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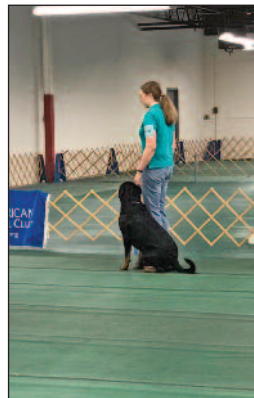


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## From the Editor

— by Pam Coblyn, Editor, Obichaff

# Fare Thee Well...!



*“How lucky I am to have something  
that makes saying goodbye so hard.”*

*—Winnie The Pooh.*

It seems just like yesterday but it's been six years since I took over the editorial duties for *Obichaff*, our club's newsletter. During that time, I've gotten to know so many more club members than I ever dreamed possible—through your achievements, announcements, travels and activities. It's been fun and fascinating to “watch” our dogs grow up and triumph. And, it's been my personal mission to inspire, coax and applaud *you*, the trainers, in whatever goals you dared to pursue. I am in awe of the “big achievers” and those with raw, innate talent. But most of all, I bow down to our members who clearly took a few steps outside their comfort zone and dared to try something new. I have learned a lot about courage and pride from all of you that are in the beginning stages of training and competition.

Our club not only brings like-minded people (read: passionate about their dogs!) together, it nurtures our bond with our dogs. We have the resources to teach both humans and canines how to think better, how to behave better and how to have fun together. It's been my supreme pleasure to publish our club's newsletter and celebrate that mission and your successes.

There is a saying in the dog world: embrace the journey. It's never ending: there's always another step to take, another goal to meet and a new horizon to pursue. My own journey as *Obichaff* editor is coming to an end. I've learned about confidence, humility, friendship, generosity and service while serving as your editor and on our board. I want to thank all of you who routinely answered my pleas for “stuff” to print in each issue. I always “got” beyond my wildest expectations. I am *so* grateful for your enthusiasm and help.

My final thoughts as editor (and amateur coach!): when you take the step towards your dreams, you will be met with fear because you have never traveled that way before. Fear limits you and your vision. So, go open your eyes wide and believe in your dreams, your dog and yourselves. I have plans—big plans for Team Fenway's Goodbye Tour (he just turned eleven!). They are inspired by all of *you*!



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## From the President—November-December 2018



The Big October Weekend is OVER. Three days with **FIVE** Trials. Friday had two Rally Trials: A.M. and P.M. **PLUS** a Novice Only Obedience Trial. Our own Jennie Larkin was High In Trial with Tali from the Novice Only Obedience Trial. In addition, after Friday's trials Sue Faber and Andy Albert judged an O.B. match!

Saturday saw two Obedience Trials: A.M. and P.M. Our Judges were Frank Cardillino, Betsy Horn Humer, and Cheryl Pratt. Sunday was the same format as Saturday, with two Trials.

A big special thank you goes out to Nan Marks and Luann Korona for coming EARLY on Friday to help Sandy Swinburne set up. You were our morning angels!

I want to thank by name all of the folks who came out to steward—you aided the Judge and helped our guest competitors. Without you it would not have been possible! Not only is stewarding essential, but it is also educational and should be FUN. I had a fun time, and I hope you did too.

Lisa Lee was there Sunday, and as I was leaving, I asked her if she enjoyed it. She said, "It was interesting - like being a Ball-Boy at Wimbledon." Stewarding is really a wonderful opportunity for less experienced trainers to learn about the sport, and de-mystify trialing. You get to watch the whole spectrum of achievement, from young novice dogs to seasoned veterans. We had one competitor on Sunday who completed her Obedience Trial Championship! How inspirational is that!

Sunday was a hot day. And, it was a long day. People were tired. But, without exception, everyone was smiling and in good humor! What a wonderful way to spend a day celebrating our bond with that exception species: canis familiaris.

Here is the list (and I hope it is inclusive!) of the folks who answered the call:

Luann Korona  
Nan Marks  
Joyce Dandridge  
Amy Scheiner  
Pam Ayres  
Jennie Larkin  
Diane Harab  
Sandi Atkinson  
Roxane Bouton  
Laurie Warren  
Jackie Moyano (not even a member!)  
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Burton & Shellie Goldstein  
Jennifer and Monti  
Karen Steinmeyer

Special Thanks to Benita Svitchan-Bottom for a nice lunch and to Sandy Swinburne who manages to be in two places at once. And to Bob Reinhardt for being Clean-Up man extraordinaire.

Well done everyone!,

Donna Cleverdon, *President*, CDTC

## Safety—Looking Out For One Another!

***Because our clubhouse is in an industrial park that shuts down at night—and it can feel a bit isolated. We should always make sure everybody leaves the lot! Please take a moment to make sure no one has car trouble, no tires are flat and we are all safely on our way!***

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## Delegates Corner

— by Joyce Dandridge, CDTC AKC Delegate



### In the September 2018 Companion Events Committee Meeting:

- I reported on the progress of the subcommittee I chair on helping all breed clubs, who have dropped obedience, with suggestions on holding obedience and rally events again.
- We discussed clubs holding multi events because they bring in more people.
- Another subcommittee is looking at successful clubs and made a report on their progress.
- A suggestion was made to me about adding to the list for all breed clubs a plan to have obedience demo at the all breed show.
- A discussion occurred about the committee's charge and surveys. A discussion occurred as to whether all the obedience judges are receiving the survey on deaf dogs. It was mentioned that out of over 400 obedience judges, only 167 of them are active and thus have knowledge about recent issues as they pertain to the rules.
- Doug joined the group and gave his report. He said that Agility is still flat in its numbers. Obedience is going down and Rally is up 17% the end of August. He said there were 18,000 rally events and no deaf dog incident. He mentioned in England where deaf dogs are not prevented from any activities outside conformation; the philosophy is the dog should be fit and healthy and stopping the dog from participating is not going to cure inherited conditions.
- At the October Board meeting, the AKC Board, staff will propose to change the Rally Champion title requirements. The three changes are: 1) allow dogs to earn points toward the RACH after the RE title is earned; 2) Add points toward RACH to the Advanced B class and reduce the minimum number of Championship points required from the Master class from 200 points to 150 points (300 required overall); 3) Amend the point schedule.
- Doug mentioned that currently Agility can have one special event but it is being proposed to allow two, for example FAST.
- The Agility Advisory Committee will be meeting in November. They received over 3000 recommendations.
- Westminster Kennel Club gave the Agility Jr. Team \$5000 to travel to the World Dog Show. One individual lives in VA.
- Doug mentioned the AKC Fit Dog Program and that AKC received 1,000 applications in the first few weeks. He said they have adopted the same standard as the American Heart Association. After successfully completing the requirements, individuals receive a

car magnet. This program reaches out to everyone.

- In Orlando, the Elite Performer Level will be exhibited. There must be a story line for this level of competition. In 2 days the Orlando entries were full.

### In the General Meeting:

- A program was presented on club insurance. Two representatives from the insurance industry spoke on club general liability; need for safety and policy procedures in writing; duel signing of checks with third party agreement; cyber 1st and 2nd party; excess medical and accident over and beyond health insurance. *Equisure* stated they insure only dog and horse clubs and activities. They stated that clubs should consider crime insurance. They emphasized to make sure clubs have Policies and Procedures in writing and make sure they are FOLLOWED. I found this to be very comprehensive and if anyone has questions, feel free to contact me for information. The above mentioned is just the highlights of their presentation.
- President Dennis Sprung presented a report on the move of the new office, which will be housed above the museum. They made the move in one day and showed a video. He stated there will be four libraries, one being a rare book collection.
- **Museum of the Dog Update:** Artie, the new logo, was displayed. All collections will be under one roof for the first time. There will be discovery learning centers on breeds and a Match activity will allow visitors to see what breeds are for them and their family. There will be Training Centers planned with an avatar who is trained with treats. Upon completion, the visitor receives a certificate. Also planned are Scavenger Hunts with avatar, Broadcasts on *AKC Live* and the *Today Show*. There will be a Community Wall with children's art. All of this is in addition to featured art work and photography.

