

VAG-N-TALES

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Lucky Bag of Brags

From Laura Bell for Karen Mikulin



Her Rhodesian Ridgeback, GCH CH PACH2 Terracotta's Victor Newman MXP7 MXPS MJP5 MJPS PAX2 T2BP4, earned his 2nd PACH December 9th 2018.

He earned his first PACH earlier in 2018, so he earned two PACH's in 2018! Victor is also the #1 Preferred Ridgeback in AKC Agility. He's owned by Karen Mikulin and Karen Watson.

AKC Obedience News for our Obedience Judges & Clubs

Three changes to the Obedience Regulations were approved by the AKC Board of Directors at the February 8, 2019 meeting. The following amendments (underlined) to the Obedience Regulations were approved, which are effective for all trials held on or after August 1, 2019. An insert for the Obedience Regulations amended to May 1, 2018 will be published.

They are in summary:

1. Modify the Open B Point Schedule

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March 2019 Earning OTCH points outside of the Point Schedule in 2.

Open B & Utility B 3. OTCH title recognition

OBEDIENCE REGULATIONS CHAPTER 8 - OBEDIENCE TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Section 2. Championship Points. Obedience Trial Championship points will be recorded for those dogs that have earned a first, second, third or fourth place ribbon competing in the Open B or Utility B class, according to the schedule of points established by the AKC Board of Directors. When counting the number of eligible dogs in competition, a dog that is disqualified or excused from the ring by the judge will not be included.

One (1) Championship point will be recorded for those dogs that earn a qualifying score of 197 or better in the Open B or Utility B class, if they did not earn points based on the Point Schedule.

Requirements for the Obedience Trial Champion are as follows:

The dog must have won

1. 100 points

2. A first place in Utility B with at least three dogs in competition

3. A first place in Open B with at least five dogs in competition

4. An additional first place under the conditions of 2 or 3 above

5. All three first places under three different judges

Only one of the required first places may have been won at a specialty Show or a Junior Obedience Showcase.

Section 3. Obedience Trial Champion Title. The AKC will issue an Obedience Trial Champion certificate and will permit the use of the letters OTCH preceding the name of each dog that meets the requirements.

The letters OTCH will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the number of times a dog has met the requirements of the OTCH title as defined in these regulations (OTCH2, OTCH3, OTCH4, etc.).

Board Members are as follows:

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Section 5. Point Schedule. Open B

open 2				
Number of Dogs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Competing				
<u>5-9</u>	2	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	0
<u>10-14</u>	4	1	<u>1</u>	0
<u>15-19</u>	6	2	<u>1</u>	0
<u>20-24</u>	10	3	1	<u>1</u>
<u>25-29</u>	14	4	2	<u>1</u>
<u>30-34</u>	18	5	2	1
<u>35-39</u>	22	7	3	1
40-44	26	9	4	2
<u>45-49</u>	30	11	5	2
<u>50-64</u>	34	13	6	3

Please share this information with your club members.

Sincerely,

Pamela Manton

Director of Obedience, Rally & Tracking

AKC Tracking News for our Tracking Judges & Clubs

Five Tracking Regulation changes were approved by the AKC Board of Directors at the February 8, 2019 meeting. These changes are meant to address issues and questions that have been raised by the tracking community regarding participation in the sport. None of the recommendations change the substance of the test. They are in summary:

- 1. Allowing the Tracking Test secretary to enter the test
- 2. Extending the Tracking Certification expiration date
- 3. Adding to the Pool of Tracking Certification Judges
- 4. Allow Dogs with Physical Challenges to Participate in Tracking
- 5. Clarifying the Combined Test limits

1) Allow Test Secretaries to enter Tracking Tests – The current Regulations do not allow tracking test secretaries to enter their tests. This is inconsistent with other Companion and Performance Events. Obedience, Rally and Agility trial secretaries and most Performance Event secretaries are allowed to enter their events.

This change to the Regulations allows the host club to decide if they will permit their tracking test secretary to enter the event. There is a variation in the size and complexity of Tracking Tests and the clubs are in the best position to decide what is best for them. Tracking has a limited number of volunteers who serve in the role of test secretary. It is a hardship for volunteers who serve as test secretary to be ineligible to enter their local tests, and a hardship on the club to find knowledgeable people to serve in the test secretary position, when doing so precludes them from entering the test.

The current practice is for test secretaries to resign the position when entries are low to support their local club's test. The new regulation stresses that the secretary's priority must be the handling of official secretary duties in a timely manner. If participation in the test interferes with these duties, other arrangements for handling dogs must be made.

2) Extending the Tracking Certification Expiration Date -

The Regulations require a written certification, signed by a provisional or approved tracking judge, must accompany each entry for a licensed or member tracking test for any dog that has not previously passed an AKC TD or TDU test. This statement must be dated within one year of the date of the test they are entering and must certify that the dog has satisfactorily performed a certification test.

Since some areas of the country have a much shorter window of opportunity for their tracking seasons due to weather, foxtails, snakes, etc., some certificates expire prior to a dog gaining entry through the draw for a tracking test. This regulation change extends the expiration date to two years (24 months) to allow a handler a longer period of time to utilize the certificates before they expire; this would enable the certification to span more than one tracking season, and thereby not cause a hardship to participate.

3) Adding to the Pool of Tracking Certification Judges -

During peak tracking seasons, many of the judges carry a heavy load of assignments. Their ability to accommodate requests for certification tracks can be challenging when they are away most prime weekends judging. This regulation change allows any person that has put a TDX or VST title on a dog within the past ten (10) years to perform certifications. Thereby adding to the pool of evaluators eligible to certify dogs for TD/TDU tests, which will increase the number of dogs eligible to participate in the sport. Clubs should accept the certifications signed by evaluators. Should the eligibility of an evaluator be questioned, it will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by AKC. Requests may be sent to <u>Tracking@akc.org</u>.

4) Allow Dogs with Physical Challenges to Participate in **Tracking** – The current Tracking Regulations definition of

lame is "any irregularity of locomotion." Therefore, amputees and dogs with other physical challenges are ineligible to participate. In other AKC sports, such as field trials, scent work, hunt tests, earthdog tests, herding tests/trials and Farm Dog Certified tests, physically challenged dogs (including amputees) are participating without any problems.

There is an inconsistency between sports that occurs due to how one defines lame. Tracking has used the conformation definition of lame – irregularity of locomotion. Lame in the other sports is defined as a dog is demonstrating discomfort when moving.

Tracking is more closely associated with the field sports, than it is conformation, and this regulation change is to allow dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) to be eligible to participate in AKC Tracking Tests, provided, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the test. The new definition of lame is, "Lameness is defined as any derangement of normal movement, disabled or with impaired freedom of movement."

5) Clarification of Combined Test Entry Limits: In the Tracking Regulations, limits for combined tests are addressed on how a club may exchange tracks between test levels based on the entries at closing. However, it needed to be clarified that the limits are for both original application limits, as well as for



exchanges. To clarify the combined test limits, the following table was added to the end of Chapter 1, Section 19:

Combined Tests Entry Limits (may be less):

Up to 2 TD/TDU with up to 5 TDX or 5 VST entries Up to 4 TD/TDU with up to 4 TDX or 4 VST entries Up to 6 TD/TDU with up to 3 TDX or 3 VST entries Up to 8 TD/TDU with up to 2 TDX or 2 VST entries Up to 10 TD/TDU with up to 1 TDX or 1 VST entry TDX tracks combined with VST tracks are limited to 6 entries

Adding the information above does not change the limits that a club may currently hold at their events, but rather clarifies the limitations. This matches the information found in the Tracking Test Manual and by adding it to the Regulations, it will help to clarify what is sometimes misunderstood.

Tracking Regulations Language: CHAPTER 1 - General Regulations

Section 12. Dogs that May Not Compete. No dog less than six (6) months of age may participate in tracking events. No dog belonging wholly or in part to a judge, test secretary, test chair, chief tracklayer, superintendent, or any member of such a person's household, may be entered in any tracking test at which such person officiates or is scheduled to officiate. Nor may they handle or act as agent for any dog entered at that tracking test.

If allowed by the host club, the tracking test secretary may enter dogs owned or co-owned by the secretary and may handle dogs in the tracking test. The secretary's priority must be the handling of official secretary duties in a timely manner. If participation in the test interferes with these duties, other arrangements for handling dogs must be made.

The official veterinarians will not exhibit or act as agent or handle at the test, and dogs owned wholly or in part by them will not be eligible to be entered at the test.

No dog owned wholly or in part by a superintendent, any employee of that superintendent, or any person residing in the same household as any of the foregoing will be eligible to be entered at any test held 30 days before or after a test that the superintendent has been approved to service by the AKC. Nor may that person exhibit or act as an agent or handler. For the purpose of this section, the employees of a superintendent include only those individuals who represent the superintendent or superintending organization at dog shows.

Section 13. Disqualification, Ineligibility, Excusal, and Change in Appearance of Dogs. (*Paragraph 9*)

Any dog that is lame at a tracking test may not compete. Lameness is defined as any <u>derangement of normal movement</u>. <u>disabled or with impaired freedom of movement</u>. The judge must determine, without a veterinarian's opinion, whether a dog is lame. If the judge deems a dog lame, that judge will excuse the dog from competing and will mark the judge's book "Excused-lame." <u>However, dogs with physical challenges</u> (including amputees) disfigured as the result of an accident or injury, but otherwise qualified shall be eligible, provided the disfigurement does not interfere with functional movement and if in the opinion of the judge, the dog displays no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the test. Section 17. Drawing for Entries and Alternates List. Entries for a tracking test will be accepted until the official closing date and time, even if the advertised test limit has been reached. A random drawing of all entries, to determine which dogs will participate in the test, will be held within 48 hours after the closing date and time. The drawing will be open to all interested persons. The test secretary will draw entries on the date, hour, and location specified in the premium list and ensure the draw is conducted in a random and impartial manner. In cases where the test secretary is entered in the test. the drawing for entries must be conducted by another member of the event committee. If the advertised limit is not reached, a drawing is optional. The results of the draw will be made available to the people present at the draw.

Section 19. Judging Assignments. Each dog must be judged by two judges. The maximum number of dogs two judges may test at a TD or TDU test in one day is twelve (12). The maximum number of dogs two judges may judge at a TDX test in one day is six (6). The maximum number of dogs two judges may judge at a VST test in one day is eight (8). When more than one test is offered on the same day, the following substitution factor will be in effect: 2 TDs = 1 TDX 2 TDUs = 1 TDX 2 TDUs = 1 VST 2 TDUs = 1 VST 1 TDX = 1 VST

At any combined test(s), which may include VST, the maximum number of dogs two judges may test in one day will be equal to twelve (12) TDs, twelve (12) TDUs, or six (6) TDXs. <u>The</u> following are the limits for combined tests (may be less): <u>Up to 2 TD/TDU with up to 5 TDX or 5 VST entries.</u> <u>Up to 4 TD/TDU with up to 4 TDX or 4 VST entries.</u> <u>Up to 6 TD/TDU with up to 3 TDX or 3 VST entries.</u> <u>Up to 8 TD/TDU with up to 2 TDX or 2 VST entries.</u> <u>Up to 10 TD/TDU with up to 1 TDX or 1 VST entry.</u> <u>TDX tracks combined with VST tracks are limited to 6 entries.</u>

CHAPTER 2 – Regulations for Performance and Judging Section 9. Drawing for Tracks. Prior to the draw for test day running order, the judges will be provided with the catalog number, breed, sex, and AKC number for each dog entered. To determine the order of running for each participant, the test secretary, with one or both of the judges present, will assemble the participants just prior to starting time for a drawing by lot of the assigned catalog numbers. In cases where the test secretary is entered in the test, the drawing for tracks must be conducted by another member of the event committee. Once the numbers have been drawn, they may not be exchanged, except under unusual circumstances and only with the judges' approval. Any such exchanges must be fully reported in the judges' books.

CHAPTER 3 – Tracking Dog Test

Section 2. Certification. A written statement must accompany each entry for a licensed or member tracking test for any dog that has not previously passed an AKC TD or TDU test. This statement must be dated within <u>two years</u> of the date the test is to be held, signed by <u>either</u> a person approved to judge tracking tests, <u>or by a person/evaluator who has handled a dog to a TDX or VST title within the last ten (10) years</u>, and must



certify that the dog has satisfactorily performed a certification test.

The certification test will be of a complexity equivalent to the TD or TDU test and will take place under conditions similar to such a test. A dog that does not satisfactorily complete the certification test in its entirety will not be certified.

A dog that fails a tracking test may not be re-certified by one of the judges based on its performance at that test, regardless of how close the dog came to passing.

It is permissible for a dog to be entered under the certifying judge.

Judges who wish to enter a TD test are subject to the same requirements as other entrants. Judges/<u>evaluators</u> will not provide certification to any dogs they own wholly or in part.

The certification statement signed by a provisional or approved tracking judge, <u>or an evaluator</u>, should be worded similarly to the following:

"I have observed the tracking performance of (registered name, AKC registration number, breed) on a track of equivalent complexity and under conditions similar to a regulation AKC TD and/or TDU track. I hereby certify that the dog performed the certification test in its entirety and is ready to participate in an AKC licensed or member TD and/or TDU tracking test."

- 1. Date of certification test;
- 2. Original signature of judge or evaluator;
- 3. Judge's/<u>Evaluator's</u> typed or printed name;
- 4. Judge's number
- 5. Evaluator's address, Email & Phone No.

The judge/<u>evaluator</u> will provide four (4) certification statements based on the dog's completion of one certification test. Should the dog fail at four (4) successive licensed or member tracking tests within the <u>twenty-four</u> (24)-month period, the dog must be recertified in order to be eligible to enter additional licensed or member club tracking tests.

The statements certifying the dog's ability to follow a track must be originals. They cannot be used again, and they must be retained by the test-giving club with the entry forms.

In unusual circumstances, the AKC, through its Companion Events department, may issue tracking certifications based on statements provided by the handler concerning the dog's tracking ability.

CHAPTER 7 – Optional Titling Tracking Test – Tracking Dog Urban

Section 2. Certification. A written statement must accompany each entry for a licensed or member tracking test for any dog that has not previously passed an AKC TD or TDU test. This statement must be dated within <u>two years</u> of the date the test is to be held, signed by a person approved to judge tracking tests, <u>or by a person/evaluator who has handled a dog to a</u>

<u>TDX or VST title within the last ten (10) years</u> and must certify that the dog has satisfactorily performed a certification test.

The certification test will be of a complexity equivalent to the TD or TDU test and will take place under conditions similar to such a test. A dog that does not satisfactorily complete the certification test in its entirety will not be certified.

A dog that fails a TDU test may not be re-certified by one of the judges based on its performance at that test, regardless of how close the dog came to passing.

It is permissible for a dog to be entered under the certifying judge.

Judges who wish to enter a TDU test are subject to the same requirements as other entrants. Judges/<u>evaluators</u> will not provide certification to any dogs they own wholly or in part.

The certification statement signed by a provisional or approved tracking judge, <u>or evaluator</u>, should be worded similarly to the following:

"I have observed the tracking performance of (registered name, AKC registration number, and breed) on a track of equivalent complexity and under conditions similar to a regulation AKC TD and/or TDU track. I hereby certify that the dog performed the certification test in its entirety and is ready to participate in an AKC licensed or member TD and/or TDU tracking test."

- 1. Date of certification test;
- 2. Original signature of judge or <u>evaluator</u>;
- 3. Judge's or Evaluator's typed or printed name;
- 4. Judge's number.
- 5. Evaluator's address, Email & Phone No.

The judge/<u>evaluator</u> will provide four (4) certification statements based on the dog's completion of one certification test. Should the dog fail at four (4) successive licensed or member tracking tests within the <u>twenty-four (24)</u>-month period, the dog must be recertified in order to be eligible to enter additional licensed or member club tracking tests.

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In unusual circumstances, the AKC, through its Companion Events department, may issue tracking certifications based on statements provided by the handler concerning the dog's tracking ability.

Please share this information with your club members.

Sincerely, Pamela Manaton Director of Obedience, Rally & Tracking





From Jo Anne Seivers

As many people know, I lost my Sheltie, Corbin (Dawn's Wee Faerie Dancer CDX, RE, AX, MAJ, TDI) on January 30, 2019 at age 17. I wrote a poem for her the next day, and some friends were touched by her story, so I thought you might wish to include it in the Welfare section of the YABTC newsletter.

> Corbin Dec. 3, 2001 - Jan. 30, 2019

Corbin's Song



I said, it's finally over. How little did I know. The gut-wrenching decision to finally let you go....

I see the tiny puppy, so fierce. Yes, that's the one. The hopes and expectations, the journey just begun. Your welcome to the family, a member of the pack. The hours just for smoogling, the art of playful attack.



The trails we walked, the training, and finding our own place.

The joy we brought to others, the kisses to my face. The tears and the frustration, not reaching bars we set. The pride when through your courage, another goal was met. Our dog show days are finished; you're my companion true. The leader of our young ones, to teach them all you knew. And now you're racing slower, one lap instead of three, Until you find you're happy to dance about my knees.



You rule with regal presence, though cloudy are your eyes, Until it's now a struggle at times to even rise. You'll know it's time, they tell me. I pray that I chose well. That I stole no joyful moment, nor failed your pain to quell.

I cradle you for comfort, as you lick my hand good-bye And hide from you my anguish, until the time to cry. Your heart was like a lion; you fought well to the end. How will I live without you? I had no truer friend.

At last, it's finally over, I say as you depart. But how can it be over? You left me with your heart.

(1/31/19 jas)



Also in welfare:

- Merril Lewis had surgery but is out and doing well.
- Leann Rogers's husband was killed in a car accident on March 3
- Joann Fedysky's father passed away in February.
- Rhonda Wood's father Passed away February 20th.

Many condolences for all our recent losses.





Train the Top Dog Way! Betsy Scapicchio & Linda Brennan

Teaching the Open & Utility Exercises

Saturday & Sunday November 9-10, 2019 Youngstown All Breed Training Club North Jackson, Ohio

This Workshop will build on the fundamentals and take your training to the next level. Learn how to teach your dog the Open and Utility exercises for a solid understanding and confident performance. Teaching the exercises right from the start is essential. Avoid having to fix problems later by following the step-by-step Top Dog approach to every exercise in Open and Utility. Betsy and Linda's method for teaching the exercises has been proven over time by our students' success in the ring, well as our own. We'll cover:



- Teaching the drop, retrieving and jumping, plus how to teach the Command Discrimination exercise!
- ✓ Teaching signals, articles, gloves and go outs.
- ✓ Working on distance attention.
- ✓ Preparing to show in the obedience ring.

Details:

- ✓ Dogs will be worked!!!
- Working participants will complete a questionnaire ahead of the Workshop.
- ✓ Workshop will run from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.
- ✓ Registration fee is \$250.00 for working participants (limited) and \$75.00 for auditors for both days.
- ✓ After October 1, no refunds will be issued.
- ✓ Fee includes continental breakfast and hot lunch each day, as well as drinks and snacks.
- ✓ Directions, hotel information, and other material will be sent with your confirmation.



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"Train the Top Dog Way" DVDs, visit: • www.barkingdogvideo.com

TRAIN THE TOP DOG WAY with Betsy Scapicchio and Linda Brennan

Top Dog started in 1991 on the talents of Betsy Scapicchio and her love of dog training. Linda Brennan joined the team soon after and an amazing match was made. Betsy and Linda are active and current competitors that you are likely to see placing at all of the big shows and tournaments, as well as at local trials. They continually show a variety of breeds to Obedience Trial Champions and they have never been out of the ring in over 30 years. But what sets Betsy and Linda apart from other trainers is not their own tremendous success in the obedience ring; it is their ability to communicate to their students how they too can achieve that level of success. Top Dog students eam multiple High in Trials, High Combined, OTCHs and 200 scores year after year. It is one thing to achieve your own success, but quite another to be able to communicate those skills to others. Teaching is complicated; it not only demands broad knowledge of subject matter, including animal behavior, and also requires enthusiasm, a caring attitude, a sense of humor, and a recognition of just what each student team needs and when. Pepper that with an intense love of sharing information and you are now training the Top Dog way!

