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October at the Vogels!

Cody, Dori and Gabe are ready to celebrate Fall.

(See Robin's info on her dogs found on page 30.)

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



| | |
|------------------|-------|
| Nina Loftis | 10/3 |
| Samara Piper | 10/5 |
| Robin Romig | 10/11 |
| Debbie Cantwell | 10/12 |
| Renee Ranchio | 10/15 |
| Mona O'Gorman | 10/16 |
| Kim Owens | 10/17 |
| Robert Coffin | 10/19 |
| Michelle Moorman | 10/20 |
| Jerri Martin | 10/21 |
| Ruth Robinson | 10/27 |
| Vernon Miles | 10/31 |
| Justin Normand | 10/31 |



OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

OCTOBER 10 @ 7 P.M.

CLICK [Here](#) TO REGISTER IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING USING ZOOM.

THEME: CGCA & CGCU TITLES

A Very Happy Birthday To All!

Members are asked to bring a wrapped gift to the club meeting for the month of their Birthday. All members are encouraged to buy a ticket for \$1 or 3 for \$2. The gifts go to the winners of the Sunshine Drawings.



Sunshine funds raised by the drawing are used to purchase cards, flowers, or other expressions of care and concern for club

members who need support and comfort.

Our Sunshine fund has been slightly funded by this drawing over the last few years. However, our members have still needed to know of our love during their trying times. If you want to donate please go to our website, <http://www.dallas-dogtraining.org/>, to the *Members Only* section, and select *Sunshine Donation*. You can donate with PayPal or a credit card.

Your donation is NOT tax deductible since we are not-for-profit organization.

Sunshine Fund Report

| | August | YTD |
|--------------|------------|-------------|
| Proceeds | \$ 37.00 | \$ 314.00 |
| Expenditures | (\$ 68.30) | (\$ 210.40) |
| Net | (\$ 31.30) | \$ 103.60 |

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A Word from Our President



I joined DTCCD in August 2013. These 10 years have been very exciting. I started just wanting my unique breed (Xoloitzcuintli) dog to be a good ambassador. We had many obstacles to overcome. She was reactive, shy, and being a Velcro breed had terrible separation anxiety. The club with all its knowledgeable members gave me great advise as I navigated through this breed.

Along with training, I have been honored to be on the board for 6 years. I learned a great deal about the workings of this club. As we approach our 50th year, I am overwhelmed with how this club continues to help people (like me) understand, train, and fall more in love with their dog.

It takes each one of you for this club to succeed.
Thank you!

Your President,

Margaret Culbertson



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2023 Officers & Directors

President - Margaret Culbertson
Vice President - Ruth Miles
Training Director - Lisa Wharton
Secretary - Lisa Gonzales
Treasurer - Pamela Joyce
Member at Large - Marye Boyce
Member at Large - Jan Bruner
Member at Large - Michele Hosey
Member at Large - Robin Vogel

Corporate Directors:

Lynda Holman
Mark Malone
Maurine Pearson

The objectives of the Club shall be:

- A. To develop and present training programs which will produce dogs which are both obedient and happy, a source of pleasure and pride to their families and good citizens in their communities.
- B. To promote responsible dog ownership through obedience training and other dog-related activities.
- C. To prepare and educate trainers and dogs for successful participation in competitions, trials, tests and competitive dog sports.

Article I, Section 2 of the Dog Training Club of Dallas County, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws As Amended as of November 10, 2020

2023 DT CDC Committees and Chairperson

We have two committees that need committee chairs:

Historian - this chair keeps up with newspaper clippings, events and other things pertaining to the club. If you like to scrapbook, this is the committee for you! Let Margaret Culbertson know if you are interested.

Promotional/Community Events/Advertising - Need a co-chair to help Nicole Litterio with finding, organizing, getting volunteers, set-up, take down of local events such as Meet the Breed, Doggie Days in Mesquite, Parades, Strut your Mutt, etc. This committee has 4-5 volunteers that can help but are not able to co-chair. Fun committee to be on!

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A Note from Your Training Director



“You will never be the best. You will never be the most qualified. You will never have all the answers.”

Are those statements the complete opposite of what you should be getting from someone tasked with getting you inspired to train your dog, instruct, or assist a class? Absolutely. However, those might be the exact statements we need to think about. In any sport or profession there will always be someone better. In the local environment a person might be considered the best. As the scope widens to include a larger population group the probability that same person will still be considered the best or most qualified decreases. Basically, there will always be someone better.

There is another phrase: “Hard work beats talent when talent doesn’t work hard.”

So, what is the point? The point is a person that shows up and tries, even if that person makes errors or fails, is qualified for the job because they showed up. A person must be willing to admit they don’t have all the answers, and be willing to search for the answer or the person that has the answer. The process of showing up and risking failure but not giving up leads to the experience gained through hard work. Learning which method works better and builds a person’s knowledge and skill base add to expertise. As progress is made that person that initially saw themselves as not good enough for whatever task will be better than when they started because they showed up and risked failure.

This club functions because of those who chose to show up. Those who chose to defeat the fear of failing and show up for others. I want to encourage each of you to not let the fear win. If you fail, look at what you’ve learned and try again.

Happy Training!

Lisa Wharton, Training Director

If anyone has any ideas for topics they would like to see presented at the Members Training Program? Please feel free to submit them to the training committee at: training@dallasdogtraining.org



Session 6 Training Schedule

Below are the classes for Session 6 which starts on October 9 and runs through November 19. We are currently looking for volunteers for the 2024 Session 1. If you are available, please contact the Training Committee.

Best Regards,

Lisa Wharton, Melissa Chojnacki, David Elliott, Pam White
2023 DTDCD Training Committee

Have a question? Contact the training committee at: training@dallasdogtraining.org

| | Class | Time | Start Date | End Date | Instructor | Assistant |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------|---|--|
| M O N D A Y | Puppy | 3 - 4 p.m. | 10/9/2023 | 11/13/2023 | Terri Schurr | Pat Ingram |
| | Beginner | 6 - 7 p.m. | 10/9/2023 | 11/13/2023 | Sherry Worley | Michelle Moorman, Michelle Jennings, John Reeves |
| | Puppy | 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. | 10/9/2023 | 11/13/2023 | Holly Taylor | Jeff Young, Alexis Jankowski |
| | Intermediate | 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. | 10/9/2023 | 11/13/2023 | Dung Pham | |
| T U E S D A Y | Master Nosework* | 1 - 4 p.m. | 10/10/2023 | 11/14/2023 | Jan Hitchborn/Benita Zapata | |
| | DTDCD Board Mtg | 7p.m. | 10/3/2023 | 10/3/2023 | Margaret Culbertson | |
| | DTDCD General Mtg | 7 p.m. | 10/10/2023 | 10/10/2023 | Margaret Culbertson | |
| | DTDCD Training | 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. | 10/31/2023 | 10/31/2023 | Training Committee | |
| | Conformation Class** | 6 - 7 p.m. | 10/17/2023 | 10/31/2023 | Hope McQueen/ Jan Bruner | |
| W E D N E S D A Y | Open/Utility* | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | 10/11/2023 | 11/15/2023 | Mona O’Gorman | |
| | Intermediate | 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. | 10/11/2023 | 11/15/2023 | Pam White | Cindy Sullivan |
| | beginner | 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. | 10/11/2023 | 11/15/2023 | Robbie Zeske | Michelle Hosey, Pam White |
| | Trick Dog Nov & Inter | 2:45 - 3:45 p.m. | 10/11/2023 | 11/15/2023 | Carie Turner | |
| | Beginner | 6 - 7 p.m. | 10/11/2023 | 11/15/2023 | Michelle Moorman | Michelle Coffin |
| | Puppy | 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. | 10/11/2023 | 11/15/2023 | Marye Boyce | Steven Boyce, Michelle Moorman |
| | Novice polish | 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. | 10/11/2023 | 11/15/2023 | Mary Ann Magness | |
| T H U R S D A Y | B Nose & B Obedience* | 2 - 3 p.m. | 10/12/2023 | 11/16/2023 | Jan Hitchborn/Benita Zapata | |
| | Rally Master* | 3:15 - 4:30 p.m. | 10/12/2023 | 11/16/2023 | Shari Price | |
| | Rally Novice | 6 - 7 p.m. | 10/12/2023 | 11/16/2023 | Karen Henry | |
| | Rally Adv & Ex | 7:15 - 8:15 p.m. | 10/12/2023 | 11/16/2023 | | Brandon Taggart |
| | Beginner Open/Utility* | 8:30 - 9:30 p.m. | 10/12/2023 | 11/16/2023 | Lisa Wharton | |
| F R I D A Y | Open/Utility* | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | 10/13/2023 | 11/17/2023 | Mona O’Gorman | |
| | Advance Nose Work | 6:15 - 7:15 p.m. | 10/13/2023 | 11/17/2023 | Jan Hitchborn/Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes | |
| | Beg Nosework | 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. | 10/13/2023 | 11/17/2023 | Jan Hitchborn/Benita Zapata, Georgeann Hughes | |
| S U N | Adv Open * | 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. | 10/15/2023 | 11/19/2023 | Sheryl Archer/Joan Jung | |
| | Adv Utility* | 1 - 2 p.m. | 10/15/2023 | 11/19/2023 | Sheryl Archer/Joan Jung | |
| * prerequisite | | ** no class during club events | | | | |

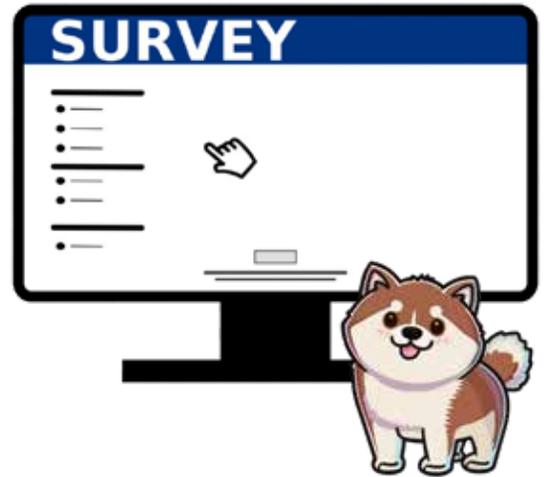
Training Sessions and Start Date 2023

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|-----------|---|------------|---|-------------|-----------|---|------------|---|-----------|
| Session 1 | - | start date | - | January 2 | Session 4 | - | start date | - | June 19 |
| Session 2 | - | start date | - | February 27 | Session 5 | - | start date | - | August 14 |
| Session 3 | - | start date | - | April 24 | Session 6 | - | start date | - | October 9 |

Board Survey - Comment & Response

Thank you for answering the survey. I want to give a response to each of the comments. You spent your time to tell us and I want to answer the best I can. Of course, the board would love to hear from you if you have more to tell us.

Many people listed the meetings are too long. I reviewed 2022 and 2023 and the meetings average a few minutes over an hour. We have worked hard to keep them as short as possible.



Margaret Culbertson

| 2022 | end | start | total | |
|------|------|-------|-------|---|
| Jan | 8:26 | 7:01 | 1:25 | Peggy Phelps memorial. Awards not given at social |
| Feb | 7:50 | 7:01 | 0:49 | |
| Mar | 8:22 | 7:05 | 1:17 | |
| Apr | 8:50 | 7:08 | 1:42 | 7 new members |
| May | 7:45 | 7:01 | 0:44 | |
| Jul | 8:18 | 7:00 | 1:18 | |
| Aug | 8:13 | 7:07 | 1:06 | |
| Sep | 7:43 | 7:00 | 0:43 | |
| Oct | 8:06 | 7:01 | 1:05 | |
| Nov | 7:35 | 7:02 | 0:33 | |
| | | | 1:04 | - average for the year |

| 2023 | end | start | total | |
|------|------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------|
| Jan | 7:40 | 7:01 | 0:39 | |
| Feb | 8:04 | 7:03 | 1:01 | |
| Mar | 7:59 | 7:00 | 0:59 | |
| Apr | 8:47 | 7:02 | 1:45 | AED, 5 new members, spring events |
| May | 7:56 | 7:03 | 0:53 | |
| Jun | 8:24 | 7:01 | 1:23 | |
| Aug | 8:32 | 7:04 | 1:28 | |
| Sep | 7:50 | 7:07 | 0:43 | Charlotte Strom Memorial |
| | | | 1:06 | - average for the year |

| | Member Comment | Response |
|---|--|--|
| 1 | A lot of times we can get off topic and it takes a while for everyone to get back to the agenda. If meetings were kept to an hour that would be great. Also brags should be spoken about before the meeting is adjourned. We often adjourn and then mention brags but it's hectic and noisy to the point nobody listens. This takes away from the individuals wanting to brag. | We try to keep the meeting as short as possible while still being respectful to those that have something to say. Brags are after the meeting is adjourned, otherwise they would have to be part of the minutes. |
| 2 | Add an activity after the meeting that includes dogs. Can be fun or training. Should not be more than 30 minutes. | This has been discussed |
| 3 | After dealing with micromanagement, negativity, and policy discussions all week at work I have zero interest in giving up free time to deal with the same for a hobby. I instruct/assist-that should be enough. | Appreciate that this person volunteers and I completely understand being tired after work. The club is a business so some of the same issues exist. |
| 4 | Change day of meeting. | We have tried Saturday. Other days have the same problems for others. |
| 5 | Club makes money by classes from non members. Quit trying to make money at meetings. Example Sunshine fund, take it out of general fund. Christmas auction again asking for more money. Not all of us have extra money. This club takes and does not give back. Those giving do not feel appreciated. I have more would be happy to explain in person. | Except dues, members are not required to give any more money to the club. The Sunshine is an ask to help subsidize the cards (as we have stopped plants etc) and postage. No one knows if you donated or not. Christmas raffle is a fun event. No one is required to bring or bid on any item. Personally I am to the age of needing to purge my house not bring in more, if I chose to help the club I give a straight donation through Paypal. It costs a lot for this club to run - build taxes, upkeep expenses, utilities, insurance, etc. The board would love to hear from you in person. I'm sorry you feel the club takes but doesn't give. It has given to me - helping me train, good friends, fun times. |
| 6 | DTCCDC meeting conflicts with South Texas Collie Club meetings. Scheduled meetings would need to be changed to an alternate weekday or week. | |

| | Member Comment | Response |
|----|--|--|
| 7 | I don't know | |
| 8 | I have agility training with my dog on Tuesday nights so I am unable to attend. If meetings were on a different night, I would be able to attend. | We tried Saturdays but those that show complained they could not attend. We have discussed alternating nights but with classes, that would be very confusing to all to make it different nights. We could try a different night like Thursday but then we have the same problem with others. |
| 9 | I have attended all meetings except I will do zoom if I am not feeling well enough to go | Thank you! |
| 10 | I have young children and my evenings are always super busy | We've all been there and understand. You are missed. |
| 11 | I like attending in person. Zoom sucks | Personally I wish everyone would attend in person unless they are ill, cannot drive at night, too far to drive, etc. We hope that Zoom brings people that would not otherwise attend. Hybrid meetings are very hard for us to set up and run. |
| 12 | I will be able to attend again after I get more settled in my new job. Maybe as early as next month. | Hope we see you soon! |
| 13 | I'm a new club member, so my answers above are skewed. To clarify, my partner is currently assisting in a class, but I am not — we agreed that in our family, she'd be the one to volunteer as my work is demanding. We've been part of other clubs and organizations, and I checked the boxes in question #4 for reasons why we've not attended other meetings in the past. Again, as we are very new, I don't have experience with meetings for this club yet. Generally, meetings with clear agendas and time limits for each section or speaker tend to run smoothly and maintain people's interest. Food and drink also help! | Welcome! |

| | Member Comment | Response |
|----|---|--|
| 14 | Keeping the meetings on time and ending at or close to the set time to end. | We work to have 1 hour or less meetings when possible |
| 15 | Main meeting gets hijacked with rambling and no time limits on reports | We try to manage as best we can. |
| 16 | Maybe alternate days? | We tried Saturdays but those that show complained they could not attend. We have discussed alternating nights but with classes, that would be very confusing to all to make it different nights. We could try a different night like Thursday but then we have the same problem with others. |
| 17 | Maybe less meetings (quarterly), stick to a quick agenda for key topics, and choose a weekend day. Mid-week with my work schedule is tough, so zoom has helped. | We tried Saturday with complaints from those that show their dogs on the weekends. We have started throwing around the idea of less meetings. |
| 18 | Maybe try bi-monthly general membership meetings and the Board meet monthly. | Ideas are being thrown around |
| 19 | no changes | |
| 20 | not sure, as I'm a new member. I will try to attend meetings if at all possible. | |
| 21 | Not sure. | |
| 22 | Nothing | |
| 23 | Nothing at this time | |
| 24 | Nothing really, I am just too busy on Tuesday nights and every night honestly to be able to attend. | We hope when your schedule calms down, you will drop in. |
| 25 | Nothing that comes to mind, just have other commitments that require my time on Tuesday evenings. | We hope when your schedule calms down, you will drop in. |

| | Member Comment | Response |
|----|--|--|
| 26 | Nothing. I have an ongoing commitment on Tuesday evenings, and I don't have any way to change that to a different day or time. | We hope when your schedule calms down, you will drop in. |
| 27 | Personally I like attending the meetings via zoom rather than in person for several reasons. Sitting in those lower chairs at meetings for that long is not comfortable, plus driving in certain times of the year after dark are not high on my priority list. Was driving last year already 2 times a week for classes to attend and 2 other times a week for my volunteer duties. Another drive for a meeting wasn't ideal so I did attend most meetings via zoom instead. This year due to health issues, I have attended all via zoom. I personally think zoom should be optional for all meetings to allow those with injuries, surgeries, after dark issues or distance issues to attend without physically coming. Save the physical coming for trainings and volunteering and the socials:) | Yes there is no plan to discontinue Zoom. We want all members to have the ability to be at meetings and Zoom allows those with health issues, cannot drive at night, have moved away, etc to still join in. |
| 28 | Questionnaire does not hit the in person reason. I think should have been 1 reason do not attend in person and separate 2 reason do not attend on zoom | I'm sorry you didn't approve of the survey. We aren't asking about Zoom vs In person - it was attend the GM meeting in an capacity. |
| 29 | Rotate the nights the meeting is held on (maybe Sunday nights). I would attend a remote sessions vs in person due to the distance from home. I am already out at least 3 nights a week too | We tried Saturdays but those that show complained they could not attend. We have discussed alternating nights but with classes, that would be very confusing to all to make it different nights. We could try a different night like Thursday but then we have the same problem with others. |
| 30 | sometimes I have to work on Tuesdays. Mostly attend in person 90% of the time. | Thank you! |
| 31 | Stricter end times. | We try to manage as best we can. |

| | Member Comment | Response |
|----|--|---|
| 32 | The main reason I don't come is it's a long drive for me now. I used to live 5 minutes from the club. Now I'm 30 minutes away. I can attend on zoom though and appreciate the option. | Glad you can use Zoom! |
| 33 | Things could be streamlined with less wordiness. Chair reports, they should also be prepared to make the motion if one is required. Don't have to ask the membership for a motion, the chair should move for action. Motions from the board do not require another motion. All of this not being planned eats up minutes. I hate brags are now overlooked, disrespectful talking. This is the best part of our socialization. Knowing what others accomplished and are proud of. | We will look into having chairs prepared to make motions. |

Board Appreciation Awards



It's that time again - the board will discuss members for the board appreciation awards given out at the Holiday social.

Last year you all gave some great insight into some members that were deserving of the awards. So asking you again to bring deserving members to our attention.

Criteria to try to stick with - has not gotten this award in the last 2 years, is not on the board, isn't just part of their job on a committee, instructor or assistant....looking for members that have gone above and beyond on something that wasn't their duty. A great example from last year - Carol Ford and Linda Shearin vacuuming the entry/grass to help with the broken glass problem.

I'm excited to hear your suggestions for this year. Please email me (don't reply all - we want this a surprise) with your ideas before October 3rd board meeting.

Margaret Culbertson

Texasdaisy42002@yahoo.com

Nominating Committee Report

2024 Officer & Director Candidates

On August 12th, the following Nominating Committee was elected by online vote: Donna Heishman (Chair), Melissa Chojnacki, Margaret Culbertson, Lynda Holman and Ruth Miles.

The full committee, along with Mark Malone as the advising Corporate Director, met via Zoom on August 22nd and 23rd. The following nominees were selected:

- President - Ruth Miles (1st term)
- Vice President - Melissa Chojnacki (1st term)
- Training Director - Lisa Wharton (2nd term)
- Secretary - Lisa Gonzales (2nd term)
- Treasurer - Barbara Elliott (1st term)
- Member at Large - Marye Boyce (2nd term)
- Member at Large - Jan Bruner (2nd term)
- Member at Large - Shelly Carr (1st term)
- Member at Large - Michele Hosey (2nd term)

Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the October General Membership Meeting on October 10, provided such nominee consents in advance and in writing to serve in the position for which they are being nominated.

Elections will be held at the November General Membership Meeting. See Bylaws Article VI for more information on [page 14](#).



NOTE TO MEMBERSHIP:

I will be out of the country with no cell phone service and very if'y WIFI from

**October 15 - October 30.
In my absence, Ruth Miles, our VP, will be available for any issues.
Thank you!**

Margaret



ARTICLE VI – THE CLUB YEAR, ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. Club Year

The Club's fiscal year shall begin on the first day of January and end on the thirty-first day of December.

Section 2. Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting shall be held in the month of November at which time officers and members at large for the ensuing year shall be elected by secret written ballot from among those nominated in accordance with Section 4 of this Article. They shall take office immediately upon the conclusion of the election, and each retiring officer shall turn over to his or her successor in office all properties and records related to that office within ten (10) days after the election.

Section 3. Elections

Elections shall be by secret ballot, except when there is only one nominee for an office, and then it may be a voice vote.

Section 4. Nominations

No person may be a candidate in a Club election who has not been nominated in advance by one of the following procedures:

- A. At the August regular meeting of the Club, a Nominating Committee shall be elected by ballot. Each Active Member in good standing and in attendance will be allowed to submit five (5) names on the elective written ballot. The five (5) members receiving the highest number of votes shall serve as the Nominating Committee, with the person receiving the greatest number of votes as chair. Any tie shall be decided by a run-off ballot. A Corporate Director will be on the Committee as a non-voting advisor.
- B. The Nominating Committee shall meet within ten (10) days from its election and shall nominate one (1) candidate for each office to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting in November, and shall secure the consent of each nominee. These candidates shall be published in the September Pawprint and announced at the September regular meeting of the Club.
- C. Additional nominations may be made at the October regular meeting of the Club by any members in attendance provided that the person so nominated has signified in advance and in writing his or her willingness to be a candidate. No person may be a candidate for more than one (1) position. Additional nominations, which are provided for herein, may be made only from among those members who have not accepted a nomination from the Nominating Committee.
- D. Nominations cannot be made at the Annual Meeting or in any manner other than as provided in this section.

As Amended as of September 7, 2019



Information We Need to Know

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| <p>11.</p> | <p>Missed Class Policy</p> <p>Attending class for free is a benefit of membership. Entering a class prevents both members and non-members from class participation once the class limit has been reached. If a non-member cannot register revenue for the club is lost.</p> <p>If a club member signs up for a class session and misses three or more classes without notifying the instructor or training director of the absence for reasonable cause (injury or illness of the person or dog) prior to class, they will not be eligible to enroll in classes the next session.</p> |
| <p>12.</p> | <p>First Responder Discount Policy</p> <p>First responder discounts will be limited to Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, EMT, and Paramedics.</p> |
| <p>13.</p> | <p>Sunshine Fund <u>October Birthdays Recognized!</u></p> <p>Our next monthly meeting is coming up Tuesday, October 10. We will be recognizing people who have birthdays in October. If your birthday is being recognized, feel free to bring a wrapped gift for the raffle. If you have any questions please contact E'Lynne Elliott at elynnew@gmail.com.</p>  |
| <p>14.</p> |  <p>Train the Trainers Sessions</p> <p>Date: TBD Time: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.</p> <p>Watch your email for details on future Train the Trainers sessions.</p> |
| <p>15.</p> | <p>Return Equipment to Original Storage Location</p> <p>When using the equipment in the storage area please return the equipment and any equipment moved in the process back to the original location. Several members have spent hours straightening that room and it would be nice if it could be maintained in an organized manner. The more careful everyone is with the equipment the longer it can be used.</p>  |
| <p>16.</p> | <p>Help Wanted by Technology Committee</p> <p>Need assistance setting up the technology for our hybrid meetings. Donna Heishman Technology Committee</p> |
| <p>17.</p> | <p>Please DO NOT turn the AC/Heater off or switch between the two settings. It is on a program and set to jump from heat and cool as needed during the day. If turned off or on one setting it cannot cycle as needed. If it's too hot or too cold when you arrive and you do not know how to properly adjust it, please text me 214-926-4273. I can adjust it remotely.</p> <p>Margaret Culbertson</p> |

Information We Need to Know



18. I want to remind everyone that our **Facebook** page is seen by the public. We always want to put our best foot forward on that. Not club concerns, criticism, maintenance items, etc.

Please use the group email to discuss club business and issues.

Use the FB page to promote the club and its activities, events, training tips - positive items that we want the public to know.

Thank you!

Margaret Culbertson



19. **Leash Reminder**

Just as a reminder, all dogs should be on leash entering/exiting or in the potty area. This is for the safety of everyone's dogs. There are loose dogs that can enter the property and if they were in back of building you would be surprised with potentially harmful consequences to your dogs.

Thank you for your cooperation and keeping everyone safe.

Lisa Wharton



20. **New Gate Configuration**

Pam White came up with the ring gate configuration which helps prevent dogs entering the back door from jumping on or having access to dogs in the seating area. The ring gates are also about four feet further on the floor. Allowing more room in gallery area. See photos below:



Let's utilize this setup to help make our classes safer for everyone.

Happy Training,
Lisa Wharton

21. **Rabies Certificates**

All members must carry the hard copy or photo on your phone of each rabies certificates for dogs that are training at the club facilities.

DTCDC Therapy Teams

Please send me an email updating me on how your therapy visits are going for 2023. Let me know which dogs are going, where they are going and how often they are going.

Thanks,

Mark

j_mark_malone@yahoo.com



Active Membership Requirements:

For persons sixteen (16) years or older who wish to work to accomplish the objectives of DTCDC and contribute their time to the tasks necessary to further these goals.

Only Active Members may vote at Club meetings. To remain an Active Member in good standing, a member should qualify yearly in one or more of the following ways:

- A. Serve as chair or working member of a DTCDC committee
- B. Perform tasks on behalf of DTCDC not formally assigned to a committee
- C. Serve as an instructor or an assistant in DTCDC training classes
- D. If elected, carry out the duties of a position on the Board

*From THE DOG TRAINING CLUB OF DALLAS COUNTY, INC. CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS.
As Amended as of November 10, 2020. Article II, Section 1: Membership*



AKC CGC Evaluator Opportunity

Want to become a new AKC CGC Evaluator and train S.T.A.R. Puppies for DTCDC? We have an independent sponsor who can help you with your first AKC evaluator fee!

Anyone interested in becoming a new AKC Evaluator, who meets AKC requirements, and commits to teach at least two STAR Puppy classes their first year, please contact our training committee for more info. Offer is limited to two new evaluators per year.

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

Board Meeting – September 5, 2023

Minutes

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| Meeting called by | Margaret Culbertson |
| Type of meeting | Board Meeting |
| Facilitator | Margaret Culbertson |
| Note taker | Lisa Gonzales |
| Attendees | At Club: Jan Bruner, Ruth Miles, Lisa Gonzales, Margaret Culbertson, Michelle Hosey, Lisa Wharton, Marye Boyce, Robin Vogel, Pam Joyce By Zoom: Mark Malone |
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| | MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Margaret Culbertson |
| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Margaret Culbertson called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM |

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve the August board minutes |
| Conclusion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes approved by general consensus |

TREASURERS REPORT – Pam Joyce

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial information |
| Conclusion | <p>Total Revenue 5017.50(+.27) 5017.77 Total Expense 3907.38 Total 1110.12 1110.39</p> <p>Sunshine in 37.00 sunshine out 68.30 total (-31.00)</p> |

TRAINING COMMITTEE - Lisa Wharton

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Session 6 Train the trainer Nosework SNG |
| Conclusion | <p>Session 6-getting ready, calling for instructors and assistants, other than the people who have been repeating every session. Train the trainer went well, maybe try having one on Saturday instead of a weeknight.</p> |

SHOW N GO – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Show N Go – September 9• 10/21, no Nov, 12/30 |
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SOCIAL COMMITTEE - Lisa Gonzales

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Winter social December 2, 4pm• Will send evite to membership with deadline to RSVP Nov 20, 2023 |
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MEMBERSHIP - Ruth Miles