**I NEED YOUR HELP!** As mentioned at our last meeting, I feel that, as one of the oldest obedience clubs in the country, our club name should be on a plaque on the Clubs Hall of Fame in the AKC Museum of the Dog. I stated at that time I would take the responsibility to conduct fundraising projects to raise at least the \$2500 it takes for the recognition. There will be raffles for Westminster tickets and spa massage visits along with auctions for holiday baskets. There will be also some surprise events/activities. If anyone wants to just make a cash contribution to the plaque fund, let me know at [justuschows@verizon.net](mailto:justuschows@verizon.net). This would not be tax deductible. If anyone has any other fundraising ideas for this endeavor, please share.

*Celebrate the season at the*  
CAPITAL DOG TRAINING CLUB

# HOLIDAY PARTY

## Tuesday, December 11

*New Member Reception at 6:30 pm. Brief business meeting at 7:00 p.m.  
immediately followed by the party!*

←.....→  
Pot luck dinner! Please bring something scrumptious to share—  
appetizer, main dish, side dish, salad or dessert!

Food Music Games Prizes!  
Play Fun Games at the 2018 Howliday Party!

←.....→  
*Bring your dog and have tons o' fun!*

*Please contact Sue Faber at bobf1040@verizon.net to volunteer.*

## CDTC Plaque Fundraiser for the AKC Clubs Wall of Fame in the new Museum of the Dog in NYC!



of 1919. One of the oldest dog training clubs in the nation, the Capital Dog Training Club *NEEDS* to be represented on this prestigious wall!

### **You Can Participate in these Activities!**

■ **Themed Baskets for Auction!** Consider donating a basket—create your own theme! To kick off this fundraiser, members can bid on the baskets at the CDTC Howliday Party! (minimum bids on a variety of baskets)

■ **Raffle of Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show Tickets!** Agility ticket for Saturday worth \$35 each

The CDTC's AKC Delegate Joyce Dandridge is on a mission! She wants to raise a minimum of \$2500 to have CDTC's name on a plaque that will be displayed in the new museum by the end

(2 drawings); Westminster Anywhere Package Ticket for 1 person (worth \$210 or more), which includes the Obedience Trial on Monday and Conformation on Monday and Tuesday, both day and the evening Madison Square Garden shows. Drawings at our January meeting!

■ **Raffle for 1-Hour Massage!** Choose a relaxing massage with either a man or woman. (Nov. and Jan.)

Let's make sure we are permanently represented on the AKC Clubs Wall of Fame. Dog lovers from across the world will see the CDTC name when they visit this fabulous and comprehensive museum—the only one in the world that represents our sport!

Please contact Joyce Dandridge if you are creating a theme basket or have any more fundraising ideas! (justuschows@verizon.net)

Please consider making a donation to club for this plaque! (*non-tax deductible*).



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



### New Master Hunter Title!

**Dotty** (Graden's Master Gardener) earned her Master Hunter title at LRCP's fall hunt test on September 8-9, 2018. Dotty is owned by **Milly B. Welsh** and **Charles Hayden** and was trained and handled by Milly B.

*Congratulations to Team Dotty—you are officially a huntress extraordinaire! Well done.*



### New Rally Excellent Title!

**Lois Kietur's Teddy** (WarrenMtn's O'What a Knight) received his Rally Excellent title with a 4th Place finish with a score of 94 on September 22 at the Hyattsville Dog Training Club trial.

*Congratulations to Team Teddy—you are wonderful!*



### Master Hunter Upland Legs #1 & 2!

**Ken Harringer** has wonderful news: "One, two, this is new! **Bruno** earned Master Hunter Upland legs number one and two! Yay! Thanks to Maryland Sporting Dog Association, Rebel Ridge Farms, Steve Roth and my training group (Steve Surprenant, Janet Ciarico, Betsy Harringer, Cliff Williams, Linda Steen Reynolds), and judges Tim Welling and John Dunn.

*Bravo, Team Bruno—you sure nab those upper level legs like clockwork. What an efficient worker!*



### New Agility Open FAST Title!

**Laurie Cook's Tessie** miraculously earned her Open FAST agility title at the Gordon Setter trial in Lewisberry, September 26, 2018. "I hope to be bragging about an Open Standard or Open JWW title someday, but I don't expect anything soon. She is now officially Bear Hug Joy to the World CDX RE SH NA NAJ OF.

*Good girl, Tessie—we are so proud of you for earning this hard title!*



*Photo by Chi Le*

### New Rally Advanced Title for a Pup!

**Shannon Hall** is rightfully proud of her growing puppy **Connor**. "He earned his Rally Advanced A title! First place, too, by the great mercy of the kind judge who overlooked my panicked howl when I called his name as he started to take a left out of the ring while I was taking a right!

*Congratulations, Team Connor;—you are a very good boy for instantly responding to your mom's howl!*



### New UDX2, OM, HIT and HC!

**Tom Tatham** announces, "In September **Maggie** earned her UDX2 and Obedience Master (OM) titles, and is now Maggie UDX2 OM BN RE NA NAJ NF CGCA. In addition, she won High in Trial and High Combined at the Talbot Kennel Club obedience trial (pictured), and won High Combined at the Northeastern Maryland Kennel Club trial held at Oriole."

*Congratulations, Team Maggie, for your amazing obedience titles!*

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## New Scent Work Title—Buried Novice!!

**Sandi Atkinson** announces, “I am thrilled to report that **Figaro** earned his SBN (AKC Scent Work Buried Novice) title on September 17 at Burlington Co. KC’s trial in Allentown, NJ. Conditions were *extremely* hot and humid, which worked to our advantage. Figaro earned the SCN (Scent Work Container Novice) in June. He now competes in Container Novice B and qualified with a 2nd Place (1st Q of 10 needed for the Scent Work Container Novice Elite title, or SCNE).

In the Interior Novice A class Fig earned a 2nd Place for his 2nd leg, towards the Scent Work Interior Novice (SIN) title. He is in the A class because he doesn’t have a title in that odor element yet. In the Exterior Novice A search, I failed him by not picking up on his very obvious identification of the odor source. He tried very hard and must have thought I was incredibly thick. I certainly felt it when the judge told me! The odor source was in a discarded cigarette package on the ground near the base of a trash can, along with a couple of other pieces of trash. (No prizes for guessing what I am going to practice on now.)

*Well done, sniffer dog Figaro!*

## New Titles At Dachsund Specialty!

**Theresa Warner** and her Dachshunds had a great day at the Metropolitan Washington Dachshund Club Specialty, with new titles for both! **Maddie** earned her Rally Novice and **Boswell** his Beginner Novice.

*This is such a special accomplishment—two titles on the same day!*



## New Sin!

“That would be SIN for AKC Scent Work Interior Novice—Figaro’s latest title, earned at the Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier Club of America’s trials in Palmyra, PA on October 3,” reports **Sandi Atkinson**.

“We had four searches, 2 in each trial. In Interior Novice A. Fig’s Q earned 3rd Place for his last leg of the SIN title! In the afternoon trial, Figaro did a nice job in Container Advanced, qualifying for the first time in that class with a terrific 1st Place (4Q of 8)! I was very happy with the first place, after 3 previous NQs in this class!

*Well done Team Fig—you will reach that Elite goal!*

## New Rally Advanced Title!

**Dianne Harab** announces, “**Willy** earned his Rally Advanced title at Capital’s trial on October 5, 2018 with a score of 100, and 1st place.”

*What a wonderful way to earn your title, Team Willy—you are perfect!*

## Top Five Combined Venues Qualifier and Top Ten Conformation!

**Benita Bottoms** has outstanding news! "It was exciting to qualify in the top five for Combined Venues and in the top ten for Conformation Venue for the year that runs July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018 for the Portuguese Water Dog Club of America (PWDCA) Owner Handler Awards (OHA). Thanks to my dogs **Sabato**, **Savoy** and **Antonio**, too, for their partnership in making this happen. Each year PWDCA members who want to participate pay a small fee to register for this program and submit points throughout the year. There is a special point tabulation and scoring system. My dogs are star participants in this program because they also list their up-to-date health in the PWDCA health log.



For Conformation, Antonio helped me rack up points with his AKC wins as a Class dog in the breed ring after earning his Championship last September along with Owner-Handler Group placements and Best Owner-Handled dog at a supported entry this spring. Points from PWDCA AKC events are higher than regular ones. I must say it was a busy year and our practice, grooming and traveling hundreds of miles paid off as we also earned our conformation Grand Championship in July.