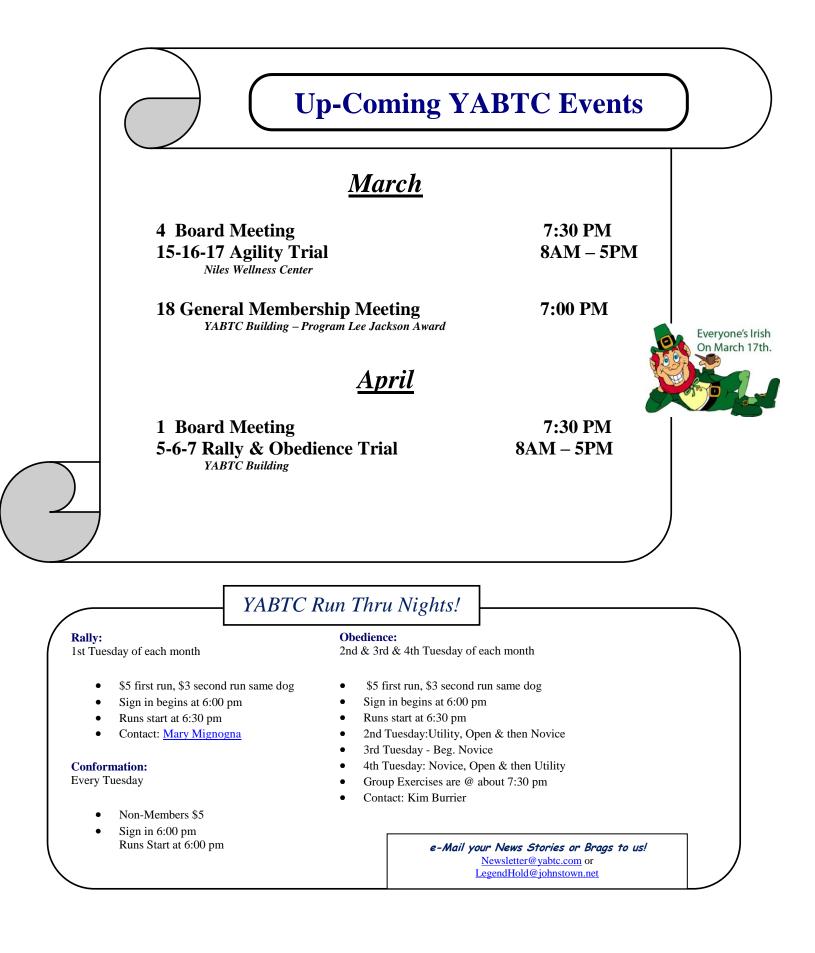
Betsy and Linda specialize in workshops where the working participants get a chance to get out on the floor and WORK their dogs. We hear over and over from past workshop participants that they cannot believe the amount of floor time they got with their dogs, and our auditors report that they were presented with such detailed instructions and demonstrations that their notebooks were full! When you complete a Workshop with Betsy and Linda, in addition to acquiring a wealth of information, you and your dog will be re-energized and ready to tackle the next training challenge. Because Betsy and Linda continually compete, as well as working with their competitive students, their training is constantly evolving. Each new dog encourages them to learn more and incorporate new ideas into their proven training method.

Betsy Scapicchio, Owner of Top Dog Obedience School, has over 35 years of dog training experience and has done it all! In addition to all of her students' successes, her own dogs have earned eight Obedience Trial Championships as well as winning and placing at national competitions including the Regional and Classic tournaments and the National Obedience Championship, with top ten finishes at five recent NOCs. She and her dogs, including her UD Chihuahua, also placed at Rally Nationals. Betsy and her dogs have earned 29 perfect 200 scorers, over 200 High in Trials and over 4200 OTCH points so far!

Linda Brennan is the master of versatility. In obedience, her wins include back-to-back firsts in the Masters Class at the AKC Classic and four firsts at the Westminster Master Obedience Championships. Linda's BC Spy earned over 1000 OTCH points and she and current partner Heart have already well surpassed that number. However, Linda's passion is working with different breeds of dogs, including her own Welsh Springer Spaniels and Norfolk Terrier. Linda also specializes in multipurpose dogs. In addition to obedience, she trains and competes in agility, rally, hunting, herding, conformation, scent work, and other dog events where she has earned many titles including OTCH, MACH and Champion.

A A Visit www.topdogobedience.com to see our other upcoming Workshops! A A

Youngstown ABTC — Open and Utility with Be	tsy Scapicchio & Linda Brennan - November 9-10, 2019
Send with check payable to YABTC to Sharon Phillips Working Participant (\$250) Auditor (\$75)	• 14870 Western Reserve Rd • Salem, Ohio 44460
Name	
Address	
Phone	E-mail
Dog Name(s) and Breed(s)	
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Youngstown Events *March 15-16-17 Agility Trials*

AGILITY RAFFLE COMING UP!

There will be a raffle all days at the March 15, 16, & 17 Agility trial. Please have your items in the YABTC club office no later than Wednesday, March 13th, and preferably earlier for Alice Coyne to use in baskets. Label them "Agility Raffle". If you wish to go together with others and donate a basket, call Alice at 330-423-2285 to let her know it is coming.

Great time to get rid of those items that either you don't want or got 2 of from Christmas! LOL!

CALLING ALL WORKERS!!

We will be needing YOU again to help at the March 15, 16 an 17 Agility trial! This is a THREE day trial this year so more workers are needed, especially on Friday.

Please contact Worker Scheduler, Laura Bell, at <u>camopup12@hotmail.com</u> to let her know when you can donate your time.

We SO appreciate all the help members give! There are jobs for newbies as well as experienced workers, so don't be shy - come to the Niles Wellness Center and join the fun! Be sure to wear your GREEN and celebrate St. Pat's Day in style! Workers are "paid" with tickets for food or vendors or agility class credit. Trial starts at 8 am each day.

We will also be having a B match on Saturday after the trial at the Wellness Center (around 3:00) and will need workers for that. Bring your young dog (15 months or older) or an older gal/guy and run them at any height! Contact Laura Bell to register for a special pre-entry price by March 13th.



