



Sherwood Dog Training Club

AKC License Club

August 2023 Newsletter

The Sherwood Dog Training Club (SDTC) was formed in 2003, with official status as a non-profit corporation established in 2006. We also have Tax Exempt status with the IRS as a 501(c)4. We received our notice that we have become an AKC Licensed Club in August of 2008.

Sherwood Dog Training Club

President: Danielle Silverstein

Vice President: Linda Ruedy

Secretary: Robin Murphy

Treasurer: Jill Faulmann

Board: Darlene Brushwein

Board: Jan Lewis

Board: Helen Hamilton

Newsletter: Darlene Brushwein

Website:

<https://www.sherwooddtc.org/>



We will have Zoom SDTC Meeting

Wednesday, August 2nd @ 7pm

Sherwood Dog Training Club is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87550944950?pwd=U0VjZm5XazFNZ0kwSIFNYytnclJJZz09>

Meeting ID: 875 5094 4950

Passcode: 021677

The agenda will be posted on the Members page of the club website

<https://www.sherwooddtc.org/>



Match / Sunday September 10th at the Cash Arena, Sherwood

In order to allow as many members as possible to participate, the maximum number of runs is 2 per person.

You may not give away your runs to another person. The fee is \$10 per run.

To enter, email Betty Rose bettyrose97070@yahoo.com with how many runs (1 or 2) you want. No need at this point to indicate what classes, jump height, etc. We just need to know how many runs you want.

Once the match is full, Betty will confirm if you got in and tell you how to pay and will send the entry form/waiver to you to fill out and return.

There will be no wait list for this match.



Obedience Trials / October 14th and 15th at the Cash Arena



We will need 3 stewards each day.
If you are interested contact Darlene Brushwein,
darlenebrushwein@msn.com



WANTED

**Rally Co-Chair for 2024
& Trial Chair for 2025.**

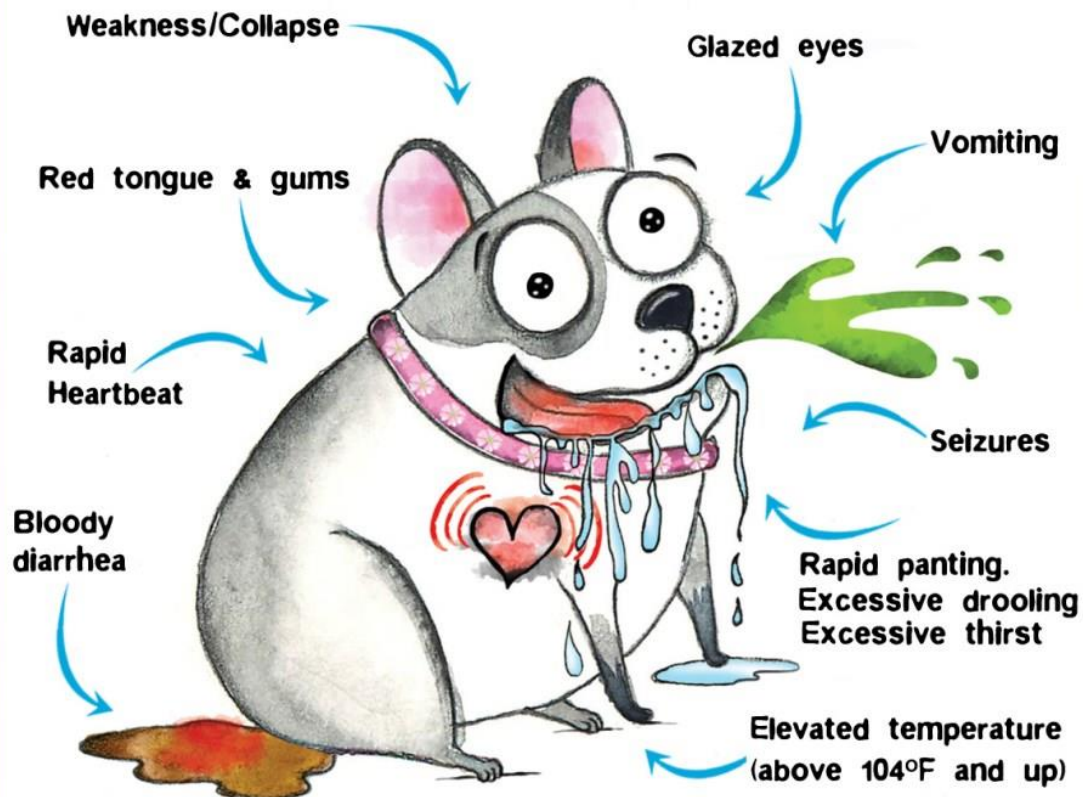
Need enthusiasm and attention
to detail.

No experience necessary!
Will train!

Email to cswray@comcast.net
or text to 503 369 1320.

Heatstroke Kills

Know the signs*



*Dogs with flat faces (e.g., Pugs, Bulldogs, etc.), black dogs, and thick-coated dogs, along with elderly, overweight, and those with heart or lung diseases, are more susceptible to heatstroke.

@RedandHowling

For a complete Look at all AKC upcoming Agility, Obedience, Rally and Tracking Events

Events: <https://webapps.akc.org/event-search/#/search>

Cancellations: <https://www.akc.org/sports/event-cancellations/>

Go to the AKC Events Calendar for more information, to download
<https://webapps.akc.org/event-search/#/search>



Upcoming UKC Shows

Washington

Aug 4-6, 2023 – Western Classic, Longview, WA (Obedience, Rally, Agility, Nose work)

Note: Pre-entries only, and entries have closed.