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• new applicant Samara Piper• New member application – first page |
| Conclusion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- New member approved by board-to introduce to gm- Family memberships discussed- new page 1 for application approved |

MAINTENANCE - Ruth Miles

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cement pad by back door |
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SUGGESTION BOX – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• none |
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MEMBER-AT-LARGE – Jan, Robin, Marye, Michele

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anything to share from members? |
| Conclusion | One new member verified availability to volunteer for Ovilla Heritage day |

DATABASE – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Want to update database, pull up each members record and email them and ask to update their records and make corrections. Ask what interests they have in volunteering, joining the board, what committees they are interested in joining. Plan on sending out 15-20 a week. |
| Conclusion | Approved by board |

OLD BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• n/a |
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NEW BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | survey of meeting attendance decline announcement of member creating a committee – bylaws Discussion of requiring meetings – members that pay dues to support but are not active Discuss members sick at meetings-please do not come to the club when sick Next meeting board appreciation – asking members like last year |
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By general consensus, meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM
Respectfully submitted for approval, Lisa Gonzales

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

General Meeting – September 12, 2023

Agenda

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| Meeting called by | President |
| Type of meeting | General Membership Meeting |
| Facilitator | Margaret Culbertson |
| Note taker | Ruth Miles |
| Attendees | See Attendance Roster – |
| | <p>CALLED TO ORDER BY Margaret Culbertson 7:07 pm Thanks to everyone for being online and at club Please keep reports and discussions short Thank you for snacks Pam Joyce and Shari Price</p> |

SECRETARY’S REPORT – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Margaret asked if there were any additional corrections or additions to the August General Membership meeting minutes |
| Conclusion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> General consensus approved |

TREASURER’S REPORT – Pam Joyce

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial report information for August |
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SUNSHINE – Shelly Carr

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The sunshine raffle box is available at the meeting. The Sunshine club needs donations. We love for you to participate but participation is not required. September birthdays: Read by Shelly Carr Sunshine Drawing winners this month: Marye Boyce, Melissa Chojnacki |
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MEMORIAL

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Charlotte Strom: Jane Bungarz Margaret Culbertson, Sandy Myers, Mark Malone, Lisa Wharton spoke in remembrance of members |
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE VOTING – Donna Heishman

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nominating Committee: Donna Heishman, Margaret Culbertson, Melissa Chojnack, Lynda Holman, Ruth Miles and Director Mark Malone 2024 Slated Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> President – Ruth Miles (1st term) Vice President – Melissa Chojnack (1st term) Secretary – Lisa Gonzales (2nd term) Treasurer – Barbara Elliott (1st term) Training Director – Lisa Wharton (2nd term) Member-At-Large: Jan Bruner (2nd term) Marye Boyce (2nd term) |
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| | Shelly Carr (1 st term) Michele Hose (2 nd term) |
| Conclusion | Margaret presented 2024 board, stated bylaws if someone not nominated for 2024 year Board wants to be considered for 2024 Board, they must contact Margaret in writing. If, no nominations from the floor, vote will take place with current (above) nominees. |

MEMBERSHIP – Shelly Carr

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New member Sarana Piper |
| Conclusion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marye, Maryann and Melissa spoke on behalf of Samara Piper General Membership voted and approved by majority |

PAW PRINT – Lana Shuman

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for the October Paw Print is Wed. September 20, 2023, Earlier is even better. October Paw Print theme is CGCA and CGCU, please send pictures and info Suggestions for Paw Print Topics are encouraged. Don't forget to send in brags, pictures (note if for front cover) to Lana at pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org |
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TRAINING – Lisa Wharton

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Session 5 Session 6 Train the trainer |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thank you to all that have instructed and assisted. If interested in instructing or assisting for session 6, please email Lisa. No date set for next Train the Trainer – all members welcome. Keep dogs on leash, keep copy of rabies vaccine available |

PURCHASING - Lynda Holman

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name tags in the kitchen in box for badges |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green club shirts available for purchase for anyone teaching or assisting. Tote bags, available for purchase. October PawPrint will have information on 2023 year awards |

EVENTS – Margaret Culbertson for Nicole Littero

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Event in Ovilla September 23 9-2pm |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need help with booth Margaret has DT CDC tent and banner Email will go out to all on list to volunteer |

SHOW N GO – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September Show n Go was 9/9 Next October 10/21, none in November, 12/31 |
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TECHNOLOGY – Donna Heishman

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New members are helping with IT, more are welcome if interested. Youtube video created by Donna to help with setup for hybrid meetings New camera system set up, please remember to turn monitor in kitchen off when leaving the building. Backdoor camera set up over the summer. if interested, please contact Donna |
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SOCIAL – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Winter social December 2 at 4pm • So as not to overspend on food, an evite will be going out in November so please watch for and respond |
| | No new comments |

CGC, CGCA, Trick Dog Testing – Terri Schurr

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing for CGC, CGCA, Trick dog Wednesday October 5 at 6pm • CGCU testing will possibly be held in November |
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OLD BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50th Anniversary Committee received an email and is meeting next week. If you want to be on this committee, please contact Margaret |
| Conclusion | No new comments |

NEW BUSINESS – Margaret Culbertson

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| Discussion | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costume contest for Octobers General Meeting, for pets and people • 77 responses from survey – main reason noted on survey of why people do not attend is that they have other commitments on meeting night. • Reviewed data from survey, more information will be provided in Oct. PawPrint. |
| Conclusion: | |

Snacks for October 10 Melissa and Ruth

Let's please respect our fellow club members and not talk during brags.

Adjourn the meeting to brags at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Ruth Miles

Highest Average and Most Improved Obedience and/or Rally Scores Awards



If your dog earned the last leg toward an obedience title (CD, CDX or UD) or rally title (RN, RA or RE) during the period November 15, 2022 to November 14, 2023, you may qualify for one or more of these awards. All you have to do is fill out the Awards Submission Form located elsewhere in this PawPrint ([page 53](#)) and send your form(s) to Lynda Holman by November 15, 2023. The forms have more explanation and information – so get busy and see if your fur baby will win one of these awards at the Club's Annual Holiday Party & Awards Ceremony.



Good Luck,
Lynda Holman





The October General Membership Meeting, Tuesday, **OCTOBER 10** will be our annual Halloween costume contest.



RULES IF YOU ENTER:

1. Your dog will be judged by the members. Your human costume, if you so chose, may or may not help in your winning. Dog must have a costume.
2. You and your dog must be present (in person) at the club at the meeting to be judged.
3. No Zoom entries.
4. In person and Zoom attendees can vote. No absentee "mail in" voting allowed.

Pictures will be taken and published in the November PawPrint.

PRIZES for winners, of course!!!

Come with your dog and costume!
This is always a fun time. Let's
make it the best ever!



2023 Halloween Costume Contest

CGC, CGCA, CGCU and Trick Dog Testing



CGC, CGCA and Trick Dog Testing: Wednesday, October 4 @ 6 p.m.

Where: Held at the DT CDC Training Facility.

Who: Dogs who are eligible for the CGC and/or CGCA. For the Trick Dog tests, a dog must demonstrate 10 tricks at each level.

Price: \$25.00 per entry

Eventbrite link to register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/test-centers-249409>

Registrations close at noon on Tuesday, October 3

We need volunteers to help with the tests.

Contact Terri Schurr at terrischurr@me.com to volunteer or ask questions.





Beverly Jane Bungarz

June 16, 1944 – August 23, 2023

The club is sad to lose one of our members, Beverly Jane Bungarz. She and her husband joined our club in the spring of 2016. They were very active in Nosework. Our love, prayers and thoughts go out to her husband, Horst, and her family.



Right, top: Jane and Horst's beautiful white German Shepherd, Kaiser.

Below, right: Jane (right) and her dog Ellie pose with the trial judge with their ribbon at a nosework trial.



Please join us in celebrating

THE WINTER SOCIAL

Dec 2, 2023

4pm

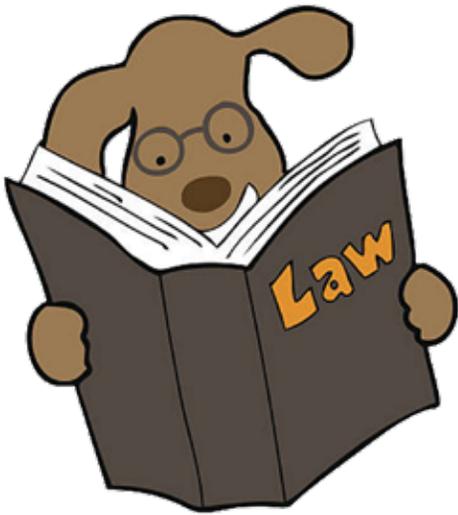
**Bring a dessert for dessert contest
and a wrapped auction item.**

We will provide the main entree.

**Members, please bring your
favorite side dishes.**



More to come later!



Legislative Liaison Update

National, State and Local

Here are AKC links that I thought might be handy to have all in one place and available to members who might be interested in them.

They are available on AKC's website <https://www.akc.org/rules/> but now you can just click on whichever link is of interest to you from here in PawPrint. Perhaps you may want to see/download/print a particular one from here? Or you can order a hard copy version of any of them from: [AKC Online Store](#).