In Combined venues, the PWDCA program includes both AKC conformation, agility, obedience rally, and PWDCA water work. You can enter up to four dogs owned by you in the program but they only count the points from one dog per day. Thanks to Sabato for earning his Working Water Dog title in 2017 and to both Savoy and Sabato for their agility qualifications. I knew I was down to the wire to be in the top rankings, and being strategic, I also saw that a CGC-Advanced title would earn me 10 points. On June 23rd in Richmond, Antonio earned his CGC-A at a dog show while sitting unattended in the aisle while people and dogs walked past him for one of his exercises. He was also Select and O-HG2, so he earned over 20 points that day!

Valuing the teamwork of Owner-Handlers with their dogs, the PWDCA presents these awards at the National Specialty Awards dinner where Sabato also received his Gold Register of Merit (ROM), too. Both his Mom Siena and Savoy earned Gold ROMs in the past. Now I have my own rosettes as a reminder of our work in the PWDCA OHA 2017-2018 program. I even received a six-foot leather engraved leash! But most of all I have the memory of working with my dogs I love.

*What a truly outstanding achievement, Benita! It's a testament to your all your work and devotion and we share your pride!*



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### CDX Completed Lickety Split!

**Julie Rovner** proudly proclaims, “Meet Honeyfox Lover of Wensleydale CDX, BN, GN, RE, TKA, CGCA. **Wallace** earned his CDX at the Capital trial on Sept. 7 with a 193.5. Done in three straight shows!

What a good dog!”

*You are an efficient achiever, Wallace, and we are proud!*

### More Obedience Goals in Sight!

**Tom Tatham** announces, “**Nick** is closing in on his Utility Dog Excellent (UDX) title. In September and early October, Nick earned 3 UDX legs, bringing his total to 8. He has also earned 42 points toward his Obedience Master title, for a total of 117 (200 are needed). Nick placed 3rd in Open B at the Talbot Kennel Club trial and 3rd in Open B at the Northeastern Maryland Kennel Club trial held at Oriole.”

*You are on your way, Team Nick—we'll done pursuing those goals!*



### New UD Obedience Title—3 Straight Legs!

**Laura Rubin** is so proud of her border collie **Lucy**.

“On September 29, Lucy qualified for the 3rd leg of her Utility Dog title at a trial hosted by the Obedience Training Club of Palm Beach County. This was the third consecutive time I showed her; the other two Q's were in June. It was such a thrill for me because I have never shown any dog in Utility before. I would especially like to thank Joan Adler for her patience and help as well as Pam Cobllyn for her undying enthusiasm and support!

*What a wonderful way to earn your title, Team Lucy—you are talented, efficient and such a good girlie. We all recognized your potential!*

## Obedience Triumphs!

**Sandi Atkinson** proudly announces that **Danny** earned his 18th & 19th triple Qs in rally on Friday. In Trial 1 Team Danny earned the Highest Triple Qualifying score (a perfect 300) from Master, Excellent B, and Advanced B. He didn't do quite as well in Trial 2—probably the heat—but still qualified in all 3 classes, with a 2nd Place in Exc. B for a total 14 RACH points for the two trials.

On Saturday, Dan was nearly the last dog in Trial 2, so by then there were very few people or dogs around. Whether or not this helped us I am not sure, since Dan is used to working while other activities are going on. His Graduate Open score was 195, and 1st place—the “easiest” way to earn a 1st because he was the only dog in the class! He is now officially a “GO” dog (or even a-go-go dog!).

BUT WAIT! THERE'S MORE! Mama's Little Dumpling **Mr. Figaro**—yes, THAT Figaro—finished his CD! He got 191 points and 2nd Place. It was definitely BASENJI WEATHER that afternoon. Now we all know Fig's heeling is not what you might expect from those Other Dogs—he lagged, was occasionally wide, etc., but he stayed with me (didn't run off and mess around as he did in rally on Friday). AND, he was as solid as a rock on the Stand For Exam—so much better than way back when he used to jump aside when someone went to touch him! Stays have never been a strong point with Figaro, and today he was next to a white standard poodle. Fig is somewhat wary of poodles—most likely because he has been frightened by some in the past. In his view, they're too big, have poofy hair (unlike Fig), etc. Not too long into the Sit-Stay, the poodle was either alarmed by or just interested in something behind it in the other ring or maybe people outside the ring. It suddenly shifted position but was not facing Fig. The handler went back to it and took it out of line a little. Under the new Regulations, it had to be excused, so the remaining 1-min. Down-Stay proceeded without the poodle and Fig had a nice big clear space next to him. GOOD! Today the sun shone for Fig (sun good, cloud bad), the birds sang (figuratively indoors), and he managed not to be too distracted by personal hygiene concerns on the sit—so he did both stays and WE QUALIFIED!

*You always make your ring time an adventure for your Mama, Fig. Well done and keep her on her toes!*

## She's coming back by popular demand!

The Capital Dog Training Club Presents a workshop with...

# *Connie Cleveland*

## *Obedience Seminar*

### Theory, Working and Problem Solving

#### A Two-Day Workshop



#### Saturday & Sunday • February 16-17, 2018



**Registration opens October 5-19, 2018 for CDTC members.**

**Working spot is \$200 and limited to 20 dogs per session.**

**Opens to the general public October 20, 2018.**

**Email Sue Faber, [bobf1040@verizon.net](mailto:bobf1040@verizon.net), for more information.**

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

## **Three Straight Novice Q's for New CD Title!**



**Jennie Larkin** earned her right to be proud of **Team Tali!**

After we got home Saturday afternoon and I realized what we had done, I was rather stunned. I entered Tali in Novice B in CDTC's Friday and both Saturday trials, as I decided it was as good a time as any to finish her CD title. From those 3 trials, we came home with 3 Qs—3 blue 1st Place rosettes, a new title ribbon and a High in Trial rosette! That is the sort of thing we all dream of, not what we necessarily really expect to happen!

Tali had earned her Preferred Novice title (PCD) two years ago with rather unmemorable scores, as her off-lead heeling was extremely loose and vague. During the last two years we worked on heeling and other obedience skills, worked on agility (she was almost done with her Preferred Excellent titles this summer when I dropped her back down to Standard classes), and she had a litter of puppies. All this is complicated by her heat cycles, which are a roller coaster ride of changes in drive, attention and energy levels and the highly dubious joys of false pregnancies.

### **Training For Novice:**

I haven't been in standing obedience class for some time, but have worked in practice sporadically, usually focusing on heel work, though I have worked a bit on fronts, jumps, and retrieves. In August, I realized that the Capital trial was com-

ing up and decided that it was time to get her CD, and I had hopes of putting in a better showing than we did for her preferred title (somehow—without much training...magical thinking!!!). So for the last six weeks, about once a week, I practiced Novice exercises (with help from Barbara Glass and Tom Tatham). I had two goals in mind, based on my knowledge of our weakness: (1) wean us both off heavy continuous use of treats in practice and (2) clean up off lead heeling so it looks as pretty without treats or a lead as it does with them.

For the first goal, I started working with no treats on my body, but doing several exercises then breaking off to go get a jackpot. This is how I have been training for several years in agility, and Tali picked this up very quickly, and could sustain attention and drive through multiple exercises.

For the second goal, I suspected that the poorer heeling in the off-lead was not necessarily because it was off-lead, but because it was the second time we did that exercise (thus it is inherently demotivating). To correct this, I did a couple things. First: In August, I was practicing heeling, and (as usual) it was lovely at first (on-lead) but then when I worked her off lead, it got vague. I decided that was unacceptable so I reached over and Tali got a series of vigorous collar bounces in heel position, immediately followed by more heeling and a jackpot. I wanted her to understand that when I ask for heel, I have a clear idea of what I expect to see and wandering inattentively a foot or two away does not cut it. Second: in practice run-throughs after that, I reversed the on- and off-lead heeling. I did the first heeling pattern OFF lead (when she was all keen and drivey). Then I put the lead on her for the second heeling pattern, and gave





one or two gentle collar pops when she started slacking. This was to establish an understanding that she had to work the second time, as well as the first. Combined with very strong jackpot rewards for the second heeling pattern, I think this helped her understand that she had to heel the second time, as well as the first.

I am quite certain that Tali's excellent, unworried Stand For Exam is the direct result of excellent training she received in Capital's Conformation Training Group.