Aug 26-27, 2023 – Lilac City Dog Training Club, Spokane, WA (Nose work)

Nov 3-5, 2023 – Lilac City Dog Training Club, Spokane, WA (Obedience & Rally)

Oregon

Nov 17-19, 2023 – Canine Action Pack, Cornelius, OR (Obedience & Rally)

Utah

Aug 26, 2023 – Utah Nose work Club, Taylorsville, UT (Nose work)

Oct 14-15, 2023 – Utah Nose work Club, N. Salt Lake City, UT (Nose work)

Montana

Aug 11-13, 2023 – Whispering Echos Farm, Roberts, MT (Obedience & Rally)

Wyoming

Oct 6-8, 2023 – Rocky Mountain Dog Stars, Sheridan, WY (Nose work)

United Kennel Club (UKC) is an international dog registry celebrating bonds, rewarding ability, and preserving the value of a pedigree.

www.ukcdogs.com



Dear SDTC members,

Matches are extremely valuable for preparing our dogs to compete. We are fortunate to have Darlene and Betty organizing members matches at Cash's Arena. Since we are limited to three matches per year at Cash's, I would be happy to help organize additional obedience practice matches for all of us. Would you please click on the link below to take a brief [match interest survey](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd1veTCnx3dv7y-PsIKmogtcpKCXjptbWaNwHlkDREYV_gg4g/viewform) ?

If the survey reveals member support, the goal would be to present a proposal to the Board for an outdoor members match in late summer. This may be followed by future additional indoor matches. Survey results might also lead to something smaller and less formal than an SDTC sponsored match, more akin to people getting together to train.

Please click on the following link to access the [match interest survey](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd1veTCnx3dv7y-PsIKmogtcpKCXjptbWaNwHlkDREYV_gg4g/viewform) on Google Docs.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd1veTCnx3dv7y-PsIKmogtcpKCXjptbWaNwHlkDREYV_gg4g/viewform

Download this app for free at:

<https://itunes.apple.com/app/id1544827472>

You might need a gmail address. If you need any help with the technology, contact me EarthLaurie@sonic.net, 707-890-2491.

Sincerely

Laurie Rubin and Aussie Truly





Check upcoming trials in our area
<https://barayevents.com/>



Check upcoming trials in our area
<https://www.onofrio.com/execpgm/fndindex>



Partnering with the Portuguese Water Dog Foundation, Seattle-based Glass Eye Studio created 'Hope Comes from the Heart' a beautiful hand-crafted glass heart ornament in honor of all dogs in the fight against hemangiosarcoma.

Each one-of-a-kind glass heart is inspired by the ocean with hues of blues and greens to create a sense of motion and energy. Just like the ocean, the colors can change through the day based on lighting and its surroundings. Each custom hand-crafted heart highlights the beauty of glass and the skill of the Glass Eye Studio artisan team.

Proceeds from your order of 'Hope Comes from the Heart' benefit the Foundation's hemangiosarcoma cancer research fund.

Pre-order yours for a donation of \$85 each.

Available now for a limited time through Monday, July 31, 2023.

<https://www.pwdfoundation.org/>



Canine Heat Injury *Fast Facts*

Veterinary Tactical Group



www.vettacgroup.com

1. Body temperature is not a good predictor of heat injury in dogs. That is, the number alone can't tell you if a dog is getting "too hot."

Some athletic dogs can tolerate working temperature of 106° F and higher, while less fit dogs may suffer severe heat stroke at those temperatures. The best predictor of getting "too hot" is their behavior: uncontrollable panting, tongue hanging out and "floppy:" (look for subtle loss of muscle tone in the tongue), slow to respond or ignoring commands, shade seeking, subtle loss of coordination like small stumbling or tripping.

2. When a dog incurs heat injury, *rapid cooling* is the most important life- saving step.

There's an unfortunate myth that "cooling too fast could put them into shock." They have heat stroke: they are already in shock! In heat stroke, BODY HEAT is the immediate life-threat: there is ***no benefit*** to leaving them HOT for an extended time. By doing this you are essentially allowing the life-threatening problem to continue "cooking" and causing further harm to the dog.

3. Cooling methods: Ice water is okay, wet towels are okay. Anything that *is cooler than the dog is okay!*

Another unfortunate set of myths is that certain cooling methods are harmful, slow down cooling, or even cause the dog to get warmer. Some methods of cooling *are* faster than others, and we recommend using those if available (cold/cool running water, water troughs, ice water, etc.) but in reality, anything that is colder than the dog will cause the dog to cool down to some degree. Wet towels do trap in tiny bit of heat ("wetsuit effect") but cannot actually cause the dog to get warmer. Ice water on the skin does cause some vasoconstriction but not enough to slow cooling or cause any other significant medical complications. Cool the dog down with whatever you have available in your immediate environment. Stop cooling at 104° F (40° C) ("Safe temperature") and continue monitoring the dog's temperature as they may drop below normal (below 99° F/ 37.2° C) and need to be rewarmed to keep within a normal range.

