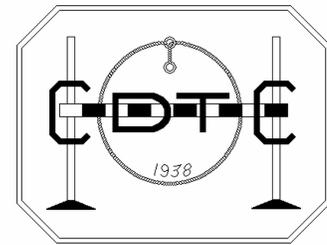


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THE TOP TWENTY REASONS TO VOLUNTEER FOR OUR UPCOMING AGILITY TRIAL WEEKEND

What: Capital Dog Training Club's Annual A.K.C. Agility Trials

When: Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, April 8, 9, and 10, 2011

Where: Carroll Indoors Sports Center, Westminster, Maryland

How: Email our Chief Ring Steward, Shellie Goldstein, Shellie.A@verizon.net

20. You really want to help your club.
19. You realize that you will learn a lot by being in the middle of the action.
18. You don't need to know anything about agility. You will be shown everything that you will need to know when you get there.
17. You will get to see some of the best agility teams in this area compete.
16. You have been meaning to visit Westminster, Maryland.
15. You really like and want to help the show chair.
14. Okay, you aren't that crazy about the show chair, but you REALLY like the chief ring steward (who is the show chair's wife).
13. You realize that this is our club's single largest revenue producing event of our year.
12. You realize that that money goes into our club's general fund, so this is not an agility revenue producer, it benefits EVERY CLUB MEMBER.
11. This 3-day event, with 2,000 runs, and 500 volunteer slots, is easily the biggest service our club provides the local dog performance sports community.
10. You understand that we have contractual agreements, including \$200 penalty if we don't have at least four people to unload the equipment truck Thursday evening, and another \$200 penalty if we don't have at least four people to load the equipment truck Sunday after the trial.
9. You know that coming on Thursday not only gets you free pizza and soda, but the chance to be among the first to get your crating space for the weekend.
8. You've heard that there will be theme days, we will be honoring our service and therapy dogs, a special new sport demo, and a first ever, huge charity fundraiser, benefiting the A.K.C. Canine Health Foundation and the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.
7. You were wondering where you could wear your favorite tie dyed shirt. And your new club logo shirt.

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**From the editor.....**

Have you ever measured your dog's height accurately? If you are competing in AKC Agility, you probably have. There are strict requirements and only one officially sanctioned "Measuring Device" which costs an astonishing \$255. One of these is supposed to be available at every Agility Trial.

If you are showing your dog in Conformation, you will have made sure that your dog meets the official standards.

But our dogs' heights are important in Obedience, too, at least after the Novice Level. Judges are allowed to measure every dog coming into their ring. If your dog is nervous and won't stand to be measured, he will be excused. It is not unusual for competitors to be told that they must jump at the next height level after being measured by a judge. It is up to each competitor to ensure they know the accurate height of their dog, and just standing a dog against a ruler is not really good enough.

So, how does one accurately measure a dog? Have a look at page 7 for one method. If you are showing your dog in any capacity, it might be time to check!

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AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award Awarded by Capital Dog Training Club

The American Kennel Club is giving all affiliated clubs the opportunity to present annually to a member an award for "outstanding sportsmanship". The following are the criteria for which this award recipient will be chosen by Capital Dog Training Club.

1. The recipient will have been an Active Member in good standing for at least five years and will have contributed time and effort in support of club activities, for example classes, matches, and trials.
2. The recipient shall have made a difference to the sport of performance dogs, for instance helping and encouraging newcomers, promoting participation in club activities among members and furthering the knowledge and practice of dog training.
3. The recipient will have been an example of sportsmanship in the following ways:
 - Refusing to compromise his/her commitment to the sport of performance dogs or the reputation of the club by injecting personal advantage or consideration into his/her decisions or behavior.
 - Spurning any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed
 - Making always his/her chief responsibility the welfare of his or her dogs
 - Refusing to embarrass the sport, himself/herself, or CDTC while taking part in activities.

The Selection Process:

1. Nominations from the membership will take the form of written supporting informative statements of 500 words or less, sent by mail or email to the AKC Delegate, Joyce Dandridge, no later than April 15, 2007.
2. The nominations and supporting information will be published in the June Obichaff so members may vote for a nominee.
3. Members will vote by written ballot at the general meeting in June. The CDTC President will select tellers to count the votes and the membership's choice will be announced at the meeting.
4. The presentation of the AKC medallion will take place at the Annual Awards Dinner in July.
5. Nominees must approve of their nomination.

