPORT – Pam Joyce

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial report information for March</li> </ul>
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### SUNSHINE –Shelley Carr

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunshine Box needs donations, raffle tickets are available.</li> <li>• April Birthdays</li> </ul>
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### MEMBERSHIP – Ruth Miles

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New members this month.</li> <li>• 5 new member applications accepted.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 New Members approved. Welcome to Ana Laureano, Dayna Wilmot, Vanessa Martinez, Daniel Hunter and Janice Chenault, and Amy Witmer</li> </ul>

### PAW PRINT – Lana Shuman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deadline for the May Paw Print is April 21, 2023 Earlier is even better.</li> <li>• May theme is Dog Mom’s month</li> <li>• Suggestions for Paw Print Topics are encouraged.</li> <li>• Don't forget to send in brags, pictures (note if for front cover) to Lana at <a href="mailto:pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org">pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org</a></li> <li>• The June PawPrint theme is UKC events, and Dog Dads.</li> </ul>
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**TRAINING – Lisa Wharton**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Session 2</li> <li>• Session 3 starts April 24<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• Aggressive Dog Policy will be published in the Paw Print next issue.</li> <li>• April membership training meeting</li> </ul>
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**PURCHASING - Lynda Holman**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name tags in the kitchen in box for badges</li> </ul>
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**SHOW N GO – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 15 is the next Show n Go</li> <li>• May Show n Go is May 13 (moved from May 6)</li> <li>• Volunteers are always needed. It is a good opportunity to see alternate training styles.</li> </ul>
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**EVENT/PR/ADVERTIZING – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SPCA Strutt Your Mutt April 15<sup>th</sup> Dallas Fair Park Gate 5 8am to 11am</li> <li>• Doggie Derby Day – Saturday April 22 10-2 (9:00 setup). We need all type of volunteers. Location: Opal Lawrence Historical Park. 711 E Kearney St. Mesquite TX</li> <li>• We will have a booth, set up a small rally course for the public to try.</li> <li>• May have therapy dogs to let kids read to.</li> <li>• Dogs must have a title</li> <li>• May 6, at the Pet Supply Plus in Waxahachie, sign up to attend</li> <li>• May 13 Strut Your Mutt in Waxahachie setup 8am. (9a-12p)</li> <li>• Notebook for members and dog shots/Make sure your records are up to date.</li> <li>• Thanks to all members that have stepped up and let us know of events around town</li> <li>• Need a co-chair to help Nicole Litterio as she is out of town a lot and cannot be at all events.</li> </ul>
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**TECHNOLOGY –Donna Heishman**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please consider volunteering for the technology committee. Help is needed for both zoom and in person IT, using projector. Etc. Anyone that is interested in learning how to do these things is welcome.</li> <li>• Computer, router, VOIP, Nest thermostat help.</li> </ul>
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**CGC – Terri Schurr**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• April 20 next CGC</li> <li>• Need volunteers and an evaluator-at least one extra evaluator. And people to act as the crowd.</li> </ul>
	CGCU Cedar Hill 10am 4/29 in Hillside Village Shopping Center
	Sign Up on Eventbrite by 4/19/23

**SOCIAL – Lisa Gonzales and Samantha Colvard**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SAVE THE DATE: July 15<sup>th</sup> Summer Social at the club: Time TBA</li> </ul>
	Smoked Brisket and wings will be provided plus ice cream and toppings since we are indoors this year. Patriotic theme. The rest will be potluck. Please plan to bring side dishes or a dessert if attending. More to come, re: games and some craft ideas we have for the kids and adults.

**OLD BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	Our nice tent has been found !
Conclusion	Thank you to Krystal Hatcher and Shannon Quinn for finding it.

**NEW BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AED</li><li>• Good Samaritan’s Act - A person who in good faith administers emergency care at the scene of an emergency or in a hospital is not liable in civil damages for an act performed during the emergency unless the act is willfully or wantonly negligent.</li><li>• Asking that members do research on the device and a poll will be sent out later to all members to decide whether they want one or not.</li><li>• Devices- automatic or semi-automatic prices vary .Maintenance is required every 2 years the pads must be replaced whether used or not. Every 4 years the battery needs to be replaced. More information will be shared soon.</li></ul>
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Snacks for May: Melissa Chojnaki and Erin Castello.

Adjourn the meeting to brags at 8:47pm

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Gonzales





# Legislative Liaison Update

## National, State and Local

## US Congress: Proposed Breeder Restrictions

By Stephanie Schoolcraft

Federal legislation to restrict the activities of dog breeders has been re-introduced in Congress. It is labeled as commercial breeding regulations but can apply to small hobby breeders as well. This is the animal-rights supported Puppy Protection Act of 2023 (H.R. 1624). This bill was introduced in the House by Rep. Brian K. Fitzpatrick (R-PA1) and was referred to the House Committee on Agriculture on 3-17-23.