4. Cool first, then transport.

A 10-minute trip to the veterinarian without first cooling to "safe temperature" (104° F /40° C) is ten minutes longer that you've let the dog "cook." If you don't have a thermometer, allow at least five minutes of any rapid cooling technique before transport. Remember excessive ***body heat*** is the immediate threat to life. The veterinarian is no more skilled at hosing down a dog than you are in the field! Veterinary treatments like IV fluids and antibiotics are secondary treatments that are important, but not intended to stop the *immediate life-threat*. You can do the best life-saving treatment with rapid, immediate cooling.

HOW **NOT** TO GREET A DOG

*Most people do this stuff and it stresses dogs out so they BITE!
Please show dogs some respect.*



DON'T
Lean over the dog & stick
your hand in his face



DON'T
Lean over the dog & stick
your hand on top of his head



DON'T
Grab or Hug him



DON'T
Stare him in the eye
(This is an adversarial gesture)



DON'T
Squeal or shout in his face



DON'T
Grab his head and kiss it
(This is an invasion of space)

Doing this to a dog who doesn't know you is like a perfect stranger giving you a great big hug and kiss in an elevator. Wouldn't that creep you out? And wouldn't you have the right to defend yourself?

The correct way:



- * No Eye contact
- * Let the dog approach you in his own time
- * Keep your SIDE towards the dog (non-threatening posture)



- * Pet or stroke him on the SIDE of his face or body. Or on his back.



Classes by Perri Yinger

Link to classes https://www.corralcreekdogsportcenter.com/obedienceandrally?utm_campaign=1bebd9d2-8d61-4e32-be8c-508ec6ee4ac3&utm_source=so&utm_medium=mail&cid=12bdc9d1-2c12-4e37-b6fd-a12365d41440

Obedience & Rally Instructor

From very early days, Perri loved taking part in the training of and caring for the four-legged family members and rescues who crossed the family threshold. With no access to formal training, she watched and learned communication and cues from the many dogs in her life. They taught her how to communicate more clearly what it was she wanted of them. Whether teaching tricks to the terriers, or looking up into the face of the family Great Dane and insisting he sit still while she put down a bowl full of food, Perri's conversations with the dogs were almost always productive.

In 2001, Perri and her husband brought home a very special Rottweiler puppy. He came with a show/working contract, and Perri's formal training commenced. From Novice A to Utility and many other disciplines, Perri and her beloved "Ted" learned about dog sports together and blazed a trail for future generations of Perri's dogs. Through classes, seminars, private lessons, and training clubs, the doors to competitive dog sports were thrown wide open and Perri's "toolbox" was overflowing.

Perri has trained, trialed, and often ranked in:

- AKC Obedience
- Rally (earning an invitation to the National Rally Championship)
- Schutzhund
- Nose Work
- Carting
- Herding (even adding a flock of sheep to her property to hone her dogs' skills)
- Conformation
- Dock Dog
- Trick Dog
- Barn Hunt

When a fellow club member asked for some help with her dogs, Perri realized how much she enjoyed working with the people who work their dogs. Teaching dogs to perform certain skills is not as difficult as it may seem at times, even when methods may need to be tweaked to the specific needs of dogs and/or their partners. But building handler confidence, opening communication to sustain engagement, and keeping the working team on task is where training becomes the most rewarding for all involved.

Dog Days Dog Training

Located in the Hazel Dell area of Vancouver, WA:
7206 NE 37th Ave., Unit A
Vancouver, WA 98665

Phone: 360-241-1844

Email: info1@dogdaysnw.com

Dog Days Upcoming Classes for 2023

Foundations for Performance

Tuesday 10:30 am

Thursday 6:00pm

Saturdays 2:30pm

Obedience - Novice and Beginner Novice

Tuesdays 9:30 am

For availability, please contact the instructors directly.
Info available on the website at dogdaysnw.com



Obedience Fun Match

Sunday, **August 13, 2023** at Barb Whites barn located at 2723 Ridgeway Dr. SE, Turner, OR.

Morning and afternoon match slots available, 9 am-12pm and 12pm-3pm. 3 rings - 1 utility, 1 open and 1 novice - 10 minutes of ring time, \$15.00 for the first run and \$10.00 each additional run. Payment in advance is not required to hold your spot.

Participants please plan on helping judge and being ring helpers. You have been amazing at all of the prior matches. Thank you in advance!

Match is indoors on packed sand. Please cross post! Instructors are welcome to share with your students.

Pre-entries only! Total number of runs will be limited. Entries close on **August 5** or when run limit has been met. Email/mail the information below and I will schedule you in.

Name (human and canine) _____

Number of runs at each level _____

Jump height (if applicable) _____

Morning (9-12) preferred approx. time _____

Afternoon (12-3) preferred approx. time _____

Entry submission by email: dlady65@hotmail.com or snail mail: Beth Werner 1511 Winter St. NE Salem, OR. 97301

Directions: From Salem and North: Take I-5 to exit 248 (the Sunnyside/ Turner exit). Turn east off the ramp onto Delaney Rd. Turn right on Enchanted Way (This is a frontage road going south next to freeway, go past Enchanted Forest). Turn left on Cloverdale Rd. Turn right on Ridgeway (It's the 1st right). Go around 2 – 90 degree turns and we are the 1st driveway on left after the 2nd turn, just before our house. 2723 Ridgeway Dr. SE.

