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by Sue Faber and Josie McAuliffe

#### Dateline: RALLY NATIONALS - PERRY GA.



hat a really great trip to the Rally Nationals! Josie McAuliffe and I left Wednesday morning and got into Perry around 10 pm Wednesday evening. Our rental house was amazing!!! It was a 4 bedroom, two bath house on a lake. We were really excited to unpack and wait for the other two roomies to arrive on Thursday afternoon.

We got up fairly early the next day as we needed to pick out our crating space between 10 and 12

noon. We felt really great about the space we chose and after making sure Julie Rovner and Anita Rhawn had space we left for the house until it was time to go back for photo sessions and check in. Julie and Anita met us at the house before we left so they both settled in while we were at the venue. We all met at the crating area and just walked around feeling the excitement of



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### From the Editor

- by Pam Coblyn, Editor, Obichaff



# **Getting It Done**

#### "Remember, as a student you do what you have to do, in order to do what you want to do." —Author Unknown"

ow about some spring cleaning? It's not the traditional scrubbing and freshening of the house—it's sweeping out the cobwebs in your mind.

Contrary to the traditional New Year's resolutions, I believe spring is the BEST time to get invigorated. Rebirth is in the air!

Take stock of your goals.Ask yourself where you want to be and what you want to accomplish. Don't hesitate to set the bar. Deciding ahead of time that something you *truly* want is unattainable will keep you mired in defeat and a negative state of mind.The purpose of a goal is to inspire— NOT TO PLAY IT SAFE!

Once you define a goal (or goals), figure out the steps that will get it done. It's much like training a dog with back chaining. Small steps can be mini-goals. Ask yourself what classes you need to take, what you need to know and who can help you. Getting a mentor can jump start your process and you can find many generous people in our club, read books by respected trainers, go to shows and watch closely what good teams do and comb through youtube videos and advice blogs on the internet. I've done all of these things and, trust me, they've all made a huge difference!

Part of trying to become better is being able to absorb a setback, bad day or disappointment. These are part of life because no one and no dog is perfect 100% of the time. Analyze what you can do about it, and be determined that it won't define your future. The difference between pros and amateurs is that pros know how to process a defeat...and then go right back onto the field. I'm quite sure they love winning, but they love playing the game more—much more!

Spring is a good time to fall in love with your dog *even more*—then fall in love with your training bond and the process of reaching goals.



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### From the President—March April 2017

hat is a dog trick? How do you define it? Some of the things we train our dogs to do would clearly be considered a "trick" by most people, *i.e.*, roll over, play dead or a high five. I would argue that the definition of a dog trick is much broader and that just about everything we teach our dogs can be considered a "trick" such as Sit, Down, Heeling and a Recall. Apparently now, so does the AKC. They are now offering the AKC Trick Dog title. There are four levels: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Performer. At the Novice and Intermediate level the dog has to executive ten tricks: Advanced level dogs need to execute five tricks. AKC Canine Good Citizen (AKC) evaluators administer the tests for Novice, Intermediate and Advanced. For the Performer title, the dog performs the tricks in a routine that is videotaped and sent to the AKC who will grant the Performer title upon viewing the video and confirming that the dog has performed all of the required elements for the title.

At our March General Membership meeting, we presented information about the new Tricks titles and it seemed that many present were surprised to learn that exercises we typically associate with obedience and canine good citizen behaviors are included as part of the list of tricks to be performed for various Tricks titles. In fact, at the Novice level, if your dog has already earned a CGC title, you only need to perform five additional "tricks" from the list provided to earn the Tricks title. All of the information regarding the new AKC trick titles can be found on the AKC website. I recommend you check it out!

Some of you may be thinking that this is just another way for AKC to make money. The fee for testing is \$20

and food rewards can be used after the dog has executed the behavior, sort of a "Trick and Treat" concept. But I would argue that any time that a handler spends training their dog to do something is



worth doing. And, these Trick titles give dog owners another way to work with their dogs towards a goal and get rewarded for it. What could be bad about that?

Also, at our April General Membership meeting, Sandi Atkinson presented information on the many changes to AKC Rally. Most existing Rally signs have some new language and there are new signs, new titles and new qualification procedures. It's a lot to digest and many of our Rally instructors and Training Group leaders are working diligently to understand the changes and bring that knowledge back to our membership. We are considering some new Rally classes to address the growing need and popularity of our Rally program. As always, we would love to hear from you if you have some ideas about what changes you would make to our Rally programs to best help you. Please send any comments or ideas you have to me so we can include them in our plans.

Our next General Membership meeting is May 9th. Carol Rosen, our resident expert on teaching dog tricks, will be presenting along with Ken Harringer on the topic of dog tricks. Please plan to join us for what promises to be a fun and educational meeting. See you then!

> **Carrie Solomon** President **Capital Dog Training Club**

### The Rally Training Group Train, polish, learn and have fun with your dog!



Set up for Rally Training Group is 1:00-1:25pm. Walk-thrus 1:25-1:40, run-thrus 1:40-2:45. Please come early to help set up the course or stay late to help take it down (it's easy!). Also, if you have adequate knowledge of all rally signs, please offer to assist in judging.

### Come by on Saturday afternoons—check the back page for dates!

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### **Delegates** Corner

— by Joyce Dandridge, CDTC AKC Delegate



#### Please stay tuned for news in the next issue of Obichaff!



our Board welcomes your comments and suggestions on Club matters. We like it and appreciate it when you point out something that we may not be aware of or may have missed.

We also want you to know that your Board members have been working very diligently to improve our "business model" and are working on many items that have been out of date for a while. We are tackling numerous issues, large and small, including the recent chart "Job Descriptions" (published in the Jan-Feb 2017 *Obichaff*) which

makes it clear which Board member is assigned to which task(s).

If you have concerns about something, please contact the Board Member directly who is responsible for that issue.

Keep in mind that sometimes a task is started, but we are distracted with a more pressing issue or have to wait to find out more information before proceeding. Please let us know of our concerns, but have patience if something is not accomplished immediately. Please as a Club Member understand that there are MANY items which need to be addressed to keep the Club running smoothly now and in the future and the Board Members are taking this very seriously.

—Eileen Freedman, Vice President and Joan Adler, Historian

### **Thanks For the Great Job!**

The CDTC and the Board of Directors sends a special thank you to **Laurie Warren** for the wonderful job of fixing our clubhouse's disintegrating bathroom ceiling. Eileen Freedman, our tireless club beautification and clean up champion said, "I was so pleased with the job you did, Laurie. The ceiling looks so much better now and we look forward to late April when you paint it!" Once again and with much appreciation, we thank you for the work you did."

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# Infroducing New AKC Champion, BOSCO!