#### **Handling at the Trial:**

Over the last 4 years, I have been working on engagement and developing a strong working relationship with Tali. I have also been working to have her enjoy being at trials and training situations, and to know that after every time in the ring she always gets delicious special treats. While I had a crate set up for Tali in the building (that she used a bit), it was warm and busy so Tali spent much of Saturday in the much cooler, quieter, and more relaxing car. I didn't want her to use up all her energy in the crate and have little to bring into the ring.

I have worked explicit ring entrance behaviors, to make sure she is ready and focused when we enter the ring. For those who have taking classes with me—we did a squish (with her sitting between my legs) while we were waiting to go into the ring.

I was delighted when I had the dog that I am used to working with in practice then go into the ring with me at the Capital trial. (Sometimes I know it feels like it is a different dog entirely!!!)

For handling during heel work, I decided to gaze down and smile at her through the heeling pattern because I thought that might help her feel more comfortable and sure that she was doing the right thing. When I practice heeling, I usually do not look down at her the whole time, but I thought she likely would benefit from the extra support.

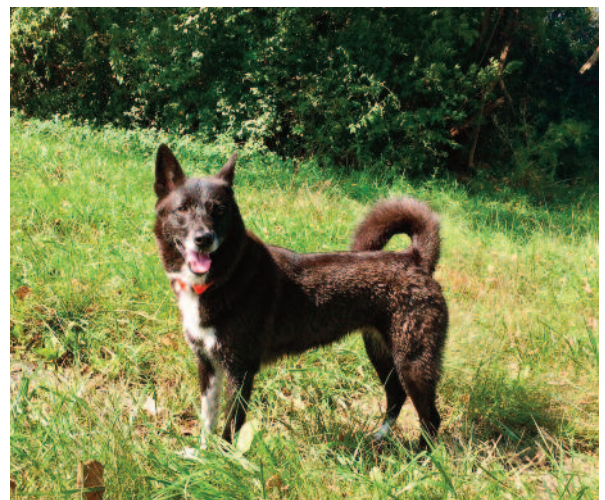
One thing I will say—if I were to do this again, I would actually train the Novice Stays. I realized when we were going into the ring for the first set of Stays, that I had never practiced Stays in this particular setting before. You have no idea how nervous I was doing those Stays! Not that Tali would go anywhere or approach one of the other dogs, but she might get bored and decide to lay down (in position). Or sit up (in position). Either of which would be an NQ.

But Tali did it all, and so beautifully! I was very proud of her, and pleased that she worked in a brand new setting the way I knew she could—and performing the way I was used to seeing her in practice. I think it is due to a strong foundation, as well as using alternative venues to strengthen her self-confidence and her ability to do her job. This includes doing heel work in many different situations, and in using alternative competition venues (Cynosport Rally for Rally practice and Companion Dog Sports Program, where she earned a C-CDX last year). Both those venues allow for praise while working and treat and the end of an exercise (and before the dog is released). I sometimes think those bridges are more important for me than for Tali! I also think working in agility helps—she learns to work with me and focus on me even when we are running at speed—and she doesn't know what comes next. She's learned that she can be in new setting while working, focusing, and having fun all at the same time!

Next up: Grad Novice and Open!!! We've started on the Utility exercises, but still have quite a ways to go.

**Tali is now CH. Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali PCD CD C-CDX BN NA NAJ OAP OJP NFP RI RL2-AOE RLP-AOE CL2.**

*What an amazing accomplishment and an inspirational essay about targeting a goal and analyzing the steps needed for achieving it. Well done, Team Tali!*



*Tali celebrated her CD with a muddy hike!*

*Where in the World is Megan?*

# NH Tall Mountains & Trails!

*By Megan Hemmer, Member CDTC*

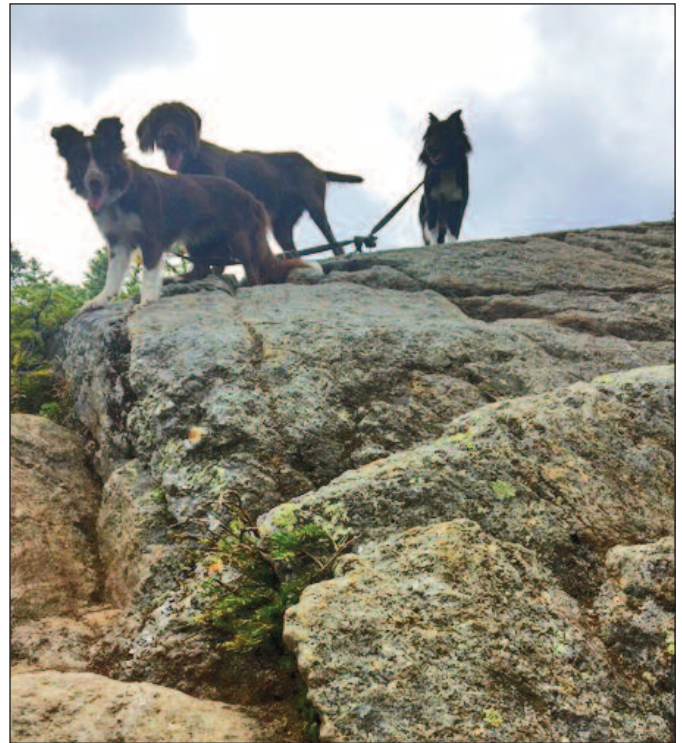
## Summifing Mt. Carter Dome

At the end of August, I took my gang back to NH to work on climbing every one of the state's 48 mountains over 4,000 feet.

On Sunday, we hiked Carter Dome, Middle and South Carter with a side trip to Mt. Height. It was rocky and a long day, but the rain mostly held off. Parts were steep and I had to send the bigger three dogs up ahead.

The next day, Monday, we hiked Mt. Isolation. That was a mud mess! But the top was beautiful and so worth slogging up the mountain. Kai and Penni giddily ran laps at the summit!

On Tuesday we did Mt. Wamubek, which passed Star King Mt. on the way.



## Big Trip #2: 10 Summits In A Week...And Then There Were 9!

On Sunday September 9, we climbed Whiteface & Passaconaway Mountains!

Monday, we summited Jackson in the morning (with its scary scrambles) and Willey in the afternoon (with its set of 11 wooden ladders). It started getting rainy after we got to the summit, so we were extra careful going down all the ladders!

Tuesday was a day of rest and we took a 0 day—no climbing at all.

On Wednesday, we summited the formidable Mt. Washington, the highest of the 48 New Hampshire mountains! We then went over to Mt. Monroe and back. The lady at the gift shop came out to meet Azzie & said they were the best behaved dogs she'd ever seen up there!

The very next day, Thursday, we summited Mt. Madison! The boulders were scary and it was hard to find which was the best way to climb up them! But it was worth the nerves because the view was amazing!!!

On Friday, we checked off Mt. Osceola and East Osceola (with the Chimney Bypass, which was scary)! Osceola was relatively easy to summit and the view was pretty cool. The Bypass was a bit tricky because it requires hand/feet holes. I scooted down the Bypass and on the way back sent the pups up ahead. They had no trouble!

On Saturday we summited Mt. Adams. There were great views but the mountain had super sharp rocks and boulders that hurt my hands and their feet. We took another day off on Sunday to rest and read a book by Kezar Lake in Maine.

On this trip we climbed the equivalent of 89% of height of Mt. Everest, or a total of 25,850 feet of Everest's 29,029 feet!



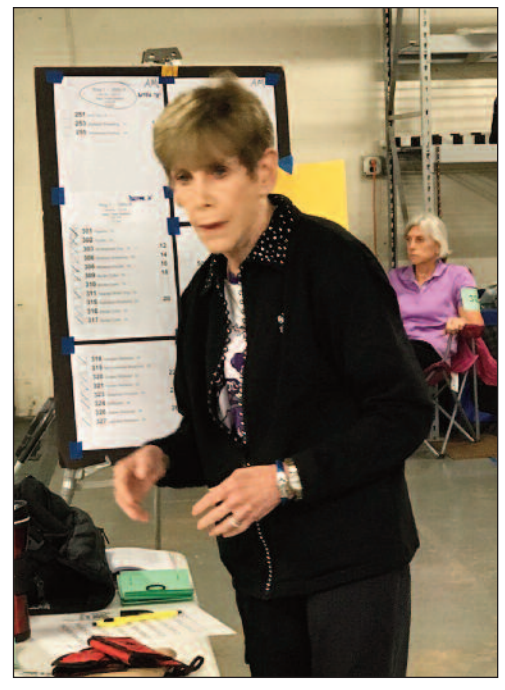
## CDTC Trials *(continued from page 1)*



"It was a fun weekend and I hope all our volunteers and exhibitors enjoyed our wonderful canine friends. Don't you just love our club????!!

Thanks to all,  
Sandy Swinburne,  
*Trophy Chair, CDTC*

"Thanks to all who helped run CDTC's rally & obedience trials from Friday to Sunday. I showed all 3 days & stewarded for Trial 1 on Saturday and Sunday. Those with whom I stewarded performed ably, aptly and helped greatly to keep the trials running smoothly. Everything went pretty well from the stewarding viewpoint—the big story was the incredible Indian Summer heat wave that plagued us every day. Only the mornings were slightly cooler. The snacks and lunches were terrific and I'm sure well appreciated by our judges."  
—Sandi Atkinson, CDTC and AKC Judge



"Thanks to all who made the effort to come and help our trial this week-end. I must give accolades to our President, Donna Cleverdon, who made the extreme effort to call our membership on the phone and drum up several volunteers! They all did an outstanding job. Thanks to everyone.

—Sue Faber, Vice President, CDTC

**A big BIG THANK YOU  
to Sandy Swinburne,  
Pam Ayres & Benita Bottom  
for our trial photos!**



# Calling all Wet Dogs!

—by Bob Rogers.

Photos by John Caldwell, MD

Newfoundland dogs find swimming irresistible in the summer, and this year other breeds are joining in the fun. Newfoundland water rescue training culminates every year with Tests of their skill. Several regional Newfoundland Clubs have begun holding special “All-Breed” Water Tests and participants have included a Rottweiler, Corgi, Portuguese Water Dog, Pit Bull mix, Australian Cattle dog, Cocker Spaniel, numerous Leonbergers, Labrador Retrievers and Golden Retrievers.

There are three levels of skill and all the exercises have to be successfully completed at a single Test to earn a title. Exercises at all levels are conducted completely off-lead; at the Excellent level dogs are expected to work with only minimal pats on the head between exercises. Successful completion of the Junior exercises awards a “Water Dog” title. The Senior Division earns the “Water Rescue Dog” title, and the Excellent Division earns the “Water Rescue Dog Excellent.”

Junior dogs have to exhibit basic control (off-lead heeling and recall); retrieve a bumper, retrieve a boat cushion or a life jacket; take a line to a “drowner,” swim to a boat, grab a bumper attached to a rowboat, and then tow and beach the boat. The last exercise is to swim calmly with the handler and then tow the handler back to shore. During all these exercises, the dog has to take direction from the handler often while working at distances up to 50 feet out in the water.

I imagine that few people think of Cockers as water dogs, but Rocky enjoys swimming and retrieving, and when it comes to towing a rowboat he slowly but surely swam out; grabbed his bumper, towed the 14-foot rowboat with two people in it to shore, and beached the boat.



*“Rocky” the Cocker Spaniel towing the boat in Junior exercises.*



*Lekha towing Arline to shore in “Swim with Handler.”*

Corgis are built for herding, but the Corgi doing Junior exercises this summer was just at home in the water as on land. It was hard to get a photo of the Corgi towing the boat (boat: big, Corgi: small) but she slowly towed it all the way! Likewise, the “swim with handler” exercise requires the dog to tow the handler to the point where the dog is walking (just think about how short Corgi legs are). Watching “Lekha” was great fun; her ears would fold down when she barreled out in the water to swim and she swam like a trooper.

At the Senior level, the boat cushion and life jacket are both placed in the water and the dog must retrieve the articles in the right sequence. To make it even more interesting, when the articles are placed in the water, the steward dropping them slaps them in the water to ensure the dog is aware of both of them. Likewise, instead of a single person in the water, there are three people, and the dog must take a lifering to the one person calling for help and bring them to shore.

Boatwork is also required when working at the senior level; the dog and handler have to board a rowboat with a platform fixed over the stern, ride out 75 feet from shore and then jump to retrieve a paddle thrown by the handler (returning the paddle to the handler on the boat).

Later in the senior exercises, the dog must rescue the handler when he jumps overboard. Almost all the exercises at the senior level take place 75 feet from shore, and all of these exercises have time constraints for completion.

Jumping off a boat is much like dock diving except the dock is moving and much, much, smaller. Dogs are required to sit, lie, or stand quietly as they are rowed into position and then promptly jump to complete the exercise. “Twix” the Rottie was remarkable, jumping far out in the water from a down on the boat platform.

Dogs working at the Excellent level are required to tow an “abandoned” boat to shore, rescue multiple victims, rescue an



*Pippy preparing to “Take a Life Ring to a Drowning Victim.”*



*“Stinger” Preparing to “Retrieve a Paddle.”*



*“Twix” the Rottweiler “Jumps to Rescue his Handler.”*

“unconscious” victim by grabbing a glove or the life jacket and hauling them back to shore, rescue a person “trapped” under a capsized raft, jump from a boat to take a line to shore, and rescue “hidden” victims calling for help from behind a boat.

The multiple person rescue is somewhat like the utility glove retrieve except the dog and handler are working from a boat 150 from shore with all three victims arranged between the boat and shore; and all of them calling for help. The dog has to jump from the boat and bring the victims to the handler on the boat. The rescue can be all three victims at once;



*“Medley”, the Leonberger, jumping to the rescue in the “Multiple Victim” Excellent level exercise.*

or, one at a time. The exercise must be done without hesitation, turning back, or going to shore. Only exceptional dogs with a great deal of stamina can perform this exercise because of the distances, the number of people to be rescued, and the commotion of all the victims calling for help at once.



*“Pickle” takes a line to shore, practicing an Excellent level exercise.*

The Cocker and Corgi are still working toward successfully completing their Junior level Test (they came very close to passing); however, the Rottweiler (“Twix”) and Pit Bull mix (“Pickle”) were both awarded Water Rescue Dog titles this summer.

Honestly though, the title isn’t the important part; it is an enormous amount of fun to train and work with such hard-working dogs all summer long.

Ask us where we’ll be when the ice breaks on the lake next spring!

For More Information about Water Rescue visit the Newfoundland Club of America website at [www.ncanews.org/working/water/index.htm](http://www.ncanews.org/working/water/index.htm)

Finding places to train in the DMV area can be challenging. In some places the dog can swim, but people cannot; in other cases, the situation is reversed. (If you know of a place where both can swim, please share it.) This winter my Newfs will be swimming at an indoor pool we located to maintain muscle tone they developed over the summer.

You will also need to find some training partners to “drown” and drop boat cushions and life jackets for your dog to retrieve.

#### About the Photographer:

*John C. Caldwell, MD is a Board-certified anesthesiologist and avid dog trainer. He gets these phenomenal photos of dogs far out from shore by standing on a very tall step ladder sunk on the bottom of the lake that extends barely above water level!*

## Novice Tricks Test A Hit at CDTC!

“We had a perfect pass rate at the September CGC test: 14 dogs are now 14 new Canine Good Citizens!” says a proud Shannon Hall.

“Sue Faber evaluated, Bob Reinhardt with Ben the Lab was the neutral dog and rounding out the work crew was Pam Ayers, Lois Keitur, Kara MacWilliams, and the fabulous Chi Le. Sheila O’Neal, who also tested, jumped in as needed, too. Since I was there anyway, I offered the Novice Tricks test and about half the CGC entrants took me up on it. Again, a perfect pass rate. Nice day at Capital!!!”

The next CGC test and Novice Tricks test will be Sunday, October, 21 at 1:00 pm—first the CGC with the Tricks test to follow. Anyone wanting to sign up let me know.”

## New Classes At CDTC!

Is your dog anxious or somewhat wild in the presence of other dogs or strange people? Lisa Daniel will teach a **5 week Calming Class** based on the work of Mark McCabe. This class is for helping dogs relax and behave better by actually shifting their emotions to be less anxious and more calm. Dogs need to be able to be crated (vision can be blocked if needed) without excessive barking because sometimes only one dog may be worked at a time.

Class will be held at CDTC in Silver Spring starting 27 October, 4 pm and will run for 90 minutes each, over the course of 5 weeks (skipping Thanksgiving weekend).

From October 4 to November 8, Tom Tatham is teaching a **Distraction Class** on Thursdays at 8 pm. This class is all about proofing your dog for competition obedience. Many exhibitors skip the crucial step of proofing when preparing to show their dog in obedience trials. During proofing, your dog will be exposed to more and more difficult distractions to teach him to maintain his concentration and complete the obedience exercises.

Contact [cdtcclasses@gmail.com](mailto:cdtcclasses@gmail.com) to register.

## CDTC Events List

This list notifies dog fanciers of CDTC seminars and other events and announces dog-related events in the mid-Atlantic area. Anything that deals with dog shows, matches, seminars, or other dog-related events will be posted, including non-CDTC events that take place in this geographical area.

**To join the events list, go to:** <https://cdtc.org/events/join-event-groups/>. Scroll down and click the group you want to join.

# Backyard Training Tip: Mix It Up for Maximum Attention and Excitement

—by Martha Perkins, Member, CDTC

**E**ach dog has unique training challenges. Some have more than others. Some have even more than most, such as my dog, Zack. His biggest challenge is that he works with a beginner handler, through no fault of his own. My biggest challenge is to make training fun and interesting and successful for Zack.

When Zack first came to live with me, I started him out in CDTC obedience classes. He was not thrilled. Welsh Springer Spaniels are well known for disliking repetition of an exercise. They get irritated: “Look, I sat next to you; why does my butt have to be perfectly straight?! I’m going to ignore you and watch the dogs in the next ring; you’re boring me. I may even lunge at another dog, just for the sport of it.”

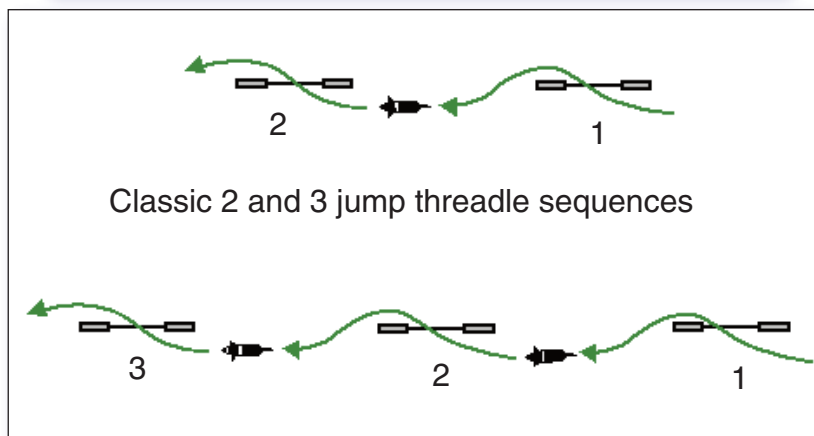
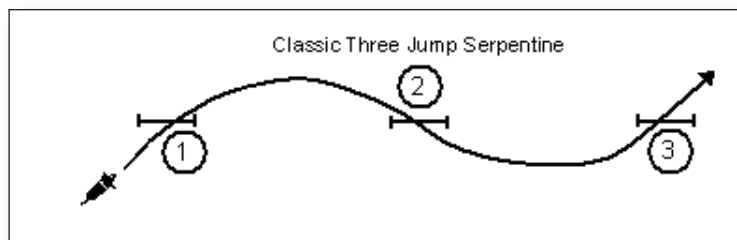
In spite of his relative disinterest in obedience, he did indeed learn a great deal in the classes (as did I). I then started him in agility classes, thinking that such an energetic and athletic dog would thrive. We did not quickly thrive, but he and I have slowly learned a great deal and we sometimes come together as a coordinated working team. Besides the formal CDTC classes, backyard training sessions that are frequent, varied, and short seem to be the key for Zack and me.

I do not have a large back yard, so I can only have a small amount of agility equipment. I got 6 weave poles and three jumps. Zack quickly mastered the weave poles and did 12 poles perfectly the first time he was introduced to them. I have moved the jumps around in order to change things up and challenge him. This summer I set the jumps in a line and taught him serpentine and threadles. But he was exhibiting signs of boredom, so I decided to mix up agility and obedience training. Therefore, some days I plan a unique run. For example: one jump; onside weaves; heel around the back yard; sit-stay-come; a serpentine; offside weaves; down on recall; etc. Once in a while, I throw in a trick, such as catching a favorite toy (Monkey or Bite-Me) on the fly or high-fiving. He is much more excited and engaged in such an unusual run-thru. He listens to and watches me more closely, as he just doesn’t know what command is coming next. Best of all, when we finish each unique run-thru, he jumps around me and seems to be proud of himself: “That was really fun, wasn’t it!? You seem excited and happy, too! I did well; I heard you say so. I like hotdogs! Can we do it again?!”

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**An informal approach to training—mix it up and make it fun and unpredictable!**

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# AKC News—Rally Regulations



## Rally Jump Heights for Advanced, Excellent & Master

Height of Dog	Jump Height	Broad Jump Width	How Many Boards?
<10"	4"	8"	1
10" - <15"	8"	16"	2
15" - <20"	12"	24"	2
20" & >	16"	32"	3

**Jump Heights.** The dog's jump height shall be given by the handler on the entry form. Entries will be arranged according to the jump height of the dogs, from either high to low or low to high.

### Reminder!

Please take a minute or two to clean the club's crates if you use one. Our dogs deserve a clean place to rest.

It only takes a few minutes and the club is nice enough to have plenty of paper towels and cleaner right there within reach.

It's just common courtesy!

### Run-Thru's and Class Conflicts!

Run thrus are January, (1st Saturday)  
February, March, June, July (1st Sunday)  
and September (Saturday).

They run 8 am 'till around 2 pm.

Please be advised that morning classes will be bumped on run-thru days!

### Please Help Out At CDTC!

We are an all-volunteer organization that both needs and expects our members to attend meetings, volunteer to help with club events and engage in our club's activities.

Yes, life is busy and there are times when it is not possible to put our club first in your lives.

When you can, please volunteer, attend and engage in our club.

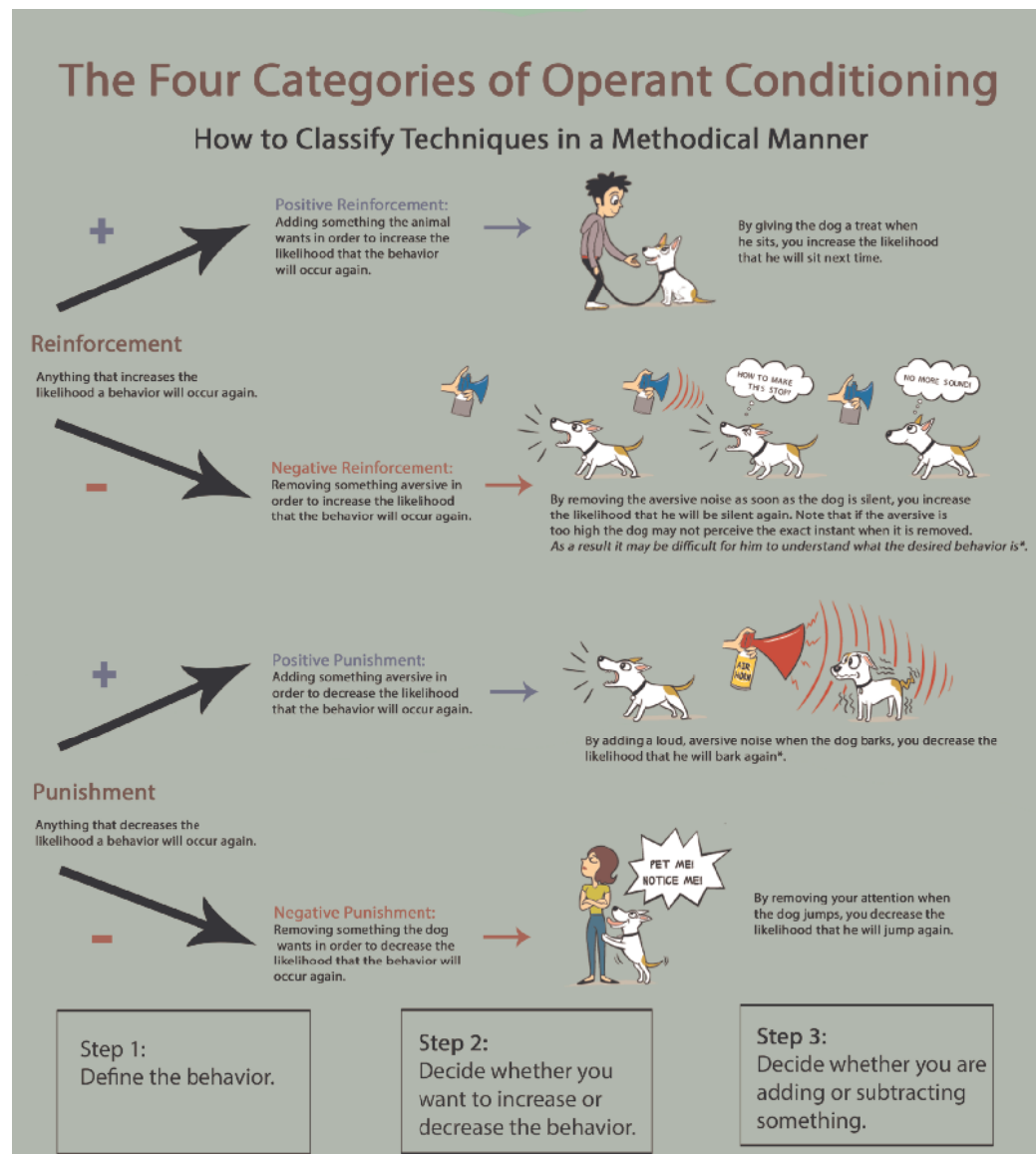
We want you to and we need you to participate!

