

Paw Prints

A Publication of the Tulsa Dog Training Club

January 2012



January General Meeting has been moved to January 20th

Program will be: "Stretching your dog". Sandie Wyman will be giving the program

The February Board Meeting is February 10th.

Ask Dr. Dog,

We have a new column in the Paw Prints. A famous Canine "Dr. Dog" will be giving his advice on all your Doggie related questions. His credentials include:

Degree from "Alpha Tech"

Studied the "Trash can marking system"

Star of the movie "Get along little doggies"

And author of "How to train your human"

Please submit your questions to tulsadogs@gmail.com and watch for the answers

To our many TDTC Volunteers!!!!!!

Remember when you Volunteer it not only helps the club, the activities can be used for your **Voucher!!** \$\$\$\$\$\$

Upcoming activities:

UKC Rally/Obedience - January 8, 9 and 10th

General Meeting - January 20 7pm

UKC Agility - January 28 and 29

Also:

TDTC is announcing a new weekend for their upcoming Spring Agility Trials:

They will be held at Bridle Creek in Sperry on March 30, 31 and April 1. Entries open February 1st and closes March 16th.



Many Thanks go to **Tracy Hendrickson**, who I stupidly forgot in the last newsletter, for her great job on the trophies. I cannot do this job without the cooperation of these other committees and Tracy is a key person in our trials. Thanks Tracy for all the work you do!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

-Sally

TDTC Agility Trials, December 2011 – Outstanding Volunteers

Work begins on a Trial many months before the actual date arrives and this is the work done by numerous volunteers behind the scenes that do not get the thanks they deserve., There is the AKC documentation, arrangements for the facility to hold the event, securing the judges and in general getting all the preliminaries arranged. Thanks to the Trial Secretary “Dovie”, and the Director of Agility, “Charles”, and all the others that are involved in the beginning process.

There are other various committees, that have also started their processes, Trophies – Tracy, Hospitality-Entertainment – Jeri, Equipment Maintenance – Bill, Publicity – Sandy, Corresponding Secretary – Pat, and there are several others working with these Committees that deserve a special “Thank You.” (If I did not get you listed, sorry about that, but a special “thanks” goes to you also.

Now we have the event days arriving and the equipment has to move from the TDTC location to the Trial sight. The agility equipment does not have legs or wheels; those have to be provided by a group of volunteers. Special thanks go to those of you who arrived at TDTC on Thursday afternoon and helped with all the movement and loading of this equipment. Then volunteers are required to unload the truck at the trial sight, stage the equipment in the correct areas, and this is after the arena has been checked and approved, measured, and then divided off into the rings, aisles, staging area for the equipment, crating area for the dogs and their handlers’, and then the office, awards, volunteer, check-in, and other areas that are required to insure we have a successful trial for the Club. Meanwhile, we have the dogs and their handlers arriving wanting to set up in their areas, and sometimes even relocate due to the space required for the areas listed above. It is very hard to get all the names and get them correct as many of the show entrants pitch in and help with this activity, in addition to the volunteers that have previously signed up to work with this aspect of the show. In order to not miss someone by leaving out names, we just want to say a special “THANKS”, to those of you who worked on Thursday, both at the TDTC and Trial site at the Fairgrounds.

Bright and early on Friday, the first day of the trials, there are volunteers who are their helping set up the courses for the first trials of the day. The judge provides the course layout, and then out comes the tapes and marking of which obstacle or equipment goes here and there and in the right line for the run. Again many pitch in to help in addition to the ones that have signed up on the sheets that they would be their working. When we have volunteers on the signup sheet, those are the ones that we rely on being there and getting the job done. These are also the lists that are provided to the other committees in order for them to complete their mission for the show. Thanks to these that sign up on the sheets, and also thanks to those that pitch in and help at the trial. This also goes for the volunteers that have signed up for each of the rings and courses that are run throughout the day, and the other days of the Trial. There are several of you that work each and every course on a daily basis, and then even for each day of the trial. Those are the ones that really make it work, Bill, James, and Lee. There are many others that have not been listed, but there is a special “THANK YOU” for the ones I have not listed.