AGILITY

- [Agility Judges Guidelines](#) (PDF)
- [Agility Trial Manual \(2020\)](#) (PDF)
- [Agility Trial Regulations](#) (PDF)

OBEDIENCE

- [Obedience / Rally Trial Manual](#) (PDF)
- [Obedience Regulations](#) (PDF)

RALLY

- [AKC Rally® Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Rally Signs](#) (PDF)
- [Rally Signs with Descriptions](#) (PDF)
- [Rally Trial Manual](#) (PDF)

SCENT WORK

- [Regulations for AKC Scent Work](#) (PDF)
- [AKC Scent Work Judge's Guidelines](#) (PDF)

TRACKING

- [Tracking Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Tracking Test Manual](#) (PDF)

PROCEDURAL MANUALS

- [Herding Test and Trial Procedural Manual](#) (PDF)
- [Obedience / Rally Trial Manual](#) (PDF)
- [Pointing Breed Field Trial/Hunting Test Procedure Manual](#) (PDF)
- [Tracking Test Manual](#) (PDF)

PERFORMANCE

- [Basset Hound Field Trial Rules](#) (PDF)
- [Beagle Field Trail Rules for Brace, Small Pack and Small Pack Option](#) (PDF)
- [Beagle Field Trial Rules for Large Pack Field Trials](#) (PDF)
- [CAT and Fast CAT Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Coonhound Events Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Dachshund Field Trial Rules](#) (PDF)
- [Earthdog Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Herding Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Lure Coursing Tests and Trials](#) (PDF)
- [Pointing Breed Field Trial Rules](#) (PDF)
- [Pointing Breed Hunting Test Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Retriever Field Trial Rules](#) (PDF)
- [Retriever Hunt Test Procedural Manual](#) (PDF)
- [Retriever Hunting Test Regulations](#) (PDF)
- [Spaniel Field Trial Rules](#) (PDF)
- [Spaniel Hunting Test Regulations](#) (PDF)

Conformation

- [Rules Applying to Dog Shows](#) (PDF)
- [Rules, Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges](#) (PDF)
- [Show Manual](#) (PDF)

Coverdog

Photo shoot



Robin Vogel tells about “The Vogel Dogs”

Back left, “Cody”: Cody is a 16-year-old Pomeranian that was abandoned and left on the street. He is my Hospice Foster through Recycled Poms. He is loved beyond measure.

Back right, “Midori”: Dori will be 13 years old in October. She had a stellar agility career and has earned her CD and Rally titles. She is retired now, but still is a very active therapy dog and she is a Tail Waggin’ Tutor at various public libraries. She has also done suicide prevention and stress relief programs.

Front “Gabe”: Gabe is 10 years old. He has agility titles, rally and obedience titles but his area of expertise is Therapy dog. Gabe is a lover, he loves everyone and especially his Seniors. He is frequent visitor at Juliette Fowler communities and Friends Place, Senior Day care. Gabe is all about the LOVE.

The PawPrint CoverDog photo is open to everyone in the club.

Here is the criteria for submitted photos:

- They will need to be big at least 1 megabyte (high resolution) to be considered. (Don’t reduce the photo size before sending it to me. If it is reduced in size I might not be able to use it as it could end up looking pixelated (fuzzy/blurry.))
- 1. Action shots such as competition shots or class photos. (i.e. you in the show ring with your dog, you throwing for your dock diving pup, tracking with your dog working, your dog during herding trial, etc.)
- 2. Or images with multiple club members and/or dogs. (Multiple people from the club and their dogs would be ideal.)
- A description of the photo will be needed so I can write captions.
- Any shots not chosen will be considered for use in other places in the newsletter, either in brags or a special photo album for a particular show or event you are competing at.
- PLEASE indicate in your email that you want your photo to be considered for the front page.





AKC Community Canine & AKC Urban CGC



AKC's Community Canine & Urban CGC Titles

By Jean Villa

Many of our members have worked towards and attained the AKC CGC title. Congratulations! You have developed quite the relationship with your dog. Did you know that AKC has two additional advanced tests for the dog/handler team that will take your team to the next level? For both advanced tests, your dog must be registered or listed with AKC and hold a CGC title. While the CGC title is earned in a ring setting and situations are simulated, these advanced titles are earned in real life scenarios, and treating with food is not permitted. They are as follows:

CGCA

AKC Community Canine Test, also known as CGCA - Canine Good Citizen Advanced. This test is designed to ensure that you have a more well-behaved dog while you are out and about in the community. Here's a link to a video of a test in action: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_jiCxAeXHc8

The requirements for the CGCA test are found on page **xx**. Dogs must pass all 10 items of the test to receive the CGCA title.

CGCU

The other program/title is the CGCU (AKC Urban CGC) and tests your CGC skills in an active environment where there are cars, loud noises and fast paced distractions.

AKC Urban CGC, or CGCU, is a 10-step test of skills that demonstrates those of the CGC and beyond, including city sights and smells and noises, traffic, and crowds. Here is a link to a brochure about the CGCU test: https://images.akc.org/pdf/cgc/urban_cgc_brochure.pdf

AKC Urban CGC Test Items are found on page **xx**. Your dog must pass all 10 of these items to receive the CGCU title.

What is the difference between the two?

CGCA (AKC Community Canine) is an AKC program designed to ensure that you have a well-behaved dog while you are out and about in the community. CGCU (AKC Urban CGC) tests your CGC skills in an active environment where there are cars, loud noises and fast paced distractions.



AKC Community Canine & AKC Urban CGC



AKC's Community Canine Test Items

Advanced Canine Good Citizen (the "CGCA" title)

To earn the CGCA title, the dog must:

1. be registered or listed with AKC (AKC number, PAL, or AKC Canine Partners number) and,
2. already have a Canine Good Citizen award/title on record.

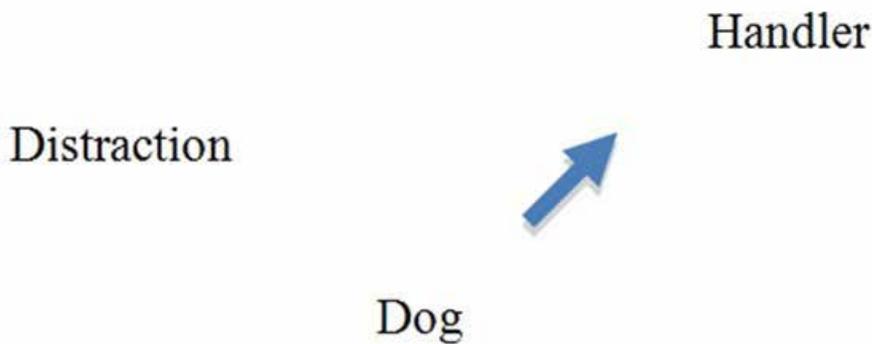
Dogs must pass all 10 items of the test to receive the CGCA title.

1. Dog stands, sits or lies down and waits under control while the owner:
 - o sits at the registration table and fills out paperwork, or,
 - o if the test is done in the community, dog waits while the owner sits and has a snack or visits with another person (e.g., at a park)
2. Walks on a loose leash in a natural situation (not in a ring) — does not pull.
 - o left turn
 - o right turn
 - o stop
 - o fast and slow pace
3. Walks on loose leash through a crowd:
 - o at a show or in class, this item is tested in a real crowd, not in a ring
 - o in the community, dog walks on sidewalk, through a crowd at a community fair, park, on a trail, through a busy hallway, etc.
4. Dog walks past distraction dogs present; does not pull.
This item may be tested along with #3 if there are dogs in the crowd, etc.
 - o at a show or class, dog walks by dogs waiting in the crowd—dogs 2 ft. apart
 - o in the community, dog walks by other dogs on a trail, sidewalk, in a hallway, etc.
5. Sit-stay in small group (two other people with dogs, total of 3 people, 3 dogs in group).
Dog allows person who is carrying something (backpack, computer bag, etc.) to approach and pet it.
6. "May I pet your dog?" (Item is placed on floor/ground before the person pets the dog)
7. "Leave it." Dog walks by food and follows owner instructions, "Leave it."
This can be food placed by the evaluator on the floor or ground in a food dish with a wire cover as in Rally.



AKC's Community Canine Test Items *(cont.)*

8. Down or sit stay — distance (owner's choice).
Dog is on 20-ft line, owner walks away with back to dog, picks up an item (e.g., backpack, training bag, clipboard, folder etc.) placed on the floor/chair/ground by the evaluator and returns to the dog.
9. Recall with distractions present (coming when called). Handler goes out 20-ft. ******(off center) and calls dog.
Dog is on the 20-ft. line from #8 above.



10. Dog will sit or stand stay (owner's choice) while owner enters/exits a doorway or narrow passageway. Owner calls dog through door when ready.
Owner may also choose to:
 - o send the dog through first and have the dog wait for the owner, or
 - o the owner may choose to have the dog go through the doorway at the owner's side.Whichever method is used, the dog must not pull the owner and must be under good control. Think of the handler having the leash in one hand and a cup of coffee in the other.
Doorway or gate can be real or simulated with ring gates, two chairs, or a natural passageway (e.g., entrance to trail) in the community.



AKC Community Canine & AKC Urban CGC



AKC's Urban CGC Test Items

To pass the CGCU test, dogs must pass all 10 items of the test

1. Exit/enter doorway with no pulling in dog-friendly buildings. Exit building to start test, additional Public buildings items are below.
2. Walk through a crowd on a busy urban sidewalk.
 - o People come toward the dog from 1-ft. away
 - o Tolerate distractions (people wearing hats, coats, men, women, etc).
3. Appropriate reaction to city distractions. This includes movement, noises, and walking on a variety of surfaces. Examples:
 - o Noises: horns, sirens, construction noise, etc.
 - o Moving objects: skateboard, bike, carts, person running
 - o Surfaces: concrete, grass, grates, plastic tarp, wet sidewalk
4. Crossing street: Stop at corner, stand or sit to wait and cross with no pulling (on leash, with owner). Crosses street under control.
5. Ignore food on sidewalk. (Dropped food, or cups, bags, cans, in which food was wrapped).
6. Person walks up and pets the dog. May be carrying an item such as a small dog in a bag, a computer bag, etc. Person does not put the bag down to pet the dog.
7. Public Building (that is dog friendly). Walks under control in building (slick surface, carpeted floor). Down stay (3 min) in lobby or outdoor area, or waits while owner has a meal or snack.
8. Stairs, steps, or elevator under control.
 - o Steps (at least 3 – up and down)
 - o Elevator (Enters under control, exits, rides under control)
9. Housetrained for apartment, condo, city living. Owner may verify this item. Evaluator may also observe in public buildings, or have observed in training classes.
10. Transportation. Owner's choice depending on transportation needs.
 - o Car. Enters/exits, remains under control during the ride. (Crate? Seatbelt?)
 - o Subway. Small dog in bag for ride. (large dogs are not always permitted; know and abide by the Transit Policies in your area).
 - o Dog friendly (enters/exits or allows to be put in/taken out) under control.



AKC Community Canine & AKC Urban CGC



Who has a CGCA and/ or CGCU?

Jan Hitchborn shared these photos of her dogs.



JBarT Magnificent Maggie Mae has CGCA



Two Js Sir Logan Riley has CGCA
CGCU



JBarT Skye Blu Diamond has CGCA CGCU

AKC Community Canine & AKC Urban CGC

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Who has a CGCA and/ or CGCU?

Lynda Holman shared:



I'm very proud of Mr. Magoo for all the accomplishments he has made and all he has taught me about working with a dog that was born blind.



Kate has been a joy to live with and train. I've had so much fun training a terrier (or did she train me?)



Craig and Lana Shuman:

This is my heart dog, Fiona. She and Lana worked together for her to get her CGC, CGCA and CGCU. This photo was taken the day she earned her CGCU.



DTCCDC NOSEWORK

These photos were taken in Advanced and Beginner Nosework Classes on Friday, September 15:

Advanced



Melissa Chojnacki and Gozer



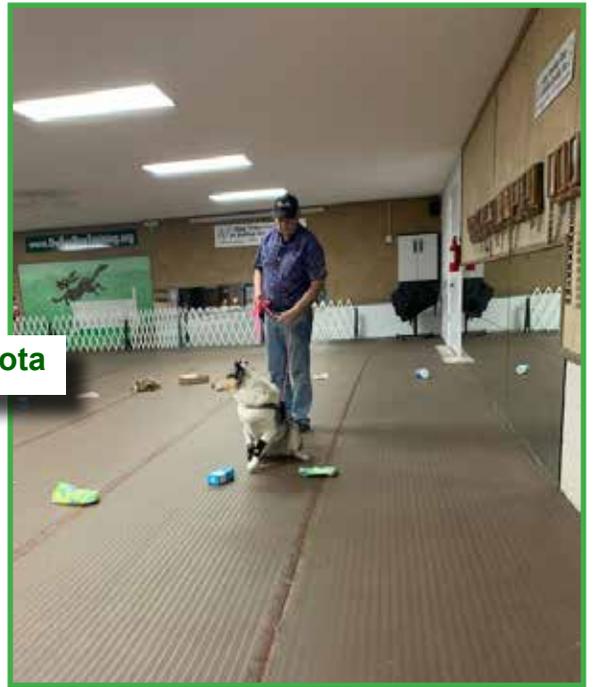
Marye Boyce and Johnny



DTCDC NOSEWORK



Rex Wilhelm and Dakota



Doreen Reese and Mando



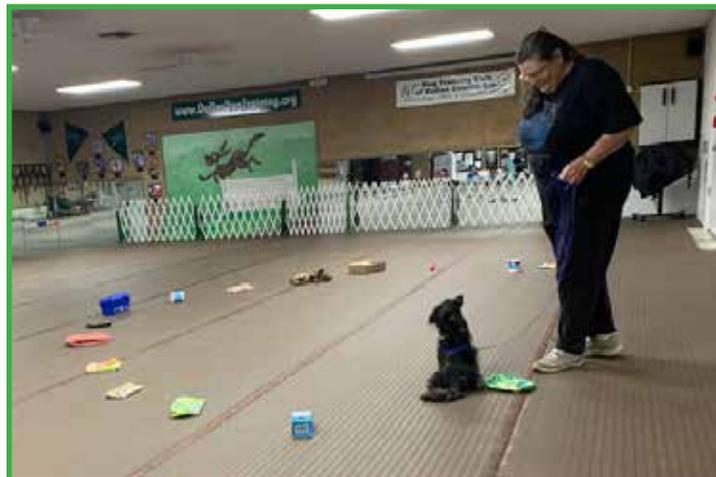
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**Kadee Inglehart and Sully
Miriam Inglehart and Tris**



Wendy McQuiston and Dino





DTCDC NOSEWORK

Beginners

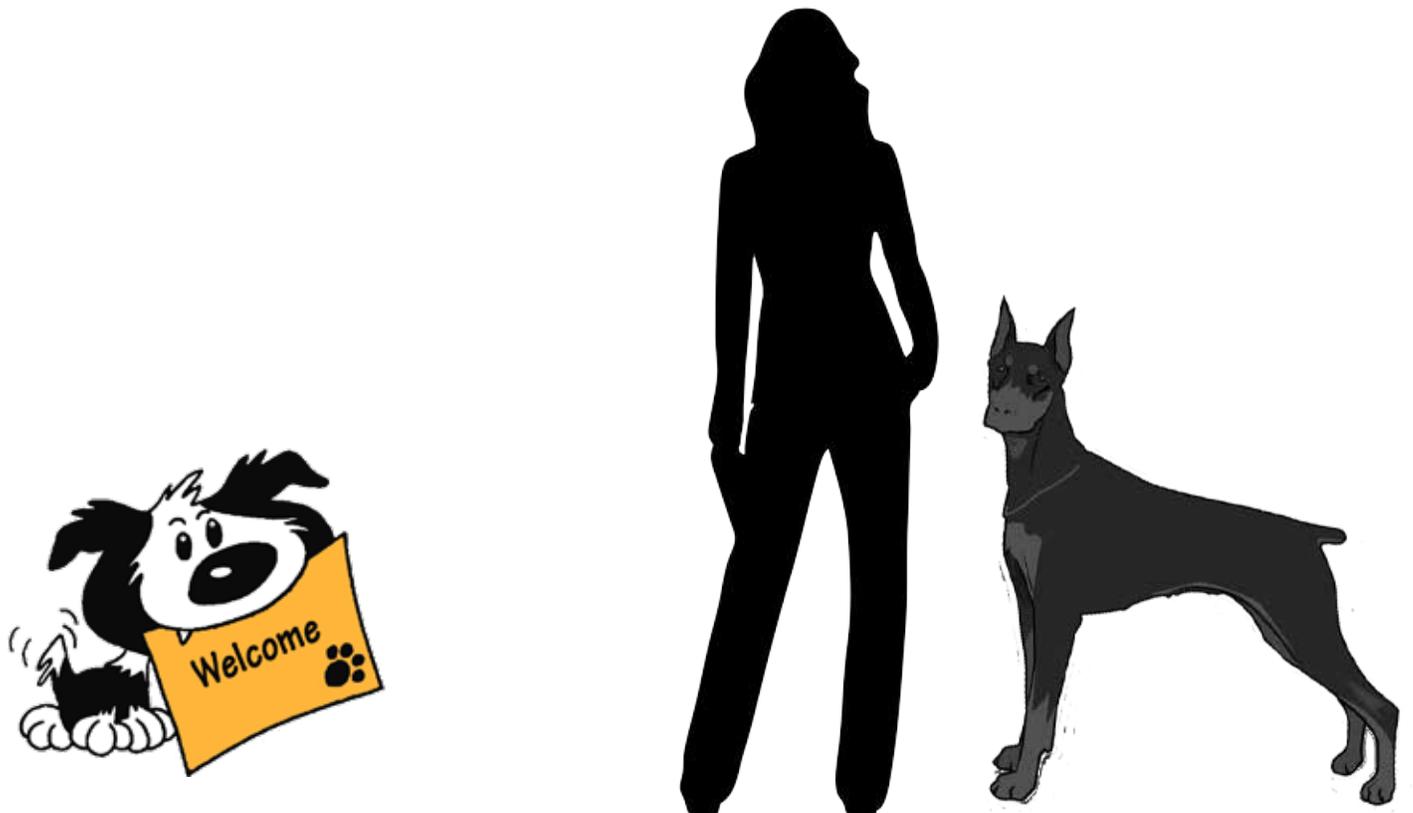
Karen Swain and Chloe



Rosemary Minzghor and Coco



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|----------------|--|
| Name: | Samara Piper |
| City: | Duncanville |
| Cell phone: | 972-765-2608 |
| Email: | samarapiper26@gmail.com |
| Birthday: | 10/5 |
| Dog call name: | Zena |
| Dog Breed: | Doberman Pinscher |





SHOW & GO

SATURDAY 🍂 OCTOBER 21st

Dog Training Club of Dallas County

604 Crestside Dr. ~ Duncanville, TX 75137



Pre-Entries Only
Limited to 8 hours of ring time



Classes Offered: ★ Utility ★ Grad Open ★ Open ★
★ Grad Nov ★ Novice ★ Beg Nov ★
PRE-ENTRIES ONLY: \$9.00 first five minutes
\$1.00 each additional minute
(5-minute minimum/10-minute maximum)



Doors open at 7:30 A.M.
Any Entry May Do Group Stay Exercise



Pre-Entry at "Events" on DT CDC website
Link active 10-6-23: [DT CDC 10/21 Show & Go](#)
Entries open @ 8 AM Friday, October 6th
Entries close @ Noon Friday, Oct 20th or when limit is reached.
Run-thru emails will be sent the evening of 10/20 at the latest.



UPCOMING DATES
🐾 **DEC 30th** 🐾 **No Nov Show** 🐾



Directions: Driving South on 67- take **Danieldale Rd** exit
Stay on access road - Turn Right at first street (**S Alexander Ave**)
Turn Right at next street (**Crestside Dr**). Clubhouse is the first drive on the right.
White building with black paw prints 🐾 across the front.