# Operant Conditioning—An Efficient (and Positive!) Method for Dog Training

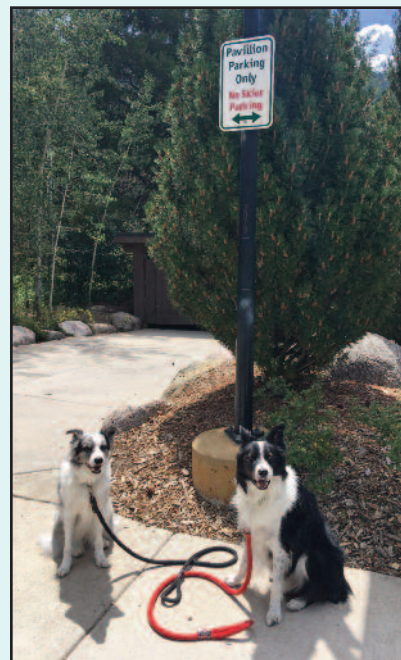
At the CDTC October General Meeting, President Donna Cleverdon gave a presentation and held a general discussion on the topic of “reinforcement” and “punishment” in dog training. Ms. Cleverdon discussed the work of B.F. Skinner and, specifically, referenced what has become known as the four quadrants of operant conditioning. She noted that if you want a behavior repeated more frequently, reward that behavior (Positive Reinforcement), and if you want a behavior less frequently, remove any reward, or perceived reward for the behavior (Negative Punishment). The animal defines what is reinforcing and what is punishing, and we all need to become astute observers of our dogs as each is an individual. Each of us needs to do what works for our unique learner.

Ms. Cleverdon stressed the need for clarity in our training and noted that the greatest cruelty is to create an environment where the dog is confused and/or anxious. The dog must know how to earn the reward. Members were reminded that we can look at the **antecedent** (what comes *before*, and sets the stage for, the behavior) in addition to the consequences of the behavior when we want to effect behavioral change. Ms. Cleverdon ended her presentation by encouraging members to do some reading and research on positive reinforcement training, stressing that we all want to become more efficient and effective trainers.

**Note:** Dr. Susan G. Friedman is one source for additional information. Also, read through the Eileen And the Dogs blog posts for lots more training information. Click on the link for a specific discussion on operant conditioning: <https://eileenanddogs.com/2013/04/29/operant-conditioning-quadrants/>.



# Yes, Dogs Need A Vacation, Too!



*Laura Rubin took her border collies Lucy and Skier on vacation out west. They stayed in Vail, CO and from there traveled to Jackson Hole and Wyoming. They logged over 5000 miles!*



*Pam Coblyn's Fenway enjoyed the summer and fall on Martha's Vineyard. "He enjoyed country living—herding pumpkins and getting down and dirty—even smelly!"*

# Capital's Website ([www.cdtc.org](http://www.cdtc.org))— Member Login Demystified

**B**y now I hope you have viewed Capital's new website at [www.cdtc.org](http://www.cdtc.org). If you haven't, I encourage you to check it out, poke around and see what's new.

One of the biggest changes is the **Members Only** section and **Members Login**. We are no longer using a generic member login—i.e., **member** and **4fido** are no longer in use and **will not** log you into the Members Only section. Each member will need to create their own member login. Here are the directions on how to do this:

To login as a member, use the web link listed below:

**Login site:** <http://cdtc.org/register-4/>

Once you register, you should receive a confirmation email to the email address you registered with and the password you registered. Once you receive your password, you will access the site at the usual address ([www.cdtc.org](http://www.cdtc.org)). In the upper left of the main page is a **Login Button**—or you can go directly to <http://cdtc.org/login-3/>. You should see a form where you will be asked to fill in your email address and password. Fill in both fields and click to login. I have found that it tells me that I have logged in successfully right away and takes me directly to the Members Only page. The usual documents that we have displayed in the past will appear on that page, including the Membership Roster, Bylaws and P&P.

Our current Web Master is Carolyn Henry. For postings to the website, please send them to Carolyn's email, [caro.e.henry@gmail.com](mailto:caro.e.henry@gmail.com) and put "CDTC New Posting" in the subject line.

## Stay Informed—Sign Up for the CDTC Listserv!

Would you like to subscribe to the **CDTC Listserv** for announcements and messages? You can either send an email to the subscribe address at [cdtc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:cdtc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com), or email Shannon Hall ([shandavegh@gmail.com](mailto:shandavegh@gmail.com)) directly so she can issue you an invitation. This is a closed group that is available to only CDTC members.

## On the CDTC Website \*

In addition to signing up for classes, did you know that you can get all sorts of information about our club on our website? It's simple! Go to <https://cdtc.org/>. You **MUST** log in to access:

- General Meeting and Board of Directors meeting minutes
- The CDTC Financial Reports: This year's Board-approved budget along with last year's budget and actuals
- Clubhouse contact info and Member Roster
- The Annual Membership Renewal Form (due July 1, 2018)
- The Annual Awards Application Form for titles earned during 2017 and presented at our Annual Dinner in July
- The CDTC Handbook, Policies & Procedures Manual and the Constitution & Bylaws