The Puppy Protection Act was introduced in each of the last two Congresses. Animal rights groups obtained more than 200 sponsors for the bill, vastly over-representing support for the bill which increases the likelihood of passage of the bill this year.

### **Puppy Protection Act Government Mandates Include:**

- Prohibiting the breeding of a female dog:
  1. Unless pre-screened by a veterinarian
  2. Based arbitrarily on the age and size of the dog
  3. If it would produce more than two litters in an 18 month period

There are many other requirements in this legislation that dictate such things as housing with unfettered access to outdoor exercise areas from indoor enclosures, mandated temperatures in enclosures, mandated dental and medical care, mandates on food, and mandates on meaningful socialization with humans and other dogs for specified times each day.

This is all a one-size-fits-all type of legislation (which although it has some reasonable generalizations), does ignore the broad range of breeds and types of dogs and best health and breeding practices of said dogs. Arbitrary restrictions can be expensive and undermine small hobby breeding programs.

### **This Legislation Applies To:**

Anyone subject to USDA breeder/dealer licensing which is any dog breeder if they maintain more than 4 "breeding females." Yes, this legislation also covers cats or other small pet mammals such as hamsters, guinea pigs, etc. But, for the purposes of this article in Paw Print, it is of course of importance to club members who are hobby breeders or those thinking of becoming a breeder.

### **What You Can Do:**

Please call, email or write your member of Congress today! Some senators have email addresses while others post comment forms on their websites. When sending an email to your senator, please include your return postal mailing address.

**Ted Cruz:** <https://www.cruz.senate.gov/contact>

**John Cornyn:** <https://www.cornyn.senate.gov/contact-john-cornyn/>

# Legislative Liaison Committee Update 2

This article will cover small pieces of legislative information that could be of interest to DTCCDC members. This information might not have been brought to your attention yet or some of it may be information you already know but others may not. Some of it is from a year or so ago, but included here in case it is news to someone who may have missed the information.



## UKC Updates

**The UKC 2019 Conformation Rulebook was revised on Jan. 1, 2022.**

Please see: <https://www.ukcdogs.com/conformation-forms-rules>

**The UKC 2020 Nosework Rulebook (Jan. 1, 2020) was revised on Oct. 15, 2021.**

Please see: <https://www.ukcdogs.com/nosework-forms-rules>

**UKC Coonhounds have a new UKC 2023 Coonhound Rulebook.**

Please see: <https://www.ukcdogs.com/coonhound-rules-forms>

**UKC Hunting Retrievers have a new 2023 HRC Rulebook.**

Alert: After the rulebook was printed and mailed, the HRC rules committee was made aware of necessary corrections to the printed version. The UKC website posted a notice on Jan. 2, 2023 explaining the corrections and lists the changes on their website here: [https://www.ukcdogs.com/article/2023-hrc-rulebook-correction?news\\_id=2](https://www.ukcdogs.com/article/2023-hrc-rulebook-correction?news_id=2)



## AKC Updates

Feb. 13, 2023: The AKC Board VOTED to modify the Obedience and Rally Regulations to provide instructions to judges and stewards on how to manage a dog that leaves its handler and attempts to leave the ring while competing. A judge will instruct the stewards not to reach for or grab a dog to stop it, but if the dog is not responding to its handler's commands, the judge may advise the stewards to attempt to block the dog from leaving if it is safe to do so. The dog will then be released from the ring.

Effective June 29, 2023: At the AKC November 2022 meeting, the Board of Directors VOTED to modify the AKC Rally Regulations to allow the addition of a new optional titling class named Rally Choice. Clubs may start to apply for events in this new class on April 2, 2023, for events held on or after June 29, 2023.

Here are some other AKC changes that can be viewed in the following rulebooks:

**Rules Applying to Dog Shows Amended to March 29, 2023.**

**Note:** This rulebook contains the following inserts:

- Teal Insert - Effective June 28, 2023
- Pink Insert - Effective May 2, 2023
- Gray Insert - Effective June 28, 2023
- Yellow Insert - Effective May 2, 2023

You can download a PDF of the rulebook here: <https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RREGS3.pdf>

**Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Test (ACT) Amended to Jan. 1, 2022**

This rulebook contains the following insert:

- Blue Insert - Effective February 1, 2023

You can download a PDF of the rulebook here: <https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/REAGIL.pdf>

**Obedience Regulations, Obedience Judges' Guidelines and The Steward in Obedience Amended to April 1, 2022.**

This rulebook contains the following inserts:

- Green Insert - Effective March 1, 2023
- Lilac Insert - Effective March 30, 2023
- Blue Insert - Effective April 1, 2023

You can download a PDF of the rulebook here: <https://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RO2999.pdf>

# DTCDC Legislative Liaison Committee Update on Texas SB 876 and HB 2238

(These are excerpts from an AKC article. The full article can be found at this link: <https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/texas-senate-approves-breeder-bill-favorable-amendments-concerns-remain/>)

On April 24, 2023, the Texas Senate approved SB 876. The bill will require anyone that both owns 5 or more intact females and is engaged in the business of breeding those dogs for sale to secure a state license.