From Albany and South: Take I-5 to exit 244. At exit stop turn right then immediately left on Enchanted Way (frontage road next to I-5). Right on Cloverdale, Right on Ridgeway. Go around 2 – 90 degree turns and we are the 1st driveway on left after the 2nd turn, just before our house. 2723 Ridgeway Dr. SE.



Sally Wells Classes

Contact Sally at sallyw61@yahoo.com for inquiries.

11:30-1pm Tuesday Ring Prep class at Trainers to the Rescue in Cornelius, Oregon. You taught the dog the skills, this class helps with the in between and the before and after parts of a trial. We may also do some distraction work, but that is not the core of the class. Class has a rolling enrollment (start whenever) with \$220 for a 6-week block or \$50 to drop in (need to check with me first to make sure there is room). For more information **contact Sally Wells** sallyw61@yahoo.com

Nancy Seaman's Private and Classes

Contact Nancy to reserve your spot at searis10@gmail.com or (503) 307-037.

Auntie Sally's Pet Classes

Contact Sally Wojahn at auntiesally2@frontier.com.

Open Training

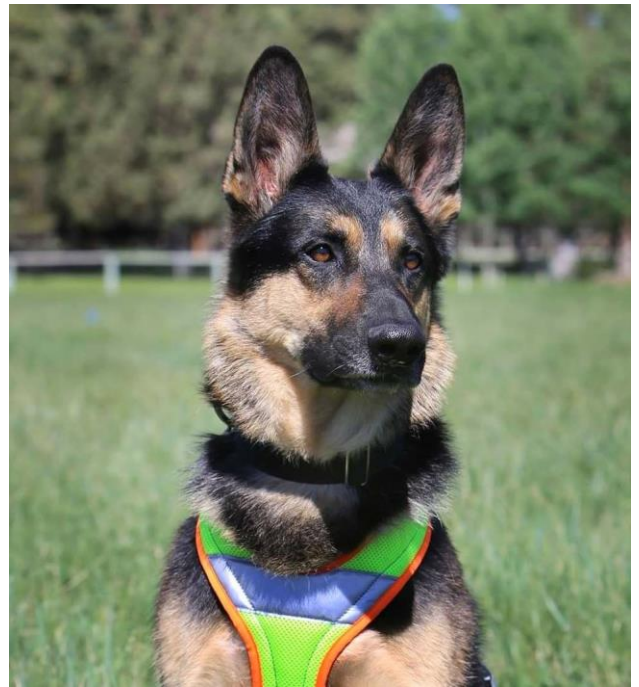
Fridays 2-9 pm Current Students \$10 General Public \$20

<https://www.trainerstotherescue.net/>



**You don't get results
by focusing on results.
You get results by
focusing on the actions
that produce results.**

Mike Hawkins



Journey to the National Tracking Invitational by: Sheryl Evans

HC CT Debrut's Finnian McBrute VCD1 RA TDU HSAs HSBs HIAs
HIBs HXAs AXP AJP NFP

Finnian, bred by Lori Nickeson was one of the pups from the last litter Lori bred. This was in 2013. All my DeBrut Shepherds have been very versatile and Finnian was no different.

Early on he showed an aptitude and joy for tracking. I introduced him as a 3-month-old puppy to the fun of following human footsteps both on vegetative and hard surfaces. Little did I know then just how far we would go!!!

Besides tracking, Team Finnian also trained and competed in herding, agility, obedience and even in the sport of dog parkour. I kept him busy in those first 4 years.

In his 4th year I finally decided we were ready and set up a time for his certification. It is exactly like a regular test. A person needs to pass this first step before being eligible to enter a REAL test. True to his style, Finnian methodically marched along his track and found his glove!!

In November of 2017, I entered and got into a test at Champoege Park put on by the PDOC.

I was feeling optimistic because this was the exact same place his Auntie Katie (my very first tracking dog) passed her TD test in November of 2003. 14 years earlier.

Then as luck would have it, Finnian drew the track that was laid in the exact same piece of a field as Katie's was laid way back when!!!

Imagine my excitement when Finnian made his way, unerringly, to his glove and passed his test, following in his Aunt Katie's pawprints!!

In 2018, he earned his TDU at Lane Community College at a test put on by EDOC. After that we trained and trained as we worked towards his TDX AND VST tests.

In 2019, after several attempts towards our TDX that did not pan out for us, we headed to our National Specialty in Colorado. On that fateful day, in October, I drew track #1, which turned out to be a lucky draw as Finnian marched along his track with confidence, found his intermittent articles and made it to the end for a pass!! That was an unbelievable blessing to me!! Finnian became my very first TDX dog.

I am thankful that I had some wonderful instructors in all of this as I was treading in unknown waters. I am so grateful to them as we continued our journey toward the VST test and possibly a Championship! Which would make us eligible for the AKC National Tracking Invitational!!

Training, training and more training..... finally at the end of 2020 I felt Team Finnian was ready for testing.

Getting into a test can be a challenge in itself. I found myself in a couple of tests outside of Oregon. Road trip time! We went East to Colorado, we went South to San Jose, those trips were fun but did not pan out for us.

In August of 2021, Team Finnian, got into a test in Missoula, Montana.

The Big Sky Tracking Club of Montana was having a VST/TDU test at the University there.

It was a glorious venue, so beautiful. We were the only VST team entered so we were first up on that day.

