

CBDTC NEWSLETTER April 2008

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NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY April 14, 2008 AT 7 PM AT THE KENNEWICK LIBRARY

UPCOMING EVENTS (note: this is not a comprehensive list of trials and shows. Please check the AKC website for a complete list)

Agility Fun Runs

March 22ND Fun Run will be held at Howard Amon Park, May 3, June 7, and August 2
Agility Fun Runs will be held at the Kennedy's house 2720 S 38th Avenue, West Richland. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation per dog at the door. This money will go towards costs for the club putting on a sanctioned agility trial. Beginning dogs to run from 9-10:30 and more advanced courses will be set up from 11:00-1:00 on these days. So mark your calendars and plan to come, run and have fun... If weather is prohibitive on that day, we will try to reschedule these to another Saturday in that month. If you have any questions, you can reach Linda Kennedy at 438-0020. All attendees are expected to help with setup and take down of equipment.

- March 22, CBDTC Agility Fun Run at Howard Amon Park. See CBDTC flyer on the website.
- April 5, CBDTC fun match officially sponsored by "Friends of Tri City Obedience"
- April 19, Rally and Obedience in Lewiston, ID
- April 26, Rally and Obedience in Walla Walla
- May 3, CBDTC Agility Fun Run at Kennedy's house
- May 3, Agility at Argus Ranch, Auburn, WA
- May 10, Agility in Spokane
- May 17, Obedience and Rally in Spokane
- May 17, Agility at Argus Ranch, Auburn, WA
- May 24, Obedience and Rally in Spokane
- May 31, Obedience and Rally in Yakima
- June 7, CBDTC Agility Fun Run at Kennedy's house
- Aug 2, CBDTC Agility Fun Run at Kennedy's house
- Sept 13 (tentative date) CBDTC Sanctioned Agility Match, Howard Amon Park

Yakima SunDogs Agility Fun Runs will be held April 20, May 18, June 22, and July 20. For more information contact Crystal West, SunDogs Secretary at cwest@elltel.net

DOG STUFF

Channel weave poles, 6-poles, 23" spacing, \$150, constructed by Richard Nelson, 521-6529, noslen@pocketinet.com

Training News

DUE TO LINDA KENNEDY'S BROKEN FOOT, WE NEED SOMEONE TO DRIVE THE EQUIPMENT TRAILER TO THE FAIRGROUNDS BY 5:00 FOR 8 WEEKS. PLEASE CONTACT LINDA KENNEDY IF YOU COULD DO THIS. LOTS OF CC POINTS!?! *(Note: As of the distribution of this newsletter Rich Nelson has agreed to haul the equipment trailer to and from the fairgrounds each Tuesday for the Spring classes. Thanks a lot Rich!)*

There will be a training meeting for everyone interested in training or having input into the club's training program on Monday March 31 at Couch's home at 7:00. If there is anyone interested in starting to show, but doesn't know how to get started, let us know and we will find someone to help you.

There will be an agility fun run March 22, AND A FUN MATCH FOR OBEDIENCE, RALLY AND SHOWMANSHIP ON APRIL 5. Both of these fun practices are open to anyone- club members, non club members, purebred and mixed breed dogs. Come and have fun. If you have ever considered entering your dog in a show, it is a good practice run! See CBDTC website for flyers for both events.

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Columbia Basin Dog Training Club Spring Classes 2008

Spring dog show fever is in the air as members prepare dogs for all sorts of events. The following classes will be offered. All classes will begin Tuesday April 1 unless otherwise noted. Classes are full price unless you notify Sarah Tragesser (sarah@tragesser.net) that you are using Canine Currency Points for them.

Tuesday evenings at the fairgrounds:

OBEDIENCE

5:30 Mary Ellen Thien- BEYOND BASIC Advanced Obedience- limit 8 dog \$80 for 8 weeks

"Keeping learning fun and productive for handler and dog"

Class will expand on Basic Dog Obedience structuring classes toward open and utility activities. Class appropriate for those preparing for advanced titles or wanting further obedience challenges for their dog. Learning goals of class members will dictate class content.

5:30 Free Ice. You may come and use any part of the building not being used to do whatever you or you and your friends wish to organize. Free to members, \$5.00 for drop ins. This would be a good time for the conformation folks to practice if they want.

6:30 CGC class- Alison Brendel 8 weeks, \$80.

Basic behaviors, such as walk on a loose lead, sit, down, stay, come, being still for grooming or petting, being left with a stranger, and other good manners are taught. This is a great place to start training your dog! All 10 of the required Canine Good Citizen requirements will be practiced, and the test is given free of charge by certified evaluators on the 8th week.

6:30- Beginning Competition Obedience- Kathy Woodbury 8 weeks, \$80

Learn the basics to lay the foundation for successful competition in AKC obedience. In this class we will work on heeling techniques, fronts, finishes, recalls, long stay exercises, and the novice stand for exam.

