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Dayton Dog Training Club
June 2019

Spring CGC Class

Jane Adams reports that the students of the **spring CGC class** met at the Centerville Home Depot for their last class. All dogs were on their best behavior. They encountered beeping forklifts, loud overhead announcements and a lot of strange looking things, and politely welcomed strangers wanting to pet them. All handlers did an excellent job working through the store with their dogs. Each dog in attendance received a “graduation” bag with a toy and treats. Jane thanked **Carol Walker**, her assistant instructor, for her help and vast knowledge.



Election results

The club has some returning board members and some new faces for the coming year. Running DDTC is a big job; members are fortunate to have these volunteers step forward to make the decisions that keep the club growing and financially secure.

President - Mary Beth Steinke

Vice President - Mike (Seivers) Wheeler

Treasurer - Rhonda Holzhauser

Financial Secretary - Jane Adams

Corresponding Secretary - Beth Erisman-Thomas

Members-at-large - Darlene Rak, Caryn Schill, Kim Buchhalter

Legislative report

June 2019

Submitted by Norma Bennett Woolf

Humane society bill

HB 24, the humane society oversight bill, had its fifth hearing May 14. No one submitted written or in-person testimony and the committee unanimously approved a substitute bill that incorporated some procedural requests from the county commissioners association. Next stop is a vote before the full house yet to be scheduled.



To recap: HB 24 tightens requirements for humane agent hiring and adherence to due process for animal owners; includes humane agents in state bribery law; requires accountability if the owner is exonerated but animals became ill, were injured, or died while in custody; requires 24-hour notice if animals are seized but owner is not at home; allows county commissioners to approve appointment of an outside prosecutor for animal abuse cases; bans the use of non-prosecution agreements unless they are approved by a judge; and separates animal abuse from child abuse by renaming the Ohio Humane Society's animal abuse section as the Ohio SPCA for animal abuse cases.

The substitute bill can be accessed through the House Agriculture & Rural Development Committee (<https://tinyurl.com/yyzazs9t>) under the May 14 agenda.

Pet store definition rewrite

No word yet when the new language will be introduced but AKC's Government Relations Department is in close contact with legislative leaders and will keep us in the loop.

CDC suspends dog imports from Egypt after third rescue dog breaks with rabies



On May 10, 2019, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention temporarily halted the importation of dogs from Egypt after the third rabies case from that country in four years. The suspension includes dogs from Egypt and dogs originating in Egypt that are imported from third-party countries unless the dogs have lived in those countries for at least six months.

The decision affects the export of dogs rescued from the streets in Egypt but pet dog owners can receive a waiver from CDC in some circumstances

The action is needed to prevent the reintroduction of dog rabies (canine rabies virus variant), which has been eliminated from the United States since 2007. The suspension will remain in place until Egypt has established appropriate veterinary controls to prevent the export of rabid dogs.

Dog variant rabies has also been effectively eliminated in Western Europe, Canada, Japan, and some South American countries but is still endemic in Africa, Asian and some South American countries and in Mexico and worldwide kills nearly 60 thousand people each year. The CDC allows dog imports from countries that have eradicated the dog variant of the virus and from countries that have low incidence existing in specific regions. Countries with a high incidence of dog rabies must have a valid vaccination certificate before being allowed in this country. At least one of the rescue dogs brought here for adoption had a fraudulent certificate.

The CDC alert is at <https://tinyurl.com/yxo64xng>.

Importing disease into North America

ShowScene Ezine, May 19, 2019

A story from Canada with details about zoonotic diseases brought to North America by dogs rescued in other parts of the world. Full article at <https://tinyurl.com/yxatws42>

Spring Storms into the Miami Valley

Spring sprung a bit later and wetter than it sometimes does but the storms don't know from dates, only from conditions that can bring Mother Nature's fury to the Miami and Ohio valleys. Although tornadoes are more prevalent in the open plains states and the Gulf of Mexico region, conditions were ripe for an outbreak in the Miami Valley in late May. In a short period before midnight on Memorial Day, at least 10 twisters battered the Dayton area, at least three of them categorized as EF3 events with wind gusts that can surpass 150 miles per hour.

Because of the widespread and devastating destruction Governor Mike DeWine declared a state of emergency in Greene, Mercer and Montgomery counties, a move that triggered emergency responses from the state emergency management agency.

By federal law, every state is divided into planning regions and every county is required to have a plan for evacuating and sheltering people and pets in case disaster strikes. In addition, groups from additional planning regions kick in when needed. For example, Tri-State CART, the County Animal Response Team for Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky, donated pet food and water to the Greater Dayton Humane Society and SICSA and remained in touch with these shelters and the Montgomery County Animal Resource Center in the days following the tornado outbreak.