**ianne and Jeff Harab's** handsome field spaniel **Bosco** (Evans Bosco Boy CD BN GN RE CGCA), earned a BIG title before his name: CHAMPION. Under Dianne's strong guidance, Bosco worked hard while he grew into a mature Field Spaniel.

A real showman who does his best when Dianne is in view, Bosco earned points over the years. But, it wasn't until the Cherry Blossom Cluster in April, 2016 that he earned his first major at 3.5 years old. In Breed, 15 points are needed along with two Majors to become an AKC Champion.

Despite the slow start, Bosco finished with a

flourish, earning three additional Majors in February and March of 2017.

Bosco earned his Championship at the Maryland Sporting Dog show at Howard County on Saturday, March 4th and his first Grand Champion point with Dianne handling hime for the first time in the Conformation ring on Sunday, March 5th.

Dianne and Jeff declare, "We want to thank everyone who came out to support our splendiferous pups even though many of you were not showing, it's great to have a ready made cheering section."

### Brags—CDTC Members & Dogs Take To the Ring!



Photo by Key4Dogs

### First PlaceOpen Standard Q At the CDTC Trial!

**Carie Wohl's** fast little black dog **Nitro** (CH Whispers' Rockin' Shootin' 4 The Stars, NA, NAJ, CGC) jumped through the tire in his Open Standard run on Friday at the CDTC Agility trial. Nitro had a clean run with a qualifying score of 100 in which put him in first place. Carie says, "I'm very proud of my lover boy! It was our only Q all weekend from the trial. After Nitro sniffed out the entire building he could not find the "bitch in season" that ruined the rest of his runs. The rest of the Schipp Circus had fun, no Q's, but fun. It was great to see friends I haven't seen in a while and I was able to gain some insight on most of my dogs behaviors at a trial. Back to square one! We'll try again! Although Sunday turned out to be an extremely long day, it was a good one thanks to all who made that possible!"

You are fast and eager little black dog, Nitro!



#### Say It Loud- I Got New Agility Titles!

**Jennie Larkin's** canaan dog **Tali** (CH Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali PCD BN RN ACT2 NFP NJP CL1 RL2-AOE RLP-AOE) poses with her satin haul that includes new Novice Jumpers and a Novice Fast title, 5 blue ribbons along with a 2nd and 3rd.

Jennie is proud and says, "My good puppy is feeding my satin fetish!

Good girlie, Tali Monster-you rule!

#### Two Open Legs at Specialty!

**Dianne Harab's "Don" Bosco** outdid himself at the Field Spaniel Nationals. He earned his 1st leg in Open A with a 190 (the only qualifier in the entire Open class!) and a 2nd leg for 1st Place with a 192 out of 12 in Open A! Dianne says, "I am so excited. Thank you to all of our friends for your advice and support!"

You're dominating Open at your Specialty!

#### New and Richly Deserved Utility Title!

**Tom Tatham** is proud to introduce **Maggie**, now UD BN RE CGCA!!! Maggie earned her Utility title at the Oriole Dog Training Club on March 19 with a 3rd Place finish.

Tom writes, "This is the culmination of 4 years of nearly daily training, including training at CTA and CDTC three times per week. I need to check my records but I think this was our 9th entry.We earned the first leg in September at Oriole, the second in early February at Catoctin and fittingly titled where we began at Oriole. Maggie and I spent about 18 months training for Utility after the CDX, but we had been sporadically training utility exercises for about a year beforehand.

I would like to thank the many people who have helped us along the way. Nancy French, Pat Schapp, Micheal Heeg and Kathy Drake (all from Dog Sense Unlimited), as well as Mary Ladieu, gave Maggie a very strong foundation and taught us to love the sport. Joan Adler has my deep gratitude for the encouragement and advice she has given us during her Monday Utility class. The people who help us train deserve a lot of credit for achievements in the ring. We now plan to work on improving the reliability of signals and reducing ring stress, with a goal of beginning to work on a UDX this fall. We will also get started in agility.

Tom gratefully acknowledges 'it takes a village'.



We are all thrilled for Team Maggie and know how hard you have worked for this over the years. Well done!



#### Joy and A New Title at the AKC Rally Nationals!

**Josie McAuliffe's** sweet GSD **Atlas** finished their RAE at the AKC Rally Nationals! Josie reports, "After a slow start in Advanced (where he forgot how to front and earned an 88%, Atlas remembered—with the help of a meatball from Sue Faber—and earned twin scores of 96% on the two Excellent courses, finishing with a 90% on his second Advanced course where he successfully did 2 fronts! Sooo, we won't get a placement ribbon, but we had fun with our friends Sue and Stryder, Julie and Wallace and Anita .

And, Atlas beat Xena's scores!"

You just earned yourself some more cheese, Atlas!

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#### New Rally Level 2 Title!

**Jennie Larkin's** canaan dog **Tali** (CH. Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali BN RN CL1 RL2) earned her World Cynosport Rally Level 2 title in January (it is equivalent to AKC Rally Advanced). "On March 5 we did our first Companion Dog Sports Program (CDSP) Novice Trial, and she did great! Two trials in one morning, and she earned a 195.5 and fourth place in the first, and a 197 and second place in the second. She also had to be woken up from a nap in the car to compete in a run-off (poor groggy girl!) for the second trial. We didn't win the run-off, which would have not only given us first place, but also a HIT. Not bad for second time out!"

Well done, Tali—you look gorgeous wearing a dress of rosettes!



#### **New Agility Masters Title!**

**Benita Bottoms's** lovely **Savoy** enjoyed a clean Masters Standard run to earned her Agility MX in Reva,VA on Sunday,March 5. Benita is rightfully proud: "This is our first Masters title so TREAT PARTY!" She is now CH TagAlong's High Tea for Two (CD, RE, MX AXJ NF CGC WWD GROM).

We are so very happy for Savoy, who is a master of her domain!





#### More and More Rally Excellent Q's!

**Julie Rover's** sweet and sassy corgi **Wallace** earned his first and second legs of Rally Excellent at the Maryland Sporting Dog Association trials at Howard County Fairgrounds on March 3 and 5. He got a 98 and 1st Place on Friday (under judge Josie McAuliffe!!!) and a 99 and 2nd Place on Sunday! *You just earned yourself some Wensleydale cheese, Wallace!* 

#### New Utility Title and New Rally Title in One Long Weekend!

Ken and Betsy Harringer's Bruno (Horst Bruno von Hillside UD BN RAE JH CGC (WC CCAVC) had a three-for-three Utility A weekend! Bruno earned a Q each day with a 1st, 2nd and another1st place.

Ken writes,"Twenty-five months elapsed between earning our CDX and UD titles. It seems like we trained longer than that, but I did get an ankle replaced during that period. I remember coming back to class unable to make a left turn. Rights and about turns were okay, but there was no strength to make the left. Same with my pivot to Glove #3. Evidently, Bruno took it all in stride!"