In discussions with the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation it has been clarified that this legislation will not impact those that simply own intact dogs, but it will regulate someone that owns five intact female dogs and breeds those dogs, if they sell just one puppy, unless they meet one of the exemptions outlined in the bill. See amended exemptions below:

- Breeding primarily for conformation purposes. Those that breed primarily for conformation purposes are not subject to licensing.
- Breeding for hunting, agriculture and for participation in other AKC events were already exempt from the law.
- An additional amendment appears to also exempt those who breed primarily for one of these purposes but do occasionally sell to a pet home.

These amendments were included because of the efforts of hobbyists from across the state that took the time to contact the sponsor and the committee in opposition.

## Concerns Remain, Action Needed, Continue Contacting the House:

AKC remains concerned about the impact of this legislation on many home-based hobbyists. Please contact the House Licensing and Administrative Procedures Committee to express your concerns with SB 876. The contact information for the committee can be found at this link: <https://house.texas.gov/committees/committee/?committee=C350>

HB 2238, a nearly identical version of SB 876, is pending a referral from the House Calendars Committee for consideration on the House floor. Please continue contacting your State Representative with concerns on HB 2238. Be sure to mention you are a constituent when contacting them. You can find your state representative using this link: [Who Represents Me?](#)

## Talking Points for HB2238:

- For many that breed in their private home, you will be required to open your private homes to inspections when applying for a license and at least every 18 months thereafter.
- This legislation will require you to comply with certain housing standards that were intended to regulate commercial facilities. For example, existing law requires drainage systems for facilities that house dogs.
- You will be required to pay a licensing fee of at least \$300.

AKC Government Relations continues to monitor all bills impacting dog owners in Texas. For questions or more information, contact AKC GR at [doglaw@akc.org](mailto:doglaw@akc.org).





**IT IS EXCITING!** We still have 2 upcoming public events. We have had great fun at the Strut Your Mutt event at Fair Park and Doggy Derby Day in Mesquite. We have been hitting the road with a bang! We've updated our booth, updated our handout, and prepared fun interactive demos – so now all we need is YOU!

If you haven't signed up and want to participate, please text me that you can help! – PLEASE read the information below and respond to me if you can help (text 214-926-4273 or email [texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com](mailto:texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com))...the more the merrier!

**Remember that your dog must have a title to represent the club - basically any title except the S.T.A.R. Puppy Certificate. That doesn't mean you cannot come without your dog to answer questions and talk to interested people – or you can be a participant with your dog, you just can not represent the club.**

## EVENT 1: Pet Supply Plus Waxahachie [Inside]

<b>Date:</b>	May 6 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Location:</b>	791 N Hwy 77 Suite 205 Waxahachie, TX 75165
<b>Schedule:</b>	
9 a.m.	Set Up
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Demos and Chatting
2:30 p.m.	Tear Down

### Details:

Pet Supplies Plus has a new franchise owner. David Elliot and his Great Dane were there shopping. The franchise owner was very impressed with how well-behaved the dog was which led to a discussion about our club. The owner wants us to set up in the back of his store and show the customers well-trained dogs. He will advertise about our coming so hopefully there will be a lot of foot/paw traffic.





## EVENT 2: Strut Your Mutt – Waxahachie [Outside]

<b>Date:</b>	May 13
<b>Location:</b>	Getzendander Park 400 S Grand Ave Waxahachie, TX 75165
<b>Schedule:</b>	
7a.m.	Set Up
8 a.m.	Event Registration
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	5k Run
12 p.m.	Tear Down



The race to end animal cruelty.

**Details:**

- We will have a booth. They are roping off an area for demos in a grassy area so we can demo with jumps.
- We need some of you early risers for the 6 a.m. set up.
- We need members without dogs and members with dogs to chat with visitors.
- We need members with dogs willing to do demos. You can plan your own (or a group) demo. We want things that are exciting to an audience such as amazing utility exercises, rally, trick dogs, etc. Of course, we will do called heeling exercises and what's time with our dogs without a few timed stays!
- We need some people that can stay to tear down.

**FURTHER NOTES:**

Margaret has contacted the Tri-City Animal Shelter. They currently do not have anything on their calendar. She has also contacted Cedar Hill Park service, no response yet. They had a Paws in the Pool-ooza last August so hoping that is still happening. Pet Expo is listed for May, but she hasn't been able to find a contact. It is in May and since we have 2 outreaches this month, we probably need a break anyway.

If you hear of some event we should be in attendance, please let Margaret know. We do need 30-45 days advance notice to pull it together.



# Coverdog

## Photo shoot



Kinnie Hardaway and Piper Ann completed their Therapy Dog Training and are now an official Pet Therapy Team through Alliance of Therapy Dogs! Congratulations!





**Dog Mom Stephanie Schoolcraft poses with her dogs Ranger (left) and Brandy.**



**Dog Mom Vanessa Martinez says, "Here are my special boys Bevo and Big Tex. Hope you like the pic!"**



**Dog Mom Robin Vogel says, "The little Pom is my 'hospice' foster. He is 6 lbs. and 16 years old. He was found on the street last year, micro-chipped but his family could not be located. He's mine forever now and we all love him very much! The other two are Gabe and Madori."**





**Dog Mom Kinnie Hardaway and Piper Ann**



**Dog Mom Lorna Wilhem and Dakota**



**Dog Mom Jan Hitchborn says, "Oliver gave me a Mom Month kiss after earning his novice trick title."**





Dog Mom Georgann Hughes shared these photos of Swish. The black and white photo was taken by a friend (Gigi Goesling) when Swish earned her first UKC elite element title (Elite Containers.) I was so very proud of her! The second photo shows the resulting ribbons with judge Nancy Anderson at the trial in Alvarado.



Dog Mom Benita Zapata had a day out with Raiden! Raiden and Benita went to Dallas Executive Airport. Raiden got to see big airplanes and did scentwork searches underneath and around airplanes. This was a fun day out with mom!



Dog Mom Donna Ralph shared these photos. "This is my newest rescue, Angel, a senior-to-senior rescue from Brit Rescue in Texas. These are from her 'Gotcha Day', my first meeting her and our drive home. Although she has only been with me for 2 months, I am so in love with this girl. She brings so much sunshine into my days. She is indeed an "angel" to me."



# Outreach #1 in April:



## Strut Your Mutt

Fair Park April 15, 2023 from 8-10a.m.

By Margaret Culbertson



It was a beautiful day and DTCCDC was out in full force at the SPCA Strut Your Mutt event. This is a 5K run or 3K walk with your dog. They estimated 1000 people were there. There were also about 20 vendors. We were located at the start/finish line with the 3 food trucks to our left and a great band on the other side.

We had new, updated pamphlets which is a 4x6 card with a QR code to our website and another one to our Eventbrite classes. This also includes instructions for a \$10 discount to a class. We handed out over 100 cards.

Thank you to the following:

Vernon Miles, Melissa and Robert Chojnacki were there at the crack of dawn (6 a.m.) to help set up. They went right to

work getting everything placed perfectly!

Katriana Egglesten was a trouper manning our table out on the walkway.

Emily Bara and Jorge Ayala helped with passing out some of our cards and we all took some, walking around the area and in the Tower Building.

Our demo people (and dogs) Vicki Jackson, Mary Ann Magness, Marilyn Hopkins, Carrie Turner, Michele Hosey, Pam White kept the demo ring busy with high energy demos of open exercises and some agility.





Photos for this event provided by Margaret Culbertson and Ruth & Vernon Miles.









## Outreach # 2 in April:



DOGGY  
DERBY  
DAY



# Doggy Derby Day

Mesquite Texas Opal Lawrence Historical Park

April 22 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

By Margaret Culbertson



Club members who attended pose with the club tent/display: (left to right) Mary Ann Magness, Vernon Miles, Ruth Miles, Emily Baca, Michele Hosey, Chris Swain, Cathy Yahraus, David Yahraus and Margaret Culbertson.

ative doggy parents. We spent some time with this group after the Derby Day was over.

**D**T CDC had a great set up at the Doggy Derby Day event. It started out a cool day, but quickly warmed up. The park is very nice with about 7 old buildings to tour or at least learn about, a Blue Bonnet/wild flower area for pictures and a winding sidewalk. This event was very small. Being from this area, I noticed a lack of advertising. There were approximately 60 people there besides us. We definitely talked to every person there and handed out our new cards. Our best connection was with the Mesquite Animal Control who took about 50 of our cards to hand out to adop-

*(Continued on page 37)*



In the red barn, volunteers were creating hats for the dogs. They took paper bowls, turned them upside down, and glued and staple fake flowers on the bowl per the dog owner instructions. The hat/bowl was tied to the dog's head by a ribbon. The dogs were lined up and judged on their hats. The winners went away with a gift basket and other things. That was the Derby part of this event.