# CLASS SCHEDULES

Day	Date	Time	Instructor	Time	Class	Instructor
<b>PUPPY KINDERGARTEN</b>				<b>TRICKS</b>		
Sun	9-9:50 am	10/14-12/2	Freedman	Tue	Adv. Tricks 11:30-12:50 pm	Rosen
Mon	6-6:50 am	9/17-11/5	Flagg	<b>FREESTYLE</b>		
Sat	12 noon-12:50 pm	11/3-12/22	Cortright	Mon	C 10:00-12:00 pm	Ely
<b>BASIC, ADVANCED BASIC &amp; SUB-NOVICE</b>				<b>CONFORMATION</b>		
Sun	Basic 1:00-1:50 pm	11/4-12/16	Crawford	Tue	Training Group 8pm, alt. weeks	Harab
Mon	Sub Novice 7:15-8:05 pm		Adler/Dwyer	Sat	Conformation Drop In, 9/8 11 am	Kopp/Harab
Mon	Adv. Basic 8:30-9:25 pm	10/29-12/3	Hall	<b>AGILITY</b>		
Tue	Basic 7:00-7:50 pm	10/23	Miller	Wed	8:00-9:15 pm Starts 9/13	Hall
Wed	Basic 7:00-7:50 pm	10/17-11/21	Hall	Sun	Beginner 10:30-12 noon Starts 9/16	deBremond
Thurs	Sub-Novice 9:30-10:20 am		Adler/Dwyer	Sun	Intro 4:45-6:00 pm Starts 9/16	deBremond
Fri	Basic, 10/5-11/23 7:00-7:50 pm		Reinhardt	Sun	Handling A 6:00-7:15 Starts 9/16	Rosen/Stover
Sat	Beg. Rally, 9/22-12/5 10:00-10:50 am		Harab	Sun	Handling B 7:15-8:30 Starts 9/16	Carter & Wohl
<b>NOVICE</b>				<b>FLYBALL</b>		
Mon	C 7:15-8:05 pm		Glass	Sat	Beginning 6:30-7:30 pm	Dwyer
Tue	C 6:00-6:50 pm		Cleverdon	Sat	Intermediate 7:30-8:30 pm	Dwyer
Thurs	C 9:30-10:20 am		Holt	Sat	Competition 8:30-9:30 pm	Dwyer
Thurs	C 6:00-6:50 pm		Dwyer	<b>TRAINING GROUPS</b>		
<b>OPEN</b>				Mon	C 10:00-12:00 pm	Ely (Freestyle)
Mon	C 6:00-7:15 pm		LaDieu	Tue	C 6:00-6:30	Cleverdon (Open & Utility)
Tue	C 7:00-7:50 pm		Cleverdon	Tue	C 8:00	Conformation
Thurs	C (Intermed.) 8:00-9:00 pm		Harry	Wed	C 9:30-10:20 am	McCown (Novice Obed.)
<b>UTILITY</b>				Wed	C 11:30-12:00 pm	Spodak (Obedience)
Mon	C 8:15-9:05 pm		Adler	Wed	C 12:00-1:00 pm	Spodak (Open Discussion)
Thurs	C 6:00-7:00 pm		Harry/Prep	Wed	C 1:00 pm	Spodak (Freestyle)
Thurs	C 7:00-8:00 pm		Harry	Thurs	C 12:30-2:20 pm	Goldstein (Obedience)
Fri	UDX TG 12:30-2:00 pm		Faber	Fri	C 12:30-2:00 pm	Faber (Utility)
<b>OBEDIENCE DISTRACTION</b>				Sat	C 1:00-3:00 pm	Faber (Rally)
Thur	C 8:00-8:50 pm	10/4-11/8	Tatham	<b>CGC, THERAPY DOG &amp; TRICKS TESTS</b>		
<b>CALMING CLASS</b>				Sun	CGC Test, 10/21 1:00 pm	Hall
Sat	9/27-12/1 4:00-5:30 pm	9/27-12/1	Daniel	Sun	Tricks Test, 10/21 3:00 pm	Hall
<b>RALLY</b>				Sat	TDI Test, 10/28 1:00-3:00 pm	Hertz
Tues	Competition Rally 10:00 am		Cook/Atkinson	<b>BUILDING CLEANING</b>		
Thurs	Rally Class Set Up 11-11:30 am			Tues	C 1:00 pm-3:30 pm	
Thurs C	Competition Rally 11:30-12:15 pm		Daniel			
Thurs	Rally Take Down 12:15 to 12:30					
Sat	Beg. Rally, 9/22-12/15 10-10:50 pm		Harab			
Sat	TG: Rally 1-3:00 pm		Faber/Smith			

# CLASS SCHEDULES

Time	Class	Instructor	Ring	Time	Class	Instructor	Ring
<b>MONDAY</b>				<b>FRIDAY</b>			
10-12 noon	Freestyle TG	Ely	Bldg.	10:00-12:00	Freestyle	Ely	Bldg
6:00-6:50	Adv. Basic, 10/29-12/10	Reinhardt	1-2	12:30-2:00 pm	TG: UDX	Faber	2-3
6:00-6:50	Puppy K, 9/17-11/5	Flagg	3	7:00-7:50 pm	Basic, 10/5-11/23	Reinhardt	1-2
6:00-7:15	Open	LaDieu	2	<b>SATURDAY</b>			
7:15-8:05	Sub-Novice	Adler/Dwyer	3	10-10:50 am	Beg. Rally, 9/22-12/15	Harab	1-2
7:15-8:05	Novice	Glass	1-2	11:00	Conformation Drop In Kopp/Harab	9/8	
8:15-9:05	Utility	Adler	2-3	12:00-12:50	Puppy K, 11/3-12/22	Cortright	2-3
8:30-9:20	Adv. Basic, 10/29-12/3	Hall	1	1:00-3:00 pm	Rally TG	Faber/Smith	Bldg
<b>TUESDAY</b>				4:00-5:30 pm	Calming Class, 9/27-12/1	Daniel	1-2
10:00	Competition Rally	Cook/Atkinson	Bldg.	6:30-7:30 pm	Beg. Flyball	Dwyer	Bldg
11:30-12:30	Advanced Tricks	Rosen	1-2	7:30-8:30 pm	Intermediate Flyball	Dwyer	Bldg
1-3:30 pm	Building Cleaning			8:30-9:30 pm	Competition Flyball	Dwyer	Bldg
6-6:50 pm	Novice	Cleverdon	1-2	<b>SUNDAY</b>			
7:00-7:50 pm	Open	Cleverdon	1-2	9:00-9:50 am	Puppy K	Freedman	1-2
7:00-7:50 pm	Basic, 10/23	Miller	1-2	10:30-12:00	Agility-Beginner Starts 9/16	deBremond	Bldg.
8:00 pm	Conformation Training Group		1-2	1:00	Basic	Crawford	1-2
(Alternate dates with TG and Member & Board meetings)				1:00-3:00	CGC Test, 10/21	Hall	Bldg.
8:00-10:00 pm	Member Meetinga, 11/3, 12/11		Bldg.	3:00	Tricks Test, 10/21	Hall	Bldg.
8:00-10:00 pm	Board Meetinga, 10/23, 11/27		Bldg.	1:00-3:00	TDI Test, 10/28	Hertz	Bldg.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>				4:45-6:00 pm	Agility-Intro Full Courses! Starts 9/16	deBremond	Bldg.
9:30-10:20 am	TG: Novice	McCown	1-2	6:00-7:15 pm	Handling A Starts 9/16	Rosen/Stover	Bldg.
11:30-noon	TG: Obed. Handling	Spodak	1-2	7:15-8:30 pm	Agility Handling B Starts 9/16	Carter & Hall	Bldg
12:00-1:00 pm	Discussion	Spodak		<b>More Doings At the Club!</b>			
1:00 pm	Freestyle Training	Spodak	Bldg.	<b>Meetings</b>			
7:00-7:50 pm	Basic, 10/17-11/21	Hall	1-2	■ <b>CDTC General Meeting: November 13, at 8 pm</b>			
8:00-9:15 pm	Competition Agility, 9/12	Hall	Bldg.	■ <b>CDTC General Meeting/Howliday Party: December 11, at 6:30 pm</b>			
<b>THURSDAY</b>				■ <b>CDTC Board Meeting: November 27 at 8 pm</b>			
9:30-10:20 am	Sub-Novice	Adler/Dwyer	3	■ <b>TDI Test: 10/29 at 2:30</b>			
9:30-10:20 am	Novice	Holt	1-2				
11-11:30 am	Rally Set-up		2-3				
11:30-12:15pm	Competition Rally	Daniel	2-3				
12:15-12:30	Rally Take Down		2-3				
12:30-2:30 pm	TG: Open/Utility	Goldstein	Bldg.				
6:00-6:50 pm	Novice Obed.	Dwyer	1-2				
6:00-7:00 pm	Utility Prep	Harry	3				
7:00-8:00 pm	Utility	Harry	2-3				
8:00-9:00 pm	Open Intermediate	Harry	2-3				
8:00-9:00 pm	Obedience Distraction	Tatham	3				

## November-December Rally Training Group Schedule

Set up at 1pm. Walk-thrus at 1:25.

Runs start at 1:35, end by 2:45 pm.

The Rally training group will begin to slowly integrate some of the *NEW* rally signs. We will have one ring with nested courses—all utilizing the new signs, and keep one ring with only “old” (2012) signs.

Rally Training Group Dates:

October 20th. Nov-Dec dates will be emailed!

Please check our club’s listserv for any cancellations.

## General Membership Meeting

*Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 8:00 pm*

*Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 8:00 pm*

**CDTC's Annual  
Howliday Party!**  
**December 11**  
*Fun & Games  
With Your Dog!!!*

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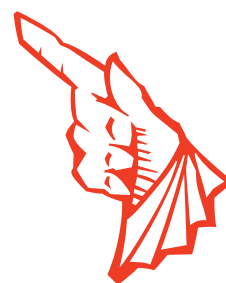
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