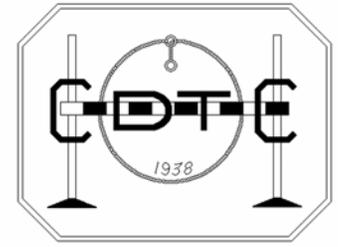


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Dog Training: Read All About It

Patti Miller

If you are like me, you have steadily amassed a small library of dog training books. It seems like the only thing as much fun as dog training is reading about dog training. With so many dog training books to choose from, I was wondering which books Capital instructors couldn't do without. So I asked them. And it turns out there are as many answers to that question as instructors at Capital.

The mostly widely praised author is Patricia McConnell, although she writes more about dog behavior and communicating with your dog than specific training strategies. A big favorite with Capital instructors is her classic *The Other End of the Leash*, as well as *For the Love of a Dog*. Among her more training-specific books, instructors recommend *Fiesty Fidos: Help for the Leash-Reactive Dog* and *Family Friendly Dog Training: A Six Week Program for You and Your Dog*.

Another classic that several instructors mentioned is Gail Burnham's *Playtraining Your Dog*. While it is a big dated now and out of print, its basic premise of mixing up formal obedience exercises with games is as valid as ever. Puppy Kindergarden and Basic instructors also like *My Smart Puppy*, by Sarah Wilson and Brian Kilcommons.

After that the list gets more diverse and is split between companion dog training books and competition training books. Barbara Merchant likes *Building*

Blocks for Performance by Bobbie Anderson and Tracy Libby and *Steppin' Up to Success* by Terri Arnold and Ann Paul. Suzanne Miller loves the Monks of New Skete's classic *How to Be Your Dog's Best Friend*, while Joan Adler swears by Carol's Benjamin's *Mother Knows Best*.

In terms of basic training guides, Carol Crawford likes *Maran Illustrated Dog Training* and Ann Melchior suggests *Dog Friendly Dog Training* by Andrea Arden and *101 Dog Tricks* by Kyra Dundance for their clear presentations and great illustrations.

Donna Cleverdon suggests Karen Pryor's classic on positive reinforcement, *Don't Shoot the Dog*. Gabi Golec recommends Shelia Booth's *Purely Positive Training* and Nan Marks likes *Positive Perspectives* (volumes 1 & 2) by Pat Miller, as well as Leslie Nelson's *Really Reliable Recall*.

Shannon Hall gives a thumbs up to Leslie McDavitt's *Control Unleashed: Creating a Focused and Confident Dog*. Carrie Solomon recommends *When Pigs Fly: Training Success with Impossible Dogs* for basic clicker training, especially with "nonbiddable" dogs, and on the same note, Jennie Larkin likes *So Your Dog's Not Lassie: Tips for Training Difficult Dogs and Independent Breeds*.

I think I need a few more dog training books. Start reading!

2010 Membership Renewals Due

Membership renewals were due by July 1, 2010. If your dues are not received by July 31, 2010, *your membership will expire*. Renew now!

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

My apologies to Brooke Holt for misspelling her name on page 3 of the June issue of *Obichaff*. No excuse except rapidly typing fingers and too many deadlines!

I am sure there have been other mistakes, I just haven't caught them yet!

—Patti Miller

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From the Training Director: Just for Fun

Lisa Daniel

When I was in ninth grade, our English teacher gave us a short essay that was titled “Fifteen Ways to Write 500 Words; An Inaugural Address to a Class in Freshman English” by Dr. Laurence Perrine, English Department, S.M.U. I highly recommend it to anyone who loves writing or is looking to improve theirs. It is completely tongue-in-cheek, and succeeds beautifully at illustrating how NOT to write. It inspired me to try to come up with a comparable (although quite honestly, it’s not really in the same league) tongue-in-cheek list of dog-training techniques, where (just to be clear!) the lesson would be how NOT to train a dog. Please be assured that this is written in the spirit that all of us humans have a tendency to do these things (I certainly did most of them when I didn’t know any better) and there is zero intention to make fun of anyone, but rather to laugh at our collective human tendencies. With that, here goes:

Ten Best Methods to Train Your Dog . . . (to ignore you)