There are from 8 to 9 runs a day, each with varying heights of 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, and 26 inches, and this is for both rings. There are numerous positions that must be filled for each of these runs both in and out of the rings, and this is in addition to the course builders mentioned above. With all positions included each day requires approximately 120 to 125 volunteers. Volunteers for the trial are secured from signup sheets available at TDTC and then some from the entries when they are returned with the volunteer form completed. These are the means for planning by other committees, and for determining what will be required for the trials as they are underway. During an event, we have volunteers that have conflicts with their working and showing and we work this out by having alternate volunteers working while they are not showing. Many times we do not get all the names of those volunteers, but we make attempts, just have not obtained a perfect way to get all names as yet. This is especially true for those of you who volunteer as Ring Stewards. We extend our “THANKS” to all of you who volunteered during the trials on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. This is followed by an additional “THANKS” to those of you who worked all day at the trials, and then we add another “THANKS”. To those of you who worked all days of the trials.

Now after the Trials are completed on Sunday afternoon, the volunteers that remain at the facility and help us tear down the rings, pack the equipment, then load to the truck for the return of gear to TDTC, We again appreciate this help and all receive another thanks. However, we are not done until we arrive back at TDTC, unload the truck, check and repair if necessary the

equipment then find its proper place in the storage area. Thanks to those of you who do make the stop back at TDTC for this activity. Now we await the next trial, where some of the process has already been completed, and we look forward to again receiving your help as a volunteer at the Trial.

Of the many volunteers that worked, not all participate in the Agility Trials, but pursue other events in the dog world. "THANKS" also goes out to those of you who participated as volunteers as a TDTC club member, but not in the Agility trials. These thanks also go out to some of the member's spouses that happened to drop by to enjoy the agility events, for which I secured for volunteering at the Trials. This is also for the spouses of those that were entered in the Agility trials, which thought they would only be watching, not participating as a volunteer. Thanks for your help. Volunteers from other Clubs, who were participating in this Trial also deserve this "Thanks", without your help and participation, this show would not be possible.

There were also some volunteers from the Tulsa County 4 H program, the Paw Starz 4 H Dog Club, provided us with several of their members that volunteered. We appreciate the youth and especially seeing them working with their pets. This is what keeps this sport going.

I have over 80 names of those that volunteered for this trial, and would have over half again that number if I had obtained all names of you that volunteered at this trial. As stated, I attempted to get the names, but know I missed some of you. In summation, "THANKS TO ALL" that allowed TDTC to have another great Trial

.John Maxwell, Chief Agility Ring Steward, TDTC



Neat/Clean Stuff happening to our TDTC Building!!!

"During this semester break, the following projects have been completed at the building:

- 1. The back room has been totally re-organized and thoroughly cleaned. Mouse droppings are gone and floor was bleached and mopped. Refrigerator was moved out and cleaned underneath too. Very nice chrome Baker's racks were added for easier storage and access to club items.**
- 2. All ring gating has been scrubbed and hand washed--totally white again:::)).**
- 3. Crating area--crates moved out and floor scrubbed beneath them.**
- 4. Walls washed.**
- 5. All obedience jumps hand washed, scrubbed and de-slobbered.**
- 6. In the next week, all chairs will be sorted and hand washed."**

"Laura and I take pride in our new job and I hope it shows!!!!"

Tracy L Hendrickson MT(ASCP)SH

Paw Pals at Carnegie

We are looking for several Paw Pals members who would like to join us in visiting students at Carnegie Elementary School (near 56th and Yale). We meet in the school's library and work with the children as they read stories to our dogs. No experience is needed. New Paw Pals members are welcome if your dog enjoys children and you are available on the 2nd or 3rd

Wednesday of each month from 1pm to 2pm, or would just like to sub as needed please contact Jennifer Simms at Jshamas@cox.net or 918-299-2297.

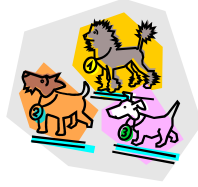


Thanks!!!!

Thank you for all of the volunteers during the October 28th, 29th and 30th AKC Rally/Obedience Trial. I would like to thank Mariann Duca, Dianne Ree, Janett Meetze, Pam Scott, Charles Ree, Sandra Wright, Sandy VanDeVerg, Dovie Ryan, Sammy Stevens, Mike Hopkins, Ray Stevens, Diane Warner, Susie Brown, Carolk Mindin, Jan Turpen, Cody Turpen, Mia Shelly, Laura Morris, Natasha Linger, Sue Warner, Jeri Hajek, Ken McDonnell and Don Warner. Volunteers are those who make a working training club run smoothly. I appreciate all of your time that you give to the trials, whether they are rally, obedience, agility or CGC tests. You are WONDERFUL and you make these events enjoyable for all who show and attend. We receive many, many compliments from judges and those who are showing regarding your efforts to make the shows run smoothly and a delight. Thank you!