Helpers Needed! April 5-6-7 Rally & Obedience Trials

Calling All Stewards!

YABTC'S Spring Rally and Obedience trial is right around the courner.

We are in need of a lot of Ring Steward Help.

If you have never stewarded before, don't despaire! This is a great learning opportunity! We will pair you up with a more experienced steward.

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A lot can be learned from the "inside" of the ring gate.

PLEASE E-MAIL SUE BELL IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE TO STEWARD.....Dbell1@neo.rr.com

Raffle Items Needed!

Alice will be putting together the Raffle Items right after the Agility Trials. Please put your items on the table in the office with "obedience" and the day you want them offered on them after March 15th. Alice always needs baskets, wrappings and ribbons!

Kitchen Help!

Please contact Kathy Stehnach to donate to the kitchen. <u>chanel3719@zoominternet.net</u>

Building Clean Up!

Thursday April 4th starting at 5PM and pizza will be provided. Please do not set up crating until after the clean up and ring set up is complete.







SEPTEMBER 14 & 15, 2019

AKC OBEDIENCE and RALLY SEMINAR

JUDGES, FUTURE JUDGES, & Exhibitors...

- Understand the regulations
- Learn how to judge
- Learn what judges look for
- Learn how to interpret the regulations

A Two Day Seminar Featuring

AKC FIELD REPRESENTATIVES

Obedience on Saturday 8:30am-4:30pm. Rally on Sunday 8:30am-2pm.

Cleveland All Breed Training Club, Inc

210 Hayes Drive, Brooklyn Hts., OH 44131

Conveniently located south of Cleveland near interstates I-77 & I-480. Only 15 minutes from Cleveland Hopkins International Airport.

<u>REGISTRATION DEADLINE</u> September 1, 2019.

<u>Questions</u>: Contact Linda MacDonald on email: macdonaldlinda @ ameritech.net or phone 330-845-1364. Price includes breakfast, lunch, snacks, rule books & printed handouts. No refunds after September 1, 2019 closing date.

Return registration & check to: Linda MacDonald 8176 Shilling Road, West Salem, OH 44287 (email macdonaldlinda @ ameritech.net) Make checks payable to: CABTC (US funds only)

FEE: ______ \$80 Two day ______ \$75 One day. Circle one: Saturday Obedience or Sunday Rally

Name: ______ Phone No: _____ - _____

ZIP:

Address: _____

City, State: _____

JUDGE's Number: _____

EMAIL Address:___

Conformation will be sent via email with directions and hotel information.



Area Clubs Companion Dog Training Club of Flint Michigan

Companion Dog Training Club would like to extend an invitation to Youngstown All Breed Training Club, our neighboring state obedience club, a chance to spend the weekend with Diane Bauman. (June 15th & 16th, 2019, in Flint Michigan)

Diane Bauman is one of the most successful professionals in the field of canine obedience and agility. Teaching the handler and dog to THINK is foremost in her teaching skills. Diane has instructed hundreds of successful students, many of whom have gone on to become top competitors and trainers. Diane has put obedience, tracking, and herding titles on a wide variety of breeds. Her record includes 16 perfect 200 scores earned on 4 different breeds and 4 OTCHs (Golden Retriever, Keeshond, Pekingese, and Pomeranian). In addition, Diane Bauman is an accomplished author and has devoted countless hours rehabilitating and training hundreds of rescues dogs.

The GO BEYOND BASIC DOG TRAINING Seminar with Diane Bauman will cover all levels of obedience.

SATURDAY (6/15) > Building a solid foundation – Relationship and Philosophy for Training All Exercises. SUNDAY (6/16) > Go beyond basic dog training - Learn how to teach all the required exercises.

Among the topics:

- -How to view training from the dog's perspective.
- -How to train for understanding, not patterning.
- -Understanding "help" vs "correction".
- -Special small dog techniques.

-Transitioning from training to in-ring performance. -Building a strong training relationship through communication.

Registration form and flyer available www.companiondogtrainingclub.com

Diane Bauman 2 Day Seminar Saturday, June 15 and Sunday, June 16, 2019 \$220.00 for both days, \$125.00 for 1 day Sponsored by Companion Dog Training Club of Flint, MI 3440 Torrey Rd, Flint, MI (Across from Bishop Airport)

Any questions please feel free to contact ampirion@yahoo.com or krosczewski@charter.net

Hope to see you there!

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AKC Urges Ohio Department of Agriculture to Cease New, Overly-Broad Interpretation of "Pet Store" Definition

February 14, 2019

https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/akc-urgesohio-department-agriculture-cease-new-overlybroad-interpretation-pet-store-definition/

The American Kennel Club (AKC) has recently been contacted by numerous hobby breeders in Ohio who have been told they should obtain a license as a pet store because they sell dogs in face-to-face transactions.

The AKC has grave concerns about this recent, expansive interpretation of licensing laws and believes they are in contravention of statutory language. <u>An open letter submitted to the Director</u> <u>of the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA)</u> today expresses these concerns and asks the Department to cease practices requiring hobbyists and other breeders from being licensed as a "retail pet store".

The letter, written in conjunction with AKC's representative counsel, is also being delivered to key legislators who have committed to work with the AKC in addressing this issue as soon as possible.

