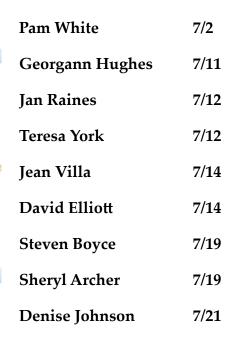
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### **JULY BIRTHDAYS**



#### 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.

Since we aren't having in-person meetings, we will catch up when we can meet

in-person and bring gifts for all the missed months.

### **Sunshine Fund Report**

	MAY-21	YTD-21
Proceeds	\$71.80	\$211.80
Expenditures		
Net	\$71.80	\$211.80

NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE VIA ZOOM: JULY 13 @ 7 P.M.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THE MEETING.

### THEME: TRACKING SPORTS

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### **A Word from Our President**

There's a different vibe in the air! People are getting involved, classes are filling up, we have a bunch of projects that need doing. We have strong representation at the upcoming Obedience and Rally nationals. Good luck to all!

I have already taken up quite a bit of real estate in this PawPrint, so please refer to the articles on the revised membership policy, the squatters we have living in our building (mice) and the eradication of such, the maintenance committee initiatives under the leadership of Vicki Jackson, and of course the articles on tracking, contributed by several of us.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the last General Meeting, your opinions and ideas are needed and respected.

It's summer, it's getting hotter. Protect yourself and your pets.

Your President,

### Shari Price



### **2021 Officers & Directors**

President – Shari Price
Vice President – Jose Rodriguez
Training Director – Holly Taylor
Secretary – Terri Schurr
Treasurer - Kathleen Stock
Member at Large - Shannon Quinn
Member at Large - Jana McBroom
Member at Large - Marilyn Hopkins
Member at Large - Melissa Chojnacki

#### **Corporate Directors:**

Lynda Holman Mark Malone Maurine Pearson



### Mouse Update...



We have a **significant** mouse (not rat) problem. They are everywhere except the big room. The new wing, the front closet, kitchen, maintenance closet and restroom all had signs of mice. The building lends itself to easy entry, any hole the size of what your pinkie finger will fit through will accommodate a mouse. (Rats require a larger hole – quarter size). Our cinder blocks offer very nice nesting apartments. There are MANY areas of entry between the roof and cinder blocks and at the ground level. The tree in back is some kind of nut tree and it

touches our roof, thus supplying the mice an easy place to feed. (That tree has been trimmed).

At the General Meeting on June 8, the Membership approved to contract with Proactive Pest Services in Cedar Hill to eradicate our mouse problem. It will involve a several step process of identifying and removing the current population and preventing any future mice from getting in. The amount approved was \$2,600 plus or minus 10%. Proactive Pest Services is very conscientious about animals and will not do anything that would harm our pets. Signs have been put up at the club to remind the members and guests about keeping their dogs out of the affected rooms.

We are very fortunate to have members that have generously donated to this fund. On a purely volunteer basis, members may donate to the General Operating Fund (on the website) to help pay for the mouse project. Checks are also accepted. Any amount will help defray this unexpected cost. Once this project is completed, we will need to clean up in the rooms and get everything back in order.

~ Shari

### Dog Links Of Interest:

CDC To Suspend Importation of Dogs from Countries Classified as High Risk for Rabies

https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/breaking-news-cdc-suspend-importation-dogs-countries-classified-high-risk-rabies/

• Tracking: Get Started

https://www.akc.org/sports/tracking/getting-started/

• Benefits of Vitamin C to Your Dog

https://www.whole-dog-journal.com/food/benefits-of-vitamin-c-to-your-dog

Hot Weather Fun with Your Pets

https://www.zoetispetcare.com/blog/article/hot-weather-fun-pets

17 Ideas For Summer Fun

https://moderndogmagazine.com/gallery/17-ideas-summer-fun?slide=2



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	Please review your contact information in the Members/roster section of our website. Contact Margaret Culbertson with any changes or additions.  Margaret Culbertson at: dogtrrainingroster@gmail.com
2	Upcoming Board Meetings: July 6 and August 3 at 7 p.m. via Zoom Upcoming General Meetings: July 13 and August 10 at 7 p.m. via Zoom
3	You are invited to a <b>Zoom General Meeting</b> : <b>When:</b> DTCDC General Meeting - July 6, 2021 at 7 p.m.  Register in advance for this meeting by clicking <a href="here">here</a> .  After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.
4	Session 4 runs June 6 – July 17. The week of July 18 – July 24 will be available as a week to schedule makeup classes if necessary.
5	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. Once your meeting starts, they can sign off and leave it with you.  Donna Heishman (donna@heishman.net) or Margaret Culbertson (texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com)
6	Please remember that even though we aren't meeting in person, the <b>Sunshine Committee</b> is still functioning. Please contact our Sunshine Committee Chairman E'Lynne Elliott if you know of a member who could use a smile or a thought from the Sunshine Committee.  Email E'Lynne at: <a href="mailto:elynnew@gmail.com">elynnew@gmail.com</a>
7	Next Show 'N Go is scheduled for July 10. Registration opened on June 25. Here are future Show & Go dates. They are subject to change due to events or issues unknown at this time August 7 - September 11 - October 9 Contact Pam Chrystal valimar1@msn.com or Margaret Culbertson texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com for more information.
8	Registering for a training session? Here is the new Promo Code for members: 2021dogclub
9	Submit items for PawPrint to Editor Lana Shuman at:  pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org
LA XXX	Questions? Call or text her at 214-244-0960.

### The amended and restated Membership Application Policy as of June 8, 2021, reads as follows:

1. As a special accommodation for the time frame that the DTCDC was adversely affected by Covid-19, which included closing the building, canceling classes, limiting class enrollment, and limiting classes to members only, the following temporary Membership Application Policy is in effect:



a. For the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021, to be eligible for membership in DTCDC, applicants must complete one class within this 24-month period. The membership application must be submitted no later than January 31, 2022. The class requirement is defined as receipt of payment for a 6-week or 8-week class, 6 documented drop-in classes or a combination thereof. The student must attend at least 5 classes of a 6-week class and 6 classes of an 8-week class. This includes virtual classes taught by current members of DTCDC and approved by the Training Director.

b. New applicants can then fill out a membership application, turn it in to the Membership Chair, and the Membership Chair will present the application to the Board of Directors at their next meeting. After Board approval, new applicants will be notified by the Membership Chair to be present at the next general meeting to be voted in to membership.

- 2. Lapsed memberships for non-payment of dues by January 31st must fill out a membership application and turn it in to the Membership Chair, to be approved by the Board of Directors, and be present at the specified general meeting to be voted on for re-instatement.
- 3. Memberships that have been terminated past a period of twelve months shall be required to attend and pay for two 6- or 8-week classes prior to applying for membership.



Interested in meeting & petting all kinds of friendly dogs and watching dog sport demos? Then come join our club at the AKC Meet the Breed! DTCDC will be performing training demos, greeting spectators, handing out club information and raffling a free gift basket & class. More information and tickets available on AKC website.

### **Dog Training Club of Dallas County**

Board Meeting June 1, 2021

### **Agenda**

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	Board Meeting
Facilitator	Shari Price
Secretary	Terri Schurr
Attendees	Attendance: Shari Price, Shannon Quinn, Terri Schurr, Lynda Holman, Jose Rodriguez, Holly Taylor, Mark Malone, Melissa Chojnacki
	CALLED TO ORDER BY Shari Price @ 7:05 pm via Zoom

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT - Terri Schurr

Discussion	<ul> <li>Asked if there are there are any corrections or additions to the May 4 Board Meeting minutes.</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul> <li>Shannon Quinn moved to accept the Board minutes. Jose' Rodriguez seconded. Motion passed.</li> </ul>

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - Kathleen Stock

Discussion	<ul> <li>No report is ready at this time; a full report will be made at the General Meeting.</li> </ul>
Conclusion	

### **TRAINING COMMITTEE - Holly Taylor**

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Discussion	<ul> <li>Session 3 just ended.</li> <li>Session 4 starts this Sunday, June 6.</li> <li>Session 5 will be announced when we have a committed slate of instructors and assistants. We will look into having two classes on some nights.</li> <li>Membership requirements:</li> <li>The Training Committee decided Show-n-Go participants will not be eligible to join at this time.</li> <li>The members will vote on the proposed changes to the membership requirements at the General Meeting.</li> <li>AKC Meet the Breed will be August 21 &amp; 22 at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center.</li> <li>We have demos for Obedience, Rally and Nosework. They will be in an 80 x 80-foot ring. AKC will set up the vendor booths. Visitors will not be allowed to bring their dogs except for demonstrations and breed representation.</li> </ul>

- We are out of Puppy STAR forms and stuffed animals.
- CGC and Tricks testing need to be scheduled, maybe July 18, depending on David Elliott's availability as CGC chairman.
- Pop Up classes are for members only, specifically for training in certain areas of interest.

### **COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Jose Rodriguez**

Discussion	Jose will follow up with Jan Hitchborn about radio contacts for promo ads for the club.
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#### **OLD BUSINESS - Shari Price**

Discussion	<ul> <li>Safety protocol will stay the same for the time being, except temperatures will not be taken. You will have to sign in weekly for classes.</li> <li>Next Board Meeting is July 6.</li> <li>August 3 Board Meeting: Nominations for the Nominating Committee will be conducted. Will this be a combination "in person and Zoom" meeting? How will votes be tallied if we have a combined meeting?</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul> <li>This will be addressed as we review and possibly revise safety protocols.</li> </ul>

#### **NEW BUSINESS - Shari Price**

<ul> <li>Maintenance of the club is a priority. We have mouse droppings in the building. We have a quote to carefully exterminate the mice without harming our dogs.</li> <li>Jan Hitchborn is looking into a Sniff-n-Go trial to help people earn legs in Nosework.</li> <li>Lynda Holman requested a list of committee chairs.</li> <li>A "Special Paw Print" was discussed to introduce new members to the joys of dog training and activities as something that Lana could help edit.</li> </ul>	
dog training and activities as something that Lana could help edit.	<ul> <li>We have a quote to carefully exterminate the mice without harming our dogs.</li> <li>Jan Hitchborn is looking into a Sniff-n-Go trial to help people earn legs in Nosework.</li> <li>Lynda Holman requested a list of committee chairs.</li> </ul>

Motion to adjourn: Holly Taylor. Shannon Quinn seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Schurr, Secretary

## Have a Happy Fourth of July!



### **Dog Training Club of Dallas County**

General Meeting June 8, 2021

### **Agenda**

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	General Membership Meeting
Facilitator	Shari Price
Note taker	Terri Schurr
Attendees	See Attendance Roster
	CALLED TO ORDER BY Shari Price @ 7:06 pm via Zoom

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT - Terri Schurr

Discussion	<ul> <li>Are there any corrections or additions to the minutes of the May 11 General Meeting?</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul> <li>Georgann Hughes moved to accept. Lynda Holman seconded to approve. Polled. Motion passed by 100%.</li> </ul>

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - Kathleen Stock

Discussion	Financial Report as of May 31, 2021
	<ul> <li>Balance Sheet</li> <li>Savings \$31,908.68</li> <li>Operating \$5,749.51</li> <li>Total \$37,658.19</li> <li>Profit &amp; Loss</li> <li>Income \$650</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul> <li>Expenses \$5,329 (\$-4,679)</li> <li>Option to renew Dallas dog training.org will expire in August. Kathleen to contact Glen O'Gorman.</li> </ul>

#### **PAW PRINT COMMITTEE - Lana Shuman**

Discussion	The Paw Print material is due Wednesday, June 23. The theme is Tracking.
Conclusion	<ul> <li>Please send photos, Brags and Wags and info about upcoming plans for training this year by June 23.</li> </ul>

### TRAINING COMMITTEE – Holly Taylor

Discussion	<ul> <li>Proposed membership requirements changes are for one class between 1-1-2020 through 12-31-2021. This is a change in eligibility for membership.</li> <li>Holly Taylor made the motion to change the of membership policy (see full details elsewhere in the PawPrint). Paul Cantwell seconded. Motion passed.</li> <li>Train-the-Trainer poll. Would you come to the club for a training session? Majority were in favor.</li> <li>Session 4 started June 6.</li> <li>Do we have any retirees who are willing to teach day classes?</li> <li>Nosework is 2 classes. There are 4 students in each class.</li> <li>AKC Meet the Breed is August 21 &amp; 22 at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center. We will present demos in Obedience, Rally and Nosework. This will be 1 per day. The general public will not be able to bring their dogs.</li> </ul>
Conclusion	We need instructors for Session 5.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS/PUBLIC RELATIONS/ADVERTISING – Jose Rodriguez** 

Discussion	<ul> <li>AKC Meet the Breed is August 21 &amp; 22. We will have a booth and need volunteers.</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul> <li>We are working with the Training Committee to coordinate the demos.</li> </ul>

#### **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE - Donna Heishman**

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### **SUNSHINE COMMITTEE - E'Lynne Elliott**

Discussion	Happy Birthday to everyone with a June birthday.	
	Please donate to the Sunshine Committee to help with mailing cards, flowers	
	and other expenses of the committee.	
	<ul> <li>Please let E'Lynne know of anyone needing cards or cheer of any kind.</li> </ul>	

**SHOW N GO - Margaret Culbertson** 

Discussion	The July 17 <sup>th</sup> Show-n-Go May be moved to July 10 <sup>th</sup> .
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#### LIBRARY-Sally Browning

Discussion	Thank you to Margaret Culbertson for the spreadsheet list of books in the
	library.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

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Discussion	Will we open classes up to ore people?
Conclusion	Maybe for Session 5.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion	<ul> <li>We need maintenance volunteers. Vicki Jackson reported on those items needing attention:</li> <li>1. Painting the exterior of the building.</li> <li>2. Fence needs attention.</li> <li>3. Memorial Paws in the flower beds need painting.</li> <li>4. Mouse droppings. We need an exterminator and after we will need to clean the building thoroughly.</li> <li>5. Air vents need to be replaced and maybe add frames around them.</li> <li>6. New doors need to be hung in the front storage room.</li> <li>7. Shelves in the large storage room need to be built.</li> </ul>
Conclusion	<ul> <li>Mouse droppings in the cinder blocks need to be treated.</li> <li>1. We can bait the mice for a cost of \$920</li> <li>2. A longer term solution will seal the openings to the building with a guarantee of 3 years for a cost of \$2500</li> <li>Motion to spend \$2600 for pest control +/- 10%</li> <li>1. Donna Heishman moved to approve the extermination costs.</li> <li>2. Bob Chojnacki seconded.  Motion passed.</li> </ul>

Fun Poll: What does the winner of the Westminster Kennel Club win?

Answer: A Silver Trophy and Big Ribbon.

**Brags:** Jose Rodriguez-Ruffino earned an Open Title in Barn Hunt.

Tamra Mason-Welly- jumped 7'3" in Dock Diving. And he earned his Novice Title in NADAC agility trials in 3 events.

Benita Zapata-Raiden-on May 30 earned a second leg toward championship in Interiors in UKC.

Jan Hitchborn-Skye-on May 8 finished the UKC Superior Nosework Title.

Logan earned his UKC Nosework Championship (NWCH)

Several members qualified for Nationals for obedience and rally. The events will be in July.

Thank you to Lana Shuman from Lynda Holman for a wonderful Paw Print every month.

**Motion to adjourn**: Kristal Hatcher moved to adjourn. Seconded by Georgann Hughes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Schurr, Secretary

### "The average dog is a nicer person than the average person."

~ Andrew A. Rooney



## S'Pawsitive News! S'

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





Thank you to Sandi Myers for cutting back the trees and vines from the fence line and spraying for weeds. Thank you to Shari Price for cutting the tree branches that were over the roof in the back. I am so thankful for your help! ~ Vicki Jackson

Vicki Jackson (THANK YOU!) is heading up the Maintenance Committee for the remainder of this year. David Yahraus has had to step down for health reasons, but he is available for consulting if needed. Vicki has compiled a list of chores, clean-up, replacement, fix-it, painting, etc. that needs to be done as time, money and volunteers are available. Vicki will continue to set up times for various projects and contact those of you who volunteered. We are on hold right now on most of the inside projects until the mouse eradication project is complete (see elsewhere in the PP). Some projects are going to have to be done in stages, some projects are one-offs, others are continuing. "It takes a village." Your help and support is appreciated!





### **AKC Tracking**

By Pam Joyce

Does your dog drop his nose and act interested in all of the scents around him? Does he find his favorite toy by smell rather than sight? Your dog may be a natural for AKC Tracking. Tracking



Pam Joyce kneels behind Laila Joyce her first tracking dog. Laila received a TDU and a VST title in AKC Tracking.

is the American Kennel Clubs answer for search and rescue or man trailing. It is easiest to train your dog by taking lessons. There are also several good books or online lessons that you can take.

To compete in AKC tracking, like all of the events, your dog must have an AKC registration number, PAL number, AKC Canine Partners number or FSS number. Your dog must be at least 6 months of age and in good physical condition. Dogs with hearing loss or mobility issues are free to compete as long as it is not detrimental to the dog. Blind dogs are not able to compete. Dogs must be certified by an AKC tracking judge or AKC evaluator before they can compete in a Tracking Dog or Tracking Dog Urban Test. You may find an AKC Tracking judge



on the AKC website. An AKC Evaluator is anyone who has passed a TDX or VST test in the previous 10 years. It would be best to ask someone currently in AKC tracking to refer you to an AKC evaluator. The certification test is a track laid by the evaluator which is equivalent to an AKC Tracking Dog test or an AKC Tracking Dog Urban test. After passing the certification test, the evaluator or judge will give you four certifications. When you enter a Tracking Dog Test (TD) or Tracking Dog Urban Test (TDU), you must send in with the entry, one certification slip.

The Tracking Dog test (TD) is between 440 yards and 500 yards. The first leg of the track must be at least 60 yards long. You will have a start article and a flag at 30 yards guiding you down the first leg of the track. It will have from 3 to 5 turns with both right and left turns and at least one right 90 degree turn and one left 90-degree turn. Each remaining leg of the track must be at least 50 yards long.



Power Check Yes or No (Ivy) finds the glove in Catoosa Oklahoma on May 9, 2021.

The track must be aged between 30 minutes but no older than two hours. It should not cross a body of water or paved road.

The Tracking Dog Urban Test (TDU) is between 400 yards and 500 yards. Like the TD, you will have a start article and a flag at thirty yards guiding you down the first leg. The first leg must be at least 60 yds long and then each remaining leg must be at least 50 yds long. The TDU will have a minimum of two different surfaces, vegetated and non-vegetated surfaces. At least 10% and not more than 30% of the total track can be non-vegetated surfaces. The first leg and first turn must be on vegetated surfaces. Non-vegetated surfaces can be a lightly traveled road, surface devoid of vegetation, mulch, sidewalks or baseball diamonds. You will have an intermediate article approximately halfway into the track.

Like the TD, it will have 3 to 5 turns with both right and left turns. There will be at least one 90-degree left turn and one 90degree right turn. No turn will be on a non-vegetated surface.

Once you have passed either a TD or TDU, you are eligible to enter a Variable Surface Test (VST) or Tracking Dog Excellent Test (TDX). However, the stakes have been raised and the tests are of higher difficulty. For one, the age of the tracks are from 3 hours to 5 hours old. The distance is also longer. You will no longer need a certification to enter but pass rates are below 25%.

The TDX is from 800 yards to 1000 yards long. It has from 5 to 7 turns and will contain two obstacles and two intermediate articles which will be indicated by the dog. Also, there will be cross tracks walked across the track by two different people other than the track layer that will be between an hour and fifteen minutes and an hour and a half after the track was initially laid. All of these separate items will increase the degree of difficulty for the dog. To pass, you must find all four articles and successfully cross at least two obstacles without following the cross tracks.



The VST is from 600 to 800 yards long and contains a minimum of three different surfaces. Vegetated and two different non-vegetated surfaces such as asphalt, concrete, hardpan, gravel, sand, and mulch. A minimum of one third and no more than two thirds of the track may be non-vegetated surface. Tracks may be laid around buildings, breezeways, shelters or covered parking garages. There are no physical obstacles. There will be four to eight turns with each leg at least 30 yards long and any parallel leg must be at least 50 yards apart unless there is a building in between the parallel legs. One of

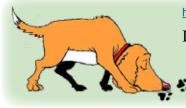


Successful Trackers in Catoosa Oklahoma with Judges Ule James and Connie Austin.

the turns must be a 90 degree turn on a non-vegetated surface. It is referred to as a moment of truth turn and there should be no vegetation within 30 yards of any part of the turn. Like the TDX, there are two intermediate articles that must be indicated by the dog. At the end of the track, you must have four articles, one cloth, one metal, one plastic and one leather.

So, you passed the VST and the TDX! Congratulations, you have earned the Champion Tracking Title (CT)! This is the title that all of us in tracking aspire to earn.

Tracking is labor intensive, but it is a lot of fun. It is a chance to experience the outdoors and tap into my dog's natural instincts. Most of the work is learning how to read your dog and know when it is following the track. All dogs can track, and all dogs have a different style. Some dogs are better on a hotter track and some dogs are better on the older tracks. But it is up to you to learn how to read the dog and not interfere in the problem solving of the dog to find the articles. Also, it is your responsibility to introduce your dog to any obstacle it may encounter on test day. All tests are pass or fail and both judges must agree on the pass.



https://www.whole-dog-journal.com/training/tricks\_games\_sports/canine-sports-tracking/

Interested in another source on tracking? Check out the link above.



### Interested in Tracking?

by Shari Price

Tracking? I never knew it was an AKC sport. Ozzy (my black Goldendoodle) was very intrigued with using his nose, so I asked about some type of tracking class, and a couple of DTCDC members told me about the DFW Tracking Club. I checked their website and enrolled in an 8-week class in March 2016. That summer, a group of 3 other trackers took me under their wings and worked



Shari Price's Sedona after she earned her TDX in March 2021.

with Ozzy and me. Our once a weekend gigs have become every Saturday and Sunday and sometimes during the week. In August 2019, I had just had Sedona (my white Goldendoodle) for about 2 months, so I started taking her with us on the weekends. I mainly wanted her to be around other people and dogs as she was rather reserved. I wasn't sure she was going to be a tracker, but after setting a few baby tracks, she was hooked. She now is majorly enthusiastic about it and very focused.

Tracking starts with a cloth article with the tracklayer's scent on it, such as a bandana, wrapped around a flag in the ground. The tracklayer then walks a course and maps it as she goes along. A baby track may be 20 yards long. To bring the dog's nose to the ground, you can drop small cloth articles, such as baby sox, along the way, also rubbed with your scent. Food would be great, but in Texas, the ants usually get to the food before the dog does.



As your dog's nose goes down to each article, you use a marker (Yes! Or Good dog!) and reward (with a treat). At the end is a leather glove – big party, lots of praise and treats. The handler uses a harness and 6-foot lead to start, staying very close to the dog's rear. As the dog progresses, the length of the track increases, the lead gets longer (20-40 feet), turns are added, the articles are varied, the track ages longer, and the surfaces/terrain can change.

Tracking has its challenges. It requires space, a lot of it and of various types. (See Pam's article.) It has to be outside, whether the weather is cooperative or not. It helps if the human is an early-rise person. In summers, it's not unusual to be at a site by 5:30 a.m. to get the track set and to let it properly age. In the winter, it might be freezing and windy. Rain provides moisture to help keep the scent on the ground, but it also means investing in a pair of waterproof boots or shoes and warm jackets and gloves. The tracklayer needs to become proficient in mapping and laying tracks. There is nothing more frustrating than being on a track and not remembering where you laid it. Which tree/post/structure did I use for my line-up? Or if you lay a track for another handler, and you have to admit you aren't sure where the track turned and ends – very embarrassing (but we've all done it). Mapping is a developed and necessary skill for each handler (there's an APP for that!).

Sound like fun yet? Whatever your sport, it takes dedication and commitment. Tracking has become a part of my routine; I look forward to the weekends. I map out courses while driving to the site. I make sure I have plenty of treats and water for the dogs. But, I don't think I'd be very successful by myself. I have benefitted greatly from the support and advice of my fellow trackers. We encourage each other, help solve problems, try new techniques (cat food in the panty hose, thank you Pam) but most of all, we share a common bond and our dogs. When one of our dogs does well, it's a victory for all of us.



Inderstand, a poorly socialized, but friendly dog can easily start a fight he's not looking or prepared for. If I ran up to every stranger I met and tried to hug them, sooner or later someone would punch me in the face."

- Chad Mackin



## Tracking with Tank – Saving the Best for Last

by Sandi Myers

T wenty years ago this month, Tank, my standard longhaired black & tan, became the first AKC UDXTD (Utility Dog Excellent, Tracking Dog combination) titled dachshund. He was multiple HIT, HC, Absolute Dual Champion E Dachs Armor of L And C UDX, TD, ME, VC, CGC, CG (1989-2004) from my first litter co-bred in 1989. Tank was my heart, my do-it-all dog. He earned his TD at the Dachshund Club of America 2001 National Specialty in Portland, Oregon.

My introduction to tracking came at the invite of Basset Hound breeder extraordinaire, Marge Cook, with the Cowtown Trackers after I was teaching hound-only obedience classes at Ann & Jim White's Rose Creek Kennels in Red Oak, Texas. Joe Greenland, another Basset person, laid our first practice

Sandi Myer's Tank Receives his TD.

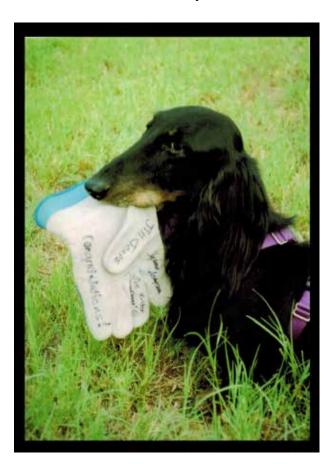
tracks. Saturday after Saturday, I would wake up at the break of dawn, even throughout the summer months, drive to Fort Worth to learn tracking with Tank and his Basset friends. We would lay track for each other's dogs, then go have breakfast at Whataburger. Tank was about 10/11 years old when we started our tracking training. I had only moved to Texas in 1998. The TD goal was to be our last title. On May 29, 2001 Tank was turning 12 years old. I knew we had to go-for-it soon.

Tank passed his Tracking Certification track on April 24, 2001. Our judge was the infamous Dorothy Nickles, one of only a few AKC judges at the time that could judge Conformation, Obedience, and Tracking. This was going to be her last certification track judging. I'm pretty sure I remember she retired from all judging shortly after. She got a big kick that 10 years earlier she had given Tank a Best of Variety win in Conformation at a show in New Orle-



ans and we had shown to her in Obedience somewhere in there in his career. Our tracklayer that day was Marge Cook.

On June 17, 2001 Tank and I flew to Portland, Oregon. My friend who also trained and was flying with us missed her flight at DFW and we ended up having to wait for her at the airport in Oregon for a few hours. Tank was 12 years old now, but he handled the flight very well even though it was a first



Tank with the glove he found for his TD.

for him. We were well traveled at this point in his show career, just normally by van. I won't entertain you with the "whole" story, but there is so much more to this story. Things like finding my friend's luggage made it onto the flight, my luggage and hers hanging out at the carousel together in Portland, lugging a "Tank" in a Sherpa bag through the airport, finding a cart for all of our stuff, getting the rental, rental car too small for all our stuff for 2 of us and 2 dogs, trying to find grass for my dog, going back to the airport and then waiting a few more hours for my friend. This was all before the days of cell phones and high security too.

The tracking tests were being held at Champoeg State Park just outside of Portland on June 19th. Several friends met us there and 3 of us stayed in a canvas Yurt at the park. That first evening we went to Wanker's Corner for dinner. Of course, that was a "sign" because one of Tank's nicknames was Tanker Wanker Woo.

We drew Track #5 (of 6). It was laid in a field of alfalfa planted in rows, with dirt rows between each alfalfa row. It was 475 yards long with 4 turns, medium high cover, and the last leg was 150 yards long. The track-layer forgot to place the second start flag (there are two flags to indicate direction on a TD test), and the judges were telling me the wrong direction at first until I questioned them that my dog wanted to go "that" other

way. Our judges were Jill Jones and Stephanie Gonyeau. Thank goodness, I knew to ASK the judge when there is a problem. And trust my dog. His track was 47 minutes aged. It took him 21 minutes to complete his track. 50% of which was on bone dry dirt (not exactly a TD level test). And he was 12 years old. But he was slow and steady, only having to work out the first turn that went from crossing through the alfalfa, to running down the dirt row parallel to the row of alfalfa. Once he figured that out, we were good. He made the last turn and kept going and going and going. Then he laid down under some alfalfa. You could barely see him because the brush was slightly taller than he was. I then realized he had indicated a glove. It was an extra glove the tracklayer left because she lost the original

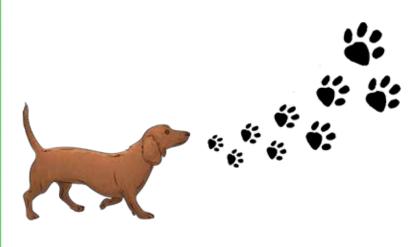




"test" glove. There was only a little celebration. We couldn't leave the field because the next track was in the way, and they were now behind schedule. But Tank and I sat there in the alfalfa. My eyes filled with tears knowing I saved the best title for last.