Lorrie Russ

Obedience Chief Ring Steward



Upcoming Shows & Matches

2 Day Fun Match!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We wanted to let everyone know that we are having a fun match in Oklahoma City/Moore on January 21st and 22nd. We are offering Obedience, Rally and Conformation classes. Pre-entries are encouraged but day of show entries are welcomed. Go to our website to download the entry form:

http://ocotc.org/Forms/OCOTC_2012_Fun_match.pdf.

The fun match will be held at the Animal Resource Center - 7949 S I35 Service Road - Oklahoma City, OK. We will sell lunch items on the premises as a fund raiser for the club.

Please feel free to share this information to anyone who might be

Interested. It is a great time to get ready for the spring show season.

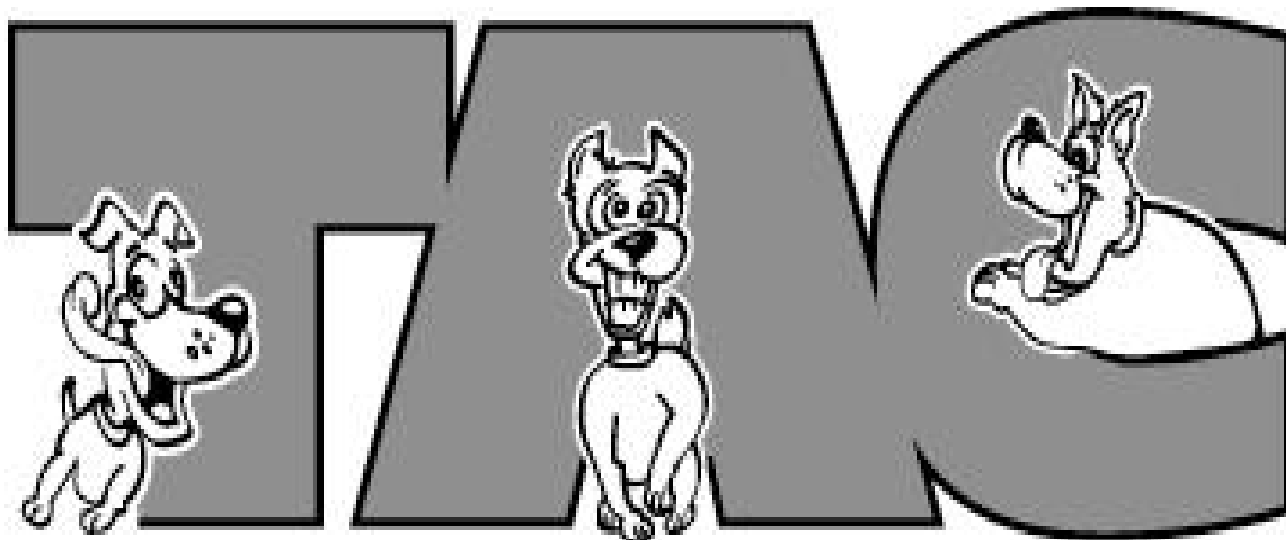
Debbie Harr , Oklahoma City Obedience Training Club

For more information on trials go to:

TDTTC Events www.tulsadogs.com

AKC Trials

www.akc.org – This website has an “Events and Awards” section that allows you to search for all obedience, rally and agility trials in the states you specify. UKC Trials – www.ukcdogs.com-- Go to “Dog Events” then “Upcoming Events.” Search by state or month.



TULSA AGILITY CLUB

UNITED KENNEL CLUB AGILITY TRIALS

SATURDAY and SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, & 29, 2012

TRIAL SITE – *TDTC Club Building,*

6307 South 107th East Avenue, Tulsa, OK

Trials start at 8:00 AM each day, and we need your help to insure a successful Trial.

