



Clublicity

Dayton Dog Training Club
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Challenges and Change

by Corky Andrews

Our Club has a history of successfully meeting challenges and the changes that are involved. From moving to our current site, two expansions, purchasing the building and Covid, we have emerged stronger and better.

The sustainability of a club depends upon its ability to continually strive to improve. Currently, this involves two major challenges requiring oversight and adjustments.

First is the fiscal responsibility of continually reassessing our financial status and long term needs while adjusting our plans. We are aware of rising costs and the future possibility of increasing our income in several areas. We are not changing fees right now but are monitoring our situation and will make the necessary changes if the need arises. We are getting estimates on two major projects, the parking lot and the roof, both of which will require major funding. We will keep you informed as to our progress.

Secondly, we need to begin to think about the ways we use our space. The directors of training are doing a terrific job of growing our programs. Agility, obedience and scent work are bursting at the seams challenging us to better use the space we have. This has already begun with the renovation of the environmental room which is behind the kitchen. This has created the space to add a classroom which will become ring one. The current ring one will then be referred to as the kitchen. The plan is for both agility and scent work to share this space.

During the periods that we added to our part of the building, we had the luxury of thinking of the spaces belonging to a specific program. For example, that space is agility or obedience or scent work. Now we need to begin to consider how we can share these spaces across the programs. Change can be scary but in our case it can be exciting as our programs evolve and we come up with creative solutions that lead to more opportunities for all of us.

Becoming a Member of DDTC

“How can I become a member of DDTC?” is a frequently asked question. As a member you can expect to hear it sooner or later. So here is the answer.

Before anyone can apply for membership, she/he must complete two eight week class sessions. For many that would be puppy and junior dog. At that time, it is possible to apply for Training Privileges.

APPLYING FOR TRAINING PRIVILEGES (TP):

Step 1. Get the paperwork (located in the file holder on the table in the I75 lobby or off the DDTC website under the “Members” tab). You need two papers if getting it at the club: the Application for Training Privileges and the Application for Regular Membership (it has the TP Documentation of Training and Service, aka the tracking sheet on the back if you get it from the lobby folder or it’s a third sheet if you download it from the website).

Step 2. Fill out the Application for Training Privileges and mail it along with the fee to the name and address on the bottom of the form.

Step 3: Turn over the Application for Regular Membership. You are now looking at the TP Documentation of Training and Service for the requirements for regular membership.

REQUIREMENTS FOR REGULAR MEMBERSHIP:

Attend two general meetings. These are held quarterly in the evenings either on a Tuesday or Friday.

Complete two more class sessions or put an AKC title any one of your dogs. A previous title that you have will qualify. Make a copy of it to include with your application.

Volunteer 25 hours at Club events. The TP Coordinator will send periodic emails to let you know of volunteer opportunities.

You have one year from the date the Board approves your training privileges to complete these requirements.

When you have completed the requirements, fill out the Application for Regular Membership on the reverse side of the TP Documentation of Training and Service. Get signatures from two members as sponsors and mail it along with a check to the name and address on the bottom. You will be notified when you have been approved by the Board and told when you need to attend a general meeting to be voted in.

Clublicity News

Recently, we made the decision to change the Clublicity deadline and publication schedule. ***Submissions are now due on the 1st of EVEN-numbered months*** (February, April, June, August, October, and December).

We hope you will continue to support our club's newsletter and submit items of interest such as:

- ◆ Articles
- ◆ Brags
- ◆ Photos
- ◆ Recipes
- ◆ Club History
- ◆ New Puppy Announcements
- ◆ And More!

Send to: ddtcnews@canismajor.com.

Thank you!
Norma Woolf and Kate Stephenson
Clublicity Team



DDTC Needs Your Help!

Our club is fortunate to have a fabulous facility for our members to use. We all bear a responsibility to keep it in great shape.

#1—Please clean up after your dogs! This seems like something that should not need to be said; however, at a recent trial, people were cleaning dog poop off their shoes after stepping in un-picked-up messes outside. Even worse, there have been multiple reports of uncleaned accidents inside the building! If you don't know where the cleaning supplies are, just ask — someone will be glad to help you locate them.

#2—Make sure that all lights are turned off and all doors are locked when you leave the building.

Thank you for your help in keeping DDTC a great place to train and trial!

DDTC Policy: Training Guests

We like for our members to be able to bring a friend who doesn't belong to DