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JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Vicki Jackson	6/3
Linda Shearin	6/7
Kayla Emmons	6/8
Darlene D Schermerhorn	6/8
Sheryll Baker	6/11
Paul Cantwell	6/12
Craig Stewart	6/13
Beverly Jane Bungarz	6/16
Carol Lautzenheiser	6/16
Craig Shuman	6/19
Katilee Ralph	6/23
Bill Schurr	6/24
Jean Robson	6/27
Alexandra "Lexi" Moore	6/28



JUNE GENERAL MEETING
JUNE 8 ~ 3 P.M.
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY
Nicole and Stephane Desproges

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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.

Sunshine Fund Report

	Apr-19	YTD 2019
Proceeds	\$58.00	\$245.50
Expenditures	\$ -	\$(75.78)
Net	\$58.00	\$169.72



A Word from Our President

Greetings to everyone as we enter the month of June and a new session of classes.

Thanks go out to all the instructors and assistants that make these classes such a success. I also want to thank the tireless efforts that the training committee puts forth making sure all the classes have the proper number of volunteers for each class. If you would like to assist or instruct, please contact them. I am sure they will gladly find an area you can help in.

The Summer Social is coming up and this will be an important one since we will be voting on changing the by-laws to improve the club's ability to take care of the business of the club. Not to mention all the fun and fellowship we get to enjoy.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Your President,

David Elliott



2019 Officers & Directors

President – David Elliott

Vice President – Vicki Jackson

Training Director – Jan Bajovich

Secretary – Margaret Culbertson

Treasurer – Shari Price

Member at Large – Carol Ford

Member at Large – Jan Hitchborn

Member at Large – Linda Shearin

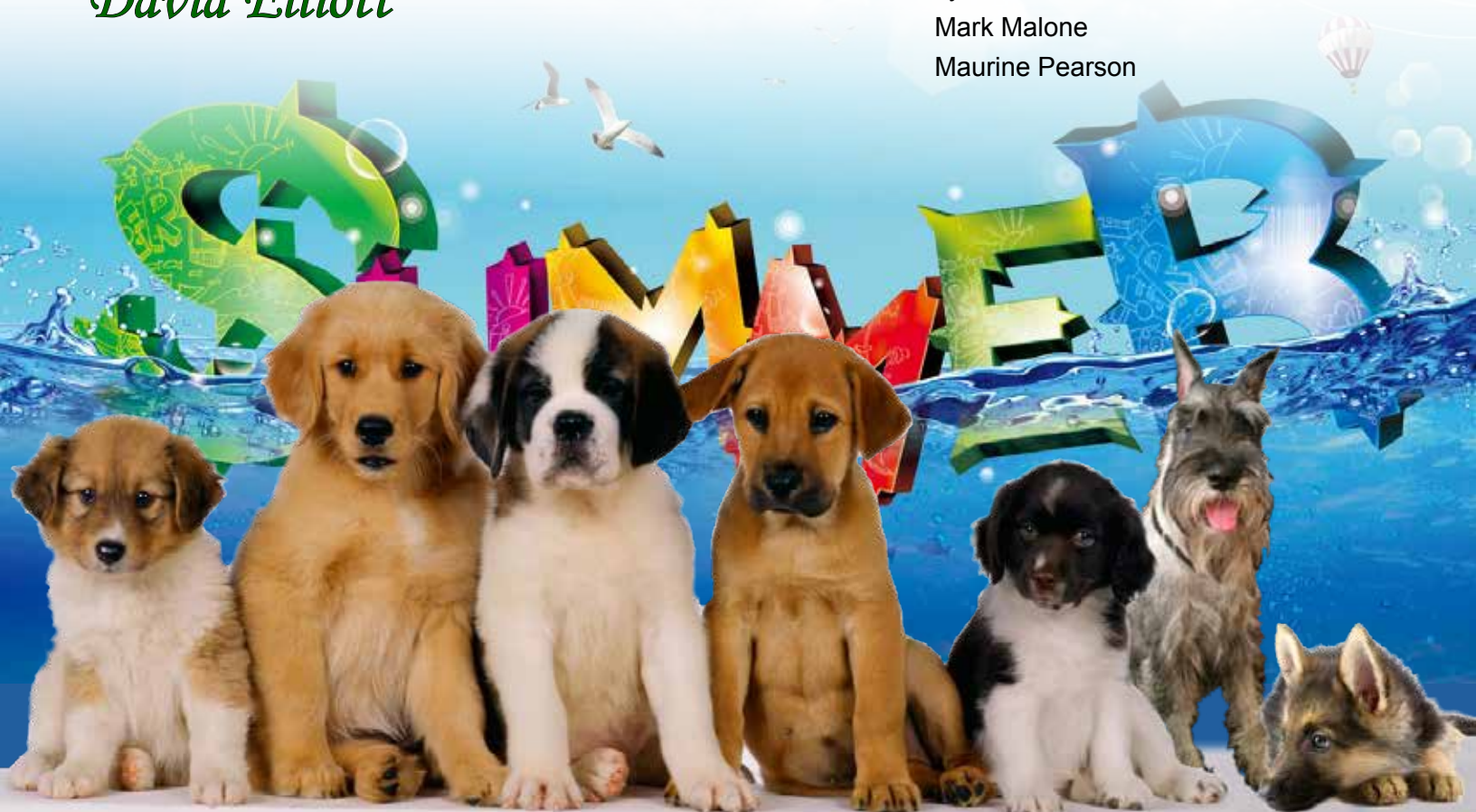
Member at Large – Benita Zapata

Corporate Directors:

Lynda Holman

Mark Malone

Maurine Pearson



By-law Proposals for DTCDC

Proposal # 1 Quorum requirement

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS AND VOTING

Section 1. Club Meetings

Meeting(s) of the Club shall be held monthly at the DTCDC Club building at such time as may be designated by the Board. Notice of each such meeting shall be given not less than five (5) days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for meetings shall be 10 percent of Active Members.

Proposal #2 – Nominating Committee Chair

ARTICLE VI – THE CLUB YEAR, ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS

Section 4. Nominations

No person may be a candidate in a Club election who has not been nominated in advance by one of the following procedures:

By the August regular meeting of the Club, a Nominating Committee shall be elected by ballot. Each Active Member in good standing and in attendance will be allowed to submit four (4) names on the elective written ballot. The four (4) members receiving the highest number of votes shall serve as the Nominating Committee. Any tie shall be decided by a run-off ballot. A Corporate Director shall serve as the Nominating Committee Chair.

Proposal #3 – Treasurer Disbursement Limits

ARTICLE III – DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Section 2. Officers

E. The Treasurer shall collect and receive all moneys due or belonging to the Club. He or she shall deposit the same in a bank approved by the Board in the name of the Club. The Treasurer shall disburse moneys for the routine operating expenses of the Club and may disburse up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for miscellaneous Club expenses. Amounts over five hundred dollars (\$500.00) are to be approved by the members of the Club; except in cases of dire emergency, in which case a majority of the Board may authorize payment.

Proposal #4 – Include Email as Method for Notices to Members

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Training Committee News

Our next training opportunity will be June 29th, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.. Certified behavior consultant Karen Deeds will be at our club to instruct us in how dogs communicate with each other and with us. I have seen this seminar and recommend it for all instructors and assistants. As, always, if you are attending and have not already done so, please RSVP to Jan Bajovich. See you there!

NEW OPPORTUNITY!!! And now please add August 24th to your calendar for a new training opportunity. Our own Paul Cantwell, an OTCH handler and the current instructor of our Beginner Open/Utility class, will present Training with Toy Rewards. Even if you think your dog is not toy motivated, come learn how to motivate your dog and learn the principles. Your next dog will thank you! And you will have another tool to help those students whose dogs may not be food motivated but love toys.

The August 24th seminar will be a full day seminar, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.. There will be a maximum of 12 working spots available. If we have more than 12 requests for working spots, they will be determined by a drawing about 10 days before the seminar. As always, please RSVP to Jan Bajovich if you plan to attend.

The Training Committee has been working on some additions to the Instructor and Assistant Manual. These will include tips for handling shy or over aroused dogs in your classroom as well as a protocol for issuing prong collars and the required training to be given when issuing a prong collar. We will notify members as soon as the updated manual is posted on the website.

NEEDED!!!! We are needing instructors and assistants for the last two sessions of the year. Please contact Sally Browning, Carol Ford, or Jan Bajovich to volunteer. And big thanks to those who have already volunteered.

Jan Bajovich

DTCDC Training Director



Instructor/Assistant Corner:

Did you know learning has four stages? As an example, let us look at the “sit”.

1. **Learn the new behavior.** This is the stage in which the dog learns to “sit” and to do so on command/cue.
2. **Fluency.** The dog sits every time they hear the cue and they do it quickly, consistently and accurately.
3. **Generalization.** We all know dogs do not generalize behavior well. Maybe the dog can “sit” in the living room where the behavior was taught, but this does not mean they can “sit” in the kitchen. We take training “on the road” and practice the “sit” in every room of the house, in the garage, at the training club, at the park, at Home Depot for the dog to generalize the behavior to all environments.
4. **Maintenance.** Behavior once learned will not always stay at the fluent, generalized levels unless we maintain it through practice. Ever notice your dog suddenly needs two commands to do a familiar behavior? Or they are forgetting to “sit” at the door before you open the door? This is your clue that the behavior is slipping and needs to be maintained. Don’t get mad at the dog. Get your treats and do a little maintenance training.



Why is it important to understand these stages? We tend to expect too much of our dogs too quickly and get frustrated because we are not getting what we want from them. By understanding that your dog is in the fluency stage of the “sit” will help you to understand why he cannot “sit” when he goes to Grandma’s house. Instead of being frustrated with the dog, you will understand that he has not yet generalized the “sit” to other places. Just pull out some treats and use this as an opportunity to generalize the behavior.

Same goes with a dog who learned to “sit” years ago but now is not sitting on the first command or is not sitting at the door as he used to. Instead of yelling at the dog, recognize that some maintenance work is called for. And remember, any behavior that is NEVER reinforced will eventually extinguish. Keep treats around the house and occasionally reinforce those behaviors that have become automatic (like sitting at the door or coming when called) in order to keep these behaviors strong.

Jan Bajovich

DTCDC Training Director

SESSION 4 -- 2019					
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date	Instructor
Beginner	Mon	7 - 8 p.m.	6/3/2019	7/8/2019	Marilyn Hopkins
Puppy	Mon	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	6/3/2019	7/8/2019	Holly Taylor
Conformation	Tues	6- 7 p.m.	6/4/2019	7/9/2019	Jenny Dunaway
Foundation Skills	Tues	7 - 8 p.m.	6/4/2019	7/9/2019	Jan Bajovich
Puppy	Tues	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	6/4/2019	7/9/2019	Jan Bajovich
Advanced Rally	Wed	7 - 8 p.m.	6/5/2019	7/10/2019	Pam Crystal
Master Rally	Wed	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	6/5/2019	7/10/2019	Jan Bruner
Beginner	Thur	1 - 2 p.m.	6/6/2019	7/18/2019	Pam White/Michelle Hosey
Foundation Skills	Thur	2 - 3 p.m.	6/6/2019	7/18/2019	Jan Hitchborn
Trick Class	Thur	3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	6/6/2019	7/18/2019	Michelle Hosey
Beginner	Thur	6 - 7 p.m.	6/6/2019	7/18/2019	Sara Bell
Novice Polish	Thur	7 - 8 p.m.	6/6/2019	7/18/2019	Lisa Wharton
Beg Open/Utility	Thur	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	6/6/2019	7/18/2019	Paul Cantwell
Master Nosework	Fri	7 - 8 p.m.	6/7/2019	7/19/2019	Rotating
Beg Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	6/7/2019	7/19/2019	Jan Hitchborn
Adv Nosework	Fri	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	6/7/2019	7/19/2019	Benita Zapata /Mim Aiken
Novice Rally	Sun	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	6/9/2019	7/14/2019	Jan Hitchborn

CANINE VOCABULARY

Suggested Canine Vocabulary:

- **Dog's Name:** To get attention, look at you
- **No, Aah:** Use low pitch, use to stop undesired behavior, pair with name of behavior
- **Watch Me:** Use when dog's eyes meet yours, or get dog to look at you
- **Come:** Use as dog approaches you, always reward
- **Off:** Use as dog jumps on people or furniture
- **Down:** Use as dog lies down, chest and stomach on the floor
- **Sit:** Use as rear goes down
- **Stay:** Position dog, pair with signal, say softly while stationary
- **All Done:** To release from stay as you gently move dog
- **Heel:** Use whenever dog is walking on loose lead, attention on you
- **Stand:** Use as dog stands on all four feet without moving
- **Wait:** Pause briefly, such as at doorways, awaiting a further action command
- **Find It:** Toss treat or toy and say as dog looks for it
- **Outside:** Use when dogs leaves house
- **Inside:** Use when dog enters house
- **Place/Bed:** Use when dog lies on bed or is placed on down in his place
- **Get It/Fetch:** Use as dog retrieves or goes to an article
- **Give:** Use as dog releases article into your hand
- **Item Name:** Use when given or presented to/by dog, such as cookie, chewy, toy, etc.
- **Over/Jump:** Use as dog leaps over a hurdle or obstacle
- **Up:** Use to allow dog on furniture, lap, person, etc.
- **Shake/Paw:** Use when dog presents paw to shake
- **Speak:** Use when dog barks. Later No Speak can be taught
- **Quiet:** Use as praise during quiet intervals
- **Move:** Use to warn dog when he is in your way, move out of your path
- **Go:** Use to move the dog out ahead of you
- **Hurry:** Use to speed up dog as on right turns and fast pace
- **Easy:** Use to slow down dog as on left turns and slow pace
- **Get Empty:** Use as dog eliminates (use Potty, Tinkle, or a term you feel comfortable)
- **Crate/Kennel:** Use to send to crate



Dogs are capable of learning any number of commands. Many more than humans ever teach them. Devise simple, one word commands for other behaviors you desire in your dog

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Meeting – May 4, 2019

AGENDA

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	General Membership Meeting
Facilitator	David Elliott
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson
Attendees	See Attendance Roster
	CALLED TO ORDER BY DAVID ELLIOTT @3:12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognize instructors and assistants for 3rd session Thank Rita & Jan Hitchborn

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – DAVID ELLIOTT FOR LAURA LIPSCOMB

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunshine Box
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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 April 6th General Meeting.
Conclusion	General consensus approved

TREASURER'S REPORT – SHARI PRICE

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial report Insurance Policy for Club building
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REGISTRATION – MARGARET CULBERTSON

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Session 4 is open Asking for volunteers to join the registration committee
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PAW PRINT COMMITTEE – DAVID ELLIOTT LANA SHUMAN

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upcoming edition
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BY-LAWS COMMITTEE- DAVID ELLIOTT FOR LYNDA HOLMAN

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are 4 changes in the bylaws that board has been working on. Final wording then will be emailed during May and in the June Paw Print. There will be a discussion with members at June 8th general meeting. Membership voting will occur possibly at the July general meeting.
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PURCHASING COMMITTEE – LYNDA HOLMAN

Discussion	Toys for graduation
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PICTURE WALL COMMITTEE – TERRI SCHURR

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adding 2nd row so please submit yours to go on the wall
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SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE – SANDI MYERS

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manages our Facebook and Twitter pages• Post any DT CDC flyers can be posted on Facebook group page and Twitter. Send to Sandi to post to the DT CDC Facebook club page
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SOCIAL COMMITTEE – KRISTAL HATCHER

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Date of Summer Social – July 27th
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TRAINING COMMITTEE – JAN BAJOVICH

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One change for session 4 first weekend in June Rally novice will start the next June due to a seminar that Sunday.• Need instructors for Sessions 4,5 & 6.• June 29th Karen Deeds – no working spots• Updating the instructor and assistant’s manual from the January Sylvie seminar.• Foundation skills – not changing curriculum but adding some information for the class and an updated instructor’s manual.
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LIBRARY COMMITTEE -SALLY BROWNING

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DVD– Muzzle Up & The book – Aggression are in the library and would help in instructing and assisting
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RENTAL COMMITTEE – DAVID ELLIOTT FOR SHERYL ARCHER

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 1-2 MABOC seminar – club closed to members• June 22-23 Dachshund trial – club closed to members
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COMMUNITY EVENTS/PUBLIC RELATIONS/ADVERTISING – DONNA HEISHMAN

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Committees have been merged• Need 3 more volunteers for the Expo which she got• Donation to the Ellis SPCA was approved by the board
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TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – DONNA HEISHMAN

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• WiFi Policy and use by members – notebook at door on top of cabinet ... sign the sheet, put it in the right spot, get password• Computer is here. You can sign up for classes on this computer
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SHOW N GO – MARGARET CULBERTSON

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next Saturday May 11• Need volunteers• Special thanks to busy board members Jan H., Jan B. and David E. for volunteering in April• New volunteers in April did a fabulous job
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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE – DAVID ELLIOTT FOR TERRI SCHURR

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No New Members
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Next month’s snacks provided by Nicole and Stephane Desproges.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by and seconded by Linda Shearin & Carol Wright.