Please sign up on the volunteer sheets, located at TDTC, and help with the show. There are benefits to volunteering as this is great way to get credit on the vouchers for discounted class costs. There will be other benefits for your time. Make a commitment and sign your name to the sheets, or send an email to Jmaxbaok@windstream.net with your volunteer position information. Chief Agility Ring Steward, John W. Maxwell, Jr. Contact at (918) 258-1227 or Jmaxbaok@windstream.net

From your TDTC President....Jerry Mabry

I would like to wish all of you a Happy New Year and am looking forward to an exciting 2012. The TDTC Christmas party on December 10th was a great success as it always is and I think all who attended enjoyed it. We had a great meal, and played the usual and customary game of Dirty Santa in which 48 gifts were exchanged, some of them three times. If you have never attended our Christmas Party then you should really try to make it next December.

I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to all of our members and others who have volunteered in support of the various trials and events conducted by TDTC during 2011. Without your help and the donation of your time TDTC could not exist to serve the Tulsa community as it has for over fifty years.

Your newly elected Board of Directors for the year 2012 is:

President	Jerry Mabry
1 st Vice President	Larry Scott
2 nd Vice President	Kenda Skaggs
Recording Secretary	Gisella Klindera
Corresponding Secretary	Pat Kinser
Treasurer	Dovie Ryan
Member-at-Large	Todd Johnson
Director of Training	Stacy Kennedy
Director of Agility	Bill Spens
Director of Publicity	Sue Shockley
Director of Obed. Trials	Sally Poindexter
Director of Agility Trials	Charles Ree
Immediate past President	Ursula Ling

Your newly appointed Chairpersons for Standing Chair Positions are:

Agility Trial Secretary	Dovie Ryan
Building Coordinator	"OPEN"

Chief Agility Ring Steward	John Maxwell
Chief Obed. Ring Steward	Lorrie Russ
Enrollment (Adv) Coordinator	Sue Shockley
Enrollment (Ag) Coordinator	Dovie Ryan
Enrollment (Beg) Coordinator	Mariann Duca
Equipment Maintenance	Bill Spens
Graduation - Hats & Things	Glenda Poulos
Graduation – Set-up	Jeff Noftsger
Historian	Ann Morrison
Hospitality/Entertainment	Jeri Lynn Hajek
Leads and Collars	Eleanore Beymer
Membership	Judy Mabry
Obedience Trial Secretary	Gwen Grandell
Parliamentarian	Warren W. Pagel, M.D.
Paw-Pals Coordinator #1	Maira Lawson
Paw-Pals Coordinator #2	Warren W. Pagel, M.D.
Program	Jacqueline Judd
Public Education	Barbara Casto
Puppy Class Coordinator	Sandy Van De Verg
Telephone	Linda Maxwell
Trophies	Tray Hendrickson
Ways and Means	Pam Scott

The above members have agreed to donate their time and efforts to help TDTC maintain the high standards that we have all come to expect in the programs and services that we supply to the handlers and dogs of Tulsa and the surrounding Communities. I am extremely grateful to them all. As you may have noticed that as of the time of this publication of Paw Prints we still have one open Committee Position (Building Coordinator), if you have any interest in learning more about what this position entails please contact myself or Larry Scott to discuss it.

TDTC Building Coordinator

The TDTC Building Coordinator is in general responsible for the maintenance of the TDTC Building. As such he/she would perform general maintenance tasks like changing light bulbs and replacing trash bags, refilling supplies such as toilet rolls or paper towels.

Many of the major maintenance issues are performed by various contractors such as heat & air, plumbing, etc. The Building Coordinator would call the contractor and arrange for them to visit the building at a specific time to gain access and perform the required tasks. This means that the job of Building Coordinator would be most easily filled a retired person or someone who has a flexible schedule to allow primarily daytime coordinated visits for contractors. The Building Coordinator is typically in the TDTC building quite frequently so how close they live to the building is also a consideration with respect to what it costs to perform these tasks. Larry Scott has quite successfully performed this function for us for over six years and because for health problems needs to be relieved in the near future. If anyone feels that they would like to consider this position I would appreciate a contact by phone or email to discuss it in more detail with either myself or Larry.