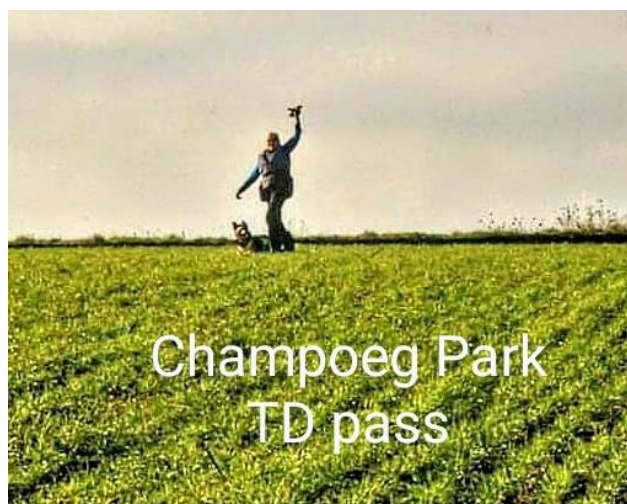
It was a bit nerve wracking because there was talk of a bear sighting earlier that morning and then as we walked to the start of our track a small herd of deer ran off. Thankfully, Finnian was able to regroup and focus on the task at hand!

Then, he was again distracted briefly, midway, when that same herd of deer ran off again in a different direction!

When all was said and done... Finnian, in his usual methodical style, marched along to his intermittent articles and finally made his way to that magical #4 article at the end, becoming my very first EVER Tracking Champion. With that pass, we became eligible for participating in the Tracking Invitational!!

The Invitational will be held this year on September 9-10, in Nebraska. Our entry has been submitted and received. The draw will be held on August 12th@10AM PST. There will be 12 tracks available and numerous entrants.

You can bet if I hear Finnian's name drawn you will hear a scream of joy from over in Central Oregon!!!
And yes..... I have a motel room.... Just in case!! LOL!!!





https://www.cleanrun.com/feature/july_2019_exercise_of_the_month/index.cfm

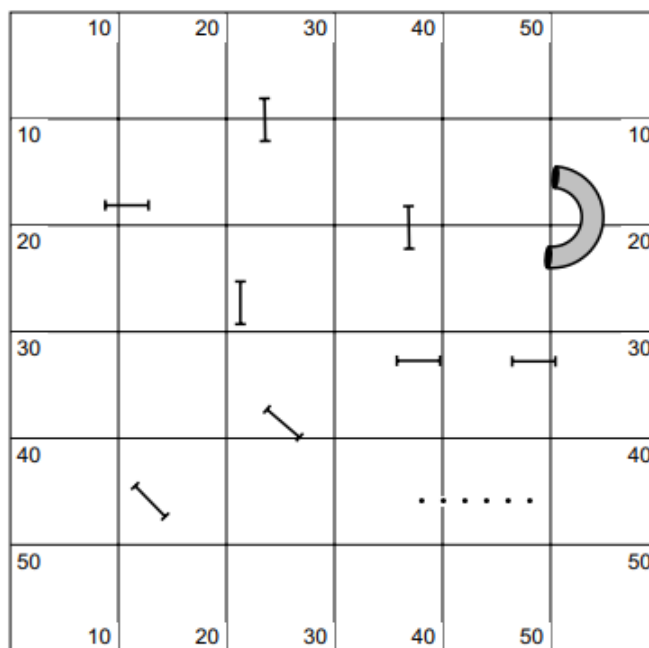
Clean Run Exercise of the Month

Dynamite Drills

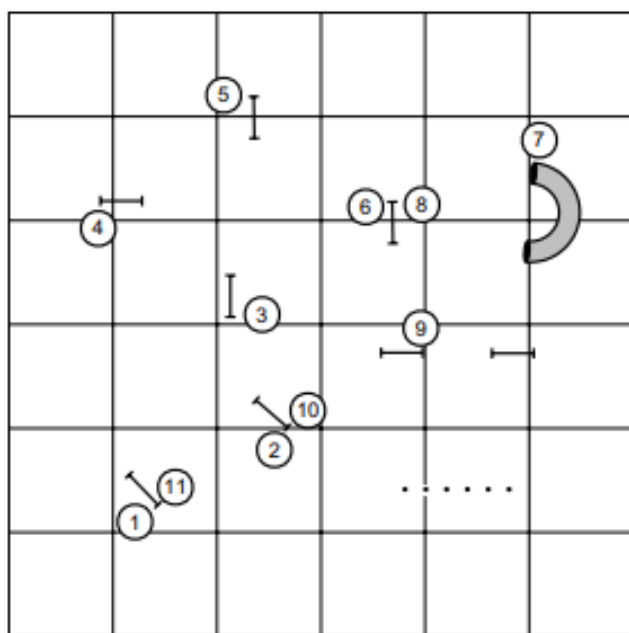
Dynamite drills will light some fireworks under you! They feature tricky turns and discriminations with no time to breathe. You'd better be fast on your feet. These drills will show up any weaknesses you have either in commitment from your dog (which will show up as

refusals) or your timing (which will show up as wide turns and off-courses). Your goal is for your dog to always be looking at the correct next obstacle so you can keep a good flow.