UD Musings, continued ... "After earning Friday's RAE title, a friend said, "you can now update Bruno's titles on K9-data!"Thank you, I had forgotten all about that fun. But, then I think to myself,"I'd save some time just waiting for the UD earn, and then I can do both titles in one visit to the website." I dared not speak these words out loud, fearing a jinx. And what hubris, what arrogance, to think after earning one leg on a Friday that I would earn any more legs Saturday or Sunday! Well, this morning I updated k9data, two title changes in one website visit. Efficient!!!"



We are simply over the moon proud of Bruno, a solidly accomplished field dog who mastered the art of ring competition. In other words, Bruno threw it down!





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#### New Rally Level 2 Title!

**Missy McMunns's Jade** (Ch.All Green Wi' Envy v Alpha Nordic RN DS) has one point left for a GCh!

Jade earned her first Novice leg with a 193.5 and 3rd place. She also garnered her first RA leg with a 99 and 1st Place. Her son made his conformation debut and was Best in Sweepstakes one day and 2nd in bred by exhibitor all days. He also earned his first and second legs of Rally Excellent at the Maryland Sporting Dog

Association trials at Howard County Fairgrounds on March 3 and 5. He got a 98 and 1st Place on Friday (under judge Josie McAuliffe!!!) and a 99 and 2nd Place on Sunday!

What a solid and lovely accomplishment for Missy, who is the breeder-owner-exhibitor. We are extra-extra proud of you!



#### **Open Agility Q's!**

Benita Bottoms's handsome Sabato (CH Tagalong's Roman Holiday CD BN NA NAJ NF CGC AWD) started his Agility year with an Open Standard Q in the 24 inch class for a 1st Place at the ODTC Agility Trial on January 28. Sabato also earned an Open Jumpers Q and first place in Reva, VA on Sunday, March 5. Way to go! Now, Benita and Sabato just need one more Q in both Open Jumpers and Open Standard for his Open titles. Benita smiles, "Always another goal to pursue!"

We congratulate Team Sabato and know you will reach your bighest goals!



#### **Conformation Award At Westminster!**

**Dianne Harab's "Don" Bosco** had an amazingly successful month. Not only did he earn his show Championship, Bosco earned his first leg in Open obedience with a nice score of 190 at the Field Spaniel Nationals.Dianne reports, "He was the only qualifier out of 2 Open B and 2 Open A dogs.The next day, Bosco nabbed his second 2nd leg with a 192 and another 1st Place out of 12 dogs in Open A! I am so excited.Thank you to all of our friends for your advice and support!"

What a terrific team you are—Don Bosco rules!

#### **Best Of Breed Wins!**

Joanne Riddle's queenly scottie Elspeth went Best of Breed three out of the four days and was Select in the other show. She got two nice wins under noted Scottie Breeder judges Bill DeVillanueve and Tom Parotti.

You are certainly royalty in the ring, Elspeth!





#### **Perfect Score!**

**Sue Faber's** border terrier **Stryder** received a ribbon for getting 100 points and 2nd Place at the Dog Owner's Training Club trial on March 19.

Well done, Stryder—you are PERFECT!



#### First Utility Leg!

**Sue Faber's** talented **Stevie Ray** got his first Utility leg at the Dog Owner's Training Club trial on March 19 with a 2nd Place—and not far from first!

Well done, Stevie—you are on your way to a new title!

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#### **New UKI Obedience Title!**

**Sandi Atkinson's** sweet **Dandini** earned his UCD (13th title) at Belroi Agility Club's UKI obedience trial weekend near Gloucester, VA. He got 2nd Place in each trial (two on Saturday, one on Sunday).

You scooped up a lot of red satin over the weekend!



Sandi writes, "Surprise! This car was parked behind me when I drove into town for Gloucester's annual Daffodil Festival. In case anyone doesn't know, ruby is Danny's color and it's also my granddaughter's name!"

#### Big New Tracking Titles for Little White Westie Dog!

**Deb Jackson's** cute "little white dog" **Reo** (PACH2 Finishline's Doublestuf VCD2 UD RA MXP6 MXPS MJP5 MJP6 NFP PAX2 ME) earned her TDX (Tracking Dog Excellent) at the Blue Ridge Dog Training Club Tracking Test on Sunday, March 19. The is a huge accomplishment given the pass rate is less than 20% and entries far exceed the number of tracks offered. With her new title Reo completed the requirements for a VCD3!!!

### *Reo is a phenomenally talented westie in multiple venues...Congratulations!!!*

Not to be outdone by Reo, **CeCe** earned her TD title (Tracking Dog) on April 9 at the Oriole Dog Training Club Tracking Test. With this title she is also a Versatile Companion Dog 1 (VCD1).

Well done, CeCe-what a talented nose!!!



#### Herding Group 3!

**Cynthia Dodson and David Golden** report, "Our **Avi** (Canaan Dog) was awarded a Herding Group 3 on February 18 under Judge Fred Bassett. Avi is usually the only representative of his breed and it was nice at this weekend's shows to have so many members of our CDTC family there. We enjoyed watching the successes of so many of the CDTC dogs during the two days."

*Way to go Avi—you are an inspiration and have a fan club at CDTC!* 



#### **New Grand Champion!**

**Jo-Ann Riddles'** scottie **Annis** (Ch. Merrie Munro's Dark Strange as Angels) earned her Grand Champion title on February 18 at the Howard County shows."

You are a grand scottie, Annis!

#### **Rally Personal Best!**

**Amy Cook's** cute corgi **Kinsey** took a 99 in Rally Advanced B at the Dog Owners Training Club of Maryland trial in March. Amy says, "It was her highest score ever!" *We are very proud of you, Kinsey!* 





**Best Puppy and Best Of Winners!** 

**Jo-Ann Riddles'** puppy **Slade** (Merrie Munro's Dark Talk it Up) turned 9 months old on March 16 and did his first two conformation shows at the York Cluster on the 17th. Jo-Anne writes, "Slade got Best of Winners in only his second show! Since the trial also had a Best Puppy in Show, he also got Best Scottie Puppy. When I took him in the Puppy Group, he got a Group One. His handler and I both showed him." Slade is a Jeff Harab student! *You are destined for greatness, Slade!* 



**Conformation Award At Westminster! Jo-Ann Riddles'** scottie **Elspeth** earned an Award of Merit at the famous Westminster Kennel Club dog

Way to go, Elspeth—a superstar in the Madison Square Garden Big Show!

show and distinguished herself!

### CDTC Teams At the 2017 Rally Nationals, continued from page 1



Nationals. Many great handlers were there. It was nice catching up with a few of them before the show the next morning.