Our volunteers did a fabulous job. With such a low public turnout, we had time to work on ideas for future demos. Lisa Wharton and Pam White had already been working on an obedience drill team routine that could be performed as a group. It was a good idea as more motion/action in the demo ring gets more attention. They also set up an easy rally course for the public to try. It was a huge success. We had a reading corner to read to a therapy dog. All the younger children stopped by for reading time.

Thank you to our members that volunteered – Emily Baca, Michele & William Hosey, Mary Ann Magness, Ruth & Vernon Miles, Chris Swain, Robin Vogel, Lisa Wharton, Pam White and Cathy & David Yahraus.



All photos taken for this event by Vernon Miles.



# DOGGY DERBY DAY







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# 2023 AKC Rally & Obedience National Championships

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



- 2023 AKC National Obedience Championship will be held at the Roberts Center in Wilmington, Ohio. Sunday & Monday, June 18-19, 2023 Those invited have to be in the top 10% of their breed Tabulated by OTCH points.
- Sheryl Archer - Flyer is invited
- Kay Scott - Ben is invited
- Sylvia Nuzzolilo - Drake and Brynna are invited.
- Jane Palmer - Loki is invited.
  
- The 2023 Rally National Championship will be held at the Roberts Centre in Wilmington Ohio, Friday & Saturday, June 16 - 17, 2023
- Darlene Schermerhorn - Stormy is invited in Novice.
- Jan Bruner - Ace is invited in Championship Class and Happy in Advanced Rally.
- Mona O’Gorman - Gerry is invited in Advanced and Riki in Excellent.
- Mary Ann Magness - Chance and Jack are invited in Novice and Fellow in Excellent.

# DTCDC NOSEWORK



## Nosework Easter (Good Friday) Update

By Jan Hitchborn



Jan Hitchborn, Benita Zapata and Georgann Hughes set up an “eggstra” fun Easter search for their Friday evening nosework class on April 7. They know how to make it fun for the dogs...



Melissa and Gozer



# DTCDC NOSEWORK



**Kadee and Triste**



**Peggy and Trump**



**Ruth and William**



**Steve and Johnny, as Jan watches**



# DTCDC NOSEWORK



**Sherry and London**



**Wendy and Dino**



**Emily and Kara**



**Doreen and Mando**



# DTCDC NOSEWORK



**Kadee and Sully**



**Kinnie and Piper**



**Rosemary and Coco**



**Courtney and Joey**



# DTCDC NOSEWORK



But the pictures of the night were of Gozer doing his "bunny" thing and . . .

the winning photo: Trump with the frog's eyes.

Photos taken by Miriam Inglehart



Sergio and Parker



Gozer is ready for Easter



Picture of the night: Trump with frog eyes!







# NOSEWORK HALL OF FAME

Here are UKC Nosework Hall of Fame certificates earned by club members in previous years through 2022 in the categories of Elite, Championship, and Grand Championship. Their overall ranking in the Nosework program is also listed. Going forward, we will announce standings on a yearly basis. Below are the certificates for Elite and Champion levels in Nosework:

## Jan Hitchborn and Logan



## Benita Zapata and Raiden





Jerri Martin and Cagney



Caroline Oldham and Katie



Caroline has a missing one UKC is tracking down in Elite for Hershey her Labrador who led the way for all of us before passing in 2018 or 2019 and was first in our group to earn Elite in 2017 or 2018. The year is just getting started and we are excited that we already have new titles to report rankings on next year.



Club members also in the Hall of Fame for 2022 and for whom I do not have certificates to post are: **Jan Bajovich and Kelly**- Elite Nosework. UKC will be sending this certificate to Craig Shuman at my request; **Vicki Jackson and Bolin** - EN; **Mim Aiken** earned two ENs with **Oreo and Toby**; **Barbara Delamar and Stitch** - EN; and **Georgann Hughes and Swish** - EN.

Two of the original instructors of this sport for many of us are on the list as well are Victor Borrás and Glory- EN, and Bob Rodríguez and Brody- EN.



**Ruth Miles and William** earned first place in Guardian Group and their certificate is also pictured. Way to go all!



# Need a new trick to teach your dog?

Here's a fun trick I can't wait to train! It's from [hundeo.com](https://www.hundeo.com).

Happy training!

*Michele Hosey*

## Whisper

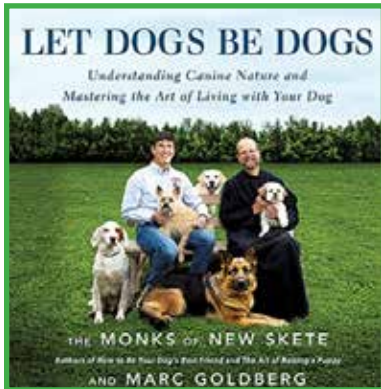


This trick makes it look like your dog is whispering something in your ear, which is super cute! First you practice with him to put his nose through a circle of your fingers. To do this, lure him into the right position with treats. If this works well, you bring the circular hand closer to your ear bit by bit. Remember to reward your pet with a treat each time he puts his nose through it.