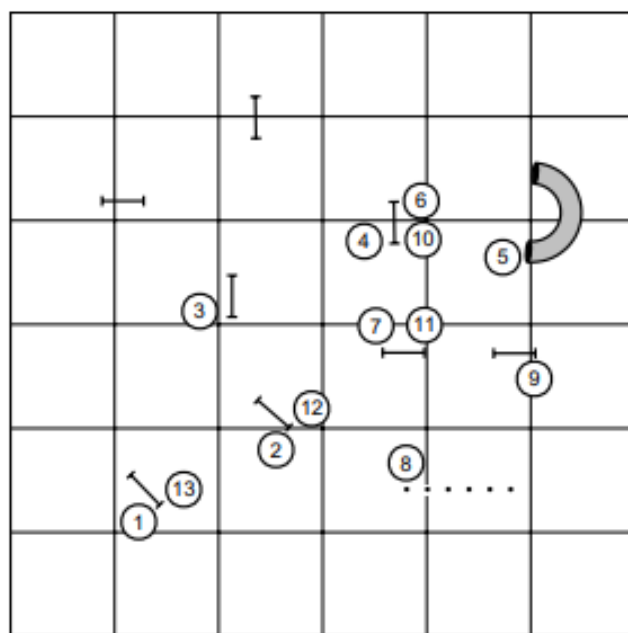
By Kathy Keats, The Agility Coach



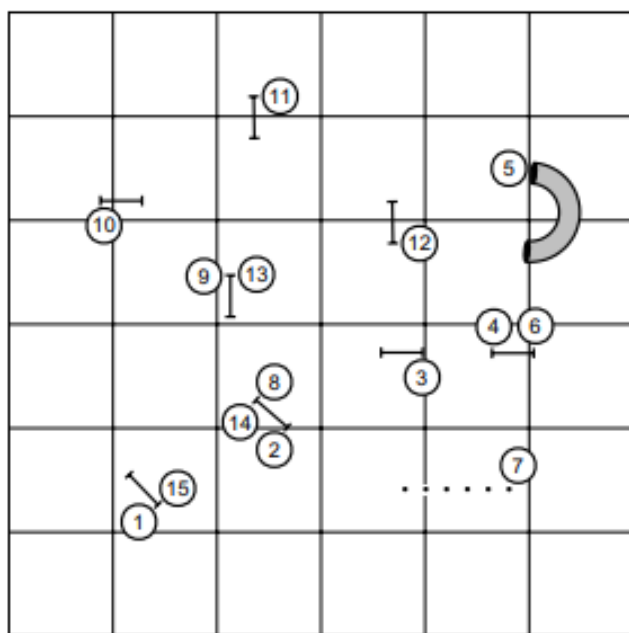
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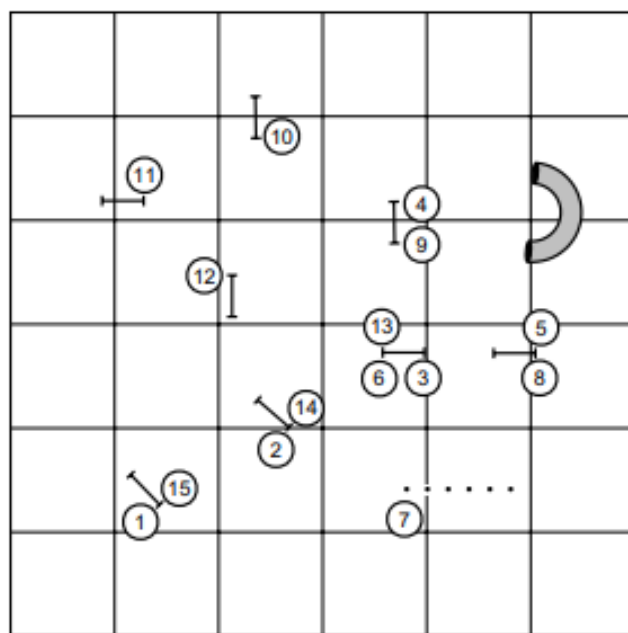
Exercise 1



Exercise 2



Exercise 3



Exercise 4



Introducing a new Tervuren puppy, Sienna Cascade's Xanadu, now 10 months old.

Regional in Puyallup this month. She got WB/BW/BOS and WB/BOS that weekend, and got 9 Q's out of 10 Scent Work runs, 6 of them were placements.

She certified in tracking at 6 months, and has her SWN and is close to her SWA (Scent Work Advanced) Hopefully this weekend.

Of course, playing in obedience, rally, agility and herding as well.

**She's a hoot!
Claudia Weiss**

Obedience is Hard! Attention is Required!

Part III

Jul 10, 2023



During this blog series, I asked you to accept the obvious, obedience is hard, and agree to the goal: teach your dog to be engaged and enjoy obedience, even when it is not naturally motivating. Remember, when we connect behavior to a Reward Marker, the behavior becomes rewarding.

However, can we rely on the dog's enjoyment of the activity to keep him engaged?