We all went back to the house after the last photo session to eat shrimp with a lucky sauce. After we hung out for a while it was time to get sleep for the next morning. Josie had to arise before the rest of us as her ring time was 8 am. Josie met Terry Marvel at the 7 am check in and discussed courses. The RAE competition included 160 teams which continued until 5:30 pm! Julie and I had a start time for walking at 10 am. Everything went pretty well in the am—no NQ's just a few minor mistakes but the pups held their own. The afternoon walk thrus were about 1pm after lunch. However, Julie and I were in the second group which meant we didn't go until around 3 or 4 pm. Stryder was able to sleep two straight hours as he had major allergies while there. The second runs went really well! I'm proud of our little team for keeping it together.

Of course we had to visit all the vendors which were located a far distance from the Obedience/Rally venue. Agility was located in 3 different buildings with top vendors. We all participated in buying some really neat items. We were thinking about this time that we should



have rented a golf cart. After Julie's interview with the AKC, we all went back to the lake house for an amazing dinner by Josie. Julie and Anita were leaving the next morning so we stayed up a little and celebrated with a little vino thanks to Stryder's Christmas present from Nancy French.

The next day Josie and I went to watch the NOC- which was fantastic!

It was nice seeing some really top competitors in six different rings. (Picture) Again, nice to talk with some of these competitors we see at shows on the East Coast. Josie had an interview with the AKC so we went over to the booth. The next thing I know I was giving an interview too. Totally unexpected!!! We were able to have a long conversation with one of the Rally Na-

tional judges and ended up spending a good amount of time with her watching the NOC. Josie and I went to lunch during the break at the NOC to a dog Friendly place called Peach Orchard!! It had the best sandwiches.



Before we headed back to our

beautiful house on the lake we decided to go out to dinner for our final night. We stopped in the cute town of Perry thinking we could eat at the only restaurant open. It was not going to happen since many others had the same thought. We did see our judge eating with her friend so we gave a friendly wave and off we went in search of food. Finally, we found a place to take out food and went back to the house.

After we ate, we thought we better get things packed for our trip back to Maryland. I went into my room, turned the lights on and saw a black object with wings fly under a white chair in my room. I knew it was a bat as I have seen several up close and personal. Stryder was

on the bed so I scooped him up, closed the jack-and-jill bathroom between Josie's and my room and went and told Josie that there is a bat sitting under my white chair in the bedroom. She immediately came into the room after closing her door and we were pondering what to do next. Josie spotted the trash can so



we carefully put it on top of the poor thing. We then needed a way to take the bat out. We tried a magazine cover which worked along with the plastic bag in the trash can. We carefully took this little guy out and re-

leased him into the wild.We had a glass of vino to calm down.

We drove away from Georgia Sunday morning, leaving bats and tornados behind, but taking with us fond memories, and invigorated plans for dog training.



# Hiking Locally-Shenandoahs & Ohio!

By Megan Hemmer, Member CDTC



### Lef's Get Going!

Little Devil's Stairs in the Shenandoah National Park is a very fun hike! We stopped near the top for lunch and Nani got bored and expressed his discontent with the break.

Megan reports that her new addition doing great in subnovice, rally & tricks & hiking!



### **Hocking Hills, OH!**

The whole gang had an adventure to Hocking Hills OH in March. It was very pretty trail hike but incredibly crowded. Most of the trails were very short, although we were able to connect some for a longer hike.



# The American Kennel Club Launches New Trick Dog Titling Program



he American Kennel Club is pleased to announce the launch of the AKC Trick Dog program. The program will include four levels allowing dogs with any amount of experience the ability to participate. Teaching their dog tricks is enjoyable for owners, mentally stimulating for their dogs and can take place at any time or place that fits their lifestyle.

"It is easy to see why trick training is becoming so popular," said Dr. Mary Burch,AKC Canine Good Citizen and Trick Dog Director. "The primary characteristic of trick dog training is having fun. Tricks can be both entertaining and practical, such as teaching a dog 'paws up' for a therapy setting. Trick dog training makes a team out of the handler and

dog. We hope this exciting new program will encourage more dogs and owners to become involved in training."

All dogs (purebred and mixed breeds), can earn Trick Dog titles provided the dog is AKC-registered, enrolled with AKC Canine Partners, or enrolled in the Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program. The titles will be listed on the dog's AKC record and will appear on pedigrees.

Trick titles can be awarded by AKC approved Canine Good Citizen Evaluators, and the AKC will also recognize trick titles earned through the Do More With Your Dog (DMWYD) organization.

"The AKC is proud to partner with DMWYD. Founded in 2005 by Kyra Sundance, DMWYD has introduced trick dog training to thousands of owners and their dogs," said Doug Ljungren, Vice President of Sports and Events. "By providing basic training to our dogs, whether through CGC training, trick training or in preparation for AKC sports, we prepare our dogs to participate in more areas of our life. Together we encourage all owners to join the fun."

The AKC will begin processing Trick Dog title applications on May 1, 2017.

To learn more about the AKC Trick Dog program and access the title application form, please visit www.akc.org/trick-dog.

- The cost to apply for a title i \$20 per title.
- To learn about how to evaluate a trick dog, please reference the AKC Trick Dog Evaluator Guide.
- You can do multiple test levels with your dog on the same day and with the same judge. There is no limit as to how many trick dog test levels you can do in one day or under a certain amount of judges.
- AKC offers learning materials for teaching tricks with some are great resources both by tutorial style videos and easy to follow training books thru the AKC Online Store.
- All tricks are listed on the Checklists which should accompany any Title Application when applying for your Trick Dog Title.
- You may judge dogs that you have helped train for trick dog titles.



### **New Rally Qualification Rules!**

The 2017 Rally Trial Secretary announced that the new qualifications for **2018 Rally National Championships** are as follows: Novice 93 or above, Advanced 93 or above, Excellent 93 or above, and the RAE will remain the same.

# **AKC Rally Program Enhancements**

by Pamela Manaton, AKC, March 15, 2017

he Companion Events Department is pleased to announce new enhancements to the AKC Rally® program. The AKC Rally program has not had any changes to the class structure since its launch in 2005. We thank you, the judges, for your continued support of AKC Rally trials.

Over the years we have heard from many rally handlers who have won the Rally Novice title, saying they are not ready to move up to the Advanced level class, which requires the dog to work off-leash.AKC has created a new class and title for dogs that have won the Rally Novice title, but have not yet earned a qualifying score in the Advanced class. The **Rally Intermediate** class and associated title (RI), will provide a stepping-stone class to help prepare teams for the off-leash performance required in the Advanced class. The Intermediate course is a mirror image of the Advanced course without a jump. It is the Novice exhibitor's choice to take advantage of this additional opportunity and the RI title is not required to enter the Advanced class. We have also listened to the Rally Fancy who have long asked for a champion level title. We are excited to announce the new **Master** class and associated title (RM), as well as the Rally Champion title (RACH), both of which will provide additional challenges for dedicated rally exhibitors.

