



HOT Dog News

The Newsletter of the Columbia Basin Dog Training Club
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June 2010

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Announcements

Well... the first newsletter was well received. Thanks to those who sent input to this month's edition. I'm sure there are several more brags but.....

Deadline for input will be the 25th of each month.

Contest....

Only have two to choose from... any others want to get in on the name??

If you have a clever name idea, please send to me at piperwife@amerion.com. I will bring to a meeting and let the club vote.

Training

The list of available summer classes (22 to be exact) are up on the website.

Registration is open on the website and will close for agility on June 6th and the others on June 11, 2010

Classes will run from the week of June 8th through August 6th.

Did you know? Follow-up....

Companion Dog (CD):

Probability of qualifying in the first three trials 0.28

Average number of trials to complete title 4

Number of trials for 90% to complete title 7

Number of trials for 99% to complete title 10

Companion Dog Excellent (CDX):

Probability of qualifying in the first three trials 0.04

Average number of trials to complete title 8

Number of trials for 90% to complete title 14

Number of trials for 99% to complete title 25

Utility Dog (UD):

Probability of qualifying in the first three trials 0.008

Average number of trials to complete title 13

Number of trials for 90% to complete title 25

Number of trials for 99% to complete title 41

Watch next month for
"Ask a Trainer"
Got a question? Sent it to
me and I'll poll the trainers.

Braggs / New Titles**Moses Lake results:**

De & Poppy Nelson	Novice Obedience	CD - TITLE
De & Poppy Nelson	Rally Advanced	RA – TITLE
De & Teyla Nelson	Rally Advanced	RA – TITLE
Rose & Sophie Wilson	Novice Obedience	1 st leg
Rose & Sophie Wilson	Novice Rally	1 st & 2 nd legs

Walla Walla results:

De & Teyla Nelson	1 st place Rally Adv	Score of 98	Extra title leg
Cody & Copper Hand	1 st place Novice A		CD – TITLE

Other results:

Debbie & Roman Brower	HIC (Herding Instinct Certificate)	He is now “helping” around the farm.	
Brooke & Jack Lanigan	Graduate Novice	1 st leg, 2 nd place with a 191	
Kathy & Havoc Woodbury	Novice Obedience	CD – TITLE	
Jane & Cassi Cooper	Bearded Collie	NEW CHAMPION	
Cathie & Tazer Best		AKC STAR Puppy	
David & Piper Lanigan		AKC STAR Puppy	

Local Happenings

The 2nd annual Ameri-Canine Idol was held in Columbia Park on Saturday May 22nd. Several CBDTC members participated on Friday... VERY early in the morning for TV spot on the Saturday event. Thanks to Poppy, Freckles, Joy, Toffee, Teyla and Tazzie for providing super footage.

Saturday's highlights per Lezlie:

“Many of our club members participated, the weather was perfect and CBDTC provided the entertainment. A freestyle presentation was given by Beve and Toffee Taylor, Rhonda and Sweet Pea Riggle, Dan & Joy Couch and Lezlie & Freckles Couch. These dogs and handlers, with the addition of Rose & Sophie Wilson, De & Poppy/Teyla Nelson, and Tracy Hill, who worked Poppy, gave an obedience demonstration immediately after the Freestyle. Agility demo was done by Rose Wilson & Sophie, Linda Scannell & Biscuit, Tracy Hill and Jake, Linda Kennedy and Lambi, Rhonda Riggle and Sweet Pea, Brenda Trowbridge and Hannah and Hogan, Torka Poet and Finnegan, Lezlie Couch and Freckles, De Nelson and Teyla and Poppy and Dan Couch and Joy. In addition, Jane Bourgesse, ran with her border collie, Levi. The entire event was great because of all of the club team work. Members showed up early to help set up the agility course, everyone showed up early to get their dogs ready, and we used exactly the amount of time they told us for all three demonstrations! Rich and Beve timed and started the dogs, Dan Kennedy filled in at the last minute. Everyone helped and got the course broken down very quickly. Many of the club members participated in some of the contests. Courtney Gunthrie's dog Judge won the peanut butter eating contest; Teyla Nelson won one of the races. Sweet Pea did not win a medal, but also did very well in one of the races. Everyone had a lot of fun playing with their dogs. Thanks to everyone who participated in making this a great event.”

