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NEXT MEETING

**THURSDAY
MARCH 21
POT LUCK
AT THE CHURCH**

2725 Concord Dr. Florissant, MO
Bring your own beverage

7:00 PM

CANDIDATES

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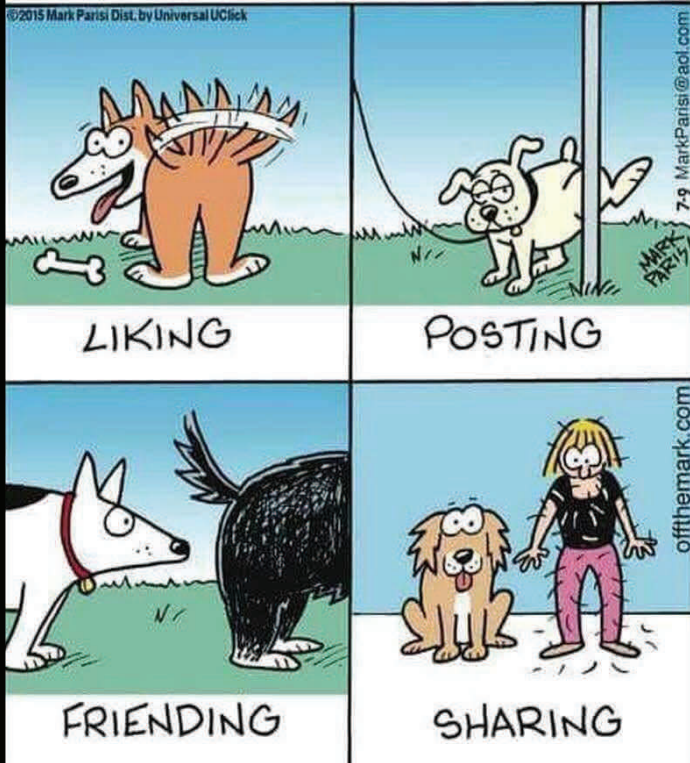
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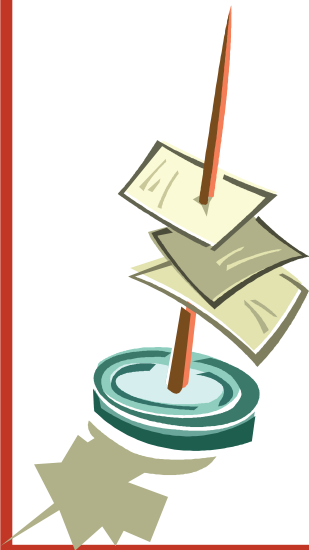
SOCIAL MEDIA FOR DOGS



2018 NCOTC OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

President	B.J. Arnold
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Treasurer	Nancy Lincoln
Recording Secretary	Diana Schmerber
Corresponding Secretary	Sue Bierman
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	Carol Carter
	Bryan Clifford

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To Do List for March 2019

Tim: Nail down judges for the June trial.

Tim: Check on availability of the Trial Secretary on the first week of December.

Tim: Check on availability of Westinn in June, 2020, since Purina will not be available.

All members: Think about volunteering to be a trainer or assistant.

Tim: Recruit a trial photographer.

All Trainers: Send curriculum changes to Mary for sending to the Cloud.

Nancy: Status of T-shirts.



Future Obedience and Agility Trials

Check the AKC web site for accuracy

March 2019

15-17 Dalmatian Club of Gtr Stl - Agility @ Westinn Kennels

23-24 Greater St. Louis Sheltie Club - Obedience at Westinn

30-31 Columbia Kennel Club - Obedience @ Purina

April 2019

06-08 Field Spaniel Society of America - Agility @ Westinn

12-14 Greater St. Louis Agility Club - Agility @ Kim's

21-22 Capitol Canine TC - Agility @ Westinn

26-28 Show-Me Agility Club - Agility @ Columbia, MO

May 2019

03-05 Triume Agility Club - Agility @ Triune Building

04 **NCOTC Show & Go - Westinn Kennels**

10-12 Capitol Canine OTC - Agility @ Glen Carbon

18-19 Greater St Louis Obedience Training Club - Obedience @ North County Rec

24-26 St. Louis Sheltie Club - Agility @ Kim's

June 2019

07-09 Mound City OTC - Agility @ Kim's

14-16 Schipperke Club of America - Agility @ Kim's

21-23 NCOTC - Obedience @ Purina

28-30 MRKC - Obedience @ Purina

28-30 Springfield MO DTC - Agility @ Springfield



President's Gavel

Anyone for corn beef, cabbage, and green beer? Well this might be something you might indulge in but not the best diet for our furry friends.

I wish to give a big thank you for those who attended the Obedience/Rally seminar this month and who brought food. We certainly had enough – enough to even send the Sunday Rally people off with goodies.

Our AKC representatives explained some of the changes and were impressed by the numerous questions folks asked to clarify the judging procedures and rules.

This month several of our members will be attending the AKC Nationals in Tulsa. First safe travels and second best of luck to all of our NCOTC teams! Look forward to celebrating with you upon your return. Don't forget to send pictures!!

Training notes – classes are filled because of you the training staff. Remember if you would like to be an assistant, let us know. Trainers are doing a great job in encouraging our present students and welcoming new students. Keep up the good work.

Finally - keep an eye out for all the neighboring trials and our upcoming Show-n-go in May.



BIRTHDAYS MARCH
Clay Lincoln, Kathy Schreck



BRAGS



February Meeting

Tim Cutshall and Faith – received their first Utility leg.

Darlene Cutshall and Splash – received their Utility title and a 2nd Place ribbon.

Jo Ann Ray and Samson – received their Rally Master 2 title

Christine Carter and Violet – received the American Miniature Schnauzer Club’s Top Obedience Dog Title for 2017 and 2018.

Ginger Kinion and Eddie – as of February 1st, due to rule changes, Eddie earned his Rally Champion title. He now gets to put RACH in front of his name!

Nancy Lincoln and Indy – received their Rally Novice title.

Diana Schmerber and Zuzu – received two legs toward their Novice A and one leg toward their Advanced Rally B titles.

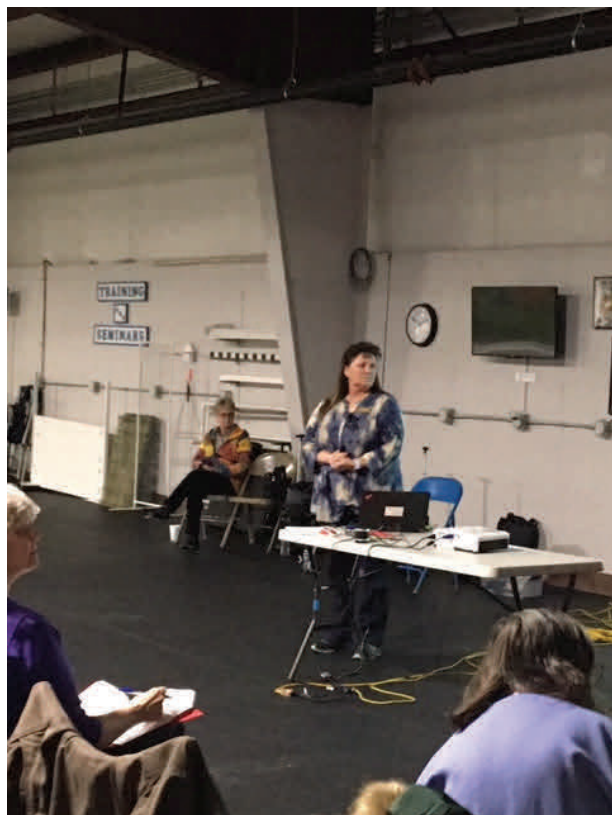
Laurie Lo and Vim the Victorious - Vim earned two of the required first placements towards her OTCH plus 14 or so points at the Memphis Kennel Club. She also earned High in Trial and High Combined.

AKC Seminar:

Thanks to all members who attended the AKC Seminar hosted by NCOTC. My committee consisting of BJ Arnold, Nancy Lincoln, Christine Carter and Carol Carter were so helpful, and I thank them so much for all they did to make the seminar successful. These seminars are so important for Rally and Obedience Judges’ education, for exhibitors to know what goes into scoring dogs and handlers and for instructors to help students to navigate all the rules and regulations of showing. Hopefully everyone learned new information and gained motivation to improve their showing skills.

Ginger Kinion
Seminar Chairman

NCOTC HOSTED THE 2019 OBEDIENCE AND RALLY JUDGES SEMINAR



**Diane Schultz & Mary Higdom
from AKC**



Attendees



We have a master baker - Thank you Darlene Cutshall

Front & Finish
2018 Delaney Obedience Rating System

Compiled by Dave Pluth

The Delaney Rating System compares performances of dogs in AKC all breed obedience competition. This system was originally devised by Kent Delaney, a highly respected obedience and breed judge. The philosophy of the Delaney Rating System is that teams placing in each class are the best performers and comparisons of teams should only include these participants. Therefore, this system only ranks dogs that place first through fourth in Open and Utility classes. Novice class dogs are not included in this system.

Among teams that place, one point is earned for each dog defeated in a given class. For example in a class of twenty competing teams, the first place winner would earn 19 points as it defeated this number of other dogs. The team in second place would receive 18 points, the third place team would earn 17 points, and the fourth place team would earn 16 points. After points in each class are determined they are compiled across a given competition year.

Ratings published by Front & Finish list the top ten dogs ranking highest across all breeds, within each group and by breed. Dogs must earn a minimum of four points in a given year to be listed and all ties are reported. Dogs are listed with the recognized AKC titles they received during the competition year and they may not reflect a dog's current titles.

NCOTC members who appeared in the ratings are listed below with titles as of 12/31/18

Top Ten Terrier Group

#4 Christine Carter and MACH Southcross Double Feature UDX2 OM4 BN GN 135 pts
VER RAE MXB MJB SE RATO

Top Ten Miniature Schnauzer

#1 Christine Carter and MACH Southcross Double Feature UDX2 OM4 BN GN 135 pts
VER RAE MXB MJB SE RATO

Top Ten Dalmatian

#2 Jeannine Kerr and MACH Woodwynd's High Tea At Crossroads UDX4 OM6 30 pts
MXG MJG T2B

Top Ten Bearded Collie

#2 Laurie Lo and Majela Chanium Vimiusa By Stealth UD OM1 73 pts

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CHANGES TO OTCH REGULATIONS

Three changes to the Obedience Regulations were approved by the AKC Board of Directors at the February 8, 2019 meeting. The following amendments (underlined) 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
2. Earning OTCH points outside of the Point Schedule in 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.)

Section 5. Point Schedule. Open B

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

AKC Rally – Enhancements to the Rally Champion Title – Effective 02/01/2019

The AKC Board of Directors approved modifications to the requirements to earn the Rally Champion title (RACH). The following changes were approved: (1) earn RACH points from the Advanced B class, (2) amend the Point Schedule to award a greater number of points by score, (3) calculate points toward the RACH title after a dog earns the Rally Excellent (RE) title, and (4) reduce the minimum number of RACH points that must be earned from the Master class.

These changes will be effective February 1, 2019 and on/after that date, AKC will recalculate the RACH points on all dogs' records using the new point schedule. The recalculation of the records will be backdated to the inception of the RACH title, which was November 1, 2017.

AKC Rally Regulations – Chapter 4 will be amended as follows:

Regulation Language

Comments

Section 1. Dogs That May Compete. Rally Championship points and triple qualifying Scores will be recorded for dogs after they Have earned the Rally Excellent (RE) title. When a dog earns the Rally Champion (RACH) Title, it may continue to compete and earn points.

Calculate the points toward the RACH title after a dog earns the Rally Excellent title to bring the title more in line with the other Companion Events championship titles.

Section 2. Championship Points. Rally Championship points will be recorded for dogs Earning a score of 91 or better in the Rally Advanced B, Rally Excellent B and Rally Master classes. A dog must earn a total of 300 points, With a minimum or 150 points from the Master Class. Additionally, the dog must receive Qualifying scores in Advanced B, Excellent B and The Master class, on the same day at the same Trial at 20 separate licensed or member rally trials.

Points will be added for the Advanced B class since the class is required to achieve the title as part of the 20 triple qualifying score.

Reduce the minimum number of Championship points required from the Master class from 200 to 150 points.

Section 3. Point Schedule.

Classes:	Score	Points
	91-94	5
Advanced B	95-96	6
Excellent B	97	7
Master	98	8
	99	9
	100	10

Increase the Championship point values on The Point Schedule. Add the Advanced B Class to the Point Schedule since it is a Required class to achieve the title.