The criteria to earn the **RACH** title (sounds like "ROCK") requires the team to earn 20 triple qualifying scores; qualifying in the Advanced B, Excellent B and Master classes at the same trial, at 20 separate events, plus earn 300 RACH points from the Excellent B and Master classes. Points are determined by a dog's score. At least 200 RACH points must be earned from the Rally Master class.

Please review the full details of these program enhancements at the following link on the AKC Rally News and Updates page. www.akc.org/events/rally/news-updates.

Judges will be prepared with courses for these new classes at all events held on or after November 1, 2017.

### **Obedience Run-thrus in 2017**

■ June 4, 2017, SUNDAY. Doors open 8:45, registration 9-10. Runs begin 9:30 Open/Utility. Novice/Beginner's Novice entries 9:30-10:30. Runs begin NO EARLIER THAN 11:00, first available ring.

**July 2, 2017, SUNDAY**. Doors open 8:45, registration 9-10. Runs begin 9:30 Open/Utility. Novice/Beginner's Novice entries 9:30-10:30. Runs begin NO EARLIER THAN 11:00, first available ring.

NO AUGUST run-thru!

**September 2, 2017, SATURDAY**. Doors open 9:45, registration 10-11. Runs begin 10:30 for Open/ Utility. Novice/Beginners Novice entries at 10:30-11:30, runs begin NO EARLIER THAN 12:00 or first available ring.

Treats, training allowed in ring. Prong & training collars allowed. NO E-COLLARS! First entry \$8, second entry same dog \$5. Online early registration on our website—discounted prices and earlier position in run sheets \$7 for first run, \$4 additional run.

Contact Jodie Jeweler- jodie@jewelerfamily.com for more information.

### **CDTC General Announcements**

our Board welcomes your comments and suggestions on Club matters. We like it and appreciate it when you point out something that we may not be aware of or may have missed.

We also want you to know that your Board members have been working very diligently to improve our "business model" and are working on many items that have been out of date for a while. We are tackling numerous issues, large and small, including the recent chart "Job Descriptions" (published in the Jan-Feb 2017 *Obichaff*) which makes it clear which Board member is assigned to which task(s).

If you have concerns about something, please

contact the Board Member directly who is responsible for that issue.

Keep in mind that sometimes a task is started, but we are distracted with a more pressing issue or have to wait to find out more information before proceeding. Please let us know of our concerns, but have patience if something is not accomplished immediately. Please as a Club Member understand that there are MANY items which need to be addressed to keep the Club running smoothly now and in the future and the Board Members are taking this very seriously.

> Eileen Freedman, VP and Joan Adler, Historian

### **Reminder!**

Our club is doing a great job of keeping equipment away from the mirrors. Congratulations to everyone!



# **A Little Housekeeping...**

It's a wonderful thing to have parties at the clubhouse to celebrate successes at trials, the end of a series of classes, meetings and/or any excuse for a fun time. HOWEVER...once in a while people forget to take the leftover food away. Mice know how to get into our trash can and feast. Please try to remember that our mice are very clever so don't give them an opportunity to succeed and feed! **PLEASE REMOVE ALL FOOD, EVEN DOG TREATS, FROM OUR CLUBHOUSE.** 

Joan Adler and Carrie Solomon organized the obedience equipment located in Rings 1, 2 and 3. All pieces with ring numbers so they can be associated with the appropriate ring. Please help keep our rings organized by keeping the equipment where it belongs. If you move equipment to another ring, please return it when you are finished. All rings should be left with appropriate equipment and ring gating in place after you are done using the clubhouse as a courtesy to others that use the clubhouse after you. **YOUR COOPERATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!** 



Laura Rubin knows how to keep her two border collies entertained while on vacation in Florida. Skier and Lucy got some lessons in herding sheep and ducks. An overjoyed Skier enjoyed a cool dunk in farm tub after collecting his sheep!





# Therapy Dog International Test

#### As related by Suki to Pam Ayres



his is the story of one dog and the Therapy Dog International Test. I'm that dog. Suki's the name.

I'm a Japanese Chin. Chin's were originally bred to be companions for royalty.We don't hunt, guard,

retrieve, herd or pull. Our basic skill is being adorable. So Therapy Dog seemed like a reasonable career path.

I was worried about the test.We'd been practicing at home, but what if my good manners and well placed tail wags weren't enough? When I was little, my mom would say to us pups "Keep your chin up".It's a Chin joke!

When we got to the site most of the other dogs were there. There were eight of us being tested. I was definitely the cutest. My backup plan if I didn't know what to do was to play the cute card.

There was an instructor, Susan Hertz, who described each test before we did it.

The first test was being groped. Ears, collar, feet and tail.We'd practiced this at home and my person had a word for it.When she said "check" I knew what to expect.The tester went down the line of dogs. It wasn't any worse than being dried off when you come in from the rain.

The next test was going up to a lady in a wheel chair and interacting. We'd practiced with a wheel chair at home. Those things move faster than you'd think. The big dogs went up to the wheelchair and the lady petted them. When it was my turn, the lady said she couldn't reach me and could my person pick me up. As she picked me up my person whispered "You've gained a few pounds" and I gave her the "Drop me and I'll howl with such anguish you'll be shunned for years" look. But there was no incident. I wagged my tail and made nice with the lady.

After the wheel chair, a stranger took my leash and all of the human teammates went through a door out of sight.We'd practiced this at home, too. So I was pretty sure that just because I couldn't see her didn't mean she was gone. Some of the other dogs whined. I understand being worried but guys, Really? Whining is for puppies!

The next test was by far the hardest. First, I should preface by saying I don't eat before tests. I have a delicate stomach. So I hadn't eaten. On top of that, there were no treats during the test. When we practice at home there are lots of treats. This is the main reason practicing is a lot more fun than testing. At any rate, I was pretty hungry by this point and a little miffed I wasn't getting any rewards for all this work. So when the lady in the wheelchair offered me food it was pretty tempting. My person kept saying "no", but I'm thinking "I know what you want but where's the treat you're offering me?" But I didn't take it. Then I walked past some food and water on the floor. Cheese doesn't do it for me so that wasn't hard to resist. Several of the other dogs did succumb and take the treat from the lady as well as the food on the floor. That's an automatic fail.



Next, we did the basic obedience tests: a Sit Stay, a Down Stay and a Recall. Anyone who does obedience knows this stuff, although the recall was from a Down instead of a Sit. The stays were only for a few seconds but one of the dogs broke the Stay, which is an automatic fail.

We did another test where we walked through a group of people. There was someone on a crutch. A guy in the crowd wanted to pet me. I wasn't surprised. People frequently want to pet me. Next we did a harder version of walking through people. We each did a routine which consisted of a Sit, a Down, greeting a person, walking straight then turning about, turning left, then right, greeting a person on a crutch and then walking a few more paces. We walked through and past people. Some man came running up from behind me yelling. Then a



man dropped a tin of coins. He dropped it every time a dog went by. They really should have found someone less clumsy.