Now hold your hand open to your ear and point it out to your dog. When he puts his nose to your ear, reward him again. If this step works, build in signal words like “whisper”. If your dog understands the exercise, he will hold his muzzle between your hands and your ear at the signal word.

# DTCDC LIBRARY

## Recommended Resources:

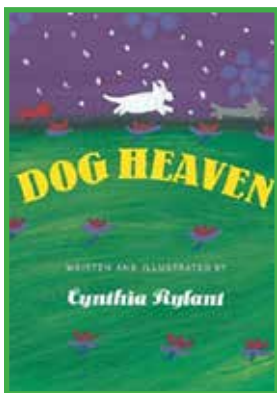


SECTION: Training  
TITLE: **Let Dogs Be Dogs**

AUTHORS: The Monks of New Skete and Marc Goldberg

DETAILS: Through abundant stories and case studies, the authors reveal how canine nature mani-

fests itself in various behaviors, some potentially disruptive to domestic accord, and show how in addressing these behaviors you can strengthen the bond with your dog as well as keep the peace.



SECTION: Fiction  
TITLE: **Dog Heaven**

AUTHOR: Cynthia Rylant

DETAILS: A comforting and playful exploration of a beloved dog's journey after a happy life on Earth.



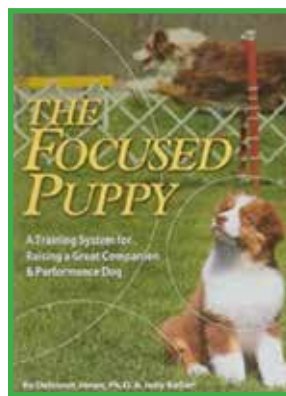
SECTION: Games and Fun  
TITLE: **Play With Your Dog**

AUTHOR: Pat Miller

DETAILS: A playful dog is a healthy dog!

For most dogs, play comes naturally, while for others, play is something they need to be taught. Play

helps dogs learn to interact properly with other dogs and people. It helps sharpen their social skills and provides excellent physical and mental stimulation. In addition to being just plain FUN, play is a great way to help build a solid relationship between you and your dog and can be a great training tool.



SECTION: Puppy

TITLE: **The Focused Puppy**

AUTHORS: Jones and Keller

DETAILS: Start out on the right track with your dog and build his foundation skills at the right time in the right order.



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/dtc-dc-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*



# CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (CGC)



**Titles earned on  
April 20, 2023**  
*Congratulations to:*

- *Shelley Carr & Maverick*
- *Mary Ann Magness & Gal*
- *Erom Castillo & Maddie*



# COMMUNITY CANINE (CGCA)



**Titles earned on  
April 20, 2023**  
*Congratulations to:*

- *Terri Schurr & Saffron*
- *Mary Ann Magness & Gal*



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# TRICK DOG TITLES



**Titles earned on  
April 20, 2023**  
*Congratulations to:*

- *Erin Castillo & Maddie - TKN*
- *Shelley Carr & Maverick - TKN*
- *Mary Ann Magnes & Gal - TKN*



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



# TRICK DOG TITLES



**Titles earned**  
**April 5, 2023**  
*Congratulations to:*

- *Pam White & Opal - TKI*



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

# SHOW & GO

## SATURDAY May 13<sup>th</sup>

### 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: \$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 Stay Exercise



**Pre-Entry at "Events" on DT CDC website**

Link active @ 6am on 4/28/23: [DT CDC Show & Go](#)

Pre-entries close at noon the Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> or when limit reached.

Emails with run-thru order will be sent.

## **UPCOMING DATES**

**June 3<sup>rd</sup> August 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 9<sup>th</sup>**



**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**



# Welcome

## New Members



(Left to right) Ana Laureano, Amy Witmer, Dayna Wilmot, Daniel Hunter, Janice Chennault and Vanessa Martinez

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Daniel Hunter</b>
City:	Mesquite
Phone:	214-518-0833
Email:	<a href="mailto:aviselectbullies@gmail.com">aviselectbullies@gmail.com</a>
Birthday:	5/24
Dog Call Name:	Manny
Dog Breed:	American Bully
Dog Full Name:	Manifest
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Janice Chennault</b>
City:	Mesquite
Phone:	214-923-6965

Birthday:	3/22
Dog Call Name:	Ellie
Dog Breed:	American Bully
Dog Full Name:	Lavender Diesel
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Anthony Chennault</b>
City:	Mesquite
Birthday:	3/30
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Isaac Hunter</b>
City:	Mesquite
Birthday:	6/28