1. Always embed your commands in lots of verbiage. Dogs like to be talked to! For example: don’t say “sit,” when you could say “gee, Fido, why don’t you sit down?”
2. Always pose commands as questions using a rising, questioning, tone of voice. That sounds more friendly and more polite!
3. Give verbal commands (“stay” or better: “stay???” or best: “please, Fido, would you just stay this once???” – see above), corrections (“no” or “uh uh”), and praise (“good stay”) in the exact same tones of voice. It’s a good idea to stay unemotional when training.
4. Repeat the command (“sit” – see 1 & 2) as many times as possible before actually enforcing the command or helping the dog understand what you want. After all, if you can say it once, why not say it a thousand times? Remember, dogs like to be talked to!
5. When giving a verbal command, contradict it with either your body language, tone of voice, leash pressure, or all of the above. After all, the dog should be LISTENING to you! For example: tell the dog to “stay” (or better yet, “good Fido, now stay there and don’t move” – see 1) while at the same time leaning forward, using an excited voice and pulling the dog toward you with the leash.
6. Enforce the command (i.e., insist that the dog do it) erratically or not at all. After all, you don’t want him to dislike you!
7. Time the reward (treat, praise, or both) so that the dog gets it only AFTER it has ceased performing the command. For example: you tell the dog to “sit” (or “Please, Fido, would you sit? I said sit, come on and sit, would you sit, SIT!” – see 1, 2 and 3) and praise it AFTER it has sat and popped back up. If, for some reason, you have a dog that actually tends to **hold** a sit early on, you can often successfully get it to break the sit by leaning toward the dog, speaking in an excited voice, and petting it profusely. Then you can proceed to treat it as described above.
8. When the dog breaks a position it has been told to hold (like “sit”), simply repeat the command and then praise when the dog goes back into position. Or, better yet, if the dog breaks the position, pull out a treat and lure him back into it. For example: if you tell the dog to “sit” and he pops up after a few seconds, repeat “sit” (or “please, Fido, why don’t you sit?” – see 1) and praise if he puts his butt on the floor for a nanosecond. When he pops up again, repeat “sit” again and praise when he does it. The beauty of this technique is that from the dog’s point of view he has done what was asked each time – so

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Reminders From The Treasurer:

I would like to remind you of five items which will assist me in the proper execution of my duties.

1. Please remember that all checks should have a notation as to what the checks are for to assure appropriate credit.
2. Please do not place cash in the treasurer's folder. If you must, hold onto the cash until you see me or please write a check to cover the cash.
3. Please do not place any items in the suggestion box. This box is not for checks, cash, or keys.
4. Manila folders are located in the Treasurer's Accordion Folder: one is for checks, one is for reimbursement forms, one is for w-9 forms, one with envelopes, and one is for miscellaneous items.
5. Please be certain to give the check to the appropriate chairperson. In most cases, checks need to be recorded before they are given to me.

Thank you,
Dianne Harab

Capital Dog Training Club Obedience Run Thru August 1, 2010

- Doors open at 7:45 a.m. • Utility and Open registration 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. • Judging starts at 8:30 a.m.
- Novice registration 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. • Novice judging starts in first available ring after 11:30.

Fees: \$7.00 per dog; \$5.00 each additional entry for the same dog. Pre-registration fees: \$6.00/\$4.00
Second runs as time permits after all first runs in a class are done.

- Completely padded and matted floor. • Two rings for judging, one ring for practice and stays. • Chairs and some crates available. • No scores or prizes. • Reasonable corrections allowed.
- No electronic collars allowed.

The run thrus may be cancelled for inclement weather or other emergency. CDTC follows Montgomery College's closings.

Pre-Entry: Optional pre-entries. \$6 for first run/\$4 for second. Entries must be in by Wednesday before the run thru. No refunds unless event is cancelled.

Mail entries to: Marcia Bresson, 4919 Harrogate Rd, Ellicott City, MD 21043.