Adjourn the meet to brags and refreshments at 3:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Margaret Culbertson

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting – May 5th, 2019

AGENDA

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	Board Meeting
Facilitator	David Elliott
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson, Secretary
Attendees	David Elliott, Jan Hitchborn, Carol Ford, Jan Ba, Maureen, Vicki Jackson, Shari Price, Margaret Culbertson, Mark Malone, Linda Holman, Linda Shearin
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – DAVID ELLIOTT @ 1:09	
Discussion	•

SECRETARY'S REPORT – MARGARET CULBERTSON

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David asked if there were any corrections or additions to the April minutes. • Letters sent to 2018 members that did not pay in 2019
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approve minutes meeting by general consensus

TREASURERS REPORT – SHARI PRICE

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial statements • Insurance policy renewal for Club still looking due 5/15 \$3600 unless better offer • PSK \$1100 for income tax accounting fee, being reoccurring expense Shari will pay • Expo – Donna to asses this year to see if we should renew for next year
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TRAINING COMMITTEE - JAN BAJOVICH

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 4 open • Need instructors for Session 4 June 3 • Moving Rally to the next Sunday June 7? • Adding information to instructor training manual • Jan and Pam W teaching a foundation skills class now so that they can work on exercises to be in these class go forward • Karen Deeds seminar coming up
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REGISTRATION - MARGARET CULBERTSON

Discussion	•
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SUGGESTION BOX – VICKI JACKSON

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rally Master EX and AD switch out on Thursday – alternate the time on the same night – 2 suggestions
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OLD BUSINESS – DAVID ELLIOTT

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• By-Law Changes we have a list of the changes to be reviewed for discussion upon Board reviewing them during the Month of April for discussion in May.• Summer Social Date• RPOA donation \$100 voted on years ago – dog laws that are not favorable to us – David spoke to them – just send in dues to reinstate our status. They send by email so we will create liaison email for this to go into.• Members that do dog training, grooming etc...is is a liability if we log that into a list David suggest disclaimer. Shari asking insurance if we could do that.
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NEW BUSINESS -

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft form for handler/dog teams attending Community Events since a dog title is required (STAR puppy does not count).• Approval to donate class to the Ellis county SPCA fundraiser. Shannon Quinn requested. Will provide flyer. We usually give a gift basket.• Discuss combining Community Events & Public Relations/Advertising Committees.• To stop a dog fight - Nature seasonings no meat tenderizer. They no longer make fajita seasons without a tenderizer.
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Adjourning meeting was motioned by Vicki & Shari Seconded by.
By general consensus, meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Therapy - Linda Marler gave a seminar/talk years ago. Offered to do anther seminar to promote the Baylor Therapy

Stay safe and enjoy your summer!



DTCDC Suggestion Box



The board responds to your questions and suggestions placed in the DT CDC Suggestion Box.

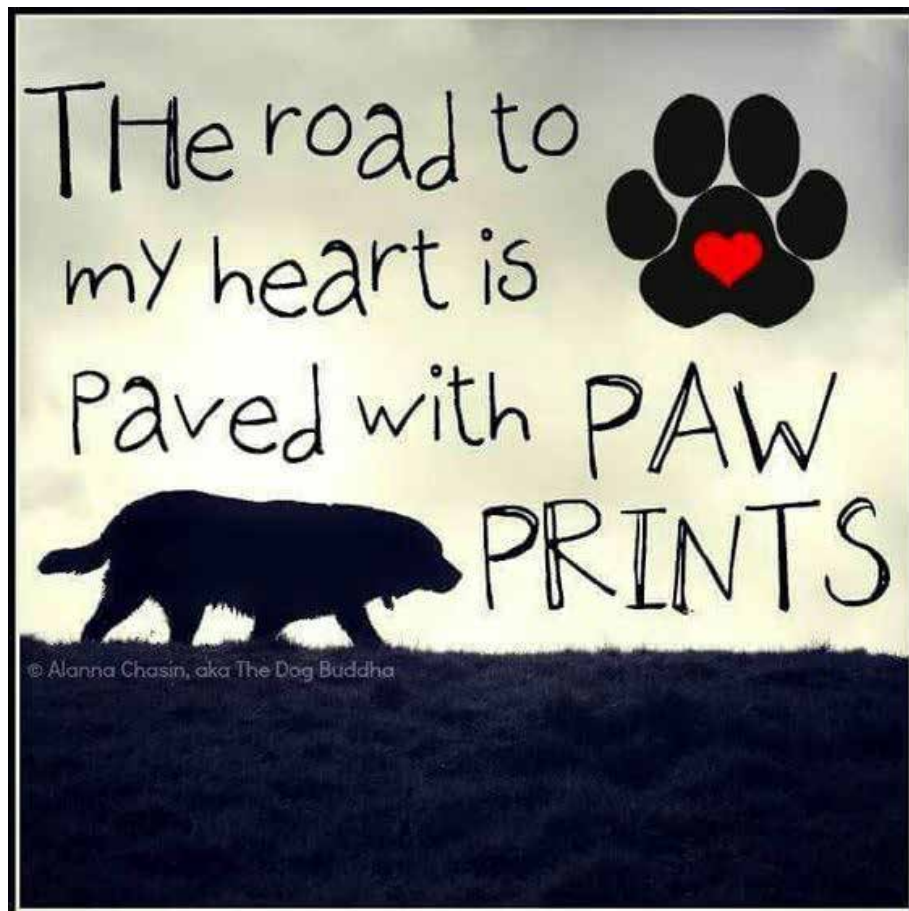
Suggestions Received:

“Suggest to make Master Rally class first (7 p.m.) on even # sessions, and Adv/Ex Rally classes 1st on odd # sessions. This would allow some handlers who do not like to drive later a chance to take the Master level class. Start with session 4.”

“Master and Ex and Adv to please switch out on Thursday.”

Response:

One of the reasons for giving Rally students their own night was to allow for flexibility as the number of students change in each level, etc. Switching out with Thursday classes would be disruptive to the Thursday classes, but the idea to re-schedule the Rally classes on Wednesday night was referred to the Rally students for discussion and for their recommendation and approval. Most of the Rally students did not support changing the Master class so no change will be made at this time. Thank you for your suggestions.



How My Dog Inspires Me

Inspiration I Have Received from My Dogs

By Jan Hitchborn

Over the years I have seen so many awe-inspiring actions from my dogs especially once I started having more than one dog. I have noticed over the years how an older dog will take on the mothering and teaching role model for a new pup and/or dog brought into the family. Then when that older dog is in decline, I have watched as roles reverse and the younger one starts to mother and care for the aging senior. It is so normal. No meanness, no bullying just totally loving and caring. It is true giving back.