Jerry Mabry 918-357-9352 jmabry5@cox.net

Larry Scott 918-461-2848 dobietrainer@cox.net

Microsoft Access Expert

TDTC performs many mainstream tasks (enrollments for all areas, membership maintenance, etc.) with the aid of software developed in Microsoft Access. Our resident expert and developer of this software relocated to Texas several years ago leaving our ability to maintain this software in jeopardy. The programs still basically work to perform the tasks needed but if a problem develops we really have a difficult time to work around it. The programs are quiet sophisticated and Access is not generally very user friendly. We have a large membership and I hope that within this membership their may exist a resource that is experienced in Access and willing to take a look at what we have and recommend solutions. If you fit into this category and would consider helping us please contact me.

Jerry Mabry 918-357-9352 jmabry5@cox.net

New Contest!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Is this you????

You're a great volunteer. You have 4 curly girls the youngest being the largest. You always bring a smile to you fellow TDTC friends.

Email tulsadogs@gmail.com to win!!!!



2012 Resolutions from our TDTC Canine's & Kitty's!!!!!!

Phoebe Shockley...This year I promise maybe be nice to Zula

Zula Shockley...This year I promise to get as many treats as I can when training

Khan VanDeVerg : I resolve to try to be the best dog I can in 2012. Hey, I could have said that I would try not to act like I had never seen a dumb bell in the obedience ring, and that I would quit destroying all toys, especially Gunner's but I wanted to make my resolution more realistic.

Gunner - Van De Verg : I resolve to jump over every 16" rally jump this year.

Daisy Lynn: Be kind to Basil , Get off the couch more often & Lose

Basil Lynn : Find Daisy a nice home in the country (far, far away)

Gigi Grandell - "My New Year's resolution is to not to growl and try to nip all the other Poodles living in my house when they look at me funny. I'm still waiting for their visit here to come to an end so they'll leave!

Nicki and Tiffy Grandell - Our New Year's resolution is to see which one of us can run underneath the new big Poodle puppy that lives here without her catching us and putting one of our heads in her mouth!!

Sasha Grandell - I'm the "new, big Poodle puppy," and my New Year's resolution is to put the heads of those goofy little Poodles in my mouth as often as possible!

Scarlet Skaggs New Year's resolution is to stop trying to poop scoop the yard for us.

Max Skaggs New Year's resolution is to FINALLY catch a squirrel.

Cruise Skaggs New Year's resolution is to stop ignoring what he's been told not to do.

Cooper Jensen : My New Year's resolution is to not bark at the kitty (who adopted us) when she comes to the back door wanting her breakfast. My mom says the kitty is deaf and that I just look silly jumping up and down and barking at a kitty who can't hear me.

Draven Morrison is to not eat Phantom "the cat" this year!

Rocko Morrison is to finally catch a squirrel or bunny (hopefully this one will not come true!)

Barkley Ingram's resolution is to get even more attention & for his rescued sister, Sophia (no matter how cute or fun to play with 'cuz she bites too much as a puppy) to go back to where she came from- ha!!

Cat Ingram

Sophia Ingram wants Barkley to go away when she wants all of the attention & only come back when it's playtime so she can chew on him- ha,ha!!

Sarah Beeby, I resolve that I will always go after the dumb-bell every time it is thrown and bring it back without fail.....will maybe!

Sue Beeby, I resolve not to kill the weed eater or lawn mower and to make friends with that sucking thing (vacuum cleaner).

Jack Mabry, I resolve to make Jerry proud in the ring & have fun in Agility

Weasel Malone's new years resolution for 2012 is to continue to not chase cats; especially if they have a bob tail.

Bud Malone's resolution for 2012 is to continue stay at the head end of any skunk that comes into the yard.

Bonnie Malone's 2012 new years resolution is to bark foolishly at nothing.

Wallace & Minnie Beymer's resolution is to NOT play tug of war with a squirrel, incidentally they had better keep that one.

Zoe says she is perfect and won't do ANY resolution I come up with. But I told her I wanted her to stop barking at every single person who walks, bikes, runs, drives or whatever, past our house. Doubt it will happen but worth a try.

Ziva says she needs so much improvement that one resolution would never work for her. So, I told her to just work on paying attention to me at trials and try not to run the show every time. She said she would try. The barking for her is another whole story. -Chris

To all my fellow TDTC Members:

I appreciate the opportunity to do your Paw Prints news letter.

Please let me know about anything you would like to see in it. I love new ideas! Not to mention if there is anything I have left out please let me know as well. – Sue Shockley



Tulsa Dog Training Club

6307 S. 107th E. Ave

Tulsa, OK 7413