At this point they dismissed all the dogs who had failed one of the tests. Five of the eight dogs remained. I made the cut!

The last test involved children. They were older kids so not as much squealing as with the short ones. We had to walk past them. Then we were supposed to lie down with our backs to the children while our people read to us. Well, we'd been there two hours and I was tired of being told what to do. Where were the treats? My motto is "Will Work for Food". I stalled until my dis-

approval was sufficiently expressed. Then I laid down. My person read the book to me:

"The little bunny asked the turtle what he would say? The turtle said, 'STAY'The turtle asked the little bunny what he said. The bunny said 'STAY'". This went on for a few pages with the other people joining in on the "STAY". Ha ha ha. Very funny. After all the other dogs were read to we were finished and the five of us passed!

We got our paperwork and were told about completing it and some of the things we should know as Therapy Dogs. And then finally FINALLY I got my treats.











### A T R I B U T E

BY MISSY MCMUNN

### "RUGBY" HIT GCH. WS N LA FOR THE LOVE O' THE GAME, CDX RE THDD DS GN

e wasn't supposed to be my dog. But, both the breeder and I knew that the person who had right-of-first-refusal was not a boy dog person. So, I went to the 2006 Specialty hoping to bring home my new puppy. Disappointed, I returned without him, as that person with first-right did indeed take him home. One week later, an email came from the breeder. "She's not interested in keeping him. Are you still interested?" My response: "Mail him!"

Rugby was my choice to follow my IWS history making boy, Ch. Castlehill's Air Jordan O'Landacre UD WD. I had waited a long time after Jordan passed to choose a boy. I didn't want to compare them, or to expect the new boy to follow in Jordan's footsteps. However, I did want my boys to have thematic names. I chose For the Love Of The Game for Rugby, as it is the title of Michael Jordan's biography. I thought that would be fitting.

From the time Rugby came home, it was apparent that he was not only my dog, but everybody's dog. He loved me fully; with both body and soul. But, his largest talent was sharing himself with others. He became a therapy dog at the tender age of 18 months, serving the severely impacted adults of Montgomery County as his first assignment. He would play ball, allow himself to be walked around the neighborhood and was excellent at climbing upon parts of a wheelchair for easy access. Not once did he shy away from what others might. He helped me to establish a Reader Dog program at my school. This program ran for 5 years and garnered acclamation from the MD State Department of Education. He loved going to school. Kids were he forte. Rugby retired from this job at the age of 9, having served over 700 hours in a therapeutic capacity.

A presentation at Capital introduced us to Hope Animal Assisted Crisis Response. This group is a more intensive, urgent type of therapy work. Rugby attended the 10th Anniversary of the Pentagon bombing, was on the shores of NJ after Superstorm Sandy and worked the Navy Yard after the shootings in Building 197. But, during this time, again, it was with the children of deployed military personnel and kids attending a grief camp after losing a parent where he excelled. After 3 years in this program, I retired Rugby. He was tired. He'd had enough.

Being a big personality, he was often photographed and videotaped. He attended numerous Meet The Breeds events in both New York City and Orlando, FL on behalf of AKC. He was, along with Michell Evans, Best In Show at the Hershey Groom Expo in 2010. He finished his Championship early, but really didn't care to show. He had excellent obedience skills, but it was not his main focus. He was a natural hunting dog, but I am not a natural hunter. If he had to choose a job to follow therapy work, it was dock diving. It was extremely difficult to control him around water and the added competition of the dock made it almost impossible. One unfinished goal was his DSA. He needed only 9 more jumps in the new AKC venue of NADD to be recognized. One year when he went to Orlando, he competed in breed, garnering a BOS, served in the MTB booth and participated in the Big Air diving as a walk on, placing 2nd in amateur, their intermediate leveling. Rugby has been recognized by the Irish Water Spaniel Club of America as a 'quintessential' IWS, having titled in 5 or more venues.

When he was at home, Rug made it clear that there was no other person more important to him than I was. I have never been, and don't anticipate that I will ever be, more completely or thoroughly love by another soul during my time on Earth My life seems extremely quiet.

I'm left with some fantastic memories that are beginning to surface through the haze. One, is of his young self, with my friend's young son and with my former foster son, swimming for the pure love of it. Another is of Karen Mulkearn's take on his name, thinking I had a great time at the LA specialty and naming him after that excitement when really LA is short for Landcare WS short for Whistlestop. These moments of joy and fun will be my permanent memories of my soulmate.

# The Angels by My Side

by W. Jean Dodds, DVM December 2017

with Elizabeth M. Jarrell , Esq. Kensington, Maryland

I have had the joy of spending my life with lovely dogs. While I enjoy all animals, I feel a special affinity with dogs, always have. Throughout my life, my dogs and I have always taken care of and loved each other.

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y younger sister, brother and I grew up with Beagles. They were my best friends. Once I started veterinary school, I explored several sporting breeds which had always attracted me. I started with Vizslas Cee-Cee, Dani and Genie; then had Pointers Maggie, Cameo, and Winnie; and later had English Setters Tippy and Simmie. I guess being in vet school and watching dog shows as a hobby gave me an eye for conformation because all the dogs I had in all three of these breeds were of excellent quality. So in between classes and studying, I decided to try owner-handling them at conformation shows.

I had never handled a dog and I was definitely not a natural handler. In fact, at first I was downright awful! So I studied the other handlers in the ring and paid close attention to our instructor. I worked hard, applied myself and eventually became a team with all of my dogs. I am still thrilled that I won the accolade as most improved handler in the class.

I am pleased and proud to report that I won National Specialty honors with all three of my different sporting breeds. To be precise, I won Best In Show Puppy with my first Pointer, Best of Breed with one of my English Setters at their Canadian National, and Best of Breed with one of my Vizslas at both the Canadian and U.S. National. Not too bad for a mere novice!

Since today there are more women veterinarians than men, it is almost impossible to comprehend how I felt as one of only a handful of women at veterinary school in the early 1960s. We few



pioneer women felt unwelcome and unsupported. My dogs gave me some badly needed personal self-esteem at a time when mine was rather low. My self-esteem was already low before the trials of veterinary school. I grew up in the Orient until high school and then, arriving in Canada, I was considered to be an intellectually brainy and socially awkward egghead. Becoming a team with my dogs created a bond and a closeness that, together with their unconditional love, got me through vet school and beyond. My dogs have always brought me joy, in good times and in bad.

These three special dog breeds also taught me how to communicate with other dogs, especially those who were ill and needed my help. My dogs always knew when I needed them. And I just seem to know when a dog needs me.