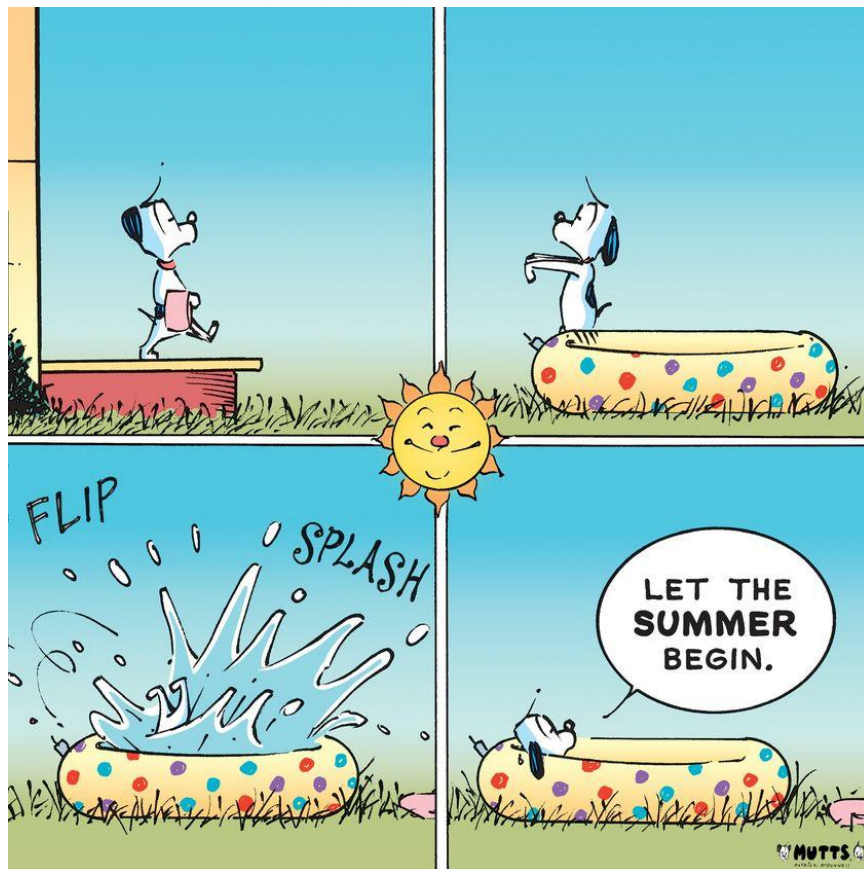
Obedience is unique to other venues as the handler is only allowed to give commands one time and cannot speak to the dog during the exercises. Maintaining attention on the exercises your dog loves is not foolproof. Something can catch the eye of even the most enthusiastic retriever, causing him to bobble a pick-up and receive a point deduction. What about the challenge of keeping your dog focused as you silently cross the ring to start a recall or signal exercise? Being distracted is not just looking away, it's being aware of the other activities going on, or worrying about the environment.

Is it reasonable to expect that the dog's enjoyment of the exercises, and your ability to motivate him, will keep him from ever making an attention error?

I think it is naive to believe the dog will always find you or the activity the most important thing in the environment. We can try to foster that attitude, but just as you do everything you can to prevent a car accident, you have insurance if an accident occurs. You can't control the drivers around you, and you can't get insurance after the accident.

I want you to do everything in your power to teach your dog to be engaged and enjoy obedience, however, we need insurance, that is the policy that says even when the conditions are difficult, your dog understands it is his responsibility to pay attention to you, not just during the heeling, but throughout the entire performance.

Have you systematically taught your dog that paying attention is his job?





Below is the next in a series of Random Tidbits of information (from me) in regards to the AKC Obedience Regulations. Knowledge of the Regulations provides you the power for...

Saving Withdrawals from Your 200 Account



Today's Random Little Tidbit – Management of Dogs Attempting to Leave the Ring While Being Judged – Obedience and Rally

The Saint Bernard pictured here received a call while heeling and had to leave the ring to join in on a rescue mission.

UPDATE: Random Little Tidbits #20 covered the subject matter “**Stewarding --- The Little Things Can Make A Difference.**” If you are asked to steward (and I hope you will say YES!) you may want to review that Tidbit, plus this one! Stewards are an integral part of dog shows. They are part of the “gear system” that helps make a show run smoothly, not only for the judge, but the handlers, exhibitors and other stewards.

Always keep in mind: dogs are dogs, and they can react in a variety of ways to what is happening in their environment at any particular time. To help insure the safety of everyone attending the show (and that includes - you) additional measures are now in effect. Stewards need to also be aware of this change (below) and be sure to ask the judge how a loose dog is to be dealt with, if they overlooked mentioning this in their briefing. It is also imperative for the steward to keep their attention on the judge during judging for further instructions if a dog were attempting to leave the ring.

By AKC Companion Events Department on February 27, 2023

“The Board voted to modify the Obedience & Rally Regulations to provide instructions to judges and stewards on how to manage a dog that leaves its handler and attempts to leave the ring while competing. *(Effective March 1, 2023)* The judge will instruct the stewards not to reach for or grab a dog to stop it, but if the dog is not responding to its handler's commands, the judge may advise the stewards to attempt to block the dog from leaving if it is safe to do so. The dog will then be released from the ring.”

OBEDIENCE REGULATIONS

“**CHAPTER 1, Section 31. Stewards.** Judges are in sole charge of their rings until their assignments are completed. Stewards are provided to assist but may act only on the judge's instructions. They must not give information or instructions to owners and handlers except when the judge asks them to do so. Any request from an exhibitor for special consideration must be directed to the judge.

“It is the judge's responsibility to review with the stewards their duties and the way those duties are to be performed. When a dog leaves its handler to leave the ring, the stewards' safety is a priority, and they must be advised not to reach for or grab a dog to stop it. At a show with ring gating, if the stewards are near the open gate area when a dog leaves its handler, and the dog is not responding to its handler's commands, the judge may advise the stewards to block the gate to prevent the dog from leaving the ring if it is safe to do so. The dog will then be released from the ring.

