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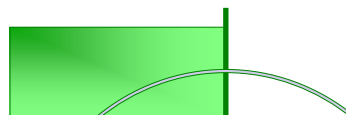
Special points of interest:

- Obedience Trial March 29th & 30th
- Next Club Meeting March 24th
- Next Board Meeting March 10th
- Membership Renewal by July 1, 2003
- Don Lehr has replaced Erin Hamedi as Property Chair
- Membership Renewal's are due by July 1, 2003

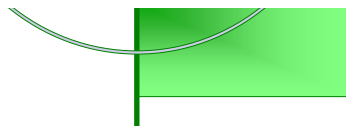


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Nashville Dog Training Club



Conformation Fun Match

Our first fun match was successful because of all the volunteers we had. Our helpers consisted of Jessica Cardin, Carol Coop, Jan Hendon, Cindy Lockhart, Alton Maxwell, Debra Maxwell, Deborah McClure, Steve McClure, Connie Mullinax, Lauren Newsome, Julie Oehmke, Laura Rencher, Juanita Sands, Johathan Sands, Brian Smith, Karyn Waugh, and Connie Womack.

Our volunteer judges were: Louis Alexander, Debi martin, Steve McClure, and Julie Wright.

Everyone pitched in to prepare the building, greet our guests, provide nice trophies, provide food, ring steward, handle the bookkeeping and money, judge and clean-up. You should have seen us, that is, it took several hours to set up the building and with record speed and after the show, we had it back to its normal setting within 30 minutes. WOW!

NDTC encourages our students with opportunities to grow. Our conformation class put on this show for several reasons. First, it provided an opportunity for our students to act on what they learned in the classroom setting. Secondly, it allowed our students to learn about putting on a dog show. From our list of volunteer helpers only a few have ever put on a show before. Finally, our students received input from other dog handlers to learn and grow yet more.

Many of our exhibitors informed me that they enjoyed our show and it was well worth the trip in the rain. Exhibitors came from TN, AL, KY, and GA. I met most of the people from out of state. Several of them stated that our group of volunteers were very professional and considerate. They also stated that our judges made excellent choices. We had some really nice winners and our own Jenny Cobb (President of NDTC) presented the trophies to them.

Visit the Trials/Events page of our web site to see pictures which were provided by Dee Ross.

Not only for our students, because of you, we had our show. We would like to thank you for coming. We hope you are successful and wish each of you good luck. Enjoy your dogs!



Volunteer Oppurtunities

Obedience Trial—Contact Cheryl Brown at brownc@mail.belmont.edu or 646-3176

- Need two people to supervise the cleaning and moving of the mats Friday
- Need 6 People to layout the mats at McGavic Friday
- We need people to work concessions during breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday.
- We still need more desserts and breakfast foods. Contact Nola Simmons at 662-0950 to donate food or to volunteer to work, please leave her a phone message.
- Need 6 people Sunday after the trial to supervise moving the mats back to NDTC and help lay them out.

Odd Jobs:

- There are several “odd jobs” at our club that many of us are qualified to handle. Please contact Don Lehr to offer your assistance.

Instructors

- Level I Assistant—Thursday, March 13-May 1, 7-8 PM
- Level II/CGC —Tuesday, April 8-29, 8-9 PM
- Puppy Instructor/Assistant Tuesday, May 6-June 24, 8-9 PM
- Level I Instructor/Assistant Tuesday, May 6-June 24, 7-8 PM
- Level II/CGC-Tuesday, May 6-27, 8-9 PM
- Level III Instructor Tuesday, May 6-June 24, 8-9 PM
- Puppy Instructor/Assistant Thursday, May 8-June 26, 7-8 PM
- Level I Instructor/Assistant Thursday, May 8-June 26, 7-8 PM

Contact Bev Watson at 615.297.1229 or training@nashvilledog.org

NDTC Thank You Notes

- Thanks to Debbie Maxwell and her group for the wonderful Conformation Match
- Thank you to Debbie Cutter, Connie Womack, Diane Overstreet, and Don Lehr for their help in rolling out the mats.
- Thank you to Don Lehr for his never ending energy and gracious acts of fixing EVERYTHING
- A special THANKS to Peggy Lehr for her selflessness in allowing Don to spend so much time at the club.
- Thank you to Debbie Cutter, Cheryl Brown, Diane Overstreet, and the others that helped roll out and measure the matting NDTC bought from Marilyn Wilson. (whoever’s names I don’t have please let me know so you can be thanked properly!)
- Thank you to Marilyn Wilson for allowing NDTC to purchase her matting



NEW Members

- Crystal & Frank Ferraiuolo
- Kim Bradley
- Anne Dottore
- Claudia Buss
- Christine Thorpe

**Obedience
Show N Go's**
March 16th

**Agility Show
N Go's**

Send your brags to:
Connie Womack at
membership@nashvilledog.org

Include the following:

1. Your name
2. Dog's full name
3. Dog's call name
4. Your accomplishment
5. Location of event
6. Date that it happened

Obedience Trial Help

Claudia Dickerson is running behind in phoning people to ask for contributions due to illness, please be as generous as you can when she calls. In fact, why don't you beat her to the punch by calling her and telling her how much you will be contributing! Remember it takes a club to make a trial successful!

Rover Retail for 2003

Rover Retail has been a lucrative fundraiser in past years, due in large part to the generosity of NDTC members. Donations are down significantly this year, and we want to remind you that your support is desperately needed to make this event a success. To donate an item or service, please contact Bev Watson at 615-297-1229/Trackingnut@aol.com or Donna Zeeder at 615-885-1472/b.075b@juno.com. And plan to attend the NDTC obedience trial on March 29 and 30 to support both the trial and Rover Retail!

Health Notes

The following information is on a dog's idea weight. Too thin is better for long term health than too fat. If you put your hands on him and can feel his ribs with a very light press, you are probably OK.

Here is a good check system:


** Take your hand and hold it out flat, palm down. Take your other hand and lay it on your knuckles. This is what a dog in proper condition should feel like.

** Make a fist. Feel your knuckles. This is what a dog which is too thin feels like.

**Now, open your hand again and turn it over, palm up. Feel your knuckles through your hand. This is what a fat dog feels like.

I KNOW THIS IS A DOG CLUB, BUT here is some info on age equivalents in human years for cats—(courtesy of Eukanuba)

CAT YEARS	HUMAN YEARS
1	15
2	20
3	25
7	45
10	58
15	78
20	98



Club Meetings are
Monday's
6:30p.m.—7p.m.—Social
7 p.m.—8:30 p.m.—
Meeting

Member Meeting Dates

March 24

April 28

May 26

June 23

July 28

Aug 25

Sept 22

Oct 27

Nov 24

Dec 13

Editors Note

The Dixie Recall will be distributed by the 15th of each month, therefore any articles you wish to be considered must be received by the editor no later than the 5th of that month.

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Don'ts

This was posted by Lynn Balsiger on the Berner Agility list. Too funny (and TRUE!).

Dear Fellow Dog Enthusiast,

Does it seem like every time you try and post a question or comment to a dog list, you get yourself into trouble? If so, then this list is for you. If you religiously follow all of the rules on this Official DON'T list, you'll never get in trouble again.

The Official Dog Enthusiast's DON'T List:

DON'T

- Let your dog sleep in your bed. It will cause aggression problems down the road.
- Make your dog sleep in a crate. Crate is just another word for small cage.
- Let your dog sleep outside at night. If God had wanted dogs to sleep outside, he would have covered their body with hair to keep them warm.
- Let your dog sleep. You should be playing with him all the time.
- Keep more than two dogs. Each individual dog requires considerable time and energy, and it is impossible for a responsible dog owner to spend quality time with more than two dogs.
- Keep less than five dogs. Dogs are pack animals, and five dogs is the minimum number for proper socialization.
- Feed your dog kibble. It is the invention of evil capitalists who want your money, and kibble has no nutritional value whatsoever. You might as well feed your dog sawdust.
- Cook your dog's meat or chicken. Cooking destroys all the nutrients.
- Feed your dog raw meat or chicken. Raw food contains salmonella, e-coli, and other harmful bacteria.
- Let your dog drink out of a plastic bowl. It will turn his nose pink.
- Post messages to a dog list. You will surely get bopped on the head for thinking that someone else cares about your silly little opinions.
- Poke your eye with a sharp stick. It has nothing to do with dogs, but it is a good rule nonetheless.
- Microchip your dog. A nearby cell phone can cause a micro chipped dog to explode, or so says the lady running the tattoo booth.
- Tattoo your dog on the ear. A dog thief will cut off the tattooed ear.
- Tattoo your dog on the thigh. He'll be a tripod before you can say Ginsu.
- Keep a collar on your dog when unattended. He could get caught and choke.
- Leave your dog unattended without a collar. He could run away without any identification.
- Transport your dog in a plastic crate. Plastic crates don't allow sufficient air flow.
- Transport your dog in a wire crate. In a car accident, a wire crate transforms into a doggie skewer. On days you plan to have a car accident, it is acceptable to use a plastic crate.
- Let your dog drive. It is against the law in many states.
- Enter your dog in conformation. It's b-o-r-i-n-g for the dog.
- Enter your dog in obedience. It's B-o-r-i-n-g with a capital B.
- Enter your dog in agility. The jumps will injure his joints.
- Wend your dog out with a handler. Only psychopath would send their beloved pet with a complete stranger.
- Handle your dog yourself. You've got a great dog, and he deserves a much better handler than you will ever be.
- Get a purebred dog. Too much inbreeding has produced dogs with temperament and health problems.
- Get a mutt. You don't know anything about their pedigree. In fact, if you're thinking about getting a dog, get a cat instead.
- Leave your dog's dewclaws intact. He will rip one off jumping a log or something, which is quite painful.
- Remove dewclaws. They are acupuncture points needed for proper kidney function.
- AND THE #1 DON'T !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! DON'T trim your dog's whiskers. They are needed to determine the size of their head, which is important when they are out shopping for a new hat.

Looking Ahead

Jane Simmons-Moake Agility Seminar coming to NDTC
June 7-10, 2003.

For more information email
president@nashvilledog.org

Level 4 Schedule for 2003

Feb. 6 - March 27

Jean Ervin
John Butler

April - May 22

Mary Stevenson

May 29—July 17

Mary Stevenson

July 24—Sept. 11

Barb Woods

Sept. 18—Nov. 6

Perry Webb



Please Volunteer to Teach Classes! Contact Bev Watson at training@nashvilledog.org

Summer Camp Destinations

Did you ever want to attend one of those fun-filled summer camps for you and your dog? Well, here is a list of some of those destinations:

Camp Dogwood (Illinois)	http://www.campdogwood.com/
Camp Gone to the Dogs (Vermont)	http://www.camp-gone-to-the-dogs.com/
Camp Jackpot (Pennsylvania)	http://www.campjackpot.com/
Camp Winnaribbun (Nevada)	http://www.campw.com/
Dog Days of Wisconsin (Wisconsin)	http://www.dogcamp.com/
Dog Scouts of America (Michigan)	http://www.dogscouts.com/
The Dog's Camp (South Carolina)	http://www.thedogscamp.com/

Speaking of traveling, the “pet-friendly skies” are back. United Airlines has reinstated their program of accepting pets as checked baggage. Of course, some of us have pets that are small enough to be brought on board, but many pets are not that petite. Your pet may accompany you on your United flight as part of your checked baggage. Your dog will ride in the pressurized and heated cargo compartments of the same aircraft as you are ticketed. The charge for shipping is \$100 for small/medium size kennels and \$200 for intermediate to extra large for domestic one way travel; international rates vary by destination. Check with different airlines for information, policies have changed recently with many carriers.

