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Dog Training Club of Dallas County Members Newsletter
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March Birthdays!

- Lexi Gachman..... 3/6
- Pamela Chrystal..... 3/8
- Steve Blackburn 3/12
- Helen Cariotis..... 3/17
- Iric Gachman 3/17
- Kameron McGee..... 3/18
- Kay Mashburn..... 3/19
- Helen Johnson..... 3/20
- Benita Zapata..... 3/21
- Jan Bruner 3/23
- Lisa Wharton 3/25



Don't forget to bring your Sunshine gifts to the March meeting!

A Very Happy Birthday To All!

Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to the club meeting for the month of their Birthday. The gifts go to the winners of the Sunshine Drawings. Sunshine funds raised are used to purchase cards, flowers, or other expressions of care and concern for club members who need support and comfort. Please support Sunshine by bringing your gifts. If you missed the month of your birthday or **there was no meeting that month, you may bring your gift in a following month!**

MARCH GENERAL MEETING

The March general meeting will be held at **7:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, March 4, 2014**, in the club building at 604 Crestside, Duncanville, TX.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Dallas Torbert (Shepherd Mix & Lab Mix)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The change of seasons is knocking on our door. It is a time for the evenings to be extended and the sun to shine and renew all things. It is also time for us to renew ourselves. The spring represents so many things. I encourage all of us to take the opportunity to renew ourselves. I wish all of you a very glorious new Spring and best wishes for your renewed goals and opportunities!

Robin Quintana

GREETINGS FROM YOUR 40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE!

40 years ago it was 1974 and it was an exciting year to be a canine enthusiast.

-The AKC first allowed women to be admitted as delegates. At the end of the June 1974 meeting, the first female delegates ever were elected: Mrs. Carol D. Duffy to represent the Mid-Hudson Kennel Club; Mrs. Gertrude Freedman to represent the Bulldog Club of New England; and Mrs. Julia Gasow to represent the English Springer Spaniel Club of Michigan. They attended their first Delegate's meeting in September, 1974.

-1974 was also an eventful year for the Crufts dog show. Not only did they lose their apostrophe, but they also featured in a murder trial. A jury at the Old Bailey was told how a man who had started an affair with a woman he met at Crufts was then stabbed to death by his wife, with the knife he had used to cut up their dog's food.

-Benji was released in theaters creating a new canine superhero for a whole generation of children.

-The 1974 Crufts winner was a St Bernard by the name of Burtonswood Bossy Boots.

-The 1974 Westminster winner was a German Shorthaired Pointer named Gretchenhof Columbia River.

- Dr. W.H. Riser published "Influence of breed somatotypes on prevalence of hip dysplasia in the dog" in 1974. That publication is the basis of many further studies on how body shape affects hip dysplasia.

As part of celebrating our 40th anniversary, we've set a goal to help 40 dogs. We've started with the Terri Clary Memorial scholarship and have a few more ideas but can always use more. **We'd also like to have a fun activity to celebrate so if you have any suggestions, please feel free to email Holly at fairladyrats@gmail.com.**

I think we can all agree we are looking forward to another 40 years of helping dogs in our communities.



***We will have a booth again this year.
Please save the date and be ready to sign up for your shift.
More information will be coming your way in February
from Greg Quintana, Community Events Chair.***

Saturday, May 10, 2014
10AM to 6PM

Dallas Market Hall
FREE Parking & Admission



PLAY ★ SHOP ★ LEARN ★ ADOPT

DTCDC JACKETS

(from Lynda Holman, Purchasing Committee Chair)

We need 8 more jacket orders to fulfill our 20-jacket minimum order. Although heavy-jacket weather is declining, **please note that the first jacket shown at the below link is a windbreaker** – and we all know a windbreaker can come in handy far into the spring months in Texas.

If you are interested in ordering a DTCDC jacket, please see the information shown below. **DEADLINE FOR ALL ORDERS WILL BE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2014.**

Jackets Information: Use the link below to see pictures, descriptions and size charts of each of the nine jackets offered:
http://www.dallasdogtraining.org/download/jackets_spec_sheet.pdf.

Jackets will be ordered in the forest green color. The approximate cost shown below for each style includes the jacket with the DTCDC logo embroidered in white on the left chest. Your portion of tax, shipping and any personalization will be added to that cost.