Club Opportunities

Washington State University Summer Science Camps Amazing Animals. The WSU Summer Science Program is again having an Amazing Animals session. We participated in this for two years, and WSU gave us honorariums of \$600. It was a lot of fun, and reached a lot of people. Because we were so popular, they have again asked us to participate – in two sessions this year.

- a. The first day the students rotate around workshops of 4 classes for 20minutes each (about 30 children in each class).

Last time we had 4 classes-

Big dogs- little dogs and what they can do (Argus Wood and Freckles Couch)

Canine Einstein- dog tricks you can teach your dog at home (Audrey Ullrich and Calvin)

Responsibility for a pet- Roseanne Davis and Whippets

How to prevent dog and other animal bites- Kayos Woodbury and Shreq Michaels

These classes were excellent and are really fun, but as you can see, most of the dogs and handlers are no longer with us. If you are interested I will be glad to help you put a class together as I have outlines from all of these presentations.

These would be in July (probably 13) and August (probably 10). The weeks are set, but not the days...

- b. We also participated in the finale on Friday. We had an agility meet, which the children loved. Afterwards, the children rotated with their parents through various activities of other days, and a large room where we had a rally course set up (the parents took their children through...) and we had the dogs arranged by group and let the kids pet them and ask questions. Argus Wood took them on Dog cart rides. It was really a great showing for the club. The finale will be on at about 9:00-11:00 (this would be on July 16 and July 13. If you are available with a dog that is good with children, please let Lezlie Couch know.

Canine Currency update...

Linda Kennedy has created an online canine currency calculator for the club. This is a SUPER program that you can just open up every time you put in club time and it will keep a running total for you. The web address is www.italian-greyhounds.net/canineCurrency.html

If you want to use canine currency points for a class, please send a request with the class you are taking, and Linda will deduct your points from your account and email that you are paid to you and the class instructor. ig@italian-greyhounds.net

February 23, 2010
STAR PUPPY CLASS
Graduates
Instructors: Brooke & Tracy



Hermiston Happenings...



The Hermiston Public Library went to the dogs Friday afternoon as officials honored both human and animal members of Canine Comfort as Volunteer of the Year for 2009.

"We are so thrilled with what you've done here at the library, and when we heard about everything else you've done, we wanted to name you our 2009 Volunteer of Year," library volunteer coordinator Sue Folsom told the group. "The children adore you and the dogs, and we are so glad to have you as a part of our program."

Canine Comfort is a dog therapy group; members volunteer their time and their pets to visit libraries, nursing homes, hospitals and other people who could benefit from the companionship.

"It's fun and it makes the kids and other people we visit so happy," member Kathy Johnson said. "It's a small community action, but it's our way of giving back to the community."

Canine Comfort has volunteered with the Hermiston Public Library during the summer reading program and through RWFF - Reading with Furry Friends - for three years. The group also works with libraries in Tri-Cities and with nursing homes throughout both areas.

The members hail from both sides of the river - including Boardman, Tri-Cities and Hermiston - and the dogs range in all shapes and sizes from Morpheus the pug to Shreq the Doberman. Friday participants also included Monty, a Kerry blue terrier, Chewy, a Bouvier des Flandres, Ritz, a soft-coated Wheaten terrier, and Sunny, a golden retriever.

Eileen Michals, of Tri-Cities, said she has worked with dog therapy for more than two decades and both she and Shreq enjoy the library programs.

"It's about encouraging children to read. Even children who don't like to read will read to a dog," she said. "I've had high school students read Spanish and French just to have someone to practice with."