<b>Name:</b>	<b>Kendalyn Hunter</b>
City:	Mesquite
Birthday:	5/29
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Ana Laureano</b>
City:	DeSoto
Phone:	469-720-8725
Email:	<a href="mailto:laureano15@yahoo.com">laureano15@yahoo.com</a>
Birthday:	11/18
Dog Call Name:	Chato
Dog Breed:	All American - Chihuahua/Da-schund
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Emily Ramirez</b>
City:	DeSoto
Phone:	214-257-3265
Birthday:	2/27
Dog Call Name:	Zelda
Dog Breed:	Great Dane
Dog Call Name:	Zack
Dog Breed:	All American
Dog Call Name:	Bruno
Dog Breed:	Great Dane
Dog Full Name:	Sebastian Bruno

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Vanessa Martinez</b>
City:	DeSoto
Phone:	469-267-7272
Email:	<a href="mailto:vanessamartinez2018@icloud.com">vanessamartinez2018@icloud.com</a>
Birthday:	1/4
Dog Call Name:	Bevo
Dog Breed:	Doberman
Dog Call Name:	Big Tex
Dog Breed:	Mastiff
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Dayna Wilmot</b>
City:	Dallas
Phone:	914-623-3254
Email:	<a href="mailto:wilmotdv@gmail.com">wilmotdv@gmail.com</a>
Birthday:	12/14
Dog Call Name:	Vega
Dog Breed:	Standard Poodle
Dog Full Name:	Cedar Cove's Rocky Road
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Amy Witmer</b>
City:	Farmers Branch
Phone:	262-719-8041
Email:	<a href="mailto:aim02wi@gmail.com">aim02wi@gmail.com</a>
Birthday:	2/20
Dog Call Name:	Wager
Dog Breed:	Nederlandse Kooikerhondje
Dog Full Name:	Waterbound Place Your Bets



*Happy  
Dog  
Mama's  
Day*


# DTCDC Bulletin Board

## JUNE GENERAL MEETING

**ZOOM AND IN-PERSON**

**JUNE 13**

**7 P.M.**



## **JUNE PAWPRINT**

**THEME: DTCDC UKC STARS  
& DOG DAD'S DAY ON JUNE 18**

*This issue is dedicated to honoring the UKC DOG STARS in the club. If your dog has a title of any kind through UKC they are stars and deserve recognition. We will also honor our DOG DADS and their dogs.*

**DUE DATE: Wed., May 24 (or earlier)**

**UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:**

<b>JULY</b>	<b>DTCDC AKC STARS</b>
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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\*\*](mailto:pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org)

## **MAY 2023 DOG CALENDAR:**

- National Pet Month
- Responsible Animal Guardian Month
- Pet Cancer Awareness Month
- Chip Your Pet Month
- National Service Dog Eye Examination Month
- Pet Sitter Safety Month
- Apr. 30-May 6: National Scoop the Poop Week
- May 1: Mayday for Mutts
- May 1: National Purebred Dog Day
- May 1: International Samoyed Day
- May 3: National Specially Abled Pets Day
- May 6-9: Westminster Week. *This year to be held at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Queens, New York, this series includes the Masters Agility Championship, Masters Obedience Championship and the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show.*
- May 7: Mayday for Mutts. First Sunday in May
- May 7-13: Be Kind to Animals Week
- May 7-13: National Pet Week
- May 7-13: Dog Anxiety Awareness Week
- May 8: National Catahoula Day
- May 8-13: Puppy Mill Action Week
- May 10: German Shepherd Day
- May 14: National Animal Disaster Preparedness
- May 14: National Dog Mom's Day
- May 14: International Chihuahua Appreciation Day
- May 15: Do Lunch With Your Dog Day
- May 20: National Rescue Dog Day
- May 20-27: Dog Bite Prevention Week
- May 27: International Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Day
- May 28: Feast Day of St. Bernard of Montjoux. *The patron of hospices at two Alpine passes, later to be named Great and Little St. Bernard passes. The hospices were home to—you guessed it—St. Bernard dogs who were trained to find lost travelers.*
- May 30: Memorial Day



**T**here are scholarships currently available by the club. If you know a worthy recipient for them, please contact a DTDCDC 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.

## **JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP**

A club member has anonymously given \$1000 to start a Junior Scholarship and have this open to other members donating to keep it going. Eligible young people age 16 or younger with a GPA (Grade Point Average) of 3.0 are eligible. The student may receive it twice and will be eligible to receive help for first their first year of membership in the club. Please let Margaret Culbertson know if you are aware of a student who qualifies and wants training for their dog. Further details will be available soon. Monies for the fun may be submitted using the small lock box in the cabinet inside the main door to the building. Simply put the money or check in an envelope and mark the outside of the envelope for Junior Scholarship.