Correction:

In my tally of dog breeds owned by CDTC members, which appeared in the March Obichaff, I inadvertently omitted French Bulldogs, which are owned by one member. I had the tally in my handwritten draft but failed to include it in my final version. My apologies to Carrie Solomon who understandably is proud to train a breed usually not considered to be a "traditional" performance dog.

Thomas W. Hertz

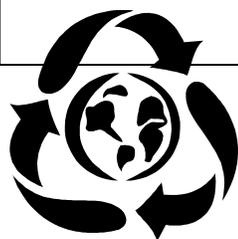


AKC Delegate's Corner: Joyce Dandridge

Before I present my report, I want to remind everyone that nominations for the CDTC AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award are due to me by April 15, 2011.

In the Obedience Committee Meeting:

- Announcements were made that there will be for the first time a Juniors competition in obedience at the Eukanuba show in Orlando this year and the National Obedience Invitational will be held there as well.
- The Rally Advisory Committee Recommendations have been reviewed by the Obedience Committee.
- Mark Dunn spoke about the progress of the Canine Partners Program. He said 902 dogs have earned more than 2200 titles and two have earned a MACH. Also, two are in the National Agility Championship event. He said some clubs are actively working with shelters in their area to promote the program and thus it has increased their entries. Some examples cited was Gwinnett County, GA working with the Atlanta Obedience Club and NC and SC clubs working with their shelters. The Atlanta club includes a club flyer with shelter information. He feels AKC is making some inroads with LA shelters who have in the past been somewhat negative to AKC. More than 6000 dogs out of shelters last year became members of the Canine Partners Program. If an AKC club works with a 4H club, the AKC member club gets a check for each 4H enrollment in the program.
- Curt Curtis mentioned the finalization of the Rally changes which will be going before the AKC Board by June. He mentioned there is positive growth from 2009 to 2010 with an increase in 2000 entries. He stated his staff and he are working on a business plan 2012-2016. He stated there will be an AKC Tracking seminar in Atlanta.
- A committee member wanted to know if there was some way to have BN compete until they feel they are ready to try for their first leg on their CD; for example, BN2, BN3 etc. Curt said he would look into the possibility. He needs to find out from the Tech department what needs to be done to accomplish the request.
- The Jump Heights subcommittee will continue to function. Curt was added to the committee. Some things to be considered are jumping surfaces, handlers choice, polling judges, and veteran dogs. Since I am on this committee, I will continue to accept CDTC member comments on this issue. I have been sharing them at our meetings. It appears to be a sensitive issue which will require some in depth research before decisions are made on any changes or to leave as is.
- Curt briefly mentioned the 14 month study on dog aggression. It was found not to be a serious problem in the obedience ring.
- The Judges Overload subcommittee reported and after reviewing data from 117 trials only 2 judges



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ended up working more than 8 hours. The average was 4 to 5 working hours. The chair stated they felt time could be saved if stewards were trained and trial/show chairs did a better job of scheduling.

- There was discussion about coordinating an obedience trial for specialty shows which often come before a weekend of all breed shows. This would be great for low entry breeds. Obedience clubs could do this for them.
- All non regular classes are listed on the website and will remain there; however, some such as pre novice will be removed from the list in the regulations book. Some are never used.
- Curt mentioned he was in the process of clarifying again the 30 day rule for the fancy.
- Carl Ashby, an AKC Board member who is liaison on the committee mentioned he felt it was important for us to find safe competition options for older dogs. He also stated that fanciers should check out the reference library on line and don't make assumptions. There are many opportunities available for dogs.

In the General Meeting:

- The Delegates, after two ballots, elected three members to the AKC Board of Directors. Steven Gladstone and Dr. Carmen Battaglia return to the Board. Robert Amen, an Obedience Committee member, was newly elected to the Board.
- Dennis Sprung, AKC President, reported Eukanuba on ABC was viewed by the largest audience in ten years. He also mentioned that Hartford Insurance Company was sponsoring the CGC and STAR programs and for AKC owners of all breeds they would be offering homeowners and auto insurance.
- Canine Health Foundation has given more than 20 million dollars to health research.
- William Blair and Stanley Saltzman were honored for serving four decades as delegates.
- Summary of 2010 financials was presented and basically, the cash flow was positive. There were investment gains and there is 59 million in reserve. This leaves a good balance sheet.