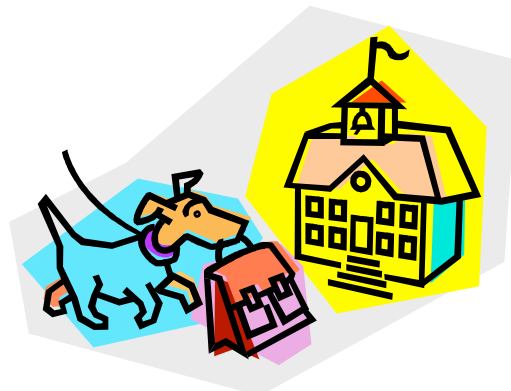
Younger children or those who are still learning can read to the dogs without worrying about stumbling blocks or being judged, and some who can't read will make up stories for the animals, group members said.

"It's good for imagination building when they can't read," Molly Golter, of Hermiston, said. "It's just a real great experience."

Although no dates have been set, library staff members are working with Canine Comfort on participation in the summer reading program, and Canine Comfort is looking for more volunteers. To qualify for Canine Comfort, dogs must have a calm and friendly temperament, know or be able to learn appropriate manners and be groomed before visits.

"We are always looking for more volunteers. All breeds are welcome," member Mim Myren, of Boardman, said. "The bonus is you get to hang out with great people and dog friends."

For more information about Canine Comfort, including joining the group, contact Kathy Johnson at kjohnson97818@yahoo.com or (541) 571-7199.



Update on the CBDTC Obedience and Rally Trial. OCTOBER 2, 2010

Submitted by Jane Cooper.

The rough draft of the premium list is in the hands of the superintendent. If you want to donate trophies or money towards the trophies, this is your last chance to be listed in the premium list as well as the catalog. Lezlie and her trophy committee have come up with some wonderful trophies.

This year's set-up will be a bit different from previous years. In addition to the shows and trials of Richland Kennel Club and CBDTC, The German Wirehaired Pointers will be having their National in conjunction with our events, and the Cardigan Welsh Corgis will have a Regional. Grounds will be set-up on Wednesday, instead of Friday. We will need to double ring our rings on Wednesday.

Tidying up the rings can wait until Friday as usual.

I am looking for volunteers for several positions.

Kathy Ertell has been our default **Emergency Coordinator** for several years. Although I am hoping she will continue, an understudy would be wonderful. This is a position required by AKC. The coordinator must have a cell phone that can be printed in the catalog, ring schedule, etc. And the coordinator is responsible for printing maps, for exhibitors in need, to vet clinics, hospitals, and possible evacuation routes. Day of trial, the EC should be on grounds during the trial.

We need a **Chief Ring Steward**. The chief ring steward is responsible for finding stewards for both trials on Saturday. In addition to scheduling stewards, watching out for ring conflicts, the CRS will arrange for temporary stand-ins. We may put a note in the premium asking for volunteers, and offering "payment" of lunch. Having good stewards is essential for a good trial. Day of trial, the CRS does a lot of last minute situational control.

And we need a **Grounds Chairman**. Rich Nelson has done this job in the past, but it is a difficult time of year for him. He has offered to help, and Kevin Davis, of Richland Kennel Club, has always been willing to step up and help us. As stated above, work will need to be done on BOTH Wednesday and Friday. In the past, it's been a pleasant day in the park. During our trial, the grounds person needs to be on site, in case of strong winds trying to blow the rings over (happened the first year I stewarded for RKC) or any other event that needs equipment. We usually put up the tables and easy-ups for trophies and the raffle on Friday.

If you are interested in helping, please contact me at: 531-3942 or Beardies@Televar.com

Brags in the world of Canine Freestyle.....WCFO – World Canine Freestyle Organization

Dan & Joy Couch are the first people to actually get a title- He has a beginning musical freestyle title.

Beve & Toffee Taylor have a leg in Musical Freestyle and a leg in Sassy Seniors Musical Freestyle.

Lezlie & Freckles Couch have a leg in Musical Freestyle and a leg in Heel to Music.

Katy Romine and Callie have a leg in Musical Freestyle.

