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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Cesar Marnijo	9/1	Karen Henry	9/20
LizBeth Lachnitt	9/1	John Warren	9/20
Mona Gatens	9/2	Robin Quintana	9/21
Peggy L. Phelps	9/4	Sheila Harrington	9/21
Cathy Yahraus	9/4	JoAnne McCraw	9/23
Gary Cathey	9/5	Lauri Borrás	9/25
Bill Heishman	9/7	Kelly Browning Henager	9/26
Samantha Lowrance	9/8	Janet "Jan" Bajovich	9/26
Kristal Hatcher	9/8	Kate Zimmer	9/28
Cherie Meagher	9/9	Sandra Iglesias	9/28
Shannon Quinn	9/11	Pat Schultz	9/28
Nancy Malone	9/13	Ty Walton	9/30
Terri Schurr	9/13	Caroline Oldham	9/30
Barbara Parramore	9/15	Pam Donze	9/30
Maron Baucom	9/15	Cathy Garrett	9/30
Nick Hunt	9/19		

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING: SEPTEMBER 7 @ 3 P.M.



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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

	Jul-19	YTD 2019
Proceeds	\$20.00	\$370.50
Expenditures	\$(239.24)	\$(315.02)
Net	\$(219.24)	\$55.48

A Word from Our President

Hello everyone,

I hope everyone is having a great summer.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the survey. Your input will help shape the club to be the best it can be. I also would like to thank everyone who is assisting and instructing in this session's classes.

We have our September meeting coming up on the 7th. We will be voting on Bylaw changes, the new board member slate will be announced and introduced and voting on new members that are available.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

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

Back to School!



Following is the final form of amendments proposed by the Bylaws Committee and the Board. The four proposed amendments will be voted on individually at the September 7 Club meeting.

Thank you,
Lynda Holman
Bylaws Committee Co-Chair

**Final Form of Proposed Amendments to DTCDC Bylaws
To be Voted on Individually at September 7 Club Meeting
(proposed changes are highlighted in yellow)**

#1 – Quorum requirement

Current:

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 20 percent of Active Members.

Final Form of Proposed Amendment:

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#2 – Nominating Committee Chair

Current:

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:

A. At 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 five (5) names on the elective written ballot. The five (5) members receiving the highest number of votes shall serve as the Nominating Committee, with the person receiving the greatest number of votes as chair. Any tie shall be decided by a run-off ballot.

Final Form of Proposed Amendment:

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:

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#3 – Treasurer Disbursement Limits

Current:

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 two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for miscellaneous Club expenses. Amounts over two hundred dollars (\$200.00) 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.

Final Form of Proposed Amendment:

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#4 – Include Email as Method for Notices to Members

Current:

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Final Form of Proposed Amendment Proposed:

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Be at the
meeting
and vote!

Nominating Committee Report – 2020 Officer & Director Nominees

At the August General Membership Meeting the following Nominating Committee was elected to nominate officers and directors for 2020:

Peggy Phelps, Tom Griggs, Carol Ford, Lynda Holman and Donna Heisman

The Nominating Committee has nominated the following 2020 Officers and Board of Directors candidates:

2020 Officer Candidates:

- President - Shari Price
- Vice President - Pam White
- Training Director - Joe Warner
- Secretary - Terry Schurr
- Treasurer - Marilyn Hopkins
- Member at Large - Benita Zapata
- Member at large - Linda Shearin
- Member at Large - Shannon Quinn
- Member at Large - Jana McBroom



Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the October General Membership Meeting, provided such nominee consents in advance in writing to serve in the position for which they are being nominated.

Elections will be held at the November General Membership Meeting.

See Bylaws Article VI for more information.



**Time to
go back
to school!**

Training Committee News

The updates to the Instructor and Assistant Manual have been published. The manual can be accessed on the DTCDC Members/Member Documentation folder of our website. The updates include tips on managing shy and over aroused/barking dogs, avoiding dog fights, and training for pinch collars.

I want to thank Paul and Debbie Cantwell for lending their time and talents to present the "Toys as Reward" seminar for our members. Due to a recent surgery, I was unable to attend, but have heard lots of great feedback from the attendees. And thanks to Carol Ford, Kate Zimmer, Linda Shearin and any others who stepped up in my absence to make the day ran smoothly.

Jan Bajovich

DTCDC Training Director



SESSION 5 - 2019						
Class	Day	Time	Begin Date	End Date	Instructor	Assisant
Beginner	Mon	7 - 8 p.m.	8/19/2019	9/30/2019	Joe Warner	Nicole Despronges Carol Ford Linda Shearin
Puppy	Mon	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	8/19/2019	9/30/2019	Robin Quintana	David Elliott Barbara Elliott Miguel Reyes
Conformation	Tues	6 - 7 p.m.	8/20/2019	9/24/2019	Jennie Dunaway	
Foundation Skills	Tues	7 - 8 p.m.	8/20/2019	9/24/2019	Danika Taylor	Thuan Mai Melissa Mai
Beginner	Tues	8 - 9 p.m.	8/20/2019	9/24/2019	Jeff Young	Holly Taylor Maron Baucom
Advanced Rally	Wed	7 - 8 p.m.	8/21/2019	9/25/2019	Jan Hitchborn Jan Bruner Pam Chrystal	
Master Rally	Wed	8:15 - 9:15 p.m.	8/21/2019	9/25/2019	Jan Hitchborn Jan Bruner Pam Chrystal	
Beginner	Thurs	1 - 2 p.m.	8/22/2019	9/26/2019	Pam White	Becky Hill Kathleen Stock
Foundation Skills	Thurs	2 - 3 p.m.	8/22/2019	9/26/2019	Denise Johnson	Kathleen Stock
Trick Class	Thurs	3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	8/22/2019	9/26/2019	Michelle Hosey	
Novice	Thurs	7 - 8 p.m.	8/22/2019	9/26/2019	Mark Malone	
Beg Open/Utility	Thurs	8:15 - 9:30 p.m.	8/22/2019	9/26/2019	Paul Cantwell	Deb Cantwell
Master Nosework	Fri	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	8/23/2019	10/4/2019	rotate/Jan Hitchborn	
Beg Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	8/23/2019	10/4/2019	Jan Hitchborn	
Adv Nosework	Fri	7:30 - 8:30 p.m.	8/23/2019	10/4/2019	Mim Aiken	Benita Zapata
Novice Rally	Sun	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.	8/18/2019	9/29/2019	Julie Whitehead	

Instructor/Assistant Corner:

I have had some questions and comments recently about the use of markers in Beginner and Puppy classes. I would like to discuss markers in general and our club's training history in particular.

Markers facilitate quick learning and effective retention of new information by dogs. This has been recognized by behavior scientists for almost 100 years and by the animal trainer community for almost 50 years. The marker method is the most common method used today to train dogs, horses, zoo animals, even wild animals in captivity.

So why has our club not used markers for the past 45 years? During the time our club was developing our training programs, the club chose to emulate the work of Dr. Ian Dunbar as, at the time, Dr. Dunbar had developed an innovative program of teaching puppies. (Prior to that time, it was thought pups had to be 6 months old before training could begin.) Dr. Dunbar did not use a marker at that time. Our club continued in the Dunbar path while the rest of the world followed the path of markers/clickers.

It is interesting to note that, while our club did not ever update our methods to the use of markers, Dr. Dunbar did. You can find YouTube videos of his daughter Kelly playing the name game and then charging a verbal marker with a dog:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ywc43bv98vU>.

Even the Dunbars have recognized the importance of using markers in training.

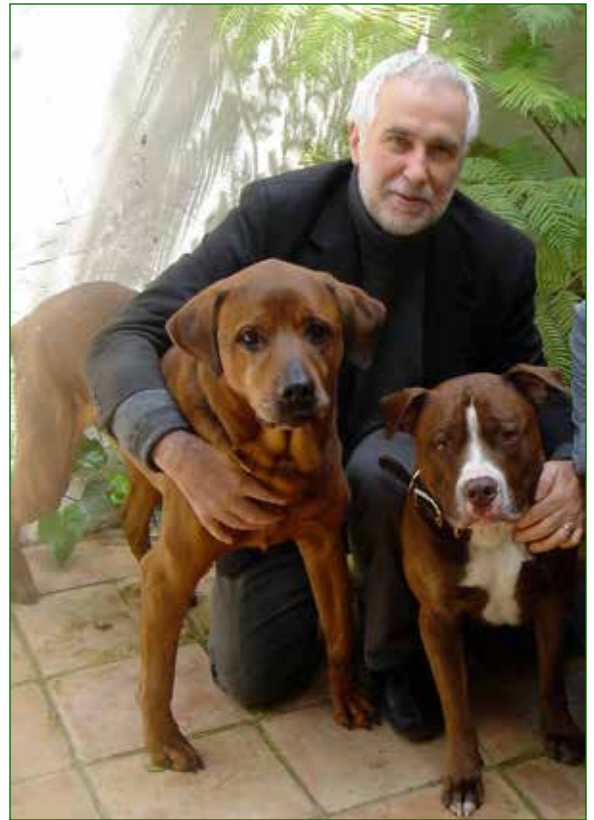
As a new club member, I learned by the Dunbar method and did not begin using markers until I learned how to use a clicker. Seeing the amazing, quick results, I became an instant believer in markers – verbal, clickers, touch, lights, any well-timed appropriate marker.

It is always difficult to change. It requires deliberate and consistent action on our part. And nobody likes to change, but some change is worth it. Markers are one of those. The use will become habit after a while and almost unconscious.

But why expect Puppy and Beginner students to learn markers? One of the services we provide to our clients is not just a dog that can sit and come when called but a method by which they can teach their dog behaviors. Asking them to teach their dogs a trick is a way we verify they have learned to apply the method correctly and effectively so, even after they leave our classes, they can teach new behaviors to their dog. Should they continue their education elsewhere, the marker method will be recognized and accepted, and they will not have to learn a different method.

Jan Bajovich

DTCDC Training Director



Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Meeting – August 3, 2019

Agenda

Meeting called by	David Elliott
Type of meeting	General Membership Meeting
Facilitator	David Elliott
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson
Attendees	See Attendance Roster
	<p>CALLED TO ORDER BY David Elliott @ 3:06pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Guest • Recognized instructors and assistants • Thank Social Committee for summer social party • Thanked Lana Shuman & Lynda Holman for bringing snacks • Thanked all members that are in attendance for their commitment to the club • Reminded all that Board meetings are open to all members

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – Benita Zapata 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"> • Ask if there were any additional corrections or additions to the June/July General Meeting. ASCA spelling was incorrect on the minutes.
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The motion to approve the minutes was given by Vicki Jackson and seconded by Benita Zapata. Minutes approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT – Shari Price

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial report
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REGISTRATION – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classes start mid-August. Classes are on Eventbrite.
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PAW PRINT COMMITTEE – Lana Shuman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Back to School theme. • Due August 31st
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BY-LAWS COMMITTEE - Lynda Holman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented proposed updates to the proposed changes to the by-laws • Vote in September – each one individually
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TRAINING COMMITTEE – Jan Bajovich

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday beginner class • Need instructor for Thursday and assistants for Tuesday
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday new class – intermediate open class – no instructor – just to work their dogs. • Handout with foundation class • August 24 – 9-5 Paul Cantwell seminar – continental breakfast and lunch • Survey – ask day and time of meeting – one question • Tom Griggs – asked about numbers for meetings • Mona O’Gorman– asked - where are the 175 when it comes to instructors and assistants
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COMMUNITY EVENTS/PUBLIC RELATIONS/ADVERTISING – Donna Heishman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walmart having vet services. Seems very rural. At their present locations, not something that we should be involved in.
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TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE – Donna Heishman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wi-Fi not working. Company went out of business. Looking for a new service provider. • Stacy Copeland – Friends of Tri City Animal Shelter – giving presentation after meeting – 10 minutes • September 28th – Paws, Claws and Outlaws Ball in Cedar Hill \$70/person, Same evening there is an Ellis County event for \$50/person • Oct 19 Hogs for Dogs ride - Tri City Animal Shelter – volunteers to help handle Pitbulls. Walking the dogs around the people.
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SHOW N GO – Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next one - August 17th. Always need volunteers.
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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE – David Elliott for Terri Schurr

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 New Members Judy Henry (family membership) husband Patrick
Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • motioned that we except these new members by Shannon Quinn and seconded by Paul Cantwell.

THERAPY COMMITTEE – Mark Malone

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will have a speaker after the November meeting
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NEW BUSINESS

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members elected a nominating committee: <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Peggy Phelps</td> <td>Lynda Holman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Donne Heishman</td> <td>Tom Griggs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Carol Ford</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> 	Peggy Phelps	Lynda Holman	Donne Heishman	Tom Griggs	Carol Ford	
Peggy Phelps	Lynda Holman						
Donne Heishman	Tom Griggs						
Carol Ford							

September meeting snacks to be provided by Carol and Barbara

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Shannon Quinn and seconded by Benita Zapata

Adjourn the meet to brags and refreshments at 4:42

Attendance: 40 members

Membership: 211 members / 182 voting members

Attendance Records:

Day of Week	Meeting	Attendance	
Tue	2/7/2017	37	
Tue	3/7/2017	30	
Tue	5/2/2017	31	
Tue	6/6/2017	33	
Sat	8/5/2017	39	Social
Sat	10/7/2017	34	
Sat	11/4/2017	45	
Sat	12/2/2017	35	
Sat	1/6/2018	38	
Sat	2/3/2018	16	
Sat	3/3/2018	21	
Sat	4/7/2018	45	
Sat	5/5/2018	20	
Sat	6/2/2018	32	
Sat	8/4/2018	39	
Sat	1/12/2019	28	Social
Sat	3/2/2019	21	
Sat	4/6/2019	25	
Sat	5/4/2019	25	
Sat	6/8/2019	26	
Sat	7/27/2019	35	Social
Sat	8/3/2019	40	



December 2017 – Membership: 219 members / 178 voting members

December 2018 – Membership: 208 members / 170 voting members

August 2019 - Membership: 211 members / 182 voting members



Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting – August 3, 2019

Agenda

Meeting called by	President
Type of meeting	Board Meeting
Facilitator	David Elliott
Note taker	Margaret Culbertson, Secretary
Attendees	David Elliott, Margaret Culbertson, Vicki Jackson, Carol Ford, Lynda Holman, Linda Shearin, Jan Bajovich, Shari Price, Benita Zapata, Mark Malone
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – David Elliott @ 1:07	
Discussion	

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asked if there were any corrections or additions to the June /July minutes.
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TREASURERS REPORT – Shari Price

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asked if there were any corrections or additions to the June /July minutes. 		
	Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2019:		
	Cash		
	Operating	\$5,888	
	Savings	\$44,988	
	PayPal \$-		
		\$50,876	
	Profit and Loss Statement		
		July	YTD
	Total Proceeds	\$1,633	\$30,680
	Total Expenditures	\$(2,995)	\$(25,070)
	Net Surplus	\$(1,362)	\$5,610

TRAINING COMMITTEE - Jan Bajovich

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suggested award – annually appreciated award for Show n Go. This could cause us to have an award for every committee. There is the Board appreciation award which should encompass the Show n Go volunteers. Walmart Vet clinics – 3 – one in Kaufman, rural not many house dogs. They talked about partnering with us but Jan doesn’t think it is a good fit.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foundation skills handout will go to students registered for class• Paul's seminar for August 24th – currently only 8 people signed up.• Jan will be out of pocket for 2-3 weeks.• Added an intermediate open class for Sunday. Will not have an instructor – similar to the utility class on Sunday.• Will execute a Survey Monkey survey for meeting days.
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REGISTRATION - Margaret Culbertson

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New member added to committee
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BYLAWS – Lynda Holman

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bylaws state we need 2/3 of the active members present.• Membership role• Change was printed in August PawPrint.
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OLD BUSINESS – David Elliott

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Linda Marlow cannot do September meeting. Can do after November meeting.
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NEW BUSINESS -

Discussion	<p>Margaret discussed attendance sheets and how our attendance has been around 30 members for the past two years.</p> <p>Vicki discussed having history info out at meetings and social – to take pride in past.</p> <p>Mona Gatens reimbursed for 3rd class since her new membership paperwork was in before the session started.</p> <p>Chihuahua club found new place. There are no issues.</p> <p>Flu statement still on website. Trying to get it taken off.</p> <p>The date of December 21 for the December Show n Go was approved.</p> <p>Oct 2 will be the next CGC.</p> <p>David voiced his ideas on provisional thoughts.</p> <p>Vicki discussed ways to take initiative to make new members involved</p>
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Motion to adjourn the meeting was given by Benita and Seconded by Vicki

Meeting adjourned at 2:49pm.



President David Elliott introduced Judy and Patrick Henry at the August Meeting. After Judy told the club members a little about them, they were voted in a DTCCDC's newest members.

One Family Membership today at the August Meeting.

Name	Judy & Patrick Henry
City	Duncanville
Home Phone	972-296-8890
Cell Phone	(J) 214-577-5724, (P) 214-577-4443
Email	(J) jlhenry@sbcglobal.net , (P) bellcor@sbcglobal.net
Birthday	2/1
Dog Call Name	Murphy
Dog Breed	Labradoodle



August 24: Great Training Day for Dogs and Owners!

By Carol Ford

DTCDC started our Back to School month with the most fun day for our dogs and their owners! The dogs were at all levels; from the very shy, to the showing group that were looking to improve precision through fun and encouragement, to the ones that are enjoying the art of the show circuit, but were seeking a better relationship through work & play while developing more precision, to the dogs that had great beginnings with toy play but were looking to improve their techniques.

Paul started the morning off with the use of treats that developed into all levels of work with toys.

He even taught how to play while sitting down in a chair! (Yes - you don't have to be young and fit to play with your dog!) Even knee replacement owners have a special place.

Paul and Debbie thought of everything! They had almost every toy imaginable that would engage a dog and there was even an assortment of toys that could be purchased to accommodate YOUR pooch!

Paul worked with Jackson, his experienced toy player (see photo, bottom right), to Arrow his young 9-month-old just learning the 3 learning points, Motivation, Attention and Precision! It was delightful to watch Paul on the floor working the dogs and to have Debbie in the audience, along with listening to the audience response conversation to each dog, as they guided our dogs through such a fun filled day!

Thank you, Paul and Debbie, for giving your Saturday to DTDCDC with an extremely informative seminar!

Seminar:
Training with Toy Rewards
by Paul Cantwell

August 24, 2019
9 a.m. - 5 p.m.



At left, Carol Ford and Charli.

At right, Paul Cantwell with Jackson



Club members practice new skills during the seminar...



Photos provided by Paul Cantwell and Donna Heishman



SHOW & GO

SATURDAY  **SEPTEMBER 21ST**

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 DTCCDC Facebook 

late Friday for Pre-entry numbers & approximate times

Pre-Entry at "Events" on DTCCDC website or [DTCCDC 9-21-18 S&G](#)

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


**MARK YOUR CALENDERS  UPCOMING DATES
 **October 12th**  **November 9th**  **December 21st** **



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

CGC, CGCA, CGCU and Trick Dog Testing



CGC, CGCA and Trick Dog Testing: Wednesday, October 9

CGCU (Urban) Testing: Saturday, October 19

More details to come.

Registration will be available soon on Eventbrite.

Contact Robin Quintana with questions.

robinquintana@att.net



Mark your calendars

Upcoming DTCCDC Events



Paws, Claws & Outlaws Gala

September 28, 2019 | 6-10 pm
Alan E. Sims Cedar Hill Recreation Center
310 E. Parkerville Road, Cedar Hill



Tri-City Animal Shelter

*Annual Paws, Claws, & Outlaws Gala
Dinner and auction*

September 28 – Cedar Hill

Join us with Table Sponsorships
- \$70 per person
- 10 people per table needed.

Contact donna@heishman.net



**You are invited to Ellis County SPCA
Dinner & Auction**

**On Saturday, September 28, 2019
at 6 PM**

Midlothian Conference Center

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Wear your favorite 80's outfit or t-shirt.

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To purchase tickets or make a donation go to
<https://ecspca.ejoinme.org/2019gala>

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Benefitting  Presenting Sponsor 

Ellis County SPCA 8th Annual

*"Wish upon a Paw"
Dinner and auction*

September 28 - Midlothian

Contact Shannon Quinn – lawlover23@yahoo.com

White at the Show

By Jose Rodriguez

Editor's note:

Jose Rodriguez has volunteered to do a monthly column about some of the cities where you are showing your dogs. The show is the most important, but you can also enjoy many wonderful cultural things while there.

Amarillo Texas



If the entries are in, the wagons are loaded, and you're planning on hitting the trail up to the Panhandle, you are in for a great big Texas size adventure. The Panhandle Kennel Club does a wonderful job of coordinating these shows (Sept 12th – 15th) in a large comfortable venue with lots of parking.

There are also many things to see and do with your dogs, friends and/or family while visiting this iconic Texas treasure. Palo Duro Canyon, the second largest in the country, is very close by and offers great dog friendly hiking trails, scenic views, and insights into Texas' colorful history.

Many of the shops and outdoor seating restaurants on Route 66 are dog friendly. Big Texan Steak Ranch also has an outdoor seating area that allows dogs. If you can't finish

the 72 oz steak, I'm sure your little friend will be happy to help. You can even take your dogs on a walk among the cars buried



at Cadillac Ranch. Don't forget the Quarter Horse Museum and the Vintage RV and Motorcycle Museum (no dogs allowed).

Make the time, enjoy, take lots of pictures, and 'Git Along, Little Dogies'.



The Lessons of Luke

By Jan Hitchborn

(Previously sent to DFW Metro Golden Retriever Rescue on the passing of Luke.)



We wanted to share Luke with the rest of you and had started a piece that was to be from Luke to Rescue. 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 adventures.

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 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.



Jan and Jim Hitchborn with Luke

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Bulletin Board

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING

September 7 @ 3 p.m.

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

OCTOBER PAW PRINT

THEME: BOO TO YOU

SUBMISSIONS DUE DATE:
WED, SEPTEMBER 25 (or earlier)

UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:

NOVEMBER:	HONORING VETERANS
DECEMBER	HOLIDAY FAVORITES

SEPTEMBER DOG CALENDAR:

- National Service Dog Month.
- National Pet Insurance Month.
- Sept. 8: National Pet Memorial Day.
- Sept. 8: National Hug Your Hound Day.
- Sept. 13: Pet Birth Defect Awareness Day. A day dedicated to the issue of pet birth defects including information on identification, prevention and treatment.
- Sept. 21: Puppy Mill Awareness Day.
- Sept. 21: Responsible Dog Ownership Day.
- Sept. 22-28: National Deaf Dog Awareness Week.
- Sept. 22-28: National Dog Week.
- Sept. 23: Dogs in Politics Day - Recognizing the dogs of politicians.
- Sept. 26: Remember Me Thursday® is an international social media awareness day that brings attention to the millions of adoptable pets waiting in shelters and remembers those pets who never got a second chance. Share your rescue pet using #RememberMeThursday.
- Sept. 28: World Rabies Day. Sponsored by the Global Alliance for Rabies Control.
- Sept. 28: World's Largest Pet Walk. Sponsored by Pet Partners.

SHOW 'N GO SCHEDULE:

SHOW N GO

- September 21
- October 12
- November 9
- November 23 R
- December 21

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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 Rooster

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

Club WiFi is temporarily out of service.

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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.



Learning
is fun!



On August 2 we were in a full elite nosework trial hosted by Lonestar K9 Performance Club and earned qualifying runs and placements in in all four elements - exterior, interior, container and vehicle searches. The vehicle success was the one of two elite vehicle legs we need to finish our UKC elite nosework title. One more to go.

Laura Lipscomb brags:

Reggie earned his UKC novice titles in Containers and Interior at the August 3, 4 United Dog Owners Group trial in Alvarado.

Benita Zapata brags:



Raiden traveled to Wichita Falls to compete in AKC Scent Work trials. She was entered in 18 trials during the weekend of August 16-18. Raiden was in competition among five elements at

the Advanced and Excellent levels. We both had a good weekend and came home with eleven beautiful placement rosette ribbons, and three element titles. The event was hosted by The Obedience Training Club of Wichita Falls.

Titles Earned:

- Scent Work Buried Advanced-SBA
- Scent Work Container Excellent-SCE
- Scent Work Interior Excellent-SIE

Placement:

- 7 First Place
- 2 Second Place
- 2 Third Place

Georgann Truitt Hughes brags:



Swish earned her UKC Elite Containers Title at the UDOG Nosework Trial on Sunday, August 4 in Alvarado under judge Nancy Anderson. She also took first place and High In Trial for that level. I'm so very proud of my girl!

Busy Past Few Weeks...

by Jose Rodriguez

Eichler and Ruffino both earned their CGC's on July 24 (thank you David & Robin!) and on July 26, Ruffino began trialing for his Novice Rally title in Longview. He qualified in the three events, taking 2nd and 4th placements and completing the last run with a score of 97. I got a thousand more grey hairs in return.

A little about how we met Ruffino. He clocked us at a confirmation dog show after being returned to his breeder earlier that day. It was his second time back. Being coated in a normally hairless breed and five months old, his prospects were getting dim. Eichler's two older dog siblings had passed away several months before and he was non-stop pestering Steve for attention. But believe me, getting a Peruvian Inca Orchid, a pariah sighthound bred to escort the dead through the underworld, was not in my competitive performance dog agenda. I looked over at Steve, he was laughing out loud as the puppy licked and nibbled the hair in his ears. My fate was sealed. Steve and this puppy had fallen in love at first sight. And, I couldn't blame him; who could resist that cute little face and those slobbery kisses (Ruffino's not Steve's). We brought him home a few days later and immediately figured out his problem. He drank a gallon of water and peed two gallons on the kitchen floor. Once we treated his bladder infection, it only took a few days to house train him.



Eichler



Ruffino

The day after the Rally competition, I started what felt like the undoing of 12 months of training. It was now okay to sniff the ground, wonder off, and not look at me as we walked along. Amazing how quickly he caught on to that! And even though my dogs and I are not perfect and we all need a lot more training, I entered us in the August 16 thru 18 Wichita Falls AKC Scent Work Trial. I say perfection is over rated and never let it get in the way of a good time. And yes, I know, it's expensive to trial and why do it if you're not going to qualify? Like mama said, "It's fiscally irresponsible. You could have taken me to Brazil with the money you spend on those dogs. I hope you're maxing out your IRA?" I tell her, "It's a lot of fun and that's reason enough." "Don't talk back to your mother," she tells me.

Friday could have been a bust, but Eichler qualified in Containers after sticking his foot in a box. Thankfully it ended up being the one with the scent. I learned so much that day. There are so many things that a handler needs to be aware of and do. Much of what Jan Hitchborn and Benita Zapata taught me finally started to gel. You know, sometimes I just have to 'do it' to learn. I wish it was different but giving yourself the opportunity and freedom to make mistakes is the key to so much. Learning from those mistakes is even more important. The judge was also so nice and really helped take some of the pressure off.

Eichler ended up finishing the weekend with two titles (Novice Container & Interior), two 1st places, two 2nd places, and five qualifying runs. Ruffino did really great with three qualifying runs and one 4th place in Interior. I moved Eichler up to Advanced Containers

on Sunday. He quickly found the 1st hidden scent but I got so excited, I treated him and left. Half way out the room, I remembered that we still needed to find a second hidden scent. You fool, I thought! We got back in and Eichler again quickly found the second scent. Everyone laughed at me! I laughed at myself as I collected our second place ribbon. Ha! Ha! Ha! Lesson learned. "I'll never make that mistake again. It cost me a 1st place ribbon!" I told Steve. "Stage Mother," Steve replied.



Paw Print Photo Album



Logan, Maggie and Skye wish they could go to school with Kate and Haylee. Logan, Maggie and Skye are the proud owners of Jan Hitchborn.



(Below) Ozzy studies hard using his calculator. Ozzy is the special boy who owns Shari Price.



(Above) Kelly sits proudly at his desk. He knows what school is all about. Kelly is the proud owner of Jan Bajovich.



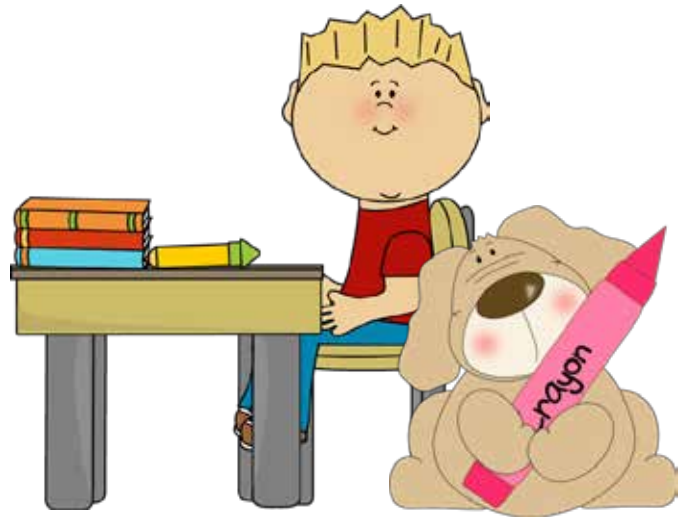


Parrie Mashburn goes off to Grad School at Texas Tech and says a temporary goodbye to her favorite mascot, Dulce. Dulce is the proud owner of Kay Mashburn.



(Left and above) When Finn was a pup, he went to school with his buddy Stephen to 3rd grade. He helped Stephen get his desk ready for school. Finn owns Miriam Inglehart and Stephen and loves them very much!





Daisy just loves school. At left she went to an elementary school and posed with the dragon! (She was part of a reading program at this school for six years.)

Above she went to TCU...

Daisy owns Sheryll Barker.