- 1500 Coach \$35.00 w/ logo
- 8820 Adventure \$42.00 w/ club logo
- 9300 Climax \$53.00 w/ club logo
- 9900 Woodsman \$52.00 w/ club logo
- 8480 Conqueror \$45.00 w/ logo
- 8000 Volunteer \$37.00 w/ logo
- 8600 Survivor \$40.00 w/ logo
- 8800 Mountaineer \$42.00 w/ logo
- 8900 Summit \$48.00 w/ club logo

PLEASE NOTE: The company we order from requires a minimum order of 20. If we do not have 20 ordered by the deadline, the deadline will be extended to try to reach the minimum.

Personalization Options: Our club member Kim LeGrand has an embroidery business and will be doing our jacket order. She will be able to personalize your jacket with your name, and/or an embroidery of your breed (if it is among those she has available), and she also has various obedience and other performance event symbols.

If you want to order a jacket, fill out the form below and return it to me via email by the February 28 deadline. When your jacket is ready, I will contact you to make delivery and payment arrangements. Payment will be due when your jacket is delivered to you.

Lynda Holman, Purchasing Committee Chair
Home Phone: 972-723-3475
Email Office: lholman@jw.com
Email Home: lyholman@flash.net

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Jacket No. & Name: _____ Size: _____

Quantity: _____

Do you want your jacket personalized? YES _____ NO: _____
(If you check YES, Kim will contact you to get your personalization request)



BRAGS & WAGS



Peggy Phelps brags: My boys did well at the ASCA show on the weekend of Feb. 1 and 2, **Stryker** with a 2nd in Utility and 1st in Open on Saturday, winning HIT and High Combined. **Rocket** got 2nd place in Open on Saturday and 3rd on Sunday for two Open legs. On Sunday **Stryker** took 1st in Utility and 1st in Open. And **Rocket** got his CDX on Saturday, February 15, with a 197 and 3rd place in Open B! In Wichita Falls, on Sunday, February 16, **Stryker** got a 3rd place in Utility B and **Rocket** got a 194 no placement in Open B. We will have to work on those fronts and finishes.

Darlene Schermerhorn brags: The weekend of Feb. 1 & 2 **Windy, Joy** and I went to the ASCA show. **Windy** got first place in Utility A with a 190 and a 197. This completes her UD title. **Joy** took first in Open A with a 196.5 and a 194. She needs one more leg to finish her CDX title. Saturday we were in a runoff with Peggy and **Stryker** for HIT. We lost the runoff but she won HIT Aussie both days. I was very proud of both my girls. I took my girls to Wichita Falls the weekend of February 15 & 16. Saturday Morning **Windy** got her first UDX leg. Saturday morning **Joy** got her fifth and sixth RAE leg. **Sunday** did not go so good for us. **Windy** forgot where her article pile was but she did ok in Open. **Joy** did not do any good her first time in Utility A. Back to the drawing board for more ideas to help her.

Jan Bruner brags: **Mocha** finished her Beginner Novice title Saturday morning in Wichita Falls.

David Elliott brags: **Barbara** and **Max** received their first title at Azle in Rally Novice A.

Victor Borrás is proud to brag **Fergus** got Winners Dog, Best of Winners and his first major the weekend of February 15 & 16 at Camden, Ark. **Lauri** also won Best Owner/Handler for our breed and competed in the Working Group Round and won a Group 2 placement with **Fergus**. My girl **Glory** NQ'd on long downs both days. I was very proud of her qualifying in all the other exercises. Although she did not finish her CD title her first out of town conformation/obedience show was a learning experience for us both. Looking forward to Tri-Cities in Ft Worth!



Terri Schurr brags: **Chester** earned his C-RN February 15 at the CKCSC-COMW in Lewisville. That is Cavalier-Rally Novice title for the Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club-USA. This show was for the Cavaliers of the MidWest. He earned one leg two years ago. We had to wait to finish his title since they didn't have Rally and Obedience trials last year. On Saturday he also was High in Rally at the second show with a score of 97.