All of us have entered a taped competition. Beve, Dan, and Lezlie attended a live competition in Corvallis, Oregon the first part of May. We are anxiously awaiting the results our second taped competition. **Many thanks to Torka Poet for doing all the filming and technical expertise required to get these performances completed. Her generosity with time and talent has enabled us to pursue this sport.**

Obedience exercises – multiple choice quiz

Heel on lead means

- A) Walk kinda behind your handler, always staying out of peripheral vision.
- B) Have fun playing; this may include biting the lead, pants, or a playful nip to the heel of your handler.
- C) This is really a towing exercise. Either tow your handler or be towed by them.
- D) All of the above.

Figure Eight is for

- A) Making friends with the posts.
- B) Your last chance to play with the lead.
- C) A good time to practice those Stays.
- D) All of the above.

The Stand for Exam is for

- A) Licking the judge.
- B) Sleeping.
- C) Checking out the audience and finding new folks you want to meet.
- D) All of the above.

Heel Free means

- A) Sniff until something interests you then wander away from your handler.
- B) Time to meet those friendly people you had your eye on during the Stand.
- C) Time to show your potential for Utility and do a "Go Out".
- D) All of the above.

Recall means

- A) Hummmmm I don't recall what this means better just sit here.
- B) Run as fast as you can to your handler and jump on them.
- C) Run to that spot that smelled so interesting and proceed to check it out.
- D) Alternate all of the above responses.

Finish?

- A) I'm almost finished.

Stays are for

- A) Twitching to freak out your handler.
- B) Licking your parts.
- C) This is a play time. I guess I'd better get started.
- D) Just pick one or two of the above.

CD means

- A) Nothing
- B) Creative Dog
- C) Confused Dog
- D) Clueless Dog

Author Unknown



Trial Etiquette

Arrive early enough to get set up and allow you time to potty your dog (and you) and get him/her used to the hustle and bustle of a show. You should arrive no later than one half hour before you are scheduled to go in the ring. Set up where you are not blocking a major walk-way and never set up right next to the ring gates.

Check in as soon as you arrive if check-in is available for your class--this is being considerate to the steward and to the judge. If you see the stewards beginning to set up the table, give them time to do it before going up to check in. **Know approximately when you are due to go into the ring.** Also, there will almost always be changes in the scheduling of runs because of conflicts. Make sure you know if there are dogs in front of you who have been moved to the end. That will make your run earlier than you think.

Armbands go on the left arm and are held in place with rubber bands that may be available at the sign-in table. Always double check your armband number with your confirmation slip to make sure it's correct. When you have a chance, find a catalog and check the information to make sure it's correct - especially your dog's AKC number. The obedience chair and/or the superintendent must have a catalog handy.

If you have a conflict with another ring, when you check-in tell the Table Steward and ask if you can be moved. The judge is the one who makes the final decision on conflict issues but they will most likely have already given instructions on how to handle changes in running order. Don't be surprised if you end up at the very end of the class - that is the most common occurrence. In the higher Rally classes, you may only get to go to the end of your jump height so, if you have a conflict, you have to know which ring will get you done sooner. Since Rally takes so little time, if you're at the front of Rally, you might consider asking the obedience steward to move you down the list. This would be much easier on you both and Rally will give you the warm-up that might give you a better score in obedience.

Stay clear of the entrance and exit while watching the performances and while waiting to go in. Be there and waiting quietly out of the way just before you're due to go in - make sure the Gate Steward knows you're there. The Gate Steward will be calling out armband numbers, so just wave or say "I'm here" to let them know where you are.

If you're going to take treats with you to work on attention prior to going into the ring, don't take more than a few pieces so they can be all gone before you go into the ring. Try to keep your dog quiet while warming up if you are anywhere near the ring.

You cannot have food or toys anywhere on your body when you are in the ring. No fanny packs, no cell phone, no jingling keys. Absolutely nothing that will give the appearance of being a training aid. No tags on the dog's collar. No training (prong, electric) collars are allowed.

Do NOT lay toys or extra food on the steward's table - this is part of the "ring".

Wear clean clothing and shoes. While judges don't look at what you're wearing, you should look like you care about yourself.

Make sure your dog is clean and brushed and the toenails are clipped.

Don't be afraid to ask judges questions on the walk-thru because it's probably the only chance you'll get.