The Judge and Tracklayer pose with Ssndi and Tank.





### Jackie My Tracking Dog

by Benita Zapata

Tackie was my female rescued Labrador Retriever that introduced me to tracking. She enjoyed the outdoors and go on long walks. In the Fall of 1997, we signed up for tracking classes. This classes



Jackie Zapata, AKC - CD, TD, RN, RA, CGC, TT, UKC - CD Water Rescue Training SWET, WETT, WETX, WTXX

were organized and instructed by DTCDC members. Our classes were held in Dallas fields off Hampton Road and Danieldale Road. We would show up for class very early on Saturday mornings with all our tracking gear. Jackie's gear was a harness, a long line to hook onto her harness, a bottle of water, and lots of good stinky treats. My gear included a fanny bag to hold a water bottle, and treats. Other essential gear was tracking flags to mark the start of the track and the turns, and a cloth article usually a bandana and a leather glove to drop at the end of the track when training for a TD test. I also had to have paper and pen to write down notes with instructions on the track I was to lay for Jackie to practice during the week, or another dog in class that day.

Jackie took her training very serious and knew her job was to stay on the track following a human scent and find that glove at the end. When classes were over, we continued to train on our own repeating homework assignments which had been given by our instructor through the term of classes. By February of that year there was a local AKC Tracking Test that Jackie could enter. Now the next step she needed was to be certified by an AKC tracking Judge and pass before entering a test. We went to meet the judge in a field that we had not practiced before. The judge got a regulation track ready before we arrived. The required 450-500 yards was ready for Jackie to demon-



strate that she knew what her job was and how to accomplish it. The certification track had 3 to 5 turns. Both left and right 90-degree angle turns were included. Jackie went to the start flag and indicated with a down; then proceeded with her job on the track till the end article. She got certified on her 1st try and received her paper saying she was ready for a Tracking Dog Test.

Jackie mailed the entry form along with her certification paper to the local trial club secretary. Now our next wondering was "Is Jackie's name going to make the draw" to be in the February test? Well Jackie got into her 1st Tracking Dog Test and passed.

She earned her TD Title after four and a half months of training. It was Jackie's joy and enthusiasm in tracking that has inspired me to continue training in the sport with Raiden.



Jackie Zapata with her younger brother Red.

Happy Tracking!



If the asphalt is too hot to keep your hand or foot on it for more than five (5) seconds, then it is too hot for your dog. Since it is the sunrays that cause

the dramatic increase in temperature, avoiding the sun or pavement is recommended.

### Members invited to Rally & Obedience **Nationals**



### **Dog Training Club** of Dallas County, Inc.



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### **Congrats & best of luck** to our qualifying members: Rally

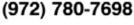
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### Obedience:

**Sheryl Archer & Flyer** Kay Scott & Ben

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shows off what training and being a member of our club can do! I'm a results kind of guy. Our club produces results. I had never entered a Rally or Obedience competition in my life and I have qualified every year since I started competing. I owe it all to our club and the great trainers and assistants who volunteer their time and money to teach (many of whom are on this list of qualifiers).

Lally and Obedience Nationals! Donna Heishman ook at all our club members who qualified for

sent this great tribute (at left) to our members and our

club to be printed in the National's catalog. Really

### Jose Rodriguez **Vice President, DTCDC**

It was brought to our attention that:

- Joan Jung and Pierce
- Sylvie Nuzzolilo and Drake also qualified in obedience.

Sheryll Barker's **Emma** competes in the Rally National.





Pam Chrystal qualified with Clover (left) and Maverick (right). Awesome job!



### **SHOW & GO**

### SATURDAY JULY 10th

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

604 Crestside Dr. ~ Duncanville, TX 75137



Social Distancing ~ Revised Masks Requirements Waiver required ~ Pre-Entries Only





Classes Offered: ★Utility ★Grad Open ★Open★

**★ Grad Nov★ Novice★ Beg Nov★** 

PRE-ENTRIES ONLY: \$7.00 first five minutes \$1.00 each additional minute (5-minute minimum/10-minute maximum)





Utility & Grad Open Run-throughs begin around 8:00 AM Other classes Run-throughs begin after Utility/Grad Open

Novice runs include one Group Sit/Down Stay Exercise





Link active 6-25-21: DTCDC July 10th Show & Go

Pre-entries close noon Friday, July 9<sup>th</sup> Emails with run-thru order sent Friday evening





MARK YOUR CALENDERS WUPCOMING DATES
WATER August 7th Was Sept 11th War



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 (214) 415-1955 valimar1@msn.com



Questions??? Margaret Culbertson (214) 926-4273

texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com



### Canine/Kennel Cough noted in DFW

Lin the area that have developed a cough or sneeze after being around other dogs in their neighborhoods, parks, or facilities.

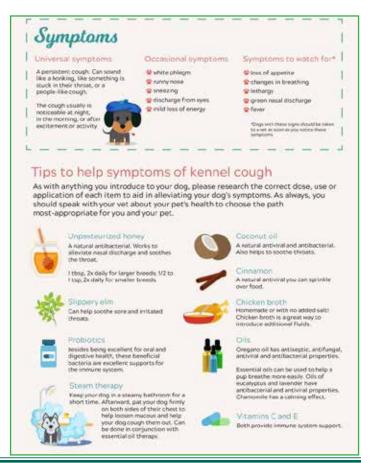
Based on the symptoms, it appears these dogs had a mild form of Canine Cough.

Like the human cold, this is usually seasonal and not serious to otherwise healthy dogs. It's a result of a virus and/or bacteria, which can be airborne. Although the club uses proper ventilation and disinfection to prevent Canine Cough, it's possible your dog could be exposed. Exposure may be more likely if your dog participates in group play. Be sure your pup is up to date on their Bordetella and Canine Influenza vaccinations, but please understand that like the human cold, there are many strains of Canine Cough for which there is no vaccination.

Exposure does not mean your dog will get Canine Cough. However, if symptoms like coughing, sneezing, nasal discharge or lethargy do develop, reach out to your veterinarian for advice on how to treat your dog.

**66** anine cough, also known as kennel cough, is an infectious disease that affects the respiratory system. This condition is the result of several highly infectious diseases which can be easily spread wherever dogs congregate and socialize such as dog shows, boarding kennels, and obedience classes."





### Why Does My Puppy Growl at Strangers?



Puppies are known for being wiggly, cuddly bundles of love. They adore everybody, right? Wrong. Some puppies are friendly to everyone they meet, but others are uncomfortable around strangers and may even growl at them. But what does the growling mean? Is it aggression or is there something else going on? Grumbling at strangers is a sign that something is wrong, and the most likely explanation is the puppy is fearful of people they don't know.

### **Dogs Growl to Communicate**

Growling seems like an aggressive act. After all, it usually precedes a bite. But, at its core, growling is about communication. Dogs growl to indicate they're unhappy, uncomfortable, or even fearful about a particular situation. For example, if another dog comes too close, your dog might growl to say, "Back off, you're intruding in my personal space." The point is to get the other dog to move before things escalate.

Because growling is a warning, it gives you time to change the situation before your dog feels the need to take further action. But it's also an indication of your puppy's unpleasant emotional state and tells you your puppy needs help. It's

important to intervene and reassure them that everything is okay.



### **Never Punish Growling**

So growling isn't really the problem; it's a symptom of your puppy's discomfort. Your job as an owner is to prevent those uneasy situations through training, socialization, and management. If growling does occur, punishing it is counterproductive. The last thing you want is a dog that bites without warning. If you punish your puppy's growls, you might prevent them from growling in the future, but you will have done nothing to change the underlying emotional issue.

For example, if your puppy growls whenever small children are near, you know they make your pup uncomfortable. If you punish the growling, your puppy may learn to stay silent in the presence of kids.

But now, on top of already disliking them, your puppy will also associate them with punishment, making the discomfort even worse. And you will no longer have the growling as an early warning signal that your dog has had enough.

### **Socialize Your Puppy to Strangers**

The best way to prevent your puppy from growling at strangers is to socialize your puppy to all kinds of people. That means different sizes, ages, ethnicities, etc. It also means people who look different such as people wearing hats or glasses or people using wheelchairs or canes. The point is for your puppy to see every type of person as a friend.





However, socialization is not as simple as having everybody you meet pat your pup. In fact, that can have the opposite effect for a nervous or uncertain dog. When done correctly, socialization allows the puppy to set the pace. Your puppy should do the approaching and only as quickly as they feel comfortable.

Pair every new encounter with a stranger with something wonderful such as a delicious dog treat or a special toy. The point is for your puppy to associate new people with fabulous things, so when they see a stranger, they hope for a reward rather than feeling uncertain or scared. In time, your puppy will look forward to meeting new people no matter who they are or how they look or act.

### **Desensitize and Counter-Condition Your Puppy to Strangers**

If your puppy is already growling at strangers, you still need to socialize but in an even more cautious manner. One wrong move can set you back considerably. The goal is to change your puppy's associations with strangers from negative to positive using desensitization (gradually exposing your puppy to the things that bother them) and counter-conditioning (changing your puppy's emotional response).

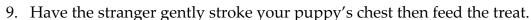
Start with your puppy calm and relaxed. That might be 20 feet from a stranger for one puppy or two feet away for another. Then pair the presence of the stranger with something great like your puppy's favorite reward. Once your puppy begins to

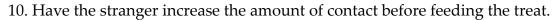


expect the treat when they notice the stranger, move a little bit closer and again offer rewards. As long as your puppy remains comfortable and anticipates the treat, you can continue to move closer and closer. Any time your puppy growls or shows other signs of discomfort you've moved too far too fast and should take a few steps back in your training program.

### A sample training program might look like this:

- 1. Reward your puppy 2 feet away from the stranger.
- 2. Reward your puppy 1 foot away from the stranger.
- 3. Reward your puppy beside the stranger.
- 4. Have the stranger toss a treat to your puppy from two feet away.
- 5. Have the stranger toss a treat to your puppy from one foot away.
- 6. Allow your puppy to approach the stranger to take the treat from the ground at their feet.
- 7. Allow your puppy to approach the stranger to take the treat from their hand.
- 8. Have the stranger feed the treat then gently stroke your puppy's chest.





Whenever your puppy is interacting with someone, be sure to instruct the person how to properly approach. Don't allow them to loom over your puppy or stare into their eyes as those are threatening behaviors that may increase your pup's discomfort. Instead, have the person kneel down and turn sideways, holding out their fist for the puppy to smell.

If your puppy's growling is still a problem, or you need help with your training program, be sure to consult a dog trainer or animal behaviorist. In no time, instead of growling at strangers, your puppy will be approaching them with enthusiasm.

https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/training/why-does-my-puppy-growl-at-strangers/



### Caudlon:

Spear Grass is growing everywhere this summer. It's not just in fields, it's in medians, parks and people's lawns, especially if not recently mowed. This grass can easily slip between a dog's toes, get in through the armpits, or penetrate the skin around the face and nose. It can travel (dangerously) through the body. If you notice persistent licking and/or a raised bump, check it out.

Spear grass is most harmful for dogs once it has become dried out and more easily falls from the stalks. It is most often a problem from late spring through the fall. The shape of the grass makes them very likely to penetrate into the body.



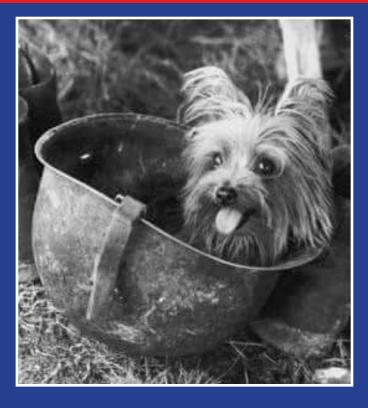
### Need a new trick to teach your dog?

Wouldn't it be nice if Fido would pick up his toys and put them in the toy basket? Well, here's how to teach that trick! Happy training! (from Newsweek.com)

### **Michele Hosey**







### Angel from the Foxhole

Smoky was found in a foxhole in New Guinea in Feb 1944. The American thought she must have been a Japanese soldier's dog, but when he took her to a POW camp, they found out she didn't understand commands in Japanese or English. The soldier sold Smoky to Cpl. William Wynne of Cleveland, Ohio, for 2 dollars Australian.

Over the next two years Wynne carried Smoky in his backpack, fought in the jungles of Rock Island and New Guinea, flew 12 air/sea rescue, She survived 150 air raids on New Guinea and made it through a typhoon at Okinawa, made a combat jump in Lingayen Gulf, Luzon, in a parachute made for her. She would warn G.I's of incoming artillery and was dubbed the "angel from a foxhole."

Early in retaking the Philippines combat engineers were setting up a telegraph line to

an airfield. The joints collapsed filling them in with sand. Cpl. Wynne knew that Smoky could climb through the pipe with a new line and that is what she did. Smoky's work saved approximately 250 ground crewmen from having to move around and keep operational 40 fighters and reconnaissance planes, while a construction detail dug up the taxiway, placing the men and the planes in danger from enemy bombings. What would have been a dangerous three-day digging task to place the wire was instead completed in minutes.

In her down time she performed tricks with the Special Services to improve the moral of the troops and visited hospitals in Australia and Korea. Visiting with the sick and wounded, she became the first recorded "therapy dog".

After the war she became a sensation back in the states, had a live TV show, and often visited Veterans hospitals. Smoky's work as a therapy dog continued for 12 years. Wynne had Smokey 14 years before she passed away. He buried her in a 30-caliber ammo box in Rocky River Reservation, Ohio.

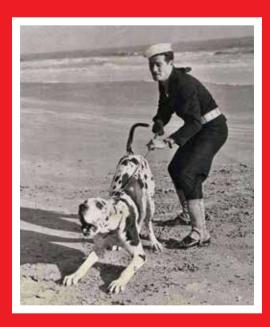
Smoky, the smallest war hero weighing in at 4 lbs. even and standing 7 inches tall.

Picture copyrighted by William A. Wynne (1996), Read the book "Yorkie Doodle Dandy" (1996) by William Wynne!





Terri Schurr's Gidgett is showing her patriot colors to the veterans at Dallas VA.



### 1941 - Coast Guard "training" a Great Dane

Due to the size and weight of a Great Dane the United States Military in World War II wanted to train the dogs to be like the German Shepherd's currently being used with great success.