Mark Malone brags: The DFWESSA Agility Trial in McKinney on February 1-2 pitted us against some very difficult courses. **Sheba** met the challenge of Saturday's Jumpers run, with an ending that included clearing a jump followed by an immediate 180 about turn around that jump to a twisting three jump sprint to the finish. That got her a 2nd Place Ribbon. On Sunday **Sheba** earned her 39th Master Preferred Jumpers and her 41st Master Preferred Standard legs with 1st Place finishes that added another Double Q to her total. She did a fantastic job against trying courses. As a young competitor, **Summer** did very well in navigating her way through tight turns and challenging course times. She earned a 4th Place Master Jumpers leg on Sunday on a run that required her to clear a jump and then make a tough 180 u-turn to an outside weave entry. And that was the easy course of the day. The Standard course was a rollercoaster ride all the way. It included another 180 wrap around turn followed by a 270 left turn and many ugly angle jumps. I had to call her off several tantalizing wrong jumps and she listened every time. **Summer** was one of only two 24" dogs to survive the course. She took 2nd Place and earned her 2nd Double Q.

Greg & Robin Quintana brag: **Jax** and **Maya** earned their ASCA Rally Excellent titles at the February 1st Australian Shepherd Club of Texas Rally Trial.



Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Membership Meeting

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 4TH 2014 07:04PM

DTCDC

MEETING CALLED BY	Robin Quintana, President
TYPE OF MEETING	General Membership
FACILITATOR	Robin Quintana
NOTE TAKER	Victor Borrás, Secretary
ATTENDEES	See Attendance List

Agenda topics

07:04 PM MEETING CALLED TO ORDER ROBIN QUINTANA

DISCUSSION	Robin Quintana called the meeting to order and proceeded with the agenda.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

CORRECTION TO MINUTES/APPROVAL ROBIN QUINTANA

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	Motion to approve minutes was made by Laurie Rodriquez and 2 nd by Benita Zapata. Motion was approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT DONNA HEISHMAN

DISCUSSION	Donna provided the Treasurer's report to the membership.
	Balance Sheet as of January 31st 2014:
	Paypal account balance \$20
	Operating account balance \$17,630
	Savings account balance \$29,742
	Profit & Loss Statement: January 2014
	Total proceeds \$5,172
	Total expenditures \$2,728
	Net Surplus/(Deficits) \$2,444
	YTD- Jan 2013----net surplus/(deficit) \$3,666
Donna also reported that the "Lock Box" will be relocated to the top shelf of the white cabinet located at the entrance to the building. This will improve access and utilization.	
Donna also reported the loss of 18 members from our roster that did not renew their memberships this year.	
Donna stated that club decals were available for purchase for \$5 dollars. All proceeds would be donated to the club.	
Donna stated that she is caught up on the additions to the "picture wall". She encouraged any member interested in having their dog's pictures added to our wall please forward her the necessary information and picture.	
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE BENITA ZAPATA

DISCUSSION	Benita reviewed the function of the Sunshine Committee and how contributions to the Sunshine Committee benefit our members.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

TRAINING COMMITTEE

ROBIN ROMIG

DISCUSSION	Robin Quintana reminded members to please have their annual forms completed and present in the book for each dog that is being trained at the club.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

ADVERTISING/PUBLIC RELATIONS

CAROL WRIGHT/STELLA MOORE

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

DON SPARKS

DISCUSSION	In the absence of Don Sparks, Robin Quintana reported that the flaking paint on the back door is on his list of things to do. He is waiting for the weather to improve. Robin raised concern about the condition of the back mirrors having a cloudy film on them. Sandi Myers suggested “invisible glass” cleaning solution to clean the mirrors. Robin will follow up with the cleaning crew to address this problem. Sandi Myers also stated the entry from the street onto the club property was very rough and in need of attention. Robin will notify Don of that problem. Greg Quintana inquired about the trees that are interfering with the power lines. Robin Q will follow up with Robin Romig about that unresolved problem.
ACTION/ CONCLUSIONS	None

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

TERRI SCHURR

DISCUSSION	Laurie Rodriquez introduced two member candidates for approval. Dallas Torbert and Jean Villa.
CONCLUSIONS	Sandi Myers made a motion to accept these applicants for membership. Greg Quintana 2 nd the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PURCHASING

LYNDA HOLMAN

DISCUSSION	Lynda Holman reported that additional long sleeve tee shirts are available to those that did not order one. Personalization is available for those interested. Lynda stated that she currently has an order for 8 jackets. 20 required to place the order. The deadline to place a jacket order has been extended. The revisions to the AKC rule book will be included in the existing books for sale in the cabinet. Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of those changes please see Lynda.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