Many years ago, while eating dinner one night and reviewing an animal research protocol for testing a new human drug, I read that the study dogs failed to eat or drink for a week and that as a result some died. I was so upset that the study scientists didn't think to give them food and water by mouth, IV, or subcutaneously. Tears dropped quietly down my face into my plate of food. Suddenly, my three dogs at that time, Dani, Maggie and Tippy, who were apparently asleep on the other side of the room, woke up, jumped on me, actually knocked me down and started to lick away my tears! I'm always thankful how in tune to my feelings my dogs have been and how they were always there to comfort me. My husband and I do not now have any personal dogs at home as we travel too much, so it would be unfair to them. But, of course we have over 200 greyhounds at Hemopet to hug! They come to us from several states after being deemed unsuitable for racing and stay with us as periodic blood donors for our blood bank. After about a year with us, they are adopted as family companions [See www. hemopet.org under the Pet-Life Line Adoption Section]. I consider all of these greyhounds like my personal dogs for as long as they are with us. I greet and spoil them all every day that I am there.

Greyhounds are prone to osteosarcoma which occurs suddenly in mid-life and can become very painful even before anyone realizes why the dog has started limping. The family of one of our adopted greyhounds brought him back to see me because he was limping very slightly on a front leg. The dog recognized me, looked up at me, walked directly over to stand in front of me, and then looked straight up into my eyes. The pain I saw in his gentle eyes was enough to tell me that he was asking for the ultimate help. We confirmed the suspected diagnosis. Thank G-d the two of us could communicate this way so that I could help him become another angel. The family later adopted another dog from us.

I am pleased and proud of my accomplishments as a clinical research veterinarian. But I am more pleased and proud that I have been able to understand and help so many dogs and other animals who needed me, to comfort dogs in need, to improve their lives as they have done mine.

The closeness and bonding I have shared with every one of my own dogs over my life, those dogs who have given me only their unconditional love and some welcome naughtiness, have made my life a personal joy.

They are the angels by my side.

[Ed.note: W. Jean Dodds is a world-renowned practicing veterinarian, geneticist, and scientist. From her early studies of animals with inherited and acquired bleeding diseases, to the establishment of Hemopet, the first nonprofit national blood bank program for animals and its diagnostic division, Hemolife, which provides the most advanced comprehensive diagnostic profiles for identifying canine thyroid disease, and performs titer testing, as well as a wide range of other diagnostic services, Dr. Dodds has long been at the forefront in her various fields of expertise. In 2011, Dr. Dodds released NutriScan, a food sensitivity and intolerance diagnostic test for dogs, which tests for 24 of the most commonly ingested foods.

Dr. Dodds graciously agreed to share some of her thoughts about dogs with Aussie Times. Written with our own award-winning columnist Elizabeth M. Jarrell. Liz Jarrell, of Bon Ami Australian Shepherds, has won five Maxwells from the Dog Writers Association of America (DWAA), including, two for her "Just So" column, one for books, one for editorial, and one for on-line feature, plus a Certificate of Excellence from the Cat Writers Association.]



# Lights! Camera! Action! On the Set With Fenway by Pam Coblyn, Editor, Obicbaff

enway now has his own animal actor agent! Our CDTC Member and Tricks Instructor, Carol Rosen received a call from the Image Factory, a local production company. They were looking for a dog to appear in a commercial for Pedigree Dentastix that will be premiered during the upcoming Barkfest! on NatGeo Wild. The series of dog related programs will air April 14-16.



Carrie Solomon coaching Dexter.

scenes—all while looking cute, happy and loving the product.

By the end of the day, I discovered a "new" Fenway—he was calm and poised. In showbiz terms, "he loved the camera". On one shot, not only did he hold his mark while the cameraman zoomed in on a dolly, he stayed in place long after the director called "Cut—that's a wrap!" Carol says that Fen now holds the record for nailing his scenes on the first take. I firmly believe that all our obedience training at CDTC helped make him a natural in front of the camera. And, when it came to setting up a shot requiring Fen to run



Fenway and the crew celebrate the shoot!

Fen was joined on the set by his buddy, Dexter, the talented and experienced frenchie. Both dogs had fun in the spotlight and enjoyed a day long of being treated for hitting their marks and chomping on Dentastix.

Carol Rosen's expert handling and direction set the dogs up for success. She has 30 years of professionally experience training and handling animal actors, including dogs, cats, horses and livestock for national/local TV, feature movies and still print ads. She knew exactly what to do to entice each dog to perform in six different



Carol knows how to get exactly what the director wants!

toward the human actor, Fen's agility distance training made it easy. It was no different than cueing a wrap around a jump

stanchion on an agility course.

around a kitchen island

At the end of the shoot, the whole crew gathered around to applaud Fennie—they were happy because they got to go home early.

A star is born!



Fenway at work on set.

Carol Rosen is a Certified Professional Dog Trainer (CPDT-KA), who has trained Competition Obedience Dogs, as well as Assistance and Therapy Dogs. Her business is Positive Dog Training & Animal Actors, LLC, located in Silver Spring. She can be contacted at www.carolspositivedogtraining.com.

# **Little Kids and Their Big Dogs**

-book review by Bob Rogers, CDTC Member



k, so I'm biased about this book because of the photos of Newfs; however, anyone that enjoys great photos of dogs is likely to really get a kick out of this book. Andy Seliverstoff of St. Petersburg, Russia photographs some really big dogs (Newfoundlands, Great Danes, Saint Bernards, Leonbergers, Irish Wolfhounds, Komondorok, and others) with children. My favorite photos were taken in the winter with Newfs and children bounding through the snow.

It is often difficult to get good photos of many breeds because of lighting or exposure; Seliverstoff has filled his book with warm photos of children having fun with dogs and virtually all the photos are amazing.



You can preview many of the photos in the book at Seliverstoff's website: www.greatdane.photography/Prints/Little-Kids-and-their-Big-Dogs/

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Photos by Sandy Swinburne and Wendy Wilkinson, CDTC Members











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# CDTC AKC Oufsfanding Sportsmanship Award, 2017

I nominate Carrie Solomon for the 2017 AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award given by Capital Dog Training Club .

Throughout Carrie's association with CDTC, she has exemplified all the desirable traits of an outstanding member. She generously gives of her time, energy and most importantly, her talents.

From teaching classes, organizing events and seminars, to leading the organization, she is open to ideas, methods and assistance from other members of the club. Under her leadership and outreach, she has encouraged participation by members in new and old activities of the club.

Membership has grown under her tutelage. Attendance at monthly meetings is up as we all enjoy the learning opportunity provided by guest speakers. And....there are snacks to boot! We have had more seminars, from grooming, to dog fitness, to conformation skills, to obedience training. We even have our in-house seminars for "new" instructors and others who just want to learn. We do all this in a club house that has its equipment organized, a professional cleaning company, and our own members who do a great job of reminding us that it is our "clubhouse" too.