Club Member Brags

Bill and Sandra Edson's Standard Poodle, Sancrest Luckenbach (Luke) CGC NA NAJ, completed his NA and NAJ titles on January 31, 2003 at the NDTC trial in Franklin with a 1st and 4th place in standard and a 2nd place in jumpers.

Holly Waldrop's Dalmatian, K-Max Pure Poetry (Baxter) finished his OAJ on Friday, January 31, 2003 at the NDTC agility trial with a 1st place win.

Cindy Frank's Aussie, Callie Ann Franks UD AX OAJ ASCA/UD STDd CGC, Callie, received her second UD leg at the GA/ASCA trial in Chamblee, GA January 11, 2003, in the morning with a 176.5 score in Utility. She received her 3rd leg and UD title that same day in the afternoon with a score of 193.5—congratulations on a job well done.

Claudia Dickerson's, Sonnet is on the website of “[Front and Finish](#)” this month. The website has pictures that load in random order, so you never know when Sonnet will pop up. Her photo is the head-shot in front of the American flag.

Shomei Encore's Giselle on Toe, Japanese Chin
 Owner/Handler: Laura Rencher
 Winner's Bitch, 3 pts, Nashville Kennel club by Ms. Dorothy Welsh
 Winner's Bitch, 4 pts, Tullahoma KC, Ms. Annie Clark

Blue Willow's Funny Face, Japanese Chin,
 Owner/Handler: Laura Rencher and Brian Smith
 Winner's Bitch, 3 pts, Nashville KC, Ms. Clarkson



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TROPHY DONATIONS

It's time again for the annual obedience trial trophy fund solicitation. Just the AKC-required ribbons alone cost \$650 for each two-day obedience trial. In addition, we offer cash prizes for the top awards, prizes for class placements, prizes for the high scoring dog in each group, and breed-specific prizes for many breeds.

There are four placements per class times nine classes (six regular and three non-regular) per day times two days equals 72 placements. In addition, there are prizes and rosettes for High in Trial (\$50), Reserve High in Trial (\$25), and High Combined (\$50) each day, for a total of \$250 in cash prizes for these top honors. Each group (such as herding, working, etc.) has a prize for the highest scoring dog in that group each day. The trophy budget is as follows:

Ribbons	\$650
Cash prizes	\$250
Class placement prizes	\$265
Group prizes	\$140
Breed prizes	N/A – covered by in-kind donations
TOTAL:	\$1,305

If EVERY voting member donated an equal amount, we would need each person to donate \$8 just to pay for ribbons, and a total of \$16 to cover the entire budget. Some members have moved, and others may not be in a position to help out. So we are asking that you try to donate \$20 or more if at all possible, in addition to any in-kind breed-specific donations.

Claudia Dickerson, the Trophy Chair, will be calling all the voting members to ask for a donation. Please give what you can. We also welcome donations from our Associate members! You may contact Claudia at 615-790-9179 or claudia.dickerson@earthlink.net. So that we can fill any gaps in time to include the trophy list in the catalog, all donations must be received by March 1.

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TROPHY DONATIONS

Name (print legibly): _____ Phone: _____

I am donating \$____ and/or the following item(s):

Apply this to the trophy fund in the following order of priority, if not already taken (1 is your first choice, through 6 for your sixth choice):

- ___ High scoring (specify breed, group, or other category) _____
- ___ High in Trial (\$50)
- ___ Reserve High in Trial (\$25)
- ___ High Combined (\$50)
- ___ First Place in this class (\$10): _____
- ___ General Trophy Fund (ribbons, other placements, etc.)

Any unused breed prizes will be saved for subsequent trials, and excess donations, if any, will be used to off-set the cost of purchasing new mats for the trials.

Mail forms and checks to:
Claudia Dickerson
5406 Leiper's Creek Rd.
Franklin, TN 37064

Leave in-kind donations at the Club building in the concession area under the counter below the officers' cubbyholes with this form securely attached. Call or email Claudia to let her know.

All donations ASAP