AKC Delegate's Corner

Joyce Dandridge

In the Obedience Committee Meeting:

Mark Dunn from the Canine Partners Program gave an update. He said they are not seeing large masses of mixed breed coming into the program. A club in Seattle had the largest entry so far which was 17. He asked us through our classes to encourage people to list their dogs. He commented on the Washington Post article about the show at Mattaponi with mixed breeds. He mentioned CNN, FOX and 34 newspapers picked that story up. He mentioned that 400 member clubs opt in on their web site and 25 opt out. Three thousand events are accepting mixed breeds. The program is now notifying vets. All listed mixed breeds numbers begin with the letter M. Mark also said all state 4 H coordinators were notified and received correspondence from AKC.

In the committee, a discussion occurred on the idea of tracking the new non regular classes. This can be a money maker.

Curt Curtis gave a Rally update. He said there were more than 600 suggestions from the Rally fancy. The committee will be reviewing them all.

Curt Curtis mentioned the need for member clubs who do run throughs, show and gos, etc. must file a Match C form. These activities must be approved by AKC. No fee is involved. Clubs must let AKC know at least 15 days before the event. This is to protect the club against abusiveness and AKC can take action against the person. AKC wants to know the contacting person, information on the advertising and collection of funds.

The committee is making a suggestion to all breed clubs that they should not separate obedience from conformation. This will enable spectators to see the entire show and appreciate what dogs and exhibitors do in obedience. This could build interest.

A suggestion was made to all breed clubs to award HIT before BIS at events.

All judges have received the changes in the regulations. Run ALL regular classes before non regular and wild card.

Curt Curtis mentioned the Obedience Advisory Committee will be formed soon to look at regulations.

A committee member brought up the fact that we just starting implementing the regulations from the last committee. The question was asked, "Is there a need to go through this process every four years?". It was suggested to suspend the advisory committee meetings for Obedience, Tracking, Rally and Agility.

Curt mentioned his office can help those clubs that go over their entry limit.

Curt mentioned lowering the jump height for all breeds to 3/4 height of the withers. He asked would uniformity be good? He is receiving several requests from parent clubs each month for presentation before the AKC Board. The committee expressed their feelings with the majority against uniformity.

There was a discussion on whether a tracking titling class, a modified VST, would help clubs who cannot hold tracking certain times of the year.

The deaf dog issue was one of the main topics of discussion at the entire Delegates Meeting. There are strong feelings on both sides. Curt said the AKC Board will look at recommendations for deaf dogs to compete in agility at their August meeting.

At the General Meeting:

There was the concern that continues and that's the lowering of registrations and thus loss of money. 1.1 million has been loss the first five months of this year compared to first five months of last year. To

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Capital Dog Training Club Instructors 2009

We extend our grateful appreciation to the following dedicated instructors:

OBEDIENCE

Joan Adler
Maurine Atkinson
Sandi Atkinson
Benita Bottoms
Karen Christensen
Donna Cleverdon
Carol Crawford
Joyce Dandridge
Lisa Daniel
Anya Dornak
Donna Dwyer
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Nancy Marks
Anne Melchior
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Renee Nappier
Mary Rice
Ann Riley
Carrie Solomon
Linda Spodak

Mary Sullivan
Diane Sutton
Liz Wade
Jodi Watts
Mary Jane Zarnowski

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Ken Briefel
Abigail Carter
Spencer Harrill
Anne Laurent
Brian Maloney
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Joyce Dandridge
Andy "Frances" Kingery
Diane Sutton

FLYBALL

Dona Dwyer
Rachel Lindberg

FREESTYLE

Wendy Ely
Pepper Guzman
Sally Kirshenman

TRACKING

Deb Jackson
Shirley Harry

Capital Dog Training Club Class Assistants 2009

With our sincere gratitude:

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 MaryBeth Ardike
 Maurine Atkinson
 Shirley Blakely
 Ken Briefel
 Melitta Carter
 Pam Coblyn
 Shellie Goldstein
 Pepper Guzman
 Dianne Harab
 Jeff Harab
 Karen Hill
 Marsha Iyomasa
 Lois Kietur
 Jennie Larkin
 Linda Lombardi
 Patti Miller
 Robert Reinhart
 Cinda Verbin
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AGILITY

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 Pam Coblyn
 April de Bremond
 Burton Goldstein
 Karen Hill
 Angela Lauvray
 Susan Mills
 Amy Schneiner
 Kathy Sheehan
 Kristin Weichman

CONFORMATION

Benita Bottoms

FLYBALL

Rachel Lindberg
 Jean Thompson

June Run-thru Report

Thanks to everyone who helped at the June 6 run thru!

Judges - Deb Jackson and Donna Cleverdon.

Stewards - Carrie Solomon, Marsha Iyomasa, Wendy Williamson, Benita Bottom, Jodie Jeweler, Pepper Guzman, Jeff Harab, Ken Harringer, Betsy Harringer.

Registration - Jennie Larkin and MaryBeth Ardike.

Pre-entries - Marcia Bresson.

Thanks to Donna and Marsha for cleaning up the dog walking area outside. And special thanks to Marsha for bringing us homemade, still warm, sticky buns!

Number of entries: Utility: 15 Open: 27 Novice: 20

Total amount made: \$337.50. Next run thru is Sunday, August 1. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board at the club.

—Jane Weisemann, Run thru coordinator

CDTC Welcomes New Members

Jamie Kirkpatrick

I started training dogs when I was in college and have been doing obedience for the past two years with my Golden Retriever, Riley. I am also learning how to field train Riley. My short-term goal is to get a CDX; my long-term goal is go get a Master Hunter title. In addition to dog training, I also enjoy horseback riding.

Merry Foresta

I have lived with dogs all my life--childhood photos always seem to include one or more of the collies my mother raised. But I have only been involved with formal training and obedience competitions for the last several years. A week at Volhard Dog Camp in Virginia really got me hooked. Since then, I've taken my rescue Australian Cattle Dog, Wren, through a CD and am hopeful that my Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Meigs, will be ready to start showing this spring. My main goal is to have fun with my dogs. I would like to take Wren through her Utility title and am eager to start both dogs in agility.



John Bath and Karen Hill

John and Karen live with two active border collies, Jackson and Ivy. Both have been taking CDTC's agility classes and enjoying the opportunity to enrich their relationship with their dogs. In addition to agility, Karen also enjoys photography and gardening and jokes that she "has a comparable lack of proficiency in each." According to Karen, "Apparently John's frustration threshold hasn't been reached by agility, since he's taken up golf again – or maybe it's because he's looking for a less frustrating activity."

Shoshana Greenland

Shoshana and her Lab, Ida, are doing it all--taking classes in obedience, rally and agility. Shoshana has raised puppies for Guiding Eyes for the Blind for several years and does foster care for Greyhound Rescue. Her goal is to have a well trained, behaved dog, and perhaps to compete in rally and agility.

Braggs!

At the Nor'East Toy Dog Cluster over Memorial Day weekend, Bo earned a second AX leg (with a first place) and another MXJ leg (with a second place) on Saturday. On Sunday he earned his first UD leg, with a first place. Tip provided entertainment for the crowd and will never ever again be entered in an outdoor agility trial. Unless someone pays us to be the entertainment.
—Jennie Larkin

In March 2010, I was awarded my CPDT-KA Certificate (Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed) from the CCPDT (Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers).
—Carol Rosen

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everybody's happy! Be careful not to say "no" or to place the dog back into position when the dog pops up from the sit, or the dog may come to understand that it is supposed to sit until you tell it otherwise. This will rob you of the joy of interacting with your dog by repeating "sit" or "please Fido, can't you just sit??" all night long.

9. Use the same word to mean different things. For example: use "down" (or "down, down, down, DOWN!" – see 3, or "gee, Fido, why don't you get down" –see 1) to mean: "lie down," "jump off the couch," "get out of the car," or "get off of Aunt Mable." It's a lot of bother to come up with different words when one will do. It may be confusing, but the dog will appreciate your economy.
10. Time any corrections for long after the behavior occurred. This is one of the best ways to convince your dog that you are a dangerous nut, and it's always good to keep him guessing. For example: you come home to find poop on the floor. Yell and scream and put the dog in his crate. Be sure NOT to put him in his crate BEFORE you leave, as that could prevent the whole issue from arising and you would lose this teaching opportunity. Happy Training!