SHOW AND GO

CHRIS TEEL

DISCUSSION	Robin Quintana reported in the absence of Chris Teel that three ‘Show N Go’s’ have been scheduled for February 22 nd , March 29 th , and April 12 th . Please volunteer for these events and mark your calendars.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE

GREG QUINTANA

DISCUSSION	Greg reported that the Pet Expo for 2014 is at Market Hall in Dallas. The date for this event is May 10 th from 10am to 6pm. Greg would like to have enough volunteers to staff 2 hour shifts. Only dogs involved in the “Demo’s” will be allowed at this event. Greg reminded the members present that dogs that have Obedience, Confirmation, Rally, CGC, or other recognized “Titles” on file can attend club sponsored community events. Dogs proficient in Novice, Open, and Utility can be eligible to demonstrate your dog’s ability in Obedience.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

PROGRAMS

PEGGY PHELPS

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

THERAPY COMMITTEE**MARK MALONE**

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

FIRST NIGHT/PHONE COMMITTEE**CAROL FORD**

DISCUSSION	Carol Ford reported that March will be a busy month. She is receiving inquiries from the public about various classes. Volunteers will be needed to meet the demands of the classes. Robin Quintana reminded the membership that they will need to submit a registration form for the puppy or beginner class to secure a slot in those classes.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

SOCIAL COMMITTEE**ROBIN ROMIG**

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

NEW BUSINESS**ROBIN QUINTANA**

DISCUSSION	Robin Quintana shared thank you cards received from members in the mail.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

40th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE**HOLLY TAYLOR**

DISCUSSION	Danika Taylor in the absence of Holly Taylor updated the membership on the plans in progress to celebrate the 40 th Anniversary event. Danika thanked Margaret Culbertson for joining the committee. Two ideas are pending before the Training Committee. Danika suggested that we provide an opportunity for members to socialize and enjoy snacks 40 min prior to the meeting commencing. Danika asked for additional ideas to help celebrate this event. One of the ideas currently being considered is a Rally SNG in August for members and non-members.
ACTION/ CONCLUSION	None

Announcements:

Stella Moore announced the need for club members to volunteer as "Stewards" for the **Blue Bonnet Stampede** April 18th and 20th in Mesquite, Texas this year. This is an "All Breed Obedience and Rally Trial". Our club has supported the Texas Kennel Club for many years providing Stewards for this event. 12 Stewards will be necessary for this event. CGC Testing will also be available. Informational flyer will be available on the bulletin board or you can contact Stella Moore for additional information.

Casey Aldridge reported that she recently learned that "Tamiflu" kills Parvo Virus in its beginning stages.

Sunshine Club Drawing Winners:

1. Laurie Rodriguez
2. Felicia Ruhter
3. Jan Bajovich
4. Stella Moore
5. Linda Smith
6. Victor Borrás
7. Cathy Yahraus
8. Jean Villa
9. Robin Quintana
10. Greg Quintana
11. Carol Wright
12. Casey Aldridge

Paw Print Family for March, 2014: Craig and Lana Schuman.

Laurie Rodriguez and Robin Quintana will provide snacks next meeting.

Braggs commenced at 7:45pm. "Braggs" were announced by members. Refer to written "Brag List" for details.

A motion to adjourn the meeting as made by Danika Taylor and 2nd by Carol Wright. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm.

Respectfully Submitted for approval,

Victor A. Borrás, Secretary



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2014

MINUTES

The Board Meeting originally scheduled for February 11th was rescheduled due to weather. The meeting scheduled for February 18th did not have a quorum of the majority of board members present.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Quintana

DTCDC President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robin Quintana".



PAW PRINT FAMILY – MARCH, 2014

CRAIG, LANA, FIONA AND CHAMP SHUMAN

Our dog family started in 1992 when a beautiful little Boston Terrier decided she loved Craig. She had been abandoned and taken in by our landlord. Craig met her one day as he was paying our rent and it was love at first site by both of them. Lady, as we later named her, took over our home and our hearts very quickly. A couple of years later, Craig found our next baby as a four-pound bundle of fluff with his head stuck in a chain link fence because someone had thrown him out of their car. Cub, an American Eskimo-Chow mix, became Lady's puppy and later her brother. Their personalities were so different, but we enjoyed our two rescue babies. They were our "kids." Sadly to say, they both went ahead of us to heaven: Lady in 1992 and Cub in 2013. It was so hard to lose those precious members of our family. Sometimes it still hurts; but when it does, our present family comforts us.