Questions???
Pamela Chrystal
(682) 683-1321
valimar1@msn.com



Need a new trick to teach your dog?

This fun trick, Roll Out a Yoga Mat, is from allthingsdog.com.

Happy Training!

Michele Hosey



Roll Out a Yoga Mat

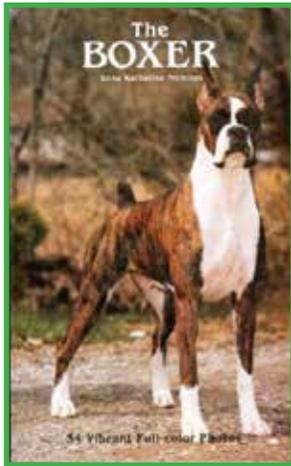


Steps

1. Have the towel or yoga mat laid out flat in front of you and then roll it up.
2. As you roll up the mat, hide a treat in each roll until it's totally rolled up except for perhaps a 5cm at the end with treats sprinkled on it.
3. Bring your dog in and allow him to explore the towel/encourage and point out the treats he can see and eat.
4. You can initially 'help' by unrolling a little bit if needed.
5. Over repetitions, have fewer and fewer treats hidden in the towel so it's a smooth roll out.
6. Add the cue 'do you want to do some yoga?' (or whatever you like.) before placing the towel down once he's confident.

DTCDC LIBRARY

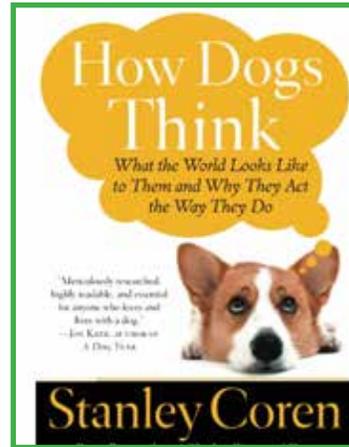
Recommended Resources:



THE BOXER

By Anna Nicholas

Traces the history of the breed, tells how to select, feed, train, and care for a boxer, and provides information on shows, breeding standards, and travel considerations.

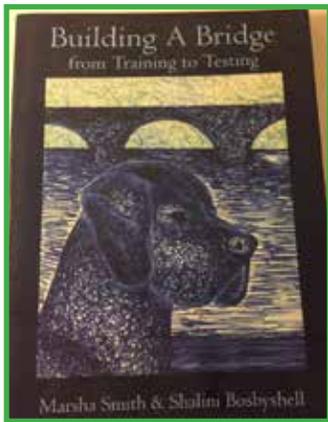


HOW DOGS THINK

by Stanley Coren

Bestselling author, psychologist, and world-renowned expert on dog behavior and training Dr. Stanley Coren presents the most informative, in-depth, fascinating book yet on dogs. Acclaimed for its solid scientific research and entertain-

ing, eminently readable style, How Dogs Think gives you the insight that you need to understand the silly, quirky, and apparently irrational behaviors that dogs demonstrate, as well as those stunning flashes of brilliance and creativity that they also can display.



BUILDING A BRIDGE FROM TRAINING TO TESTING

by Marsha Smith

Learn how to work with your dog in the Three Modes of Training in order to build a bridge between your practice sessions and the obedience ring.

A complete list of the library's current holdings is listed on the DT CDC website. Here is the link: <http://www.dallasdogtraining.org/members/dtc-dc-library/>

Do you have a book or DVD you would like to see in our library? Or other suggestions for the library committee?

Contact: Lisa Gonzales, Robin Vogel or Lana Shuman





NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 14

7 P.M.



NOVEMBER PAWPRINT

THEME: TRICK DOG TITLES & DOG TREAT RECIPES

If your dog has one of these titles, please submit and write-up and a photo to honor all of the dogs who have achieved this title and belong to the club.

DUE DATE: Wed., Oct. 18 (or earlier)
UPCOMING MONTHLY THEMES:

| | |
|------|---------------------|
| DEC. | HOLIDAY FUN |
| FEB. | RAINBOW BRIDGE 2023 |

Do you have a monthly theme idea that you would like to see in the upcoming PawPrint editions? Please share them with Lana Shuman at:
pawprint@dallasdogtraining.org



OCTOBER 2023 DOG CALENDAR:

- Adopt-A-Dog Month
- Adopt-a-Shelter Dog Month
- National Animal Safety and Protection Month
- National Animal Safety and Protection Month
- National Pet Obesity Awareness Month.
- National Pet Wellness Month
- National Pit Bull Awareness Month
- World Animal Month
- Oct. 1: National Fire Pup Day
- Oct. 1: National Black Dog Day
- Oct. 1-7: National Walk Your Dog Week
- Oct. 1-7: Animal Welfare Week
- Oct. 2: Canine Companion Day
- Oct. 4: World Animal Day
- Oct. 4: Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
- Oct. 4: Kindness to Animals Day
- Oct. 7: Poodle Day
- Oct. 9-15: National Veterinary Technician Week
- Oct. 11: National Spoodle Day
- Oct. 11: National Pet Obesity Awareness Day
- Oct. 13: Vet Nurse Day
- Oct. 15: National Pug Day
- Oct. 15-21: National Veterinary Technician Week
- Oct. 20: National Fetch Day
- Oct. 21: National Pets for Veterans Day
- Oct. 22: National Make a Dog's Day
- Oct. 26: National Livestock Guardian Dog Appreciation and Awareness Day
- Oct. 28: National Pit Bull Awareness Day
- Oct. 28: Plush Animal Lovers Day
- Oct. 28: Muddy Dog Day
- Oct. 30: National Treat Your Pet Day



There are scholarships currently available by the club. If you know a worthy recipient for them, please contact a DTCCDC Board member or Training Committee member.



TERRI CLARY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In keeping with the club's mission and in recognition of the hard work of both dog and handler, the Terri Clary Memorial Scholarship is awarded to the canine/handler pair that has made the most progress overcoming significant training challenges. This Scholarship allows dog and handler to come back to the next session of beginner obedience classes, free of charge, to allow them both to meet their goals.

JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP

A club member has anonymously given \$1000 to start a Junior Scholarship and have this open to other members donating to keep it going. Eligible young people age 16 or younger with a GPA (Grade Point Average) of 3.0 are eligible. The student may receive it twice and will be eligible to receive help for their first year of membership in the club. Please let Margaret Culbertson know if you are aware of a student who qualifies and wants training for their dog. Further details will be available soon. Monies for the fund may be submitted using the small lock box in the cabinet inside the main door to the building. Simply put the money or check in an envelope and mark the outside of the envelope for Junior Scholarship.





Karen Henry brags:

We made our annual trip to Iowa for Small Dog Obedience Camp last month. We participated in 3 WCRL (World Cynosport Rally Limited) rally trials while we were there, and came home with 3 new titles and a bunch of ribbons!



Journey qualified in 11 out of 12 runs to earn her Veteran A title and her Level 1 Flash title. She also earned 2 legs towards her Level 2A title, as well as 3 more legs towards her Level 1 Championship. That gives her 9 of the required 10 legs for her Level 1 Championship!



Gambler qualified in 5 of his 6 runs which earned him his Level 1 Flash title. He also scored higher than Journey in 2 of those 3 runs! Good boy!! His other 2 Qs were towards his Level 1A title. He just needs one more leg for that one.

Kay Scott brags:



Yellow Rose Labradors: Annie, Dolly, Marley
Passed their first Senior Hunt Test at the Ozarks Retriever Club in Lincoln, Arkansas.

Shari Price brags:

Sedona earned her Rally Master title at the Tulsa trial on September 3.



Laura Lipscomb brags:



Reggie (Judge's Black T Affair SWA SCE SBE SHDN CGC) and Pearl (Meridian's Consider It A Gift SWN SHDN CGC) competed at the Mid-Del-Tinker Kennel Club AKC Scentwork trial back in June of this year. Reggie earned his first legs in Master Buried and Excellent Interior. Pearl earned legs in Advanced Container, Advanced Buried and Advanced Interior. I was so proud of both of them as we had not practiced as we should have. We hope to get back to training and trialing in 2024!

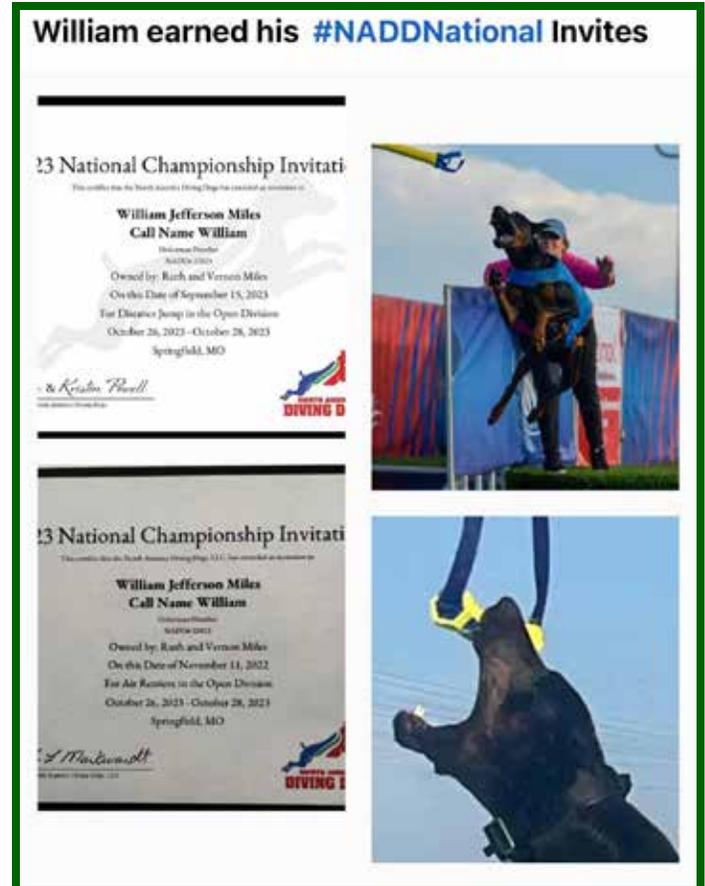
Shannon Quinn brags:



Riley got some jumps in this weekend getting ready for the big games in 2 weeks... she placed 1st and 2nd on her jumps best being 22'3 this weekend

Ruth and Vernon Miles brag:

William earned his Advanced Senior title at the 2023 NADD (North American Diving Dogs) Regionals and qualified for the NADD National's.