On more than one occasion I have had to watch helplessly as one of my dogs goes thru a health crisis and have marveled at the grace and determination with which they handle their strange and new situations. One such event was when my six year old golden, Lady Sadie, after a three mile walk in the morning, was running across the yard and suddenly crashed to the ground then struggled to get back up, but her back right leg was just a noodle. A trip to emergency and lots of discussion and examination produced a diagnosis of a fibrocartilaginous embolism (FCE) where a piece of fibrous cartilage breaks off and obstructs the blood supply to the spinal cord. It is commonly referred to as a "spinal stroke". Best course of action is patience on the human's part to see how it all plays out. Crate rest and specific exercises are prescribed. A run was set up in the family room and interestingly Sadie never once objected to being in there 24/7 except for exercises and potty breaks. It was to be the only time in her 14 years she did not sleep in the master bedroom with the rest of her pack. Luckily her "stroke" hit low on spinal cord and it affected the one leg only. With stoic determination she let us do all the hands-on exercises needed and set her mind to standing on all fours by herself. She recovered and when tired there was a slight limp and after recovery ran like a three-legged dog. She never looked back and never complained.



Jan Hitchborn's dog Luke

A year later our other female golden girl, Abbie, suddenly started missing catching a ball and when swim season started on Memorial Day I noticed as she tried to get a tennis ball from the pool it looked like she was bobbing for apples. Suddenly it hit me. She could

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not open her mouth/jaw all the way. After ruling out lock jaw and a disease dogs can get from cats, titers with U Cal Davis showed she had masticatory muscle myositis (MMM) and autoimmune disorder where the body's own defense system turns on itself and starts to destroy the chewing muscles of the jaw and head. The treatment was to shut down the immune system to let it reset itself. This meant working up to 1 mg of prednisone for every pound of body weight. We had to work her up to 60 mgs a day. Once the jaw was back to opening to correct width and held for a while, decrease of prednisone started. During this time, Abbie lost a lot of body muscle and strength. She could no longer jump up on the couch or into the SUV. Walks had to discontinue and she did not have the strength for her favorite past time - swimming. Not once did I see any thing but a happy dog going about her life and just adjusting as she had to do what she wanted to do. I put her on some of my human supplements from Mannatech which are food based with my vet's blessing. Abbie turned a six+ month recovery into a record three month and she never looked back. Interesting, even though the prognosis was that her head would have a gaunt look due to the destroyed muscle, Abbie regenerated all jaw and head muscle. We were also very fortunate that she never had a potty issue on that much prednisone.

Both dogs faced their sudden challenges and got on with life – no pity parties. But when it comes to true stoicism that still brings tears to my eyes, it is Luke. I wrote a piece back then called The Lessons of Luke and sent it to DFW Metro Golden Retriever Rescue.

“We wanted to share Luke with the rest of you in a thank you letter of sorts from a grateful golden. Now in looking back over our short five months with him, we discovered we learned so much from him.

We started to foster Luke in September of 2008 to get him over ear infections, a ruptured ear drum and to help put back on weight as he was about 20 pounds underweight. He was also very heartworm positive. After reaching the end of his first month of heartworm treatment, it became very apparent that he was ailing from something more sinister. The diagnosis was most likely a brain tumor or something neurological and cancerous. He therefore was definitely not adoptable. As Luke was happy and having a good

time with us and our golden pack, we offered to give him a home until it was time to send him on his next life's adventure.

So began the lessons taught to us and our observations from this noble dog in how to handle a terminal illness. Our own Teresa and Dr. King were wonderful advisers in the beginning and let us know what to expect. The most impressive thing was that Luke never held a pity party over his changing condition. He just set out to figure out how to do what he wanted to do and then he did it. His back left side was weaker and he tilted to the left as he ran. He learned on “bad days” that if he started to fall when doing his business, he could catch himself and position himself differently. If he zigged rather than zagged and fell down, he got himself back up and continued on. He loved to take walks and was the ultimate sniffer of smells. When he became weaker and the walks just were too taxing, he no longer “asked” to take his turn, but waited until we were done and then came for some love and a wag to say he was glad we were through and inside to stay where he was. I never once observed him giving in not even on those last days when it was getting harder for him to get up and he started going in left circles. I would have to stop him and point him in the correct direction and off he would go. For Luke there was no “I can't” only “I can and I will somehow.”

On his last day, we were with him and he left for Rainbow Bridge having been in his last days one family's beloved golden. He was only six and half, we only had him for five months of that time, but his spirit, love and can-do attitude will live on in our hearts forever.

If life ever deals us a bad hand, may we have the grace and dignity to handle whatever it is the way Luke handled his life.”

And even today, I pray to have the grace and dignity for my life whatever comes my way, the way Luke did.



Inspiration

By Jennie Dunaway

While Jennie loves all of her dogs, it's clear that she had a special bond with Cabela. To understand this bond you have to know her story. In June 2005, she made the decision to get another puppy. She made arrangements with a breeder to take possession of her puppy when the litter was old enough. While she waited for the litter to arrive life threw Jennie an unexpected curve. Jennie had been participating in a sail boat race in Corpus Christi Bay when the boat she was racing in collided with a competitor's boat. She fell through the hatch and broke four ribs. She also sustained a concussion. At the hospital, a CAT scan was ordered to evaluate the severity of the concussion. As doctors viewed the scan, they discovered a brain tumor. Jennie underwent surgery that lasted 9 hours. She had been back home in Red Oak for exactly one week recovering from surgery when she received a call that her puppy was ready. She immediately felt overwhelmed and remembered thinking, "I don't think I can handle this. I can barely bend over and pick things up, let alone take care of a puppy." But when the puppy was delivered, Jennie took one look at the tiny little bundle and it was "love at first sight." "The puppy was absolutely beautiful," she remembered. For three weeks they laid together in a recliner while Jennie recuperated, with Cabela curled up sleeping on her chest and the bond began. As Jennie looks back at that season of her life, she believes that Cabela had a therapeutic effect on her recovery. "It's hard to sit and feel sorry for yourself when you have something so full of life bouncing around. I really feel like she got me up and going, instead of me sitting around feeling sorry for myself," she stated. "I didn't have a choice."