Hurricane Katrina put the spotlight on efforts to house pets during a disaster, and in 2006 Congress approved the PETS Act, a law that requires evacuation shelters to accommodate people with pets and service animals. AKC responded with a disaster relief project as part of its ReUnite nonprofit and has published the following to help owners make plans for evacuating with a dog.

First of all, do not ignore a warning to evacuate due to a possible natural disaster. Ignoring the advice of local authorities puts both of you in danger.

If you have to evacuate:

- Implement your emergency evacuation plan.
- Take your dog's emergency "go bag," the collection of essentials your dog will need, such as a few day's supply of dog food, bottled water, treats, a first aid kit, and important paperwork.
- If time allows, take your dog's favorite toy and/or blanket, so that he can feel comfortable while away from home. If you're at risk for a flood, take your dog's life jacket.
- Put your dog on a leash and/or harness, with his identification tags securely attached.
- Follow instructions of emergency workers.
- Go to a pet-friendly hotel near you or call your local Red Cross office to find a shelter nearby that accepts pets.

- Do not return home with your dog until authorities have said it is safe.

The Department of Homeland Security also advises that you:

- Unplug electrical equipment and shut off water, gas, and electricity.
- Leave a note telling others when you left and where you are going.
- Check with neighbors who may need a ride.
- Read the full list of evacuation recommendations from the Department of Homeland Security on Ready.gov.

For more evacuation tips for you and your family, visit Ready.gov.

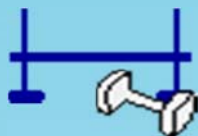
AKC Disaster Relief Trailers



AKC's ReUnite organization began as a micro-chip identification program that expanded to offer disaster relief trailers for pet shelters during the first few days of a natural or man-made catastrophe. The trailers include equipment and supplies to house about five dozen pets and can be deployed near hotels or other evacuation shelters for families so that pets can be safe and owners can visit and assist with their care. They respond to wildfires, floods, hurricanes, tornados, and other disasters when aid is needed.

So far, clubs have raised nearly two million dollars to finance purchase of more than 70 trailers that are housed with emergency management agencies throughout the country. Ohio has three AKC disaster relief trailers, one in Southwest Ohio, one near Columbus, and one near Akron. The trailers were financed by donations in campaigns organized by AKC clubs. Clermont County Kennel Club spearheaded the fund drive to purchases a trailer for the counties of Hamilton, Butler, Warren, Clermont, Clinton, Highland, Brown, and Adams, the Ohio counties covered by Tri-State CART. Warren County Kennel Club was also a major donor to the effort.

Although the trailers are generally used within their home territories, they can be deployed elsewhere when disaster strikes. Last fall, for example, the trailer from Southwestern Ohio went to the Florida Panhandle to assist with pet housing during the evacuations caused by Hurricane Michael. For more information about the ReUnite disaster relief trailers, go to <https://www.akcreunite.org/relief/>.



Upcoming DDTC Events

Visit our website for more information

DDTC Events and Building Rentals

- July 6-7—Scent Work Workshop
- July 11—Obedience and Rally C-Match
- July 12-14—Obedience and Rally Trials
- July 19—Agility Run-Thrus
- July 20-21—Ladwig Seminar
- July 24, 5:00-10:00 p.m.—Skill-building Scent Work Practice (Area E)
- July 26-28 (set-up July 25)—Agility Trials
- August 1, 5:00-10:00 p.m.—Skill-building Scent Work Practice (Area B)
- August 3-4 (set-up August 2)—ASCA Agility Trials (*Building Rental*)
- August 17-18—Scent Work Trials
- September 7-8 (set-up September 6)—Agility Trials

Class Schedule

- 4-week Agility Session begins July 2, ends July 30
- Monday Agility Classes Begin August 5
- Most other Agility Classes Begin August 13
- Obedience Classes Begin August 12
- Conformation Classes Begin August 13
- Rally Classes Begin August 14
- Scent Work Classes Begin August 19
- Tracking Class Dates TBD

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, August 6, 7:30 p.m.

Board Meetings

Generally the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Building cleaning

Thursdays; no equipment set-up for practice
July 9-10 Agility Room Closed for Cleaning

Braggs and Accomplishments

Congratulations to all members who have achieved titles and other milestones with their dogs.



Linda Bingman and Golden Retriever **Payton** earned their AKC Scent Work titles in Novice exterior and Advanced containers on May 12 at the Greater Cincinnati Weimaraner Club's trial in Loveland, Ohio. The trial was held at Camp Friedlander Boy Scout Camp.