Finally, I was given the 2010 AKC Annual Report Book. I will leave it in the clubhouse for your review.

CAPITAL OPENS "E-STORE"

By Burton Goldstein



After a very long process, we have finally opened our "e-store". This is an on-line website, run for us by Lands' End, Business Outfitters. You can go on-line and order anything from that website, and get our club logo embroidered (left-side chest only). If you wish to order something that compliments the logo garment, go for it.

You know the quality of Lands' End. Their Business Outfitters division is a subset of their larger catalogue/website. (So maybe you won't be able to order embroidered hiking boots, or whatever.)

The link to our customized e-store, is: ces.landsend.com/cdtc

You will need to enter this directly into the address block of your Internet browser. This is NOT a "www." address. It is a "ces." address. You cannot Goggle this link. Once you get to this website, you will be asked to enter a password. It is the same password that you use to get into the "Members Only" section of our club's website. (This link is also located in that "Members Only" section of our website.)

Once on-line, shop, select, buy, just as you would on any other website. Our club red/white/blue logo comes in two variations of colors. Pick the one that will look best on the color of apparel that you are ordering. There is a \$5.95 charge for the logo embroidery.

Set up an account for yourself. You will receive Lands' End offers such as discounts, free shipping, and/or free logo. Order your club apparel for our big upcoming agility trial. (You'll need to change or cover up the logo if you are competing, while in the ring.)

When you get to our e-store, you will be greeted by the following message:

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*Welcome to the e-Store for Capital Dog Training Club. This is the place to shop for all your club-approved apparel and gear. Club logo is to be applied left-side chest. You have the option of two versions of our red, white, and blue colored logo. Pick whichever best compliments the apparel color you are ordering. Also consider lighter shades, if you are ordering red or blue.*

*Please report any website concerns to Burton Goldstein, [Burton@BGCommunications.com](mailto:Burton@BGCommunications.com). For problems with your order, please deal directly with Lands' End. Thank you.*

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6. You know that we filled our trial last year, and this year, we filled almost immediately after opening. We have earned the reputation as being one of the best agility events around, and we need to uphold that reputation!
5. You know that the vendors at agility trials are the best.
4. You've heard that volunteers get coupons good at the snack bar, towards your entry next year, or as "vendor bucks", and you can enter our volunteer raffle. Plus we have an incredible volunteers' snack room.
3. You don't want to be the only club member that doesn't come out to help.
2. Because you are a really nice person and I'm asking you nicely to please come and help your club. ... and the number one reason to volunteer for our upcoming agility trial weekend ...
1. Did I say because you are a nice person?

Lots of stuff to do in anticipation of the trials. Many, many things to do that weekend. It's not that hard. It's fun. It's worthwhile. Contact your favorite vendor and get them to come. Help get stuff for our volunteer raffles. Come out on Thursday to help set up. Be a part of the action all weekend. Sign up to stick around and finish loading the equipment truck. Be a part of the pride that our club shows at this super event!

For more details, please see event premium list, which can be found on our club's website, [www.CDTC.org](http://www.CDTC.org), under "AKC Trials", "Agility Trial", "Premium".

## How to Measure Your Dog

The height in all cases is taken with the dog standing on a level surface, either the ground or a table, his front feet directly under him, his hind feet in the accepted show stack position for the breed. If a dog is measured by an official at a show, a U-shaped wicket is used. Wickets can be made of metal, wood or PVC. Both legs of the wicket are placed flat on the ground/table, and a movable bar is adjusted to fit firmly on top of the withers.

Simple wickets available online cost from \$30 to \$90, depending on the manufacturer. However, a relatively accurate measurement can be made using items you probably already have at home. You will need a blank wall, a pencil, metal measuring tape or yardstick and a carpenter's level. If your dog does not do a perfect stand-stay, you will need somebody to help you.

Have your helper position your dog standing as described above, with the dog's head level. Place the carpenter's level across the withers, letting it rest on the bone, one end against the wall. Move the ends of the level until the bubble is exactly in the center of the level indicator, then use your pencil to mark the wall underneath the level where it touches the wall. Move your dog away from the wall and measure the distance from the mark to the floor. If you have been careful you will have an accurate measurement of your dog's height.