Once Jennie began to regain her strength, she wanted to socialize Cabela, so she enrolled her in handling classes. Like any proud new mom, Jennie had always believed her new puppy was special. But it was the feedback she received that convinced her she wasn't just being maternally biased. Cabela was special. "The glowing attributes gave Jennie the confidence to start showing Cabela competitively. In the past years, Jennie and her dogs have won more than 100 awards. Cabela alone won over 100 Best in Show awards."

But I Owe my life now to Cabela. After a tragic incident at home in May 2015, Cabela started licking my face until I was able to revive and call 911. She was my guardian angel and by my side thru recovery and became my PTSD Service Dog.

Now that she has passed 8 weeks ago, I feel eternally grateful to have this "Once in a Lifetime Dog." The void in my heart is still there but her spirit stays with me.





My Dogs Changed My Life

By Lana Shuman

I'm not the greatest dog person, I know that, but I really do love my dogs. I haven't had a lot of dogs in my life. I was actually afraid of them until after my husband and I were given a Boston Terrier when we lived in Hutchins.



Cub and Lady. We had had Cub about a week. This was as close as they would get to each other.

Lady was a one-of-a-kind kind of dog. She adopted my husband on sight. For them, it was love at first sight. It took a little while before she came to live with us, but she quickly ran the house. She was probably the most empathic dog I have ever met. If I was upset, she was right in my face kissing it all better. We adopted another dog, an American Eskimo-Chow mix (we think) who had been thrown out of a car when he was about eight-weeks-old. We found him with his head stuck in a chain-link fence. Cub was supposed to be my dog. It didn't work out that way. Both dogs loved my husband Craig and chose him. I honestly didn't think I was a dog person. I loved them both, but they would spend their time with him even when he was sleeping (Craig works night.)

It wasn't until both of them crossed the rainbow bridge that things changed for me. My husband did a lot of dog breed research into temperament, size, personality and health and came up with the Standard Schnauzer as the dog of choice. We needed a mid-sized dog that would be easy to take care of as we got older. Craig's research also lead him to a breeder in South Carolina. He contacted her and asked if we would be able to get a male puppy any time soon - Craig wanted a show dog. This was October of 2012. They talked several times over the phone, and she agreed that if we provided a down payment we would be able to get a puppy in an upcoming litter. In the meantime, he kept monitoring her website.

One night he noticed she had posted that she had a young bitch that she had been showing that wasn't working out. The dog didn't like to show and the breeder was offering her for sale. She wrote about her personality. Craig got excited, called me and asked me to look at what she said. "She sounds just like what you are looking for!" Craig wanted a show dog, I wanted a cuddle dog, a home dog. I read her description and had to admit she sounded perfect. He called and confirmed we wanted her. In late October 2012, we drove to Aiken, South Carolina, and picked up Shana-N-Marchant's IM A Princess UR Not aka Fiona. (The litter was named after the Shrek Movies. Thus the name Fiona.) After getting to know her for a while, the breeder placed her in the crate in our car and off we went.



We had Fiona about a month when I took this photo.

We got home and introduced her to our home and big backyard. I think what blew me away most was she wanted me. She decided from the very beginning I was hers, and she was mine. Craig had talked about Lady being his heart dog and I really didn't understand it until Fiona. I have really enjoyed working with her. Fiona will do anything I ask of her. She is a real good bunny huntress. She has caught more bunnies than Champ has, but when I tell her to put it down, she does. Just because I asked her to. She loves her mama and her mama loves her. We have gone to several classes at the club together

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and she now has her CGC, CGCA and CGCU. All achieved on her first try. I can take her anywhere with confidence. One of the things I admire about her the most is how she has been with the two puppies. Fiona loves puppies. She kept Champ in line when he was a puppy. I don't know what we would have done without her. She played with him and protected him and taught him many things. She did the same with BeBe. She would jump over the side of the Xpen and play with BeBe and then jump back out when she was done.



Champ always had an attitude.

had completed his Silver Grand Championship. He had done better than we could ever have dreamed. We started seriously talking about starting our own kennel. Champ's handler had been asked to help us find a bitch towards that end. He called us one day and said we would be getting a puppy in about two months. We named her BeBe short for her registered name LoneStar's Bountiful Beauty.



BeBe on the day we first met her. She was the little yellow girl.

In February 2013 we drove back to South Carolina to pick up Shana's Silver Streak aka Champ. A dog with a "little more drive" for Craig. We laugh about it now, but Champ was a totally different level of dog. Fiona had fit in with us and was very much wanting to please. Oh, she had her moments of schnauzerness, but generally she loved me and wanted to please me. Champ wanted to rule the world. The breeder let us keep him over night at the motel before we paid for him. I think she wanted us to have our eyes wide open to what we were getting. It was a battle from the beginning. He wanted to chew up the puppy pads, he wanted to tear up the toys, he wanted to pee all over the carpet, he wanted to ... Craig got what he wanted. A beautiful dog with a whole lot of drive. To this day I tell people I used the same psychology on Champ as I had used with the kindergarten and first grade boys I used to teach. Enough said.

About two years ago we got a third Standard Schnauzer.

Champ by this time was ready to retire from the show ring. He had completed his Silver Grand Championship. He had done better than we could ever have dreamed. We started seriously talking about starting our own kennel. Champ's handler had been asked to help us find a bitch towards that end. He called us one day and said we would be getting a puppy in about two months. We named her BeBe short for her registered name LoneStar's Bountiful Beauty.

BeBe was a beautiful little girl, but it soon became evident things were not right. She had nasal infections, bad ones. Lots of antibiotics later and visits to specialists, it was discovered she had a birth defect. Her soft palate was not fully formed and her food was going up into her sinuses and causing infections. We scheduled her for a visit with a veterinary surgeon who said there was enough tissue to make her a small, soft palate. BeBe is a trooper following her surgery. Who would think a little bitty doggie, she was only 6 pounds 7 ounces when we brought her home, would be such a fighter. She never gives up. Even when she had to be hurting she pressed on through with a smile. Always a smile. She is the happiest, spunkiest puppy I ever met. Never a complaint that she didn't feel well. Always loving and full of schnauzerness. She inspires me with her can-do spirit and enthusiasm in spite of her struggles. She still occasionally gets things caught in her sinuses, but she has learned to adapt and fight through it and clear her sinuses. She still gets an occasional sinus infection, but overall she is doing well. She is the happiest, funniest dog. She gives us so much joy and laughter just by being herself. Craig and I are convinced the Lord gave her to us. She is supposed to be ours.