Lana with Fiona

Craig, ever the student and ardent dog lover, started doing research on the internet to find the perfect dogs for us, finally finding Standard Schnauzers. He was looking for dogs with few health issues that lived a nice long life. He looked at numerous Standard Schnauzer breeders' websites and settled on a breeder in South Carolina. Craig spoke with her several times, expressing our desire for a puppy. It was agreed upon that we would get a puppy from one of the litters expected to be born in November or December 2013. At the same time Craig and I spoke at length about what we each wanted in a new dog. One day, while at work, Craig called me and said I needed to look at the breeder's website, because a young dog who had decided she didn't like the show ring was up for sale. After reading the description of the dog I agreed. Craig called her and amazingly we were the first to contact her for Fiona, she had just posted the info that night. A couple of weeks later we drove to South Carolina to pick up my little girl, Fiona.

Fiona has a beautiful registered name that fits her perfectly, "IM a Princess UR Not". At times a bit of a diva, she is also extremely cuddly and decided she belonged to Mama (Lana). Fiona is the first dog to ever choose me. After picking her up at the end of October 2013, she came to live with us and proceeded to take over our hearts.

In February 2014 we again took a trip to South Carolina to get a 12-week-old puppy whose registered name is "Silver Streak," call name Champ. Champ thinks he is the king of the world! He also decided Papa was his. Champ is all energy and fun with dancing, sparkling eyes. His papa has worked with him to help funnel his enthusiasm constructively.

It is pretty amazing how we came to join the dog training club. Craig was having physical therapy at a center in Cedar Hill where he met Mona. Mona told him all about the club and gave him her email address. Mona introduced him via email to several others in the club, including fellow Standard Schnauzer owner Donna Heishman. We knew if we were going to show Champ we needed some help. Thanks to Donna's beginner obedience class, we received the help we needed.

Last fall we started showing Champ. He has been in two shows, one in Austin and the other in Dallas. We are proud to say, Champ is over half way to his championship. If things go as they have, we hope to have Champion Champ soon!



Fiona



Craig with Champ



Champ at a Show



Craig with Fiona & Champ (in front)



Photo by Sol Photography

A BUBBLE AND A SPLASH

Echo's Quest for One Entire Inch Breaks Records
by Stella Moore

During the high heat of late summer I decided that Echo would jump off a dock. However, Echo had a different story to tell.



Photo by Stella Moore

***“You want me to do what?”
Echo with Pam White***

UKC rules state that a dog of any age may try this sport. Therefore, at 10½ years, Echo said, “OK, we can try it”. That is until he was on the dock looking down an exact 24 inches into the clear blue water of Dallas Air Dogs (DAD) in Midlothian, Texas.

The first thing I did was have him walk down the Up-Ramp and into the water and swim around a little bit. He liked that and remembered he knew how to swim. After all, he is proud of his Wet Dog titles earned when he was about a year old. Then back to the dock. I got out his most favorite of all toys - a 12" shark with a squeaker inside. I threw “Sharkie” into the water and told Echo to go get him. “Humm,” said Echo – “If you want ‘Sharkie’ you can go get him” – which I did! Then I went online and ordered a very cute red lobster. I threw in the lobster for our next lesson and he said, “If you want ‘Claws’ you can go get him,” which our wonderfully patient instructor, Pam White, did. Then we tried with “Clucky,” a rubber chicken with a loud and terrible squawk. Echo said, “Since when do I chase a chicken and can they even swim?”

At this point Echo asked Debbie Markwardt, the owner of Dallas Air Dogs, if she could lower the dock to about 12" and was disappointed when she said ‘NO’. Debbie however was very helpful in all other ways.

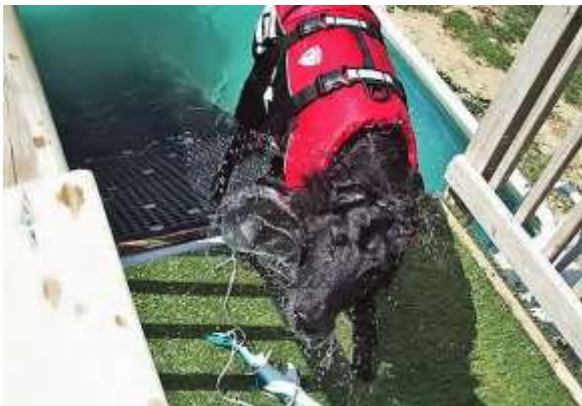


Photo by Stella Moore

“Sharkie drowned – almost me, too!”