So...the bottom line is the club is a better club, because Carrie has galvanized the talents of members to participate in any way they can.

And we all know it is "our" club too!

Alexis A. Smith Member, CDTC



This form is for titles earned in **2016**. Awards will be presented at the CDTC Annual Awards Dinner. Scores and titles will be verified with the AKC. The Annual Awards Dinner will be held at the CDTC Clubhouse on July 11,2017. Every member is invited to attend—you do not need to have completed a title.

Complete the form and return it by mail to Sandy Swinburne, Trophy Chair, 9514 Dragonclaw, Columbia, MD 21046 or email to sswinb3102@me.com. **This form** *must be* **returned by May 1, 2017 to allow time to purchase plaques and engrave plates in time for the dinner.** 

Owner's Name		Telephone	
E-mail			
Dog's AKC Registered Name(Do not include titles):			
Dog's Call Name		Breed	
Obedience Titles:			
	Date		

#### Highest Average Score (First three qualifying scores only)

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Average Score \_\_\_\_\_

\*UDX and OTCH: Provide a copy of the AKC certificate awarding the title.

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Thurs	5	ke Down	12:15 to 12:30	Thurs	С	10:30-11:30 am Holt		
Sat	-	kills 3:00-3:50	Faber	Thurs	С	12:30-2:20 pm Goldstein		
Sat	ред. Ка	ally 3:00-3:50	Harab	Fri	С	12:3-2:00 pm Faber		
CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (CGC) PREP			Sat	С	10:00-11:00 pm Harab			
Sat	Prep 4/8-29	Jeweler 4:00 pm	2-3	Sat	С	1:00-3:00 pm McAuliffe/Harab/Smith		
Sun	Test 4/30	Solomon 3:00 pm	All Rings	Sun	С	9:00-10:15 am Bob Reinhardt		
TRICK	(S			BUILD	DING	G CLEANING		
Tue	Adv. Tricks	11:30-12:50 pm	Rosen	Tues	С	1:00 pm-3:30 pm		
						TG = Training Group		
						C = Continuing Class		

CLASS SCHEDULES								
Time	Class	Instructor	Ring	Time	Class	Instructor	Ring	
MONDAY				FRIDAY				
10-12 noon	Freestyle TG	Ely	Bldg	10:00-12:00	Freestyle	Ely	1-2-3	
6:00-6:45	Elements of Novic	e Harringer	1	12:30-2:00 pr	n TG: UDX	Faber	2-3	
	4/24-5/22			7-9:00 pm	Conformation, 4/2	0	Bldg	
6:00-7:15	Open	LaDieu	2-3					
7:15-8:05	Sub-Novice	Adler/Dwyer		SATURDAY	dv. Basic, 3/18-4/22	Solomon/Co		
7:15-8:05	Novice	Glass	1-2 2-3	10-10:50 am	Basic, 4/15-6/3 N		1-2	
8:15-9:05 8:30-9:20	Utility Basic, 4/17-5/22	Adler Hall	2-3	11-11:50 am	Conformation TG		Bldg.	
0.30-9.20	Dasic, 4/17-5/22		I		4/15-7/1		0	
TUESDAY				12-12:50pm	Beginning Rally	D. Harab	2-3	
11:30-12:30	Advanced Tricks	Rosen	1-2		4/8-6/10			
1-3:30 pm	Building Cleaning			1:00-3:00	Rally Training Grou McAuliffe/Harab/F		Bldg	
6:00-6:50	Puppy K, 2/28-4/4		2-3	4.00			0.0	
	Cleverdon/LeEdm			4:00	CGC Prep, 4/29	Jeweler	2-3	
6:00 pm	Open/Utility TG	Cleverdon	2-3	6:30-7:30	Beg.Flyball	Dwyer	Bldg	
6:00-6:50	Adv. Basic 1/10-2			7:30-8:30	Intermediate Flybal	2	Bldg	
6:00-6:50	Basic 2/28-4/4	Reinhardt	1	8:30-9:30	Competition Flyball	Dwyer	Bldg	
7:00-7:50	Beg. Open	Cleverdon	2-3	SUNDAY				
8:00	Conformation Trai	0	1-2	8-10:15 am	Open TG	Reinhardt	1-2	
8:00	Instructors Briefing	0	1-2	9-9:50 am	Puppy K	Freedman	1-2	
8:00-10:00	s with TG and Mem		• •	0.00 411	4/23-6/11	riocanian	. –	
8.00-10.00	CDTC Meeting, 2/	14	Bldg.	10:15-11:45	Agility-Beginner	deBremond	Bldg.	
WEDNESDAY	1				2/12-4/16		-	
9:30-10:20 am		McCown	1-2	11:45-1:15 pm	Agility-Handling A	Heyes	Bldg.	
11:30-noon	TG: Obed. Handlin	•	1-2		2/12-4/16			
12:00-1:00 pm		Spodak		2:00	CGC Test	Harab	Bldg	
1:00	Freestyle Training	•	Bldg.		12/4	d a Duran d	Dista	
7:00-8:30	Agility: Competitio	n Hall 2/8-4/1	2 Bldg.	4:45-6:15	Agility-Intro 2/12-4/16	deBremond	Blag.	
THURSDAY		Adlar/Dunier	0	6:15-7:30	Agility Handling B	Carter	Bldg.	
9:30-10:20 am		Adler/Dwyer			2/12-4/16			
9:30-10:20 11:00-11:30	Novice Bally Sot-up	Holt	1-2 2-3					
	Rally Set-up	Daniel	2-3 2-3	More Do	oings At the	Club!		
12:15-12:30	Rally Take Down		2-3 2-3				ot 0 pm	
12:30-2:30	TG: Open/Utility	Goldstein	Bldg.		eral Meeting: April		-	
6:00-6:50	Novice Obed.	Dwyer	1-2		rd Meeting: April 2	-	t 8 pm	
6:00-7:00	Utility Prep	Harry	3	CGC Test, S	Sunday April 30 at	3 pm		
7:00-8:00 pm	Utility	Harry	2-3		Briefing (Daniel) 8		te dates	
8:00-9:00	Open Intermediate		2-3		rmation TG and Me	ember &		
	- <sub>1</sub> ,		_ 0	Board mee	tings			

### April-May Rally Training Group Schedule

Set up at 1pm. Walk-thrus at 1:25. Runs start at 1:35, end by 2:45 pm. The next training dates will be: Saturday, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 2017 and May 13, 27 The training group will NOT meet on April 29. Please check our club's listserv for any cancellations.

### General Membership Meeting

*Tuesday, April 11, 2016 at 8:00 pm* 

### 2017 CDTC Agility Trial

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 7-9

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