“**CHAPTER 2, Section 25. Misbehavior (New wording added)** A dog who has left its handler to leave the ring, who is not responding to its handler, and/or the stewards have blocked the dog to keep it in the ring, must receive a non-qualifying (NQ) score and must be released from the ring.”

RALLY REGULATIONS

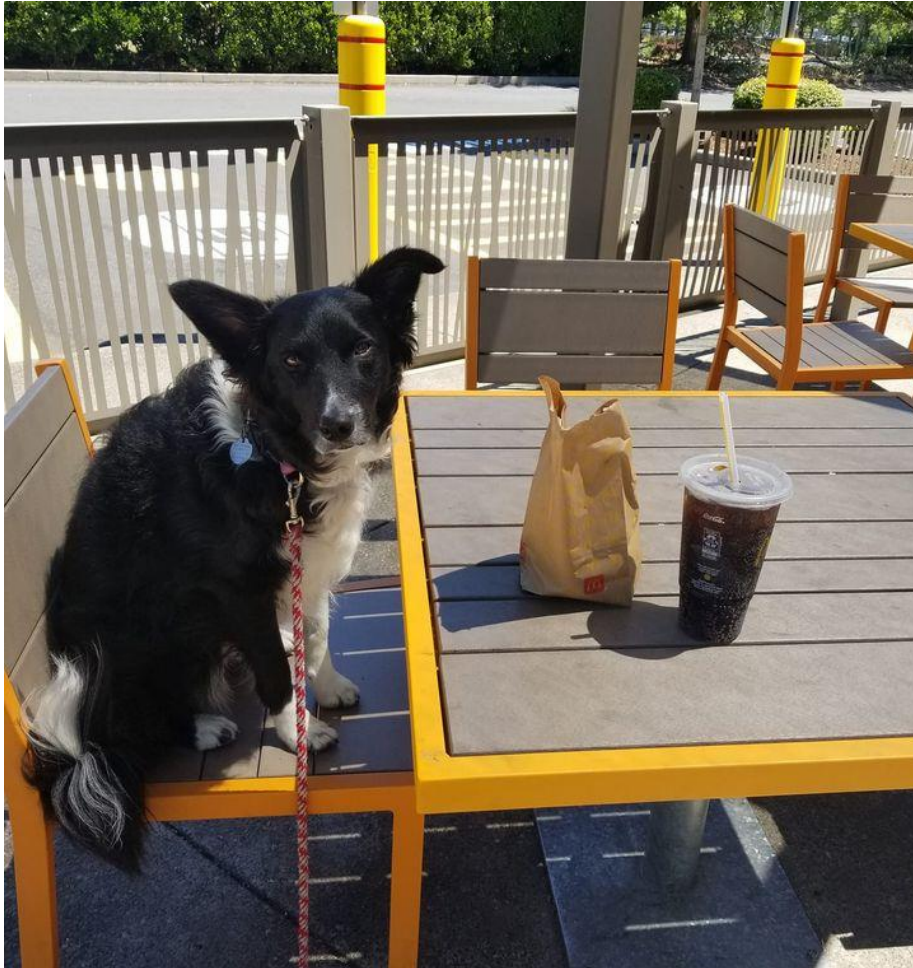
The same wording will be added to **Chapter 1, Section 33 and Chapter 2, Section 19.**

I suggest printing out Tidbit #20 & #93 to have on hand for a quick review before stewarding.

The above quotes came out on the AKC Blog. Be sure to sign up so you will not miss out on further posts. Keep in the know!

Blog Address: <https://akcobedrlyjudges.wordpress.com/about/> Sign up to receive updates.

John Cox, AKC obedience judge. dog-talk@comcast.net



Good girlie Emily. UDX QQ #.23.

I rarely show outdoors especially with cane on uneven ground and the hottest day of the year.

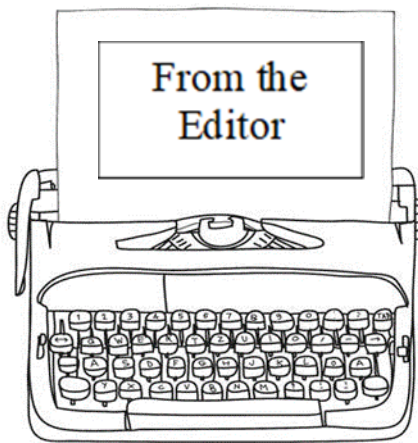
Thx Em. Enjoy your hamburger!

I couldn't face thought of the afternoon trial!

So made a "donation" to the Sheltie club and came home in my friend, Pearl who has great AC and is now getting 35.8 MPG.

Em and I are happy to be home.

Vince and Poppy missed us.



SDTC Newsletter Advertising Policy

- **Advertisements for rehoming k9 equipment, etc. are always welcome.**
- **Training programs and classes offered by members will be posted with a link to a website for members only [possibly under a column specifically designated for that purpose].**
- **Advertising of puppies/litters will not be accepted**

We are looking for articles from our membership.

- **Do you have a brag or accomplishment?**
- **Have you written an article that the membership could benefit from?**
- **Know of an upcoming event? Example: Obedience trial, Scent trial, Specialty, Health clinic..... etc.**



darlenebrushwein@msn.com

Please be safe.

There are phishing emails using my name. Darlene Brushwein

Check where emails come from.

Never open links from emails you do not recognize or seem weird.