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help offset this loss, the AKC has been setting fees in all areas. They are now considering assessing judges an annual fee. This is very controversial. The AKC is going to meet with two of the judges' organizations for input. However, it looks like some kind of fee will be established. The question becomes what would be equitable.

It was mentioned that fifty-seven employees have gone from AKC in the last five years and there also have been changes to member benefits. Operating expenses have been lowered \$921,000.

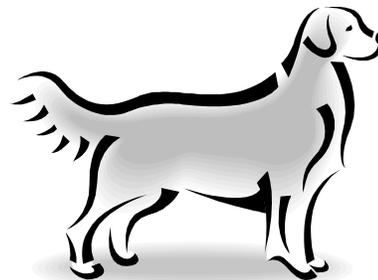
Mike Liosis spoke on Club Relations. He stated there were 615 member clubs and 5016 clubs can hold AKC events. He mentioned that clubs cannot have an email meeting and that would not be approved in bylaws. They have approved teleconferencing and videoconferencing. All clubs should send their membership list to his office electronically. He mentioned the importance of club insurance and directed us to their web site for information.

Lisa Peterson, the Director of Club Communications, asked us to check out their web site. She mentioned there were sample media templates that editors can use in their club newsletters. For articles you can use in the newsletter, the editor can use the Username: AKC news and the Password:editor. She asked that whenever possible use the AKC Logo Branding available on line.

A question was asked to Mike about reimbursement to members. He stated members could be reimbursed for teaching classes in whatever manner the club sees fit and it would not be a violation, if they are not professional dog trainers.

Class Schedules

Time	Class	Instructor	Ring
MONDAY			
10-11:30 am	Freestyle TG	Ely	2-3
6-7:15	Open	LaDieu	2-3
7:15-8:05	SN	Adler/Dwyer	1
7:30-8:30	Novice	Golec	3
8:15-9:15	Utility	Adler	1-2
6:00 - 6:50	Basic, 4/19-6/7	Harringers	1
TUESDAY			
6-6:50	Basic, 4/13-6/1	Crawford	2-3
6-6:50	AB, 6/8-7/27	Daniel	1-2
6-6:50	PK, 6/22-8/10	Hathaway	3
7-7:50	PK, 6/8-8/3	Freedman	3
7-8	Novice	Merchant	1
2 nd Tues.	8-10	Club Meeting	
4 th Tues.	8-10	Board Meeting	
WEDNESDAY			
12-2:30	Ob. Skills TG	Spodak	1-2
5:00-6:00	OB Runthru	Larkin	2-3
6-7:30	Agility (Comp.)	Harrill	1-2-3
7:30-8:45	Agility (Intro 2)	Bond	1-2-3
THURSDAY			
9:30-10:30	SN	Adler	1-2
9:30-10:30	Novice	Holt	3
11:30-12:20	AB, 6/17-8/5	Christensen	1-2
11:30-12:30	B. Rally, 6/17-8/5	Daniel	2-3
11:30-12:20	AB, 6/17-8/5	Christensen	1-2
6-7	Novice	Gurvin	1-2
6-7	Utility prep	Harry	3
7-7:50	Basic, 5/13-7/8	Atkinson	1
7-8	Utility	Harry	2
7-8	CGC, 7/22-8/12	Miller	1
7-8	Retrieve	Dornak	3
8-9	SN	Dornak	3
8-9	Open	Harry	1-2
9-10	Open	Nappier	2
FRIDAY			
10:15am-12:30	Freestyle	Ely/ Kirschenman	1-2-3
1-4	Bldg. Cleaning	S. Harrill	1-2-3



Time	Class	Instructor	Ring
FRIDAY			
7:00-8:00	Novice	Cleverdon	1
7-8:30	CCI*	Hathaway	3
<i>*Canine Companions for Independence</i>			
SATURDAY			
7:30-8:30	Tricks, 6/26-8/28	Melchior	2-3
9-9:50	PK, 6/5-8/7	Solomon	2-3
10-10:50	PK, 6/26-8/28	Zarnowski	2-3
11-12:30	Freestyle	Guzman	1-2-3
1-2	C. Rally, 6/5-7/24	Daniel	1-2
2-2:50	AB, 4/10-6/12	Daniel	1-2
2-2:50	Basic, 6/19-8/21	Christensen	2-3
3-3:50	Basic, 6/5-8/7	Hall	1-2
6:30-7:30	Beg. Flyball	Lindberg	1-2-3
7:30-8:30	Flyball practice	Dwyer	1-2-3
SUNDAY			
4-5:15	Agility (Handling A)	Maloney	1-2-3
5:15-6:30	Agility (Intro)	Carter	1-2-3
6:30-7:45	Agility (Beg.)	Hall	1-2-3

