

DIXIE RECALL

Nashville Dog Training Club

June 2002

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, June 10 – Board Meeting
Monday, June 24 – NDTC Member Meeting
Monday, July 8 – Board Meeting
Monday, July 22 – NDTC Member Meeting
Saturday, August 17 – Show and Go – NDTC building!

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE BY JUNE 30!

In keeping with last year's change from a calendar to a fiscal membership year, our membership dues for the fiscal year July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003 will be due no later than June 30, 2002. Please submit your membership renewal forms along with your check or money order for \$50.00 to Membership Chair, NDTC, P.O. Box 292977, Nashville, TN 37229 or directly to Denise McClure, Membership Chair, at 1733 Charity Drive, Brentwood, TN 37027, or leave it in her box at the training building. Any new members joining after April 1, 2002, have already paid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003.

SPORTSWEAR ORDER DEADLINE IS FRIDAY!

The deadline for ordering NDTC sportswear is this Friday! The order form is included in this edition of the Recall.

CONFORMATION CLASSES TAKE A SUMMER "SIESTA"

Cheryl Brown, conformation class coordinator, reports that the conformation classes are taking a summer respite and will resume on August 5. Instructors are needed for the class, so any volunteers should contact Cheryl at brownc@belmont.edu.

NEW PROPERTY CHAIR

A big thank you to Erin Hamedi, who has agreed to be our new property chair!

FIRST FALL SHOW AND GO SET!

Notice that the first Show and Go for fall is set for August 17! Mark your calendars now, spread the word, and get ready to volunteer! This is good motivation to keep training through the long, hot summer!

Nashville Dog Training Club

Voting Membership Application/Reapplication

PART 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Email: _____

Is the applicant at least 12 years old? Yes__ No__ If "no", the Training Director's permission is required to take classes.

PART 2: PREREQUISITES FOR MEMBERSHIP

By signing below, I make the following representations:

1. I am and will remain in good standing with the American Kennel Club.
2. I subscribe to the purposes of Nashville Dog Training Club (NDTC).
3. I agree to abide by the NDTC Constitution and the rules of the American Kennel Club.
4. I have not within the past 12 months been denied membership in or been expelled from NDTC.
5. Within the past three years I have completed a minimum of eight weeks of classes offered by NDTC, or I have completed the following comparable training elsewhere (describe):

In addition, new members must have provided at least ten hours of volunteer services to NDTC during the twelve months immediately preceding this membership application. Describe below in Part 3.

PART 3: CLASS DISCOUNTS

If you are entitled to discounted class fees this membership year, complete the following:

Number of member mtgs. attended previous July - June ____ Number of committee mtgs. attended previous July - June ____

Names of committees: _____

Describe volunteer work performed for NDTC during previous July through June (must equal at least ten hours):

PART 4: ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY

I understand that, even when handled with care, other dogs may be difficult to control and may cause injury to my dog, my guests, or me. I agree to assume that risk and not hold NDTC or its agents responsible. I also agree to be fully responsible for my dog, my guests, and myself, and to pay for any damage (including costs and legal fees) we may cause to NDTC or others. This paragraph applies to all NDTC classes and other functions.

Dated: _____

Signature (parent or guardian if applicant is under 18): _____

Print name of parent or guardian if applicable: _____

Check one: I want the Dixie Recall by email and enclose \$50 __. I want the Dixie Recall by regular mail and enclose \$70 __.
Make check payable to NDTC and mail to:
Membership Chair, Nashville Dog Training Club, P.O. Box 292977, Nashville, TN 37211.

Questions? Email our Membership Chair via our website <http://www.nashvilledog.com> or leave message at 615-331-1101.

NDTC CLOTHING – Deadline for ordering is Friday, June 28!!

At last we have prices for sportswear! All items will be Royal Blue with light yellow lettering and will have the club logo on the front and back, unless otherwise stated. Remember, we will have to order these items and it may take a couple of weeks. Please add \$5.00 for shirts/pants that are XXL or larger. Please send check with order to: Debbi Martin NDTC SHIRTS, 515 Rural Hill Road, Nashville, TN 37217-4107

Quantity	Item	Price
_____	Hanes Beefy-T 100% Cotton T-Shirt	\$15.00
_____	with pocket	\$17.00
_____	Hanes Beefy-T 100% cotton long Sleeve T-Shirt	\$18.00
_____	with pocket	\$20.00
_____	Hanes Ultimate 10oz Full Zip hooded Sweatshirt	\$33.00
_____	Hanes Ultimate Cotton Pullover hooded Sweatshirt	\$25.00
_____	Hanes Comfortblend Pullover hooded Sweatshirt	\$22.00
_____	Hanes Comfortblend Sweats	\$17.00
_____	Hanes Cotton Jersey Knit Sport Shirt w/ pocket (only logo on front)	\$17.00
_____	Hanes Ultimate cotton sweats	\$20.00
_____	Port & CO. Nylon Zip Pullover	\$38.00
_____	Port & Co. Sideline Jacket	\$30.00
_____	Augusta Zip Front hooded Coaches Jacket	\$40.00
_____	Port & CO Nylon pants	\$30.