## Who Does What at CDTC?

Your Obichaff Editor has been asked to include this information on a regular basis, but I am asking you for help: if you do something at the Club which is not listed below, please email me at [obiEditor@gmail.com](mailto:obiEditor@gmail.com) and let me know. Information is not always kept up to date, so please let me know if there are any errors and I will print the corrected list in the May Obichaff. For a list of the duties of CDTC Officers, please refer to the October 2010 Obichaff which you can find at [www.CDTC.org](http://www.CDTC.org).

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| Librarian                                                                 | Mary Carson       |                                                                                        |
| Facilities Manager                                                        | Carrie Solomon    |                                                                                        |



## EAR INFECTIONS AND A RECIPE FOR A HOME-MADE EAR CLEANING SOLUTION

*By Diane Harab*

Ear infections are very common in dogs with flopped ears. Spaniels are most prone to this disease. Infections are common to flop-eared dogs because air is unable to circulate freely in their ears. Air circulation is very critical in maintaining the health of the ears of dogs. In the cases of flop-eared dogs, small follicles of hair grow in their ears which further inhibits the air from coming in. These hairs are usually only taken care of when dogs are groomed.

Symptoms of ear infections in dogs include odor and discharge from the ear. Dog ear problems may cause your dog to shake, scratch or rub at its head. Canine ear infection causes pain around the ears and can cause your dog to shake his head frequently or constantly tilt his head to one side. Redness and swelling may occur on the ear flap and inside the ear canal. Canine ear problems can trouble your dog so much that he becomes depressed, irritable or otherwise miserable.

Cleaning your dog's ears regularly at home will help prevent canine ear infections, and help recover from ongoing current dog ear problems. I recently experimented using an inexpensive home-made ear cleaning solution. It cleared up my dog's ear infection in less than one week.

### **Ingredients:**

White vinegar

Powdered boric acid

Isopropyl alcohol (rubbing alcohol)

Betadine antiseptic (or the generic version, known as Povidone-Iodine Solution)

Please note: do not use "Betadine Scrub", use "Betadine Solution"

### **Directions for mixing the solution together:**

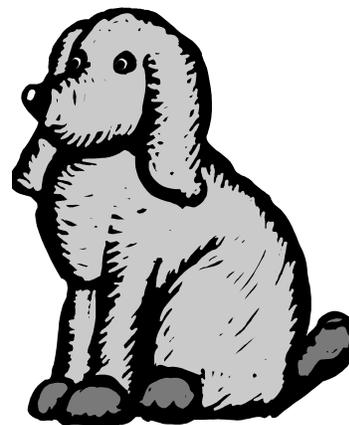
- Pour six ounces of isopropyl alcohol into a plastic applicator bottle. Add one and a half teaspoons of boric acid powder. Be careful not to get any boric acid on your skin or clothes. If you do, wash it off immediately.
- Shake the solution well, until the boric acid powder is dissolved, or for five minutes.
- Add two ounces of white vinegar. Shake the solution some more, until the boric acid powder is dissolved, or for another five minutes, whichever comes first.
- Add one teaspoon of the Betadine antiseptic, and shake it up some more. Be careful not to get any Betadine on your skin or clothes, as it stains. If you do, wash it off immediately.
- The ear cleaning solution is now ready to use.

### **To use the ear cleaning solution:**

- It is recommended that you use the ear cleaning solution in your garage or outdoors, as the dog will shake it out of his ears and it will fly in to the air and stain things.
- Squirt the solution inside your dog's ear until the ear canal is completely full. Massage the outside of the ear to help slosh the cleaning solution around inside. Release the dog and let him shake out the ear cleaning solution from his ears.
- If you get any of the ear cleaning solution on your skin or clothes, wash it off as soon as possible.
- Be sure to shake the solution up really well before each time you use it. The boric acid has a tendency to settle at the bottom of the bottle.
- Use the cleaning solution daily until you start to see some improvement. Gradually cut back to once per week when you are happy with the condition of the ear. When the ear seems completely free of infection, you can go two weeks between treatments. The ear cleaning solution can be stored at room temperature.