Jan Hitchborn brags:

I am so excited about the future of this little boy. He has thrown his hat all in for scent work. He would search 24/7. We can be doing some silly thing or in down time and if I say "want to go find" - BAM he is up, alert and ready to go. Even when excited at start he will suddenly tense, catch odor and is starting to almost emulate my others going right to odor.

From his first trial in August.

Hello. Can we do something?



At Mansfield Fieldhouse class

The below are his nailing it at a vehicle class.



Not intimidated by new funny looking vehicles.

Making sure I know he found it.



Annual Awards Information & Forms

HIGHEST AVERAGE OBEDIENCE AND/OR RALLY SCORE AWARD AND MOST IMPROVED OBEDIENCE AND/OR RALLY SCORE AWARD

DID YOUR DOG EARN AN OBEDIENCE AND/OR RALLY TITLE DURING THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 15, 2022 TO NOVEMBER 14, 2023? If so, you may qualify for the following awards DTCDC will present at the annual Holiday Party and Awards Ceremony.

The **Highest Average Obedience Score Award and Highest Average Rally Score Award** are awarded to the club member achieving the highest average score on the three legs required to earn an Obedience Title (i.e., CD, CDX, UD equivalent from AKC, ASCA, UKC) and the club member achieving the highest average score on the three legs required to earn a Rally Title (i.e., RN, RA, RE equivalent from AKC, ASCA, UKC). **To qualify: By November 15th Club members submit the form on the next page indicating the dates, names of the shows, and the scores for each leg to the Purchasing Committee Chairperson**, who determines which club members had the highest average Obedience and Rally scores. The third leg of the eligible scores must be earned during the period of November 15 of the previous year to November 14 of the current year. There is no limit on the number of times a club member may earn and receive these awards. The awards are presented annually by DTCDC.

The **Most Improved Obedience Score Award and Most Improved Rally Score Award** are awarded to the club member achieving the greatest point score improvement between any two of the three legs required to earn an Obedience title (i.e., CD, CDX, UD equivalent from AKC, ASCA, UKC) and the club member achieving the greatest point score improvement between any two of the three legs required to earn a Rally Title (i.e., RN, RA, RE equivalent from AKC, ASCA, UKC). **To qualify: By November 15th Club members submit the form on the next page indicating the dates, names of the shows, and the scores for each leg to the Purchasing Committee Chairperson**, who determines which club members had the most improvement between scores. The third leg of the eligible scores must be earned during the period of November 15 of the previous year to November 14 of the current year. There is no limit on the number of times a club member may earn and receive these awards. The awards are presented annually by DTCDC.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR SCORES: Scores must be submitted via U.S. Mail or email to Lynda Holman **BY NOVEMBER 15, 2023**. Fill in the information on the Award Submission Form on the next page and send to Lynda. **Use a separate form for each award for which you are submitting scores.** Scores submitted are to be for each of the three legs required to earn the degree. 4th legs do not count. The first 2 legs of the degree can be received at any prior time, but the 3rd leg that earned the degree must be received during the period November 15, 2022 to November 14, 2023. Highest Average is an average of the legs that earned the title. Most Improved must be points between 1st and 2nd, 2nd and 3rd, or 1st and 3rd legs. It cannot go backwards.

Send to Lynda Holman by November 15, 2023:

VIA EMAIL: lyholman@flash.net

or

VIA Snail Mail: 1531 N. Mockingbird Ln, Midlothian, TX 76065

Questions?: Email or call Lynda (214-662-3475/cell)

Award Submission Form (please type or print)

Please check the award for which you are submitting scores:

_____ Highest Average Obed. Score Award _____ Most Improved Obed. Score Award

_____ Highest Average Rally Score Award _____ Most Improved Rally Score Award

Your name: _____

Your email & phone: _____

Dog's formal name: _____

Dog's call name: _____

Title earned: _____

1st Leg Score: _____ 1st Leg Date: _____

1st Leg Show/Trial Name: _____

2nd Leg Score: _____ 2nd Leg Date: _____

2nd Leg Show/Trial Name: _____

3rd Leg Score: _____ 3rd Leg Date: _____

3rd Leg Show/Trial Name: _____

MOST ACTIVE NEW MEMBER AWARD

At the October Meeting we will elect the **Most Active New Member**. Below is the list of new members who joined in 2022 and in January-September of 2023. Think of the new member that goes above and beyond the call of duty, the one who seems to be helping at every event. Do you see them assisting, working the Show-n-Go, volunteering at meetings, or lending a helpful hand without being asked? We are sure there are many to select from on this list. Who will be the one you select for the Most Active New Member? Attend the October meeting and cast your vote! **Bring this page so you have the list of names.**

| <u>2022 New Members</u> | <u>Jan-Sept 2023 New Members</u> |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Emily Baca | Sergio Arciniega |
| Shelley Carr | Erin Castillo |
| Samantha Colvard | Anthony Chennault |
| Madison Gover | Janice Chennault |
| Troy Guidry | Alex Criswell |
| Kinnie Hardaway | Katriona (Kat) Eggleston |
| Bobbie Haynes | Danny Eggleston |
| Helena Haynes | Oscar Esparza |
| Casey Heck | Bryndon Franklin |
| Harold Heck | Daniel Hunter |
| Peggy Kirkland | Issac Hunter |
| Carolyn Liles | Kendalyn Hunter |
| Nicole Litterio | Patricia Ingram |
| Jerri Martin | Alexis Jankowski |
| Douglas McCurn | Cai Kailing |
| Eddie McGuire | Ana Laureano |
| Rosemary Minzgher | Vanessa Martinez |
| Jane Palmer | Maysel McGown |
| Karen Raschio | Jack Moorman |
| Renee Raschio | Michelle Moorman |
| Stephanie Schoolcraft | Courtney Nicholson |
| Amy Quinn Schwartz | Johnny Nicholson |
| Abbey Thomas | Kim Owens |
| Alyssa Vargo | Ian Pena |
| Dawnery Vargo | Priscilla Pena |
| Grayan Vargo | Dung Pham |
| Michael Vargo | Samara Piper |
| Chris Waits | Emily Ramirez |
| Vicky Waits | John Reeves |
| Brooks Williams | Nancy Reeves |
| Robbie Zeske | Lily Smith-Kirkley |
| | Chris Swain |
| | Gary Swain |
| | Brandon Taggart |
| | Carie Turner |
| | Danisha Williams |
| | Dayna Wilmot |
| | Amy Witmer |

DTCDC SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

HISTORY: The Gaines Sportsmanship Award was sponsored and furnished by the Gaines Dog Food Company for many years. The award item which Gaines furnished to clubs/organizations was a beautiful embossed medallion (pictured below). In 1998, Gaines (then known as Gaines/Pupperoni) no longer offered this award. Therefore, in 1998, DT CDC decided to continue its tradition, changed the name to "Sportsmanship Award" and began purchasing and awarding an engraved brass carriage clock as the "Sportsmanship Award" item.

Photo of the Retired Gaines Sportsmanship Award



DTCDC Sportsmanship Award Recipients

(Formerly known as the Gaines Sportsmanship Award until 1998)

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1983: Norma Walker | 2002: Charlotte Strom |
| 1984: Lynda Walker Holman | 2003: Pam Kernan Raymond |
| 1985: Maurine Pearson Leffingwell | 2004: Mona O’Gorman |
| 1986: Roberta Stout Mills | 2005: Toni Skiles |
| 1987: Judy Harmon | 2006: John Warren |
| 1988: David Taylor | 2007: Paul Cantwell |
| 1989: Sally Browning | 2008: Lisa Wharton |
| 1990: Gene Norman | 2009: Sandi Myers |
| 1991: Peggy Phelps | 2010: Jan Bajovich |
| 1992: Marla Bull | 2011: Felicia Ruhter |
| 1993: Jo Humphry | 2012: Robin Quintana |
| 1994: Libby Palmer | 2013: Robin Romig |
| 1995: Virginia Grossman | 2014: Chris Teel |
| 1996: Lee Fausett | 2015: Jan Bruner |
| 1997: Cecelia Young | 2016: Karen Henry |
| 1998: Cathy Garrett | 2017: Benita Zapata |
| 1999: Stella Moore | 2018: Kristal Hatcher |
| 2000: Mark Malone | 2019: Pam White |
| 2001: Georgann Hughes | 2020/2021: Donna Heishman |
| | 2022: Mary Ann Magness |

At the October meeting we will be nominating and voting on the 2022 Sportsmanship Award. Please attend the meeting with some nominees in mind.

The DT CDC Sportsmanship Award is awarded to club members that exemplify the finest traits of good sportsmanship. Anyone who has been awarded this award by DT CDC is not eligible to win again. Anyone who has received the Gaines Sportsmanship Award (previous name) or a Sportsmanship Award from a club other than DT CDC is eligible for this award from DT CDC. Recipients of the DT CDC Sportsmanship Award are nominated and voted on by the Club membership. The award is presented annually to the new recipient by the past year’s recipient.