Always keep an eye on your dog while you're around other dogs. Yours may be friendly but the other dog may have a very small personal space and could object to another dog entering that space by attacking. Be aware of where your dog is so that it's not blocking the flow of pedestrians around a ring.

While trials are not deathly silent, **revving up a dog to the point that it disturbs other dogs and/or handlers in the ring or getting ready to go in the ring is considered poor manners and is very inconsiderate.**

Upcoming shows/trials

Club/Location	Show date	Closing date	Superintendent	Classes	Mixed
Mt Bachelor KC Redmond, OR	2-4	June 16	Robin Cohen 425-788-2247	Agility	No
Mt Bachelor KC Redmond, OR	3-4	June 16	Onofrio	Obed/Rally	No
Bell Vernon KC Mt. Vernon, WA	3-4	June 16	BaRay Event Services, Inc. (360) 683-1828 dogshows@barayevents.com	Obed/Rally	Yes
Coos Kennel Club Bandon, OR	10-11	June 23	Onofrio	Obed	Yes
PN Shetland Sheepdog Club Albany, OR	16-18	June 30	Carolyn I Ritacco (503) 531-0399 jvdrcl@iol.com	Obed/Rally	No
WSOTC Auburn, WA	16-18	July 2	Robin Cohen 425-788-2247	Agility	Yes
German Shepherd Dog Club Albany, OR	17-18	June 30	Connie Horvath (925) 687-1055 gsdshowsec@sbcglobal.net	Obed/Rally	No
Nisqually Kennel Club Lacey, WA	17-18	June 30	BaRay Event Services, Inc. (360) 683-1828 dogshows@barayevents.com	Obed/Rally	No
Chuckanut DTA Lynden, WA	23-25	July 9	Marian Snapp (360) 676-2716 mariansnapp@comcast.net	Agility	Yes
Portland Dog Obed	24-25	July 7	Onofrio	Obed/Rally	Yes
Flat-Coated Ret Society Central Point, OR	July 29 – Aug 1	July 14	Lynda Tjarks (623) 556-8460 jumpnfunagility@yahoo.com	Agility	No
Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club Sequim, WA	July 30 – Aug 1	July 14	BaRay Event Services, Inc. (360) 683-1828 dogshows@barayevents.com	Obed/Rally	Yes
NW Bearded Collie Club of PS Auburn, WA	July 31 – Aug 1	July 7	Robin Cohen 425-788-2247	Agility	No
Palouse Hills Dog Fanciers Moscow, ID	18-19	June 1	Denise Waiting 509-334-5977	Agility	Yes
Eagle Rock Kennel Club Blackfoot, ID	19-20	June 2	Suzanne Belger 208-542-6552	Agility	No
Eagle Rock Kennel Club Blackfoot, ID	19-20	June 2	Onofrio	All breed Obed/Rally	No
Clackamas Kennel Club Canby, OR	25-27	June 9	Onofrio	All breed Obed/Rally	No
Puget Sound Lab Ret Assoc Monroe, WA	25-27	June 9	Robin Cohen 425-788-2247	Agility	Yes
Columbia River Agility Club Albany, OR	25-27	June 11	Lori Sage 503-840-9303	Agility	Yes

New Obedience Regulations FAQ's

OPTIONAL TITLING CLASSES

1. Three optional titling classes have been developed from current regulations:

- Graduate Novice
- Graduate Open
- Versatility

2. Are clubs required to hold these optional titling classes?

No – Clubs may hold these classes only if they wish to do so.

3. Are there any prerequisites required to enter my dog in these classes?

No – A dog may be entered in these classes without any pre-title requirement.

Once a dog has earned the Graduate Novice or Graduate Open titles, they may no longer compete in the titled class.

Once a dog has earned the Versatility title, it may continue to compete in that class indefinitely.

4. How does my dog earn a title in an optional titling class?

The dog must earn a qualifying score as described in the *Obedience Regulations*. A qualifying score means that the dog has earned more than 50 percent of the points for each exercise with a total score of at least 170 points.