**If the infection does not clear up, be sure to see your Veterinarian.**

## Class Schedules



| <u>Time</u>           | <u>Class</u>                   | <u>Instructor</u>   | <u>Ring</u> |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| <b>MONDAY</b>         |                                |                     |             |
| 10-11:30              | Freestyle TG                   | Ely                 | 2-3         |
| 6-7:15                | Open                           | LaDieu              | 2-3         |
| 6-6:50                | CGC Prep*3/28-4/25(skip 4/18)  | Spilker/Daniel      | 1           |
| 7:15-8:05             | SN                             | Adler/Dwyer         | 1           |
| 7:30-8:30             | Novice                         | Golec               | 3           |
| 8:15-9:15             | Utility                        | Adler               | 1-2         |
| 8:30-9:20             | Basic 4/18-6/6                 | Hall                | 3           |
| <b>TUESDAY</b>        |                                |                     |             |
| 6-6:50                | PK 3/22-5/10                   | Hathaway            | 3           |
| 6-6:50                | AB 3/22-5/17 (skip 4/12)       | Daniel              | 1           |
| 7-7:50                | Basic 3/22-5/10                | Miller              | 2-3         |
| 7-8                   | Novice                         | Merchant            | 1           |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tues. | 8-10 Club Meeting              | bldg                |             |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Tues. | Board Meeting                  |                     |             |
| <b>WEDNESDAY</b>      |                                |                     |             |
| 11-12                 | Clicker2                       | Riley               | 2-3         |
| 12-2:30               | Ob. Skills TG                  | Spodak              | 1-2         |
| <b>THURSDAY</b>       |                                |                     |             |
| 9:30-10:30            | SN                             | Adler               | 1-2         |
| 9:30-10:30            | Novice                         | Holt                | 3           |
| 11:30-12:20*          | CRally 3/17-5/5(skip 4/7&4/21) | Daniel              | 3           |
| 11:30-12:20*          | AB 3/17-5/5                    | Christenson         | 1-2         |
| 12:30-3:00            | Open/Utility TG                | Goldstein           | 1-2-3       |
| 6-7                   | Novice                         | Gurvin              | 1-2         |
| 6-7                   | Utility prep                   | Harry               | 3           |
| 7-8                   | Utility                        | Harry               | 2           |
| 7-8                   | Retrieve                       | Dornak              | 3           |
| 8-9                   | SN                             | Dornak              | 3           |
| 8-9                   | Open                           | Harry               | 1-2         |
| 9-10                  | Open                           | Nappier             | 2           |
| <b>FRIDAY</b>         |                                |                     |             |
| 10:15 am-12:30        | Freestyle                      | Ely/<br>Kirschenman | 1-2-3       |

| <u>Time</u>                            | <u>Class</u>                    | <u>Instructor</u> | <u>Ring</u> |
|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 1-4 (approx.)                          | Building Cleaning               |                   | bldg        |
| 7:00-8:00                              | Novice                          | Cleverdon         | 1           |
| 7-8:30                                 | CCI***                          | Hathaway          | 3           |
| <b>SATURDAY</b>                        |                                 |                   |             |
| 7:30 am                                | Basic 3/12-5/7(skip 3/19)       | Melchior          | 2-3         |
| 9-9:50                                 | PK 3/26-5/7(skip 4/23)          | Solomon           | 2-3         |
| 11-12:30                               | Freestyle                       | Guzman            | 1-2-3       |
| 1-1:50                                 | CGC Prep* 3/26-4/16             | Freedman          | 2-3         |
| 3-3:50                                 | Basic**3/26-5/7(skip 4/9)       | Daniel            | 2-3         |
| 4:30-5:20                              | Beg. Rally**3/26-5/7(skip 4/23) | McAuliffe         | 2-3         |
| 6:30-7:30                              | Beg. Flyball                    | Lindberg          | 1-2-3       |
| 7:30-8:30                              | Flyball practice                | Dwyer             | 1-2-3       |
| * Four week class                      |                                 |                   |             |
| ** Six week class                      |                                 |                   |             |
| *** Canine Companions for Independence |                                 |                   |             |