Linda Bingman and Golden Retriever **Drake** finished their Novice preferred jumpers with weaves and Novice preferred standard titles May 5 at the Greater Cincinnati Golden Retriever Club agility trial held at QCDTC. After a slow start of five NQs because he thought he was supposed to be the Walmart greeter, he finally figured out what he was in the ring for. He finished his titles with four first places and two second places.



Send brags to clublicity@daytondogtraining.com. Don't forget to include your name, dog's call name and registered name if applicable, along with the title or honor achieved.

Mosquito season is heartworm season

Dayton Dog Training Club members are likely aware of the dangers of heartworm infestation, but these dangers and steps to prevent the disease are well worth repeating.

Heartworm is not contagious from dog to dog, but it can easily become established in an area when an affected dog is bitten by a mosquito that then goes on to bite more dogs. The worms can also affect coyotes, cats, ferrets, and humans. The disease generally has no symptoms until the heartworm is well-established in the dog's heart.

The American Heartworm Society, an association of veterinarians who study and track the disease, reports that heartworm is found in every state and thrives in hot humid climates. AHS has maps at [that show the disease's progress from 2001-2016](https://www.heartwormsociety.org/veterinary-resources/incidence-maps) (<https://www.heartwormsociety.org/veterinary-resources/incidence-maps>). The Companion Animal Parasite Council predicts parasite incidence via monthly maps. The Ohio heartworm forecast map is at <https://petdiseasealerts.org/forecast-map/#/>.

AHS recommends that dog owners follow three steps to prevent heartworm disease: Test annually, use preventives, and control mosquitoes on property by eliminating standing water.



WalMart introduces new pet services

WalMart announced that it is expanding its services to pet owners by introducing an online pet pharmacy for prescription medications; increasing the assortment of pet foods available online; and adding to its in-store veterinary clinics.

WalmartPetRx.com offers low cost pet prescriptions for dogs, cats, horses and live-stock from more than 300 brands to treat conditions like flea and tick infestations, heartworm, allergies, arthritis and more. It offers free two-day shipping on order of more than \$35.

For those who prefer to fill their pet prescriptions in Walmart stores, the chain plans to stock its pharmacies with the top 30 most requested pet meds.

Plans are also in the works to expand the number of in-store veterinary clinics to 100 in the next 12 months.

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Cocoa bean mulch is toxic to dogs

Cocoa bean mulch used in gardens is highly toxic to dogs and can cause death if ingested.

Cocoa bean mulch is fine-textured mulch that can be purchased in garden stores and nurseries. Made from the shells of cocoa beans, it has a sweet smell that can attract dogs to roll in it and even eat it. Theobromine and caffeine, the culprit chemicals in the mulch, are the same ones found in chocolate. Both are stimulant that can poison dogs.

Symptoms of cocoa bean mulch ingestion in dogs include vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, rapid heart rate, muscle tremors, seizures, and death. The risk depends on the dog's size, the amount of mulch ingested, and the level of theobromine in the mulch, which can vary widely depending on the brand.

Signs of toxicity will usually appear within six to 12 hours of ingestion. For more information, go to the National Capital Poison Center:

<https://www.poison.org/articles/2012-jun/cocoa-bean-mulch-can-poison-dogs>.

BROWSING THE WEB



Why do we love dogs so much? So, so much?

A blog entry by Patricia McConnell, PhD

Following the devastating loss of a beloved dog, Patricia McConnell wrote this blog entry in an attempt to explain the bond we have with our dogs.

<https://tinyurl.com/y2dstfg2>

Loving dogs is in your genes

In a study of both identical and fraternal twins, scientists find that choosing whether or not to own a pooch may be part of your genetic code.



<https://tinyurl.com/y3582xj4>

PetSmart accuses PETA of spying

*Reported by Brent Scher in the
Washington Free Beacon, May 12, 2019*

Claiming that a former employee falsified her job application and illegally recorded internal operations for PETA, PetSmart filed a lawsuit against the animal rights organization.

This is the second lawsuit derived from the same incident. PetSmart previously filed suit against the employee for lying on her job application, failing to include that she had been fired by a zoo for spying, and omitting that she was simultaneously being paid by PETA.

Full story at link.

<https://freebeacon.com/issues/retail-giant-petsmart-names-peta-in-spying-lawsuit/>

Clermont County KC agility rental at DDTTC in May

Photos by Thomas Woolf



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Deadlines: The first day of each odd-numbered month (January, March, May, July, September, and November).

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How Members Can Join DDTC Yahoo Group

by Sue Peterson

Send an email to ddtc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Include your name, Yahoo ID, email address, and date you joined the club in the request. This is the best way to be added to the list. My sending you invites to join does not always work. It's a Yahoo thing.



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