If time permits and teams are ready we will advance to off leash work. Note that this class on it's own will not prepare a team for immediate competition in regular obedience but will provide the framework to build on. With the addition (on your own) of learning the signs and rules, most teams may be ready for Rally Novice following this class.

7:30 - CGC Andrea Busby and Brooke Lanigan 8 weeks, \$80.

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7:30 Garage Group. This popular class is free to club members. It is a place to practice novice exercises with your dog in distracting situations. It features variety of trainers and assistant trainers each week. You do not need to sign up- just show up on the weeks you want to practice. Bring a non member friend for \$5.00 a lesson.

AGILITY-

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN AGILITY THIS YEAR-CONTACT LEZLIE and make sure you are on a list!

5:30 Puppy Agility Class- Jane Cooper \$40 for 6 weeks starting April 15th. Puppies 6 months and up may familiarize themselves with agility equipment, develop a positive attitude toward agility and work on basic aspects of teamwork. More information to follow.

5:30 and 6:30. Advanced Agility 8 weeks- If you have questions about your dog being qualified for this class, contact Lezlie. This will be for those competing or ready to compete. We will have classes for beginners starting in June.

SATURDAY MORNINGS

RALLY

How about a Little Rally?

Rally practice at Gerri Little's place at 10:00 on Saturday mornings in April and May. This is free to club members. If your dog has had some obedience (heels, and knows commands for sit, down and stay) but you have never done rally, you are welcome to come and Gerri will help you get started. (Please give Gerri a call ahead of time so that she knows if someone is going to show up, and also what level of rally you need set up. --- Again, please call 588-6086) (or email Gerri canyonview1@msn.com if you plan to come.)

TRACKING- Saturdays .Contact Kathy Woodbury.

THERAPY DOGS

Here is a quick rundown of the activities of the Therapy Dogs within Columbia Basin Dog Training Club, along with links to breed clubs. Some other dogs are active, like Freckles, but haven't submitted their paperwork to an association.

Audrey and Molly visited Pasco Library for PAWS To Read 2006 & 2007. Calvin did demos for the WSU Summer Camp 2006 & 2007 and the library demo last summer. (Vizslas) <http://clubs.akc.org/vizsla/>

Lisa and Hana visit Kadlec Hospital and with Kula to West Richland for PAWS to Read and library demo at Kennewick Library, plus Kadlec Hospital. (Golden Retriever) and (Newfoundland) <http://www.grca.org/>

Sharon/Bob and Argos visit Kadlec Hospital, PAWS to Read at W. Richland Library, demo at Kennewick Library, WSU summer camp 2006 & 2007. with Chai PAWS to Read at W. Richland Library program. (Newfoundlands) <http://www.ncanews.org/index.shtml>

Kathy and Kayos visit PAWS to Read at Kennewick Library, WSU Summer Camp 2006 & 2007, PAWS to Read at Hermiston, Or; and visit Rose Arbor, Sun Terrace and Hermiston Terrace with a few other teams in Oregon. (German Shepherd Dog) <http://www.gsdca.org/base/index.php>

Mim and Chewie visit Rose Arbor, Sun Terrace and Hermiston Terrace in Hermiston area and PAWS to Read at Hermiston library. (Bouvier des Flandres) <http://www.bouvier.org/>

Kris and Reba visit Kennewick General Hospital, WSU Summer Camp 2007 (Standard Poodle) <http://www.poodleclubofamerica.org/>

Gail and Nawdia visit Legacy Homes; PAWS to Read at Keewaydin Branch Library; demos at libraries around the area, Alterra Senior Residency and Kennewick Life Care.

Nawdia's daughter Connie, is getting in her hours to share the fun. (Miniature WH Dachshunds) <http://www.dachshund-nmdc.org/>

Sebastian and Gunner visit Richland and W. Richland Libraries for PAWS, Quail Hollow in Richland, Kadlec Hospital, Barnes and Noble store in Kennewick., Eagle Retirement Home, Chief Joseph Middle School and Sacajawea Elementary School. (Labrador Retriever) <http://www.labradorretriever.com/clubwebsites.html>

Eileen and Anonymous and Shreq visit: Alterra Senior Residency , Chenoweth House, PAWS to Read Kennewick, PAWS to Read Hermiston Oregon, Legacy Homes, WSU Summer Camp 2006 & 2007, Kennewick Library demonstration., Summer Reading Programs Mid-Columbia Library system 2006 & 2007, some civic club programs, Kennewick Life Care and Manor at Canyon Lakes. (Dobermans) <http://dpca.org/faithful/>

<http://www.loveonaleash.org/> Love On A Leash

<http://www.therapydogs.com/> Therapy Dogs, Inc.

<http://www.tdi-dog.org/> Therapy Dogs Int.

<http://www.deltasociety.org/> Delta Society

<http://www.dogplay.com/Activities/Therapy/therapy.html> General information link