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING CLASSES

NOTE: To avoid confusion, we have reverted to the old class names Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, and Level 4. Also, please note that puppy class is the most appropriate starting point for any young dog whose attention span has not yet matured. Even a nine-month-old of a large breed may do better in puppy kindergarten than in Level 1.

Puppy Kindergarten

Wednesday, July 31, 7 pm
Tuesday, August 27, 8 pm
Thursday, August 29, 7 pm

Level 1

Wednesday, July 31, 8 pm
Tuesday, August 27, 7 pm
Thursday, August 29, 7 pm

Level 2 (CGC)

Wednesday, July 31, 8 pm
Tuesday, August 27, 8 pm

Level 3

Tuesday, August 27, 8 pm

Level 4

Thursday, August 29, 8 pm

Heeling

Wednesdays, 7 pm, ongoing

Open

Tuesdays, 7 pm, ongoing
Call 565-7099 within two hours
before class starts to confirm.

Utility

Thursdays, 7 pm, ongoing

Recreational Agility

Monday, July 8, 8 pm

Therapy Dog Training

Wednesday, September 25, 7 pm

Conformation

Resumes August 5

Tracking

Contact Bev Watson

Summer Heat Tips

Summer is here! While the season of picnics, swimming and outdoor activities is fun for us, our canine companions can sometimes suffer in the heat. Dogs have limited mechanisms for coping with overheating. While panting is the primary means for dissipating internal heat buildup, they can also perspire through the pads of their feet. Dogs also seek cool places, stop eating (to reduce less internal heat), and reduce their activity level to help keep themselves comfortable in the summer.

We as dog owners must be extra vigilant in the heat to make sure we don't jeopardize the health and well-being of our buddies! Many times performance dogs have been trained by us to perform and will do so despite physical discomfort and, being nonverbal, they can't always tell us how they feel. Dogs can gradually build up some tolerance to heat as their bodies adapt to working in the warm conditions, and certain breeds (and certain individuals!) are more able to tolerate heat than others. Also, while we all know that we shouldn't leave our dogs locked in a car when the sun is out and the temperature is high, many people do not realize that cars can become dangerously hot in even moderate temperatures. Of course, dogs need constant access to water to help cool themselves, and crate fans, shade cloths, cool and/or wet blankets, frozen water bottles, and the refreezable ice packs (put where your dog can't chew on them!) can all help keep dogs cool. Clubs hosting events in warm or hot weather need to have pools of water available for dogs to wet themselves down.

In spite of all our precautions, sometimes dogs can overheat. Handlers need to notice signs of overheating: rapid, noisy breathing; a red, enlarged tongue; body temperature above 106 degrees F; staggering, and weakness. Treatment involves cooling the dog's body surface with alcohol and/or cool water. Dogs should be taken to a veterinarian as soon as possible for further treatment.

This article is a gross oversimplification of heat stress and heat illnesses, but its purpose is to just simply remind everyone to be careful this summer with our dogs. All dog owners need to rethink their dog's environment, review the symptoms and treatments of heat stress, and share ideas with each other to help keep our guys cool and happy and performing all summer long. The ideas shared here were gleaned from Chris Zink's book Peak Performance: Coaching the Canine Athlete, but there are many other resources available.



Lynda Condurelis and Shetland Sheepdog Chloe have some good news to report! On June 1st, at the Southern Indiana Kennel Club show in Corydon, IN, Chloe took 2nd place in Utility A, winning her first UD leg. On June 2nd, at the same show she took 1st place in Utility A, winning her 2nd Utility leg. On June 15th, at the Asheville Kennel Club show, in Asheville NC, Chloe again took 1st place in Utility A. She was the only dog to qualify either day. Now her name is: Figures Dixie Darlin' UD!

Chris and Tom Warmouth report that their Knash took 3rd place in Louisville in Open JWW, he now moves up to Ex A JWW! Charlie took 1st place in puppy dog 9-12 months and Best of Winners, earning him his 1st point! Sounds like a good weekend!

Claudia Dickerson and her Belgian Sheepdog JD (Sans Brancos John Doe PT TT) earned their first Herding Started leg on Course A Sheep at the Central Kentucky Herding Club's trial on June 2, 2002. They also received a 4th place! Way to go team!

Dog Quotes!!!

"I own two dogs, and they both have been trained to respond immediately to my voice. For example, when we're outside, all I have to do is issue the following standard dog command: 'Here Earnest! Here Zippy! C'mon! Here! I said come HERE! You dogs COME HERE RIGHT NOW! ARE YOU DOGS LISTENING TO ME? HEY!!!!!!' And instantly both dogs, in unison, like a precision drill team, will continue trotting in random directions, sniffing the ground."

Dave Berry, "Yellow Journalism"

"A collie has the brain of a man, and the ways of a woman."

Scottish proverb

"Any time you think you have influence, try ordering around someone else's dog."

The Cockle Bur

"Generally, or at least very often, people with a deep interest in animals are the best people around."

Roger Caras, [A Dog is Listening](#)