AKC will also be meeting with the ODA and legislators in the near future to further communicate our concerns in person and work on a quick resolution to these concerns. More information on this issue will be provided as it becomes available.

For questions, contact AKC Government Relations at <u>doglaw@akc.org</u>.





2019 YABTC – 1st half Obedience, Conformation and Rally Schedule



YOUNGSTOWN ALL BREED TRAINING CLUB, INC.

13210 MAHONING AVE. P O Box 397, North Jackson, OH 44451-0397

2019 OBEDIENCE CLASS SCHEDULE

PRE-REGISTRATION, PRE-PAYMENT, AND COPIES OF PROOF OF VACCINATIONS ARE REQUIRED PRIOR TO THE START OF CLASS TO HOLD YOUR SPOT. A Bordetella Vaccine is highly recommended. MASTER CARD, VISA & DISCOVER CARD ARE ACCEPTED. ALL PHONES HAVE ANSWERING MACHINE FOR MESSAGES.

PUPPY KINDERGARTEN CLASS (FOR PUPPIES 10 – 24 WEEKS OLD). Puppies must have the first two shot series by the second class.

A Bordetella Vaccine is <u>highly</u> recommended. Puppy Class is \$80.00 for 6 Weeks

Jan 23	Wed	6:00 PM
Feb 19	Tues	6:00 PM
March 6	Wed	8:10 PM
April 8	Mon	6:30 PM
June4	Tues	7:05 PM

PUPPY ADVANCE CLASS: Vaccinations must be current and must be presented by the first class. A Bordetella Vaccine is highly recommended. For pupples ages 5 months – 8 months and under 40lbs. Cost is \$80,00 for 6 weeks. April 10 Wed 7:05 PM

Beginners Agility: Dogs will further master obstacles previously introduced. Dogs must be able to work off lead. Prerequisite: Intro Agility.

Agility Intermediate Dogs will further master obstacles previously introduced, basic turns, contacts, and short sequences. Dog must be able to work off lead. Prerequisite: Beginners Agility

Agility Advance: This class concentrates on improving the handler/dog team's skill in preparation for trial. More difficult handling skills and maneuvers are taught and practiced. Different agility venues are introduced. Prerequisite: Intermediate

BEGINNERS I OBEDIENCE CLASS The 8week course will consist of 1-hour sessions each week during which time the handler and dog will be taught basic obedience commands. Vaccinations must be current and must be presented by the first class. A Bordetella Vaccine is highly recommended. Training collars are included in class fee for non-members and are available to members for a nominal fee. Cost of class is \$100.00 for 8 weeks. Jan 9 Wed 7:05 PM Feb 12 Tues 8:10 PM March 13 Wed 6:00 PM March 20 Wed 8:10 PM April 9 Tues 6:00 PM April 16 Tues 8:10 PM May 8 Wed 7:05 PM May 22 Wed 7:05 PM

OBEDIENCE & RALLY INFORMATION (330) 398 – 9270/ Registrar@YABTC.com



For starting times of Dates for Agility Classes

Contact: agilityclass@yabtc.com/ 330 717- 9059

VISIT US AT WWW.YABTC.COM

BEGINNERS II OBEDIENCE CLASS Prerequisite: Beg. I class or equivalent. Pre- Registration is required. The Canine Good Citizen (CGC) test is given the last week. Vaccinations must be current and must be presented by the first class. A Bordetella Vaccine is highly recommended. Cost of class is \$100.00 for 8 weeks.

Jan 8	Tues	7:05 PM
March 13	Wed	7:05 PM
April 9	Tues	7:05 PM
May 8	Wed	6:00 PM
May 15	Wed	8:10 PM
June 4	Tues	6:00 PM

BEGINNERS RALLY CLASS PREREQUISITE: Beg. II class or permission of instructor. Pre-Registration is required. An introduction to the sport of Rally. Signs used in AKC Rally Novice are covered as well as the rules, entering shows, courses. & many other items. Vaccinations must be current & must be presented by the first class. A Bordetella Vaccine is highly recommended. Cost of class is \$80 for 6 weeks.

JAN 28 MON 6:30 PM APRIL 16 TUES 8:10 PM

RALLY ADVANCE CLASS Rally Advance Class is for handlers and dogs that have learned the Rally Novice signs and want to continue on to Rally Intermediate &/or Rally Advance. Signs used in AKC Rally Intermediate & Advanced are covered as well as a quick overview of the Novice signs, Rally rules, courses, & many other items. The cost of the class is \$80.00 for 6 weeks.

Feb 6	WED	8:10 PM
JUNE 3	MON	6:30 PM

MASTERS CLASS: Rally Masters Class is for handler and dogs that have achieved a Rally Advance Title or has a leg(s) towards their advanced title. Signs used in AKC Rally Excellent & Master are covered as well as a quick overview of the Novice thro Advanced signs, rally rules courses, & many other items. Dogs must be able to work off lead. The cost of the class is \$80,00 for 6 weeks. FEB 27 WED 7:00 PM



YABTC - AWARDS FORM FOR THE YEAR ~2018~

(Titles obtained from 01/01/2018 - 12/31/2018; turn in by 03/31/2019)

Owner's Name:

Also Breeder: Yes/No (circle or

Dog's Registered Name (include all titles -AKC & non-AKC): _____

Dog's Call Name:

Breed: ______ Variety: _____

** YABTC - PLAQUE AWARDS INFORMATION - AKC TITLES ONLY **

AGILITY - Include date title was obtained

NA	MXB	MFG	АЈР	MJPC
NAJ	MXS	MFC	XFP	MFP
NF	MXG	TQX	MXP	MFPB
T2B	MXC	FTC	MXPB	MFPS
OA	MXJ	NAP	MXPS	MFPG
OAJ	MXB	NJP	MXPG	MFPC
OF	MJS	NFP	MXPC	TQXP
AX	MJC	T2BP	MJP	FTCP
AXJ	MXF	OAP	MJPB	PAX
XF	MFB	ОЛР	MJPS	PACH
MX	MFS	AXP	MJPG	
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CONFORMATION - Include date title was obtained

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]	Include date	title was obta	ined	
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Earthdog: JE	SE	_ ME	EE	_	
Hunting: JH SHR MNH	JHA SHU	JHR MH	JHU MHA	SH	SHA MHU
Lure Coursing: JC	SC	MC	LCS_	#	
Tracking: TD	TDU	TDX	VST	СТ	
Title not listed:					
CANINE	GOOD CIT	IZEN / THE	ERAPY - Inclu	ıde date title	was obtained
CGC Title not listed:					
** MISC	TITLES - A	ll Other Or		or Photo W	all -ONLY- **
Organization	Title A		Full Title D		Date Obtained
PLAQUE DATA:					
I have a Plaque	for this dog & n	eed a plate eng	raved (send pla	te(s) w/this	form when turning in).
I need a new Pla	que for this dog				
Please donate m	y Plaque cost (\$	35) to the "Can	ine" Charity of m	y choice:	
					(Charity Name)
					(Charity Street Address)
					(Charity City, State & Zip)

PHOTOS ~TO BE HUNG AT THE CLUB WITH YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS LISTED:

EMAIL	**DROP OFF AT CLUB**	**MAIL**
Awards@yabtc.com	Please complete form and put photos in the plastic mail station	YABTC
	that is located outside of the office. Enclose the ORIGINAL	*ATTN: Awards *
~Be sure to put in Subject	photo or 2 of good quality (3x5 to 8x10) for the wall. Do not	13210 Mahoning Avenue
Line "YABTC Awards"	submit copied pictures as they do not scan properly. Your	PO Box 397
	envelope should include your dog's "call" name and your last	North Jackson, OH 44451
	name. These will be returned once scanned.	_



Agility Classes -- 2019

Class	Day	Time	Start	End	Instructors Assistants
JWW Advanced	Thursday	11:00 AM	Feb 28	May 2	Liz Wise
JWW Intermediate	Thursday	Noon	Feb 28	May 2	Pam Benus JoAnn Myers
JWW Intermediate	Thursday	2:15 PM	Feb 28	May 2	Rosanne Sharrone & Ieuan Lewis
Advanced	Thursday	5:30 PM	Feb 28	May 2	Cheryl Alden Ieuan Lewis
Advanced	Thursday	7:00 PM	Feb 28	May 2	Cheryl Alden Ieuan Lewis
Intermediate	Friday	2:00 PM	Mar 1	May 3	Jay Wootten
Advanced	Friday	5:00 PM	Mar 1	May 3	Cindy Steeves
Intermediate	Friday	6:30 PM	Mar 1	May 3	Rhonda Jones & Janet Robertson
Intermediate	Friday	7:30 PM	Mar 1	May 3	Chris Gesing
Intermediate	Saturday	9:00 AM	Mar 2	May 4	JoAnn Fedyski
Intro 2	Saturday	Noon	Mar 2	May 4	Marcy Marley
Intermediate	Saturday	2:30 PM	Mar 2	May 4	Jay Wootten
Intermediate	Saturday	4:30 PM	Mar 2	May 4	Pat Goodwin
Intermediate	Monday	9:00 AM	Mar 4	May 6	Lotta Shafer & Laura Bell
Intermediate	Monday	10:00 AM	Mar 4	May 6	Lotta Shafer
Advanced	Monday	11:00 AM	Mar 4	May 6	Lotta Shafer
Intermediate	Monday	4:00 PM	Mar 4	May 6	Rosanne Sharrone
Intro 2	Monday	5:30 PM	Mar 4	May 6	Pat Goodwin
Handling	Monday	7:30 PM	Mar 4	May 6	Cindy Zeisler

Note: This is a tentative schedule for your information.

Changes may be necessary based on Instructor availability and dog/handler team need.

Agility Classes for 2019

For club members, Intermediate, Advanced and Handling classes are \$24 for an 8-week class. Basics, Intro 1, and Intro 2 classes are \$50 for club members.

For registration questions, contact the Agility Registrar at agilityclass@yabtc.com

Sunday Agility Practice

Pat Goodwin, Instructor

If you are a club member and have been cleared (tested in or have taken Intermediate) for safety on all the equipment, and your dog has been temperament tested by the Training Director, you are welcome to practice Agility on Sundays from 10:00 AM until Noon.

Plan on arriving no later than 11:30 AM as Sunday Agility Practice ends at Noon.

Sunday Agility Practice is canceled on March 17th for the Agility Trial

<u>If Sunday Agility Practice must be canceled</u>, the cancellation will be posted on the YABTC Facebook page as soon as possible. All Sunday Agility Practice participants should go to the YABTC Facebook page and press "like".



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To:





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