Photo by Sol Photography

“Definitely drowning!”



Photo by Sol Photography

“Oh, no we don’t, Big Guy?”
Echo with Ron Ackerman

We watched other dogs like Ron Ackerman's Cane Corso leap into the pool with 7-20' jumps hoping to inspire Echo... but NO. Then I read Echo the paragraph from the UKC website: “Another plus to dock jumping is that it’s probably one of the safest dog sports out there. There is no real pressure on the joints required to participate, unlike most other dog sports.” Echo was not impressed. It seemed to be an impasse until I thought about ducks!

Off I went to the duck store and got Echo a bag of duck breast jerky. After Echo checked it to be sure it was ‘breast of duck’ and not legs or thighs – he said, “YUM,” and we were off to a start. However, it is considered poor form to throw the duck jerky into the pool - it is illegal. It could start a duck diving fight with the other dogs diving to the bottom to get Echo's duck jerky. That is when Team Echo decided that instead of handling Echo on the dock it would be better if I waved the duck jerky while standing below at the edge of the pool. It worked and with that Echo bravely slid from the 24" high

dock into the clean blue water and swam to me to get the duck jerky. **Success at last!**



Photo by Stella Moore

“Ok, Clucky, I’m coming!”

Again back to the UKC rule book: “To earn this title a dog must earn a qualifying ‘jump score’ in five splashes in the same division at a UKC licensed dock jumping event.” The first Distance Jumping initial title is Novice (Division) 1” to 9”11”. What got Echo’s attention was the “one inch”. Now that he was able to slide into the water like the South American Giant Otter, also known as River Wolf or Water Dog (Lobo de Rio), we were on our way.

The day of the DAD Dock Jumping Trial came and it was a relief to find that dogs may have more than one handler. In Echo's case I would have liked at least 6 – but we were glad to have a friend, Ron Ackerman, who was willing to help. I, of course, was the holder of the duck breast jerky near the edge of the pool.

Five “Splashes” later and with considerable help from Pam White, Ron Ackerman and Debbie Markwardt, Echo became: **UNJ**, UCD, URO3 Black Gold Necco, CD, ASCA-CD, RAE, AKC-BN, ASCA-RE, CGC, TDI, TDIA, ThD, FMD, AKC-HIC, AHBA-HCT, WD-SS, WD-WTXX, TT, My Dog Has C.L.A.S.S. B.A. w/Honors, M.A. w/Honors. He broke two Dallas Air Dogs records and is pictured as an ALL STAR on their website, <http://www.dallasairdogs.com/all-stars/>:

1. Oldest dog to ever compete at the DAD facility.
2. Shortest jump distance in a DAD trial – he “jumped” an entire 2 feet (which was 24” the last time he counted and all we needed was one inch.)

Let's see a River Otter do that!

Note: A Bubble is a divisional ranking of dog/handler teams after all splashes are completed. Echo is only a SPLASH not a BUBBLE.



TDI Teams at Grace Presbyterian

THERAPY DOGS INTERNATIONAL

Grace Presbyterian Village

February 8, 2014

By Sandi Myers

Several TDI teams continue to visit, on their own monthly, at Grace Presbyterian Village. Making their first visit to GPV on this day was Jan Bruner & Beau (Lab). We commemorated the event with a group photo of the teams that were in attendance: Sandi Myers with Cyan, Lynda Holman with Charlie, Jan & Beau, Mark Malone with Sheba, and Terri Schurr with Chester. The residents at Grace enjoy the warm fuzzy therapy dogs and conversations with their owners. The handlers enjoyed bringing Valentine's smiles to everyone.



Chester, Beau and Cyan sharing quality time!

THERAPY DOGS INTERNATIONAL TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

N.P. Sims Library - Waxahachie

Zula B. Wylie Library - Cedar Hill

February 15, 2014

By Lynda Holman

Lynda Holman and Charlie were joined by Jan Bruner and Beau, Sandi Myers and Terri Schurr and Chester at Waxahachie where a number of readers circulated and read to each dog. One of the kids went to each dog with 3 books and read all three books to each dog! Beau, Chester and Charlie then traveled to the Cedar Hill library where we had another good group of kids reading to the dogs. Beau was a rock star at Cedar Hill! I looked over once and he had about four or five kids surrounding him - they may have been waiting for his "paw-o-graph"! Sure wish I could have gotten a picture of that.