The training program was so unsuccessful that it drove a dog training Sergeant to tears when he repeatedly tried to get a Great Dane to jump over an obstacle, the playful Great Dane would run up to the obstacle, grab the entire structure in his teeth and then bring it back to the Sergeant and place it at his feet wanting to play.

It was shortly after that the United States Military gave up training Great Danes for war.







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extensive care. They were called mercy dogs and they are credited with saving thousands of lives.

Sandi Myer's Sammy poses as Uncle Sam.

Miriam Inglehart's Tristan shows his patriotism.







Kristal Hatcher's Sophie and Teague are patriotic pups.





(Left to right) Duncan, Kate, Sweetie and Magoo are posing with their American flag.





Karen Henry's Journey poses in this picture that has lovely patriotic decorations in the background, compliments of the very talented Sandi Myers. It was a photo op setup for our Dachshunds only obedience and rally trials at the DTCDC a couple of years ago.

This dog's name was Gunner. My uncle brought him back from WW2. He was raised and slept under my uncle's anti- aircraft gun. The gun crew shared their rations to feed him. By the time he was 18 months old, my uncle said he would stand up and look at the sky. If he laid back down they knew all was ok. If he growled and put his hackles up they got at the ready. He knew the sound of the German aircraft and my uncle said he never got it wrong. He said Gunner was better than any early warning system. I'm probably the only one left in the family that knows that story now, so I thought I'd tell it before it's lost forever, like many stories must be from that time. Thanks for reading it.

lan Brown





"Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole." - Roger Caras





Jennie Dunaway's Kip celebrates his patriotism in the pool!

Happy 4th of July to DTCDC! from Benita Zapata's Raiden







Jan Hitchborn sent these photos of her patriotic dog crew: (Above left to right) the crew from 2020, Rookie (2020), Rookie (2021), Hunter and Abbie. (Below) Logan from 2016.





### **AUGUST GENERAL MEETING**

August 10 @ 7 p.m. via Zoom





### **AUGUST PAW PRINT**

THEME: DOG TIRED

This issue is dedicated to photos of your dogs showing their ability for SLEEPING in unusual positions! It can be funny or sweet, new photos or old, let's show our dogs' SLEEPING talents.

**DUE DATE: Wed., July 21 (or earlier)** 

#### **UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:**

SEPTEMBER	FIRST PICTURE OF
	YOUR DOG
OCTOBER	PROUDEST MOMENT
	WITH YOUR DOG
NOVEMBER	FUNNIEST PICTURE
DECEMBER	JINGLE DOG DANCE

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

### **JULY 2021 DOG CALENDAR:**

- National Lost Pet Prevention Month
- National Pet Hydration Awareness Month
- July 1: ID Your Pet Day
- July 4: Independence Day
- July 11: All-American Pet Photo Day.
- July 15: National Pet Fire Safety Day
- July 21: National Craft for your Local Shelters Day
- July 21: No Pet Store Puppies Day
- July 26: National Dog Photography Day
- July 31: National Mutt Day
- late July: National Feed a Rescue Pet Week



### 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.





There are two scholarships currently available by the club. If you know a worthy recipient for the Terri Clary scholarship, please contact a DTCDC Board member or Training Committee member. For the Greg Quintana Memorial Fund, please contact Robin Quintana.



### 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.

### 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 <a href="mailto:grquintana@sbcglobal.net">grquintana@sbcglobal.net</a>.



## **Shannon Quinn brags:**

Riley had her first UKC dock diving event this weekend and she did amazing! She earned her UKC Senior dock title (USJ) but also placed 2nd overall in her division in the finals!



#### Kendall Lake brags:

My Cairn Terrier, GCH Lochinver Jennifer Juniper, received an Award of Merit at the Westminster Dog Show, Sunday, June 13. It was a beautiful but warm day and she gave it her very best.

#### Jan Bruner brags:

#### May 28-30

Both Ace and Beau did great at the UKC UDOG trials this weekend in Canton, Texas. Ace won his breed in the 3 trials we entered and earned his Rally 02 title! Beau finished his Rally 03 title, then went in to earn his Rally Master title with 3 first places and High in Trial on trial 2 on the 30th.

#### <u>June 19</u>

Beau and Ace did well at the Basset Hound Club of Greater Fort Worth AKC Rally Trials today at Tri-City Dog Training in Azle! Both earned triple Q's with scores ranging from 96-100 and several placements! Ace earned his 5th Master leg, 4th RAE leg and 3rd triple Q towards his RACH! Beau now has 4 triple Q's towards his RACH! It was a great preparation for AKC Rally Nationals next month!



#### Karen Henry brags:

Journey has officially begun her AKC agility career. She earned her first Q with a perfect run in Novice Preferred JWW on Sunday at the Dalmatian Club trials in Fort Worth. She was also 19.98 seconds under the SCT for 1st place in her class! I can't take credit for the run. I handed her off to Dee Ann Kilbourn, who did a terrific job of handling her.



#### Pam Joyce brags:

Ivy (Power Check Yes or No) earned her TD title in Catoosa Oklahoma on May 9, 2021. She has begun training for the VST and TDX tests.



#### Jose Rodriguez brags:

Chihuahuas, Dachshunds, to German Shepherds, Dobermans and every dog in-between love Barn Hunting. Ruffino loves it too! He earned his Open Barn Hunt title with a 1st place qualifying score. Moving up to the Senior level, he earned his first qualifying score with a 2nd place finish. This little guy can do it all.



# Dog Humor





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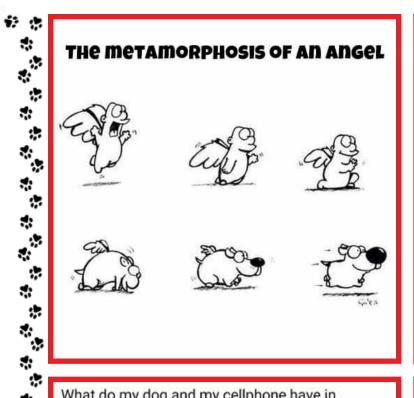
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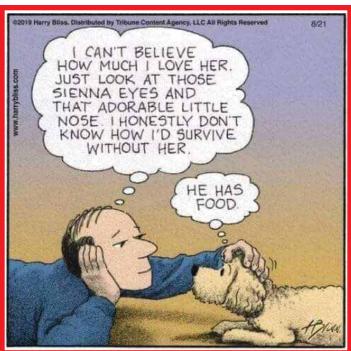
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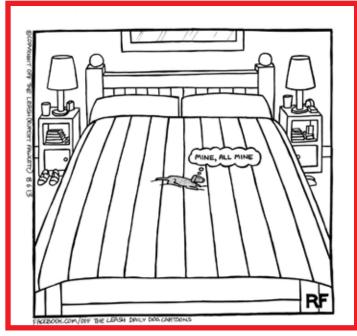
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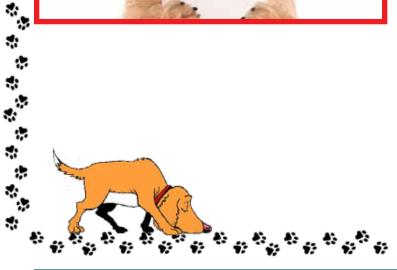
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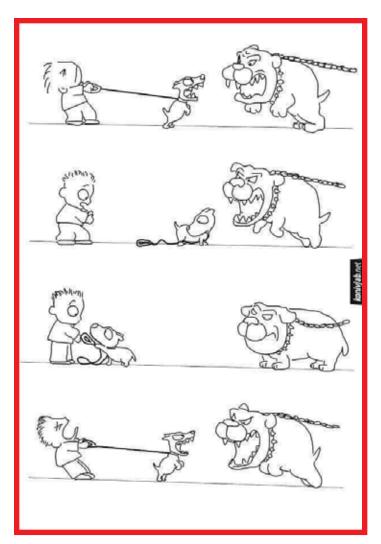