5. Do the optional titling classes compete for Highest Scoring Dog from the Regular Classes?

No.

WILD CARD CLASSES – New Non-Regular Classes

1. Three new non-regular classes have been added to the *Obedience Regulations*:

- Wild Card Novice
- Wild Card Open
- Wild Card Utility

2. What do you mean by Wild Card?

The designated classes follow the *Obedience Regulations* and requirements for each class level: Novice, Open, and Utility. The difference is that, when checking in for the class, the handler will identify one of the required exercises in that class as their wild card. The handler may choose to perform or not to perform the exercise, but in any case the dog and handler will receive a perfect score for this one exercise.

If the handler chooses to perform the exercise, they must comply with the regulations in their performance. The wild card exercise is not meant to be a training opportunity for the dog and handler.

3. Are there any prerequisites required to enter my dog in these classes?

No – A dog may be entered in these classes without any pre-title requirement.

4. Can I talk to my dog while performing the required exercises of the class?

Yes – The class exercises will be performed and judged as in the regulations, except that verbal praise during the exercises, except for the signal exercise in Utility, is to be encouraged and not penalized.

Handlers may give additional commands, but they will be penalized accordingly.

New Obedience Regulations FAQ's, cont

MASTER PROGRAM

1. What is the Obedience Master Program?

The Master /Grand Master title program was developed to recognize consistently high scoring dogs within the sport of obedience. Dogs can work their way through 10 Master levels, and once they have attained the 10th level, they will be awarded a Grand Master title. The Grand Master title will not have a numerical designation.

2. When does my dog become eligible to compete in the Master/Grand Master title Program?

Obedience Master title and Obedience Grand Master title points will be recorded for dogs that have earned the Utility Dog title.

3. What does my dog have to do to compete towards these titles?

Obedience Master Points will be recorded for those dogs earning a score of 190 or better in Open B or Utility B, according to the schedule of points established by the AKC Board of Directors, which appears below. Dogs that meet the criteria for the Obedience Master title before January 1st, 2009 will not be grandfathered. Only points earned on or after January 1st, 2009 will be applied to the OM title.

4. How many points does my dog have to earn to attain a title?

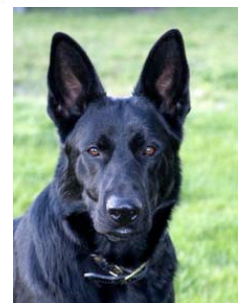
Dogs will be required to earn a total of 200 points, based on the established point schedule. Points are awarded for scores of 190 or better from Open B or Utility B. For a title to be earned, 30% of the points earned (60 points) must come from Open B and 30% of the points (60 points) must come from Utility B. The remaining 40% of the points earned (80 points) can come from either Open B or Utility B.

5. How does my dog progress through the Master title program to the Grand Master title?

When a dog earns a total of 200 points based on the below point schedule, it will be awarded an Obedience Master title. Obedience Master titles will be awarded for nine levels and upon completion of the 10th level, a dog will be awarded an Obedience Grand Master title. Points accumulated in excess of the 200 points required for each level will be applied towards the next level of award if available. Only one title for Obedience Grand Master will be awarded.

Upon being awarded an Obedience Master title or the Grand Master title, dogs will be permitted to display the title of Obedience Master (OM#) or OGM after their names.

Cathie Best's "Izabella Geist von Schraderhaus" (Izzy) ~20 months is training in SAR to detect human remains. They attended the Washington State SAR conference in Skamania WA. It was a major event with hundreds of dogs, volunteers, Fire and Police. Izzy's temperament was rock solid in all situations and she did two hot loads into a running helicopter, the second time she jumped right in and earned her patch from the 36th Rescue Flight pilot. 36 RQF operates UH-1 Iroquois aircraft and conducts search and rescue missions in support of the US Air Force Survival School.





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CBDTC All Breed Agility Trial

September 11 &12, 2010

Horn Rapids Park, Route 240 and Route 225

Benton City, WA 99320

Judge: Dan Selthofer

Entries Open on August 6, 2010

Entries Close August 14, 2010

See website for premium