**Benita Zapata brags:**



**Abbey Thomas brags:**



Raiden earned her UKC Nosework Champion Title in November of 2022. Raiden will continue to work towards her UKC Grand Championship title.

Chiki earned the third leg of her rally novice title this weekend and made fourth place in the rally novice A class.

Here's a photo with her ribbons!

**Mary Ann Magness brags:**

It has been a busy and fruitful time for Gal. Gal earned her RN at the Ft Worth Show in March. On April 20 Gal earned her CGC, CGCA and TKN during testing at the club. Way to go!



Raiden attended AKC scentwork Trials in Oklahoma City the first weekend in March. There were many teams trialing in the Detective class.

Raiden earned several legs in Excellent level toward her AKC Elite title. The most amazing celebration was on Saturday March 4th. Raiden earned a 1st Place win in Detective class under judge Caroline Oldham.

Raiden continues to train for future Detective legs which include large areas in interior and exterior.

**Jan Hitchborn brags:**



J Bar T Little Dickens Oliver Twist finished his first beginner obedience class and went on to earn his AKC Novice Trick Dog Title on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. He loves trick class.



**Jane Palmer brags:**



Icha and I had a great weekend at Lone Star Dog Obedience Club. Icha at 14 months old earned her RN title at her first weekend competing in AKC show. It was tough for distractions are her worst enemy. We had a great time.

**Jose Rodriguez and Steve Weir brag:**



Ruffino earned 3 AKC Agility Course Test titles, ACT1, ACT2 & ACTJ1. He has all 4 now so we started working on Novice.



**Jan Raines brags:**



Our first trial ever was a great success this past weekend (April 21-23) in Bonham. Okra got her Novice Rally Title over the three days of the trial. The first day was a bit of a challenge for her with all the excitement of an indoor event, but she settled in nicely for Saturday (she even won a pewter cup!). Some of her heeler boisterousness was back double-time on Sunday but she still managed to qualify. We couldn't have done it without all the support of our Thursday Novice Rally class and Cheryl's superior instruction. Thanks to all!!! You can see that Miss Okra appears to be very proud of herself!

**Mim Aiken brags:**



I tried Mantrailing on April 23 with Mantrailing North Texas. This sport has come across the pond from the UK. The parent organization is Mantrailing Global. They have trained instructors in several countries, and we have one here in North Texas.

I can't tell you how much fun Oreo and I had. Oreo figured out there was a game a foot and that he could get paid for having fun. If you get a chance to play this game, you should try it!

**Sandi Myers and Ken Hagmueller brag:**



Sammy earned 2 new titles at the Lone Star Obedience Trials in Bonham. He earned his Rally Intermediate with a perfect score of 100. First dog in the ring and only perfect score. That never happens for me! Then he earned his Beginner Novice title with a 194 1/2.

He also earned 1 Rally Advanced A leg with a 2nd place placement the next day. And one extra leg on the BN.

**Shari Price brags:**

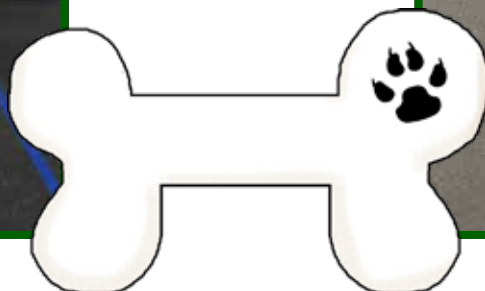


Sedona received her Rally Excellent Title in Bonham (left) by qualifying all three days in the excellent class. She scored 91, 86 and 92. In Fort Worth (right) on March 26, she received her Rally Advanced Title.

**Sheryl Archer brags:**



Tango earned his CDX in Tulsa, Oklahoma, April 8 - 9. He went three for three with two 4<sup>th</sup> place finishes in Open B under judges Cathy Caballero, Russell Hornfisher and Joe Caputa.





## Wednesday Afternoon Beginner Class Session 2

(Left to right) Jan Hitchborn & Oliver, Terri Schurr & Dash, Ana Laureano & Bruno, Michele Hosey & Rafa, Patti Carlson & JoJo, Mark Lindenmayer & Gypsy, Pam White & Opal (not pictured)



## Intermediate Wednesday Afternoon Class Session 2

(Left to right) Kay Mashburn & Missy, Elyssa Edwards & Luna, Sherry Worley & London, Robbie Zest & Cash, Terri Schurr & Saffron, Fred Ciarochi & Bruno, Carie Turner & Diva, William Hosey & Dobby, Lisa Gonzales & Axel



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