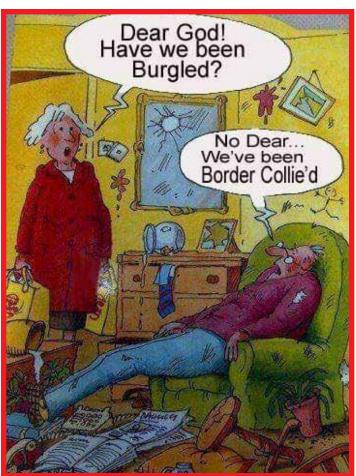






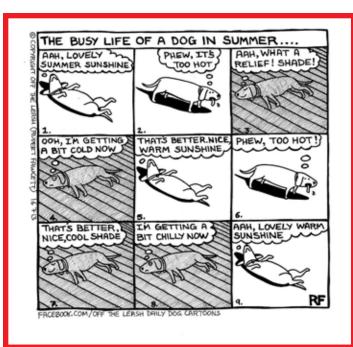






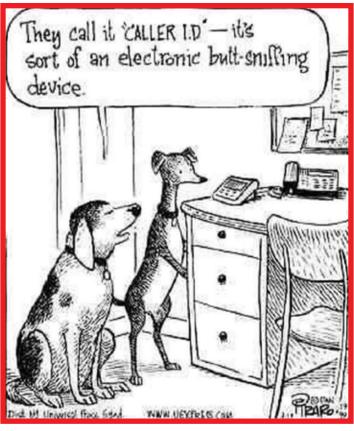


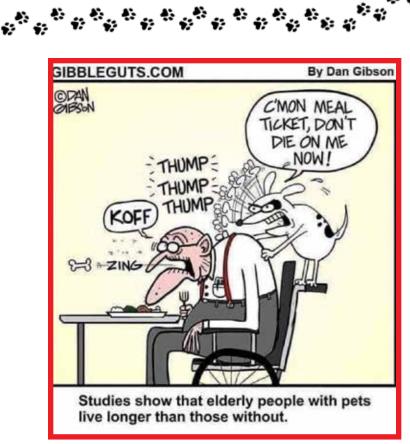
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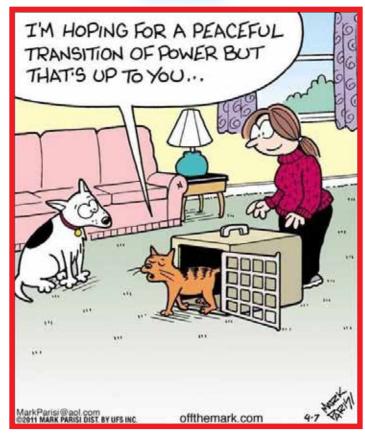
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## **Hard Word Search Puzzles**

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We've hidden 25 words in this puzzle, but we've not listed them. Here are some hints:

- Each word is spelled with 7 letters.
- Each word begins with a different letter of the alphabet.

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Words may appear in any direction.

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Circle the words in the puzzle as you find them. Write them in the blanks below.



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HINT: Spaces and punctuation are removed from words in the puzzle.

SOWAUANEOHNRENETUASEN RSNBRTROCWTDNALDNUOFWENGEB AORAEHDNUOHNAHGFABSGOWA BONECOTBSI SNCALOWCFF 1 SUSRRDS TPTHRAUASWNTNILEREDEN LWPOGUSREHARHERRWBXYOOY LSCOCKERSPANIELSNEF TGOOLHNKA IAUNHNEKTMHRPGGBNMO SRDRLDLHAEUOSEHHACBPNEAEUEGS SCEOAAETMFALPINESPAN ERNESEMOUNT AINDT SNAC TERIHSDROFFAT IENADTAERGG CBADANEMCETNRATGHBRRONO XRTAHSROPETAEERPCAHT BHENNOE RBECDOSAXANN INEI ST LVSRHRHRODDDSFA IHOINAB C IDHSURLRNSNHAEGLNOI E B I O S O M R M A L EMNDERUABCWDNRHH EOONSAISAHBORDERC EHODHGHGERMANSHEPHE OBCSKCABEGDIRNA SEDOHRO DNUOHFL 51 OWH BNABULLMAST 1 F OBODNUOHNOOCILERI EEEO 1 ILOHGPLTNESAGTLUL

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Akita American Staffordshire Terrier Ball Bichon Frise Bowls Bullmastiff Cocker Spaniel Dalmation Foxhound Golden Retriever Greyhound Jack Russell Maltese Newfoundland Rhodesian Ridgeback Scottish Terrier Siberian Husky Whippet

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Alpine Spaniel Argentine Dogo Basset Hound Border Collie Boxer Chihuahua Coonhound Doberman Pinscher Frisbe Gordon Setter House Leash Mutt Pit Bull Rottweiler Shar Pei Toys Wirehaired Pointing Griffon

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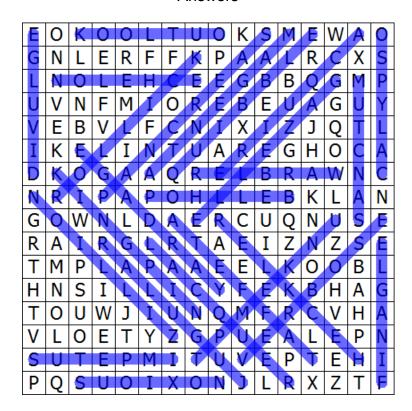
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Answers to puzzle on page 45.

## **Hard Word Search Puzzles**

**Answers** 



ACQUIRE BELLHOP CALYPSO DIVULGE ECHELON FINAGLE GAZELLE HECKLER IMPETUS JUGULAR KINGPIN LACQUER MAGENTA NOXIOUS OUTLOOK PANCREAS QUIBBLE ROLLICK

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SANCTUM TAFFETA UNKEMPT VERBOSE WARBLER YARDAGE ZILLION



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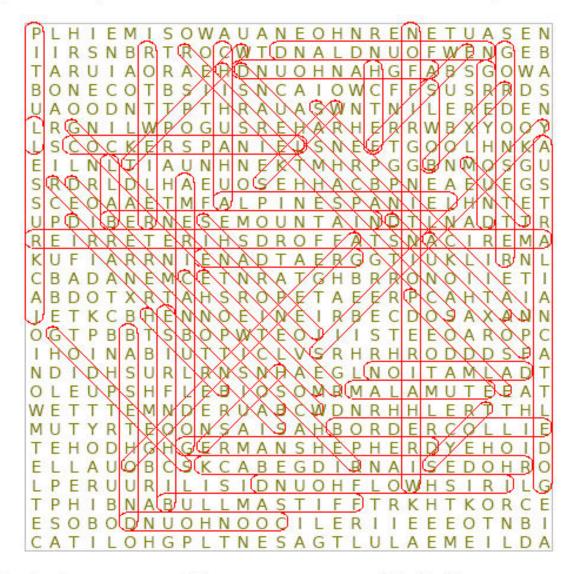
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