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<u>Day</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
PUPPY KINDERGARTEN			
Sat	6/05-8/7,	09:00-09:50am	Solomon
Sat	6/26-8/28,	10:00-10:50am	Zarnowski
Tues	6/8-8/3,	7:00-7:50pm	Freedman
Tues	6/22 -8/10,	7:00 -7:50pm	Hathaway
BASIC			
Mon	4/19 - 6/7,	6:00- 6:50pm	Harringers
Tues	4/13-6/1,	6:00 -6:50pm	Crawford
Thur	5/13-7/8,	7:00-7:50pm	Atkinson
Sat	6/5-8/7,	3:00 -3:50pm	Hall
Sat	6/19-8/21,	2:00-3:50pm	Christensen
AB			
Tues	6/8-7/27,	6:00 - 6:50pm	Daniel
Thur	6/17-8/5,	11:30-12:20pm	Christensen
Sat	4/10-6/12,	2:00- 2:50pm	Daniel
CGC			
Thur	7/22-8/12,	7:00-7:50pm	Miller
SUB-NOVICE			
Mon	C	7:15-8:15	Adler/Dwyer
Thur	C	9:30-10:30a.m.	Adler
Thur	C	8-9	Dornak
Fri	C	7-8	Cleverdon
NOVICE			
Mon	C	7:30-8:30	Golec
Tues	C	7-8	Merchant
Thurs	C	9:30-10:30am	Holt
Thurs	C	6-7	Gurvin
OPEN			
Mon	C	6-7:15	LaDieu
Thurs	C	8-9	Harry
Thurs	C	9-10	Nappier
UTILITY			
Mon	C	8:15-9:15	Adler
Thurs	C	6:00-7:00 (prep)	Harry

<u>Day</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Instructor</u>
UTILITY			
Thurs	C	8:00-9:00	Harry
RETRIEVE			
Thurs	C	7-8:00	Dornak
TRICKS			
Sat	6/26-8/28,	07:30-8:30am	Melchior
BEGINNING RALLY			
Thurs	6/17- 7/24,	11:30-12:30pm	Daniel
COMPETITION RALLY			
Sat	6/5-8/7,	1:00-2:00pm	Daniel
AGILITY			
Wed	C	6:00-7:30(Compet)	Harrill
Wed	C	7:30-8:45 (Intro 2)	Bond
Sun	C	4:00-5:15(Hndl. A)	Maloney
Sun	C	5:15- 6:30 (Intro)	Carter
Sun	C	6:30-7:45 (Beg.)	Hall
FREESTYLE			
Fri	C	10:15-12:30	Ely/ Kirschenman
Sat	C	11-12:30	Guzman
Seminar – AKC Judging Seminar			
Sat	7/24	8:30am – 4:30pm	AKC
Sun	7/25	8:30am – 1:00pm	AKC
TRAINING GROUPS			
Mon	C	10-11:30	Ely
Wed	C	12-2:30 (Ob. Skill)	Spodak
FLYBALL			
Sat	C	6:30-8:30	Lindberg/ Dwyer
OUTSIDE GROUPS			
Fri	C	7-8:30	CCI, Hathaway
BUILDING CLEANING			
Fri	C	1-4 approx.	S. Harrill

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Capital Dog Training Club (CDTC), a member club of the American Kennel Club, is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1938 to promote the sport of obedience training through classes offered to its members and the general public. We offer obedience classes from puppy kindergarten through competition obedience. We also offer classes in agility, canine freestyle, flyball, conformation, tracking and rally.

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

Tuesday, July 13
**Annual Awards and Instructor
Appreciation Dinner**



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