THERAPY DOGS INTERNATIONAL - TAIL WAGGIN' TUTORS

North Oak Cliff & Hampton-Illinois Library-Dallas

Duncanville Library

February 22, 2014

By Robin & Greg Quintana



Jonah shared his sweet smiling face with the readers.

The sun was shining bright as we headed out to visit three libraries. Lynda and Charlie Holman, Terri and Chester Schurr, Susan and Jonah Stout, and Ellen and Cailin Jackson came along and joined Jax and Parker. The kids were taking advantage of the beautiful weather and we did not have very many kids at the Dallas Libraries. One young reader read about a dozen books to the pups. Charlie, Chester, Jonah, Cailin, Parker and Jax then headed over to the Duncanville Library to finish off a great afternoon. We had more kids and the dogs loved listening to the wonderful stories.



Rainbow Bridge

SPENSER STONEWALL'S GANDY DANCER

I had to say goodbye to my best friend of almost 14 years. He came to me as an 8 week old pup and stole my heart immediately. He was an awesome obedience dog and although we never formally went any further than CD, he would pick anything up and hand it to me and help me with the laundry, pulling towels out of the dryer for me to fold. My home and my heart have a huge hole that will take quite a while to heal. Good Night Sweet Prince!

Linda Shearin



McCRAW'S MISS LIBBY, RN, CGC

I want to thank all of the members of the club for their notes and cards of sympathy for the loss of my PRECIOUS DACHSHUND, LIBBY. Libby and I had so much fun learning Obedience and Rally, especially the Friday Rally classes. I didn't realize that you could have so much fun with your fur child as we had at and with the training club. Libby had me going to shows, field trials and earthdog events. Not to mention all the friendships we made along the way! At least Libby had a pack mate for the last 3 ½ yrs, Max. It only took her a whole month to accept him as a pack member. They became BFF and Max was there with her to the end with me and Aunt Karen. I loved my Libby girl!

Joanne McCraw



UPCOMING EVENTS - MARCH 2014 AND BEYOND

OTHER EVENTS AROUND THE AREA

Mar. 8: Obed. only Show & Go, by DFW Labrador Retriever Club, at Tri County Dog Training, Azle, TX; Questions: Contact Cathy Caballero (512) 293-3855 or ccaballero1231@hotmail.com

Apr. 3: Obed. only OC Match, by DFW Labrador Retriever Club, at North Texas Fairgrounds, 2217 N. Carroll Blvd. Denton TX; contact Cathy Caballero (512) 293-3855 or ccaballero1231@hotmail.com

Apr. 4: AKC Specialty Show, Obed. & Rally Trials for Labs only, by DFW Labrador Retriever Club, at North Texas Fairgrounds, 2217 N. Carroll Blvd. Denton TX; contact Cathy Caballero (512) 293-3855 or ccaballero1231@hotmail.com

Apr. 5: AKC Second Chance Specialty Show, All-Breed Obed. Trial, by DFW Labrador Retriever Club, at North Texas Fairgrounds, 2217 N. Carroll Blvd. Denton TX; contact Sharon Licciardi, Event. Sec. (661) 273-1240 or motherhn@pacbell.net

Apr. 12&13: MABOC UKC Obedience & Rally Trial at Tri County Dog Training, 8064 Briar Rd., Azle, TX; contact Ruth Robinson@maboc.org, 817-478-8731 (home).

DTCDC SHOW & GO EVENT

Saturday, March 29, 2014

Come out to the Obedience Show & Go that will be held at the building on Saturday, March 29, 2014.

Sign ups for all classes cut off at 3 pm. Novice and Open start at 1 pm. Utility follows (usually about 3 pm).

Fees are \$6 for the 1st run, \$4 second run/same dog.

For more information or to volunteer contact: **Chris Teel** dogmomx@tx.rr.com or **214-356-8159**.

March 2014 Pocket Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 DTCDC General Meeting 7:00 pm	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 DTCDC Board Meeting 7:00 pm	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 TCDC Show & Go 1:00 pm
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Notes: Each Friday the club is closed in the AM for cleaning.
For more complete information on shows go to: www.akc.org and click on Events or go to www.onofrio.com and click on Show Information. *There is too much information to list it all.*