### Class Schedules

| Day                       | Dates                     | Time             | Instructor  |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|-------------|
| <b>PUPPY KINDERGARTEN</b> |                           |                  |             |
| Sat                       | 3/26-5/7,                 | 9:00-9:50am      | Solomon     |
| Tues                      | 3/22-5-10,                | 6:00-6:50pm      | Hathaway    |
| <b>BASIC</b>              |                           |                  |             |
| Sat                       | 3/12-5/7(skip 3/19),      | 7:30am           | Melchior    |
| Sat                       | 3/26-5/7(skip 4/9),       | 3:00-3:50pm      | Daniel      |
| Tues                      | 3/22-5/10,                | 7:00-7:50pm      | Miller      |
| Mon                       | 4/18-6/6,                 | 8:30-9:20pm      | Hall        |
| <b>AB</b>                 |                           |                  |             |
| Tues                      | 3/22-5/17 (skip 4/12)     | 6:00pm           | Daniel      |
| Thurs                     | 3/17-5/5,                 | 11:30-12:20 pm   | Christenson |
| <b>SUB-NOVICE</b>         |                           |                  |             |
| Mon                       | C                         | 7:15-8:15        | Adler/Dwyer |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 9:30-10:30 am    | Adler       |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 8-9              | Dornak      |
| Fri                       | C                         | 7-8              | Cleverdon   |
| <b>NOVICE</b>             |                           |                  |             |
| Mon                       | C                         | 7:30-8:30        | Golec       |
| Tues                      | C                         | 7-8              | Merchant    |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 9:30-10:30 am    | Holt        |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 6-7              | Gurvin      |
| <b>OPEN</b>               |                           |                  |             |
| Mon                       | C                         | 6-7:15           | LaDieu      |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 8-9              | Harry       |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 9-10             | Nappier     |
| <b>UTILITY</b>            |                           |                  |             |
| Mon                       | C                         | 8:15-9:15        | Adler       |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 6:00-7:00 (prep) | Harry       |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 8:00-9:00        | Harry       |
| <b>RETRIEVE</b>           |                           |                  |             |
| Thurs                     | C                         | 7-8:00           | Dornak      |
| <b>COMPETITION RALLY</b>  |                           |                  |             |
| Thurs                     | 3/17-5/5(skip 4/7&4/21)** | 11:30am          | Daniel      |
| <b>BEGINNER RALLY</b>     |                           |                  |             |
| Sat                       | 3/26-5/7(skip 4/23)**     | 4:30pm           | McAuliffe   |

| Day                      | Dates                 | Time                 | Instructor          |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>CGC PREP</b>          |                       |                      |                     |
| Sat                      | 3/26-4/16*            | 1pm                  | Freedman            |
| Mon                      | 3/28-4/25*(skip 4/18) | 6pm                  | Spilker/Daniel      |
| <b>FREESTYLE</b>         |                       |                      |                     |
| Mon                      | C                     | 10-11:30             | Ely                 |
| Fri                      | C                     | 10:15-12:30          | Ely/<br>Kirschenman |
| Sat                      | C                     | 11-12:30             | Guzman              |
| <b>TRAINING GROUPS</b>   |                       |                      |                     |
| Mon                      | C                     | 10-11:30             | Ely                 |
| Wed                      | C                     | 12-2:30 (Ob. Skills) | Spodak              |
| Thurs                    | C                     | 12:30-3:00           | Goldstein           |
| <b>FLYBALL</b>           |                       |                      |                     |
| Sat                      | C                     | 6:30-8:30            | Lindberg/<br>Dwyer  |
| <b>OUTSIDE GROUPS</b>    |                       |                      |                     |
| Fri                      | C                     | 7-8:30 CCI           | Hathaway            |
| <b>BUILDING CLEANING</b> |                       |                      |                     |
| Fri                      | C                     | 1-4 approx.          | S. Harrill          |
| * Four week class        |                       |                      |                     |
| ** Six week class        |                       |                      |                     |

## Special Events

CGC Testing Sunday May 1st

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CDTC offers a variety of other activities for dogs and people, including matches, trials and seminars on dog-related topics.

Capital has a fully matted indoor, air-conditioned facility in Silver Spring, Md.

**Important Dates at Capital**

**April 8th, 9th, 10th:  
CDTC's Agility Trials**

**Tuesday April 12th:  
Membership Meeting**



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