Fiona inspires me to give more of myself. Champ inspires me to be bolder and more confident in the Lord. BeBe inspires me to never give up, to persevere and all with a good attitude. These dogs are a blessing.

My Story Includes Four Dogs

By David Elliott

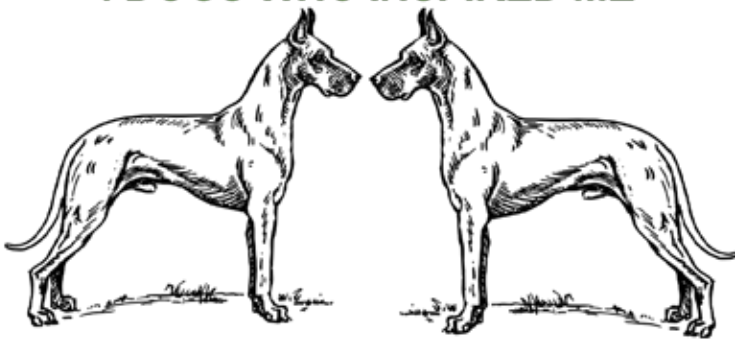


Dogs have been in my life since I was a small boy, so my story includes four dogs.

My first dog that had an impact on my life was named Duchess, she was my constant companion. She was a Samoyed - not quite the dog you might imagine for a boy on a farm with hay fields, woods and muddy ponds. Her unconditional love and desire to be around me without ever attacking my self-worth got me through when I changed schools and had to start over. She became my friend when I did not have any. She



4 DOGS WHO INSPIRED ME



went everywhere with me when I was home, she even learned to ride my bike with me. Without fail she greeted me at the bus every day and the rest of the day it was the two of us off to an adventure. She also was the dog I had to grow up some with and learned you have to take responsibility for the things that matter to you when tragedy happens. Duchess was coming out to greet me full of energy and she got too close to the bus and was killed. My love for her was so deep I knew the only way to get closure was to bury her myself. Showing her that her love was returned, and her memories helped me have more confidence in my ability to carry on through life no matter what life would deal me.

My next dog that inspired me was our first Great Dane; her name was Michelle. She inspired me with the love of the breed. She was a goof ball always doing something wacky. Like jumping into water and not know how to swim or staring at the ceiling because she saw a mouse in one of the lights once. However, she was awesome with our children and continuously there for walks and times of joy.

Then came the dog of a life time. Mickey Birthday Strokes AKA Mickey the dog that would bond with me like none other. He inspired me to train by doing everything I asked of him, in puppy class we bonded like no other dog I had ever had. In beginner class he worked like a champion. He flew through the CGC's like he was designed for them. By him doing so well I caught the importance of training a dog instead of just letting a dog hang around and be a pet. He became a companion. He inspired me to share his abilities and gave me the enthusiasm to help others. He also became my first therapy dog which is where he really is inspiring. He has shown me that we can make a difference in people's lives just by being available and sharing our time. He has shown me the way to make a lasting difference.

Now I have another dog Benson. Benson is inspiring me not to give up when everything doesn't happen right on the first try. He has shown me patience will prevail. Benson is well on his way to also becoming a therapy dog; he has lots of promise. Benson's personality has shown me you have to be creative at times to get the results you are searching to accomplish. Thus, I hope you can see way I love my dogs for they are always a constant source of inspiration.



Teddy, My Inspiration

By Judy Werner

Teddy is my very first dog . I'm in my 70's, just learning how to handle this wonderful creature who often baffles me with his behavior despite taking the polish class over and over. Yet one thing that consistently inspires me about my 72 pound Great Pyrenees rescue is that he never complains. I've unintentionally stepped on his foot, or hit him with the door or knocked him off the back seat with a quick stop in the car : yet he quietly goes on about his business while I am frantically checking him out to be sure he's not harmed. How I wish I could be like Teddy ! I don't suffer in silence by any stretch of the imagination; I hope someday I can grow up to be just as non- complaining as Teddy.



DTCDC 2019 Summer Social

Backyard BBQ

Date: July 27th

Time: Noon

Place: DTCDC Bldg

Bring a side dish or a favorite dessert for the dessert contest. Plan for some fun and games for folks with or without dogs and for the kids.



SHOW & GO

SATURDAY July 13th

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

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



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



Doors open at 7:30 A.M.

Utility & Grad Open Run-throughs begin around 8:00 AM

Day of Show Entries 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Other classes Run-throughs begin after Utility/Grad Open

Day of Show Entries 8:00 AM - Noon

Novice runs include one Group Sit/Down Stay Exercise

Additional runs of same dog in same class are done when first entry runs are completed.



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

Pre-Entry at "Events" on DT CDC website or [DT CDC 7-13-18 S&G](#)

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

MARK YOUR CALENDERS  UPCOMING DATES

 August 17th  September 21st  October 12th 



Directions: Driving South on 67- take **Cockrell Hill Rd** exit-continue thru intersection

Stay on access road - Turn Right at first street (**Crest Lane**)

Turn Left at next street (**Crestside**). Clubhouse is on left at the end of the block.

White building with black paw prints  across the front.

Questions??? Contact Pamela Chrystal @ (214) 415-1955
or valimar1@msn.com

The Greg Quintana Memorial Fund

Greg started with his first dog McKenzie in puppy class in 2005. McKenzie and Greg went on to compete in obedience and rally. He and Jax once again started in puppy classes in 2009 and competed in obedience, rally and conformation. Greg also shared his six dogs in therapy work. Dog training opened many doors for him to pursue many adventures. He would be proud to see the juniors carry on his love of dog training and showing.

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



DTCDC Bulletin Board

JULY GENERAL MEETING

July 27TH Following the
Summer Social Meal



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



JULY PAW PRINT

THEME: PATRIOTIC

SUBMISSIONS DUE DATE:

FRIDAY, JULY 31 (or earlier)

UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:

AUGUST:	SUMMER HEAT
SEPTEMBER:	TIME FOR SCHOOL
OCTOBER:	BOO TO YOU



JUNE DOG CALENDAR:

- National Microchipping Month.
- National Foster a Pet Month. New from the Petco Foundation.
- National Pet Preparedness Month. This month, timed for the first month of hurricane season, urges people with pets to make preparations in case they should be hit by a disaster...and that includes making plans for what you would do with your dog in case of a hurricane, tornado, flood or other natural disaster.
- June 2-8: Pet Appreciation Week.
- June 4: Hug Your Cat Day.
- June 4-10: Pet Appreciation Week.
- June 8: Best Friends Day
- June 9: World Pet Memorial Day
- June 16-22: Animal Rights Awareness Week.
- June 20-24: Take Your Dog to Work Week
- June 21: Take Your Dog to Work Day®.
- June 21: National Dog Party Day



DTCDC Bulletin Board

DTCDC STORAGE

Chair leg rubber tips

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

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



Updated 2019 Roster

An updated 2019 roster has been uploaded to the members area of our website. As last year, there is a PDF similar to the roster we have had for awhile and an Excel workbook for searching, filtering and sorting. The Excel workbook has two tabs. Tab one has all the member info and tab two has the dogs listed.

If you see anything that needs to be changed/updated, please email me at: dogtrainingroster@gmail.com

Margaret Culbertson

REMEMBER




Closing Checklist

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

Thanks for taking care of our building!

WiFi is ready for use!



Using the Honor System, existing members interested in using the Club WiFi should sign the Acceptable Use Policy Form.

Look for purple binder labeled WIFI located on white cabinet nearest the front door. Forms are provided. Print name, sign, date, then file alphabetically.

Network names & password are in the binder.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Donna Heishman
Technology Chair

eventbrite

Active Members:

To register for classes for free,
use Promotional Code
2019member



Keep you
and your
dogs
safe this
summer!

Laura Lipscomb brags:



My dear Reggie (Judge's Black T Affair) has been very busy this spring. At the UKC United Nosework trial held on April 27 in Addison, he finally passed his Novice PT (he has all of the others) and was able to move up to containers in Trial 2 which he not only qualified but came in 2nd. Then on May 5th, we competed at the AKC Oklahoma City Obedience Training Scent Work Trial in Oklahoma City. He is pictured here with his 2nd place ribbon in Novice A Containers and his 3rd place ribbon in Novice A Handler Discrimination. He also qualified and came in 5th place in Novice A Buried Containers and Novice A Interiors. He did not qualify in Novice A Exteriors probably due to a squirrel or dog or people or noise or thoughts of home capturing his attention.

I'm so proud of him because he had never done an outside search (Containers, Buried Containers and Exterior were all outside) and we had practiced Buried Containers once and Handler Discrimination once. He really loves this sport as do I. There was every kind of dog imaginable and what was really cool was an 18 year old dog competing (slowly but surely) in OKC. Many thanks to Jan H., Benita, Vicki, Horst and Shari for the great training, tips and encouragement!

Jan Hitchborn brags:



Great two days at Tri County in Azle at ASCA obedience and Rally trials. Logan had his start in beginner obedience and novice rally. In beginner obedience he earned a 4th and a second place with 189 and 190. In novice rally he earned a third and first place with 189 and 186. We are a work in progress team in these sports and only started a couple months ago. I am so glad to have a happy camper in the ring with me as the girls get so serious. Now to work on handling skills with a large dog. His heart belongs to nosework but he will do anything I ask of him.

Maggie also had good time at the GTWAGS ASCA trials. She was entered in Rally only as she has not trained



enough since earning her BN title to move to Novice obedience. In novice rally she finished her third novice title with a 196 3rd place to complete her RNX title. Second day she moved up to Rally advance and did her first off leash Rally trial earning her a first place with a 192. She works off leash in her classes but this was a trial and she kept her calm and stayed the course nicely. She has totally grown in confidence I attribute this to her nosework and

confidence she is earning there working independently.



Skye was in Open obedience and excellent rally this weekend. Was an off weekend for her as different ring set up and again barking and all that goes with a trial concerned her. In first day off leash heeling was a struggle and all other parts she did ok. Second day the heeling off leash was a win and then other parts fell apart for first time. Can we just splice the good exercises together?! Work in progress. In Rally it was handler error first trial. Blew past a sign. In second Rally trial she was happy camper right up to stepping into ring but managed to keep it together for a third place with a 186. The new title ribbon she earned in February to compete her REX title. Didn't know she had earned it until certificate came in mail. I was presented it this weekend.

Danika Taylor brags:



Goku has a brag. We earned our Mondioring Brevet title at the Lonestar Mondioring Club trial on 5/26, taking high scoring Brevet.

Benita Zapata brags:



On May 4th and 5th Raiden competed in AKC scent work trials in Oklahoma City. Raiden came home with four titles and four first place wins. The trials were hosted by the Oklahoma City Obedience Training Club.

Raiden is very proud of her titles and first place ribbons, and her mom is proud of Raiden. She loves the sport of Scent Work.

May 4th

- HD
- Handler Discrimination
- Novice
- 3rd Leg
- Title SHDN

- Exterior Advanced
- 2nd Leg
- 1st Place Win
- 3rd Leg
- Title SEA

May 5th

- Interior Advanced
- 3rd Leg
- Title SIA

- Container Advanced
- 3rd Leg
- 1st Place Win
- Title SCA

Interior Advanced

- 1st Leg
- 1st Place Win
- 2nd Leg
- 1st Place Win



Paw Print Photo Album



Photos taken by Carol Ford at the May 4th meeting. These and your beautiful dogs are why we have meetings...

If you take any photos that are great from Club meetings, classes or events, please send them to Paw Print Editor Lana Shuman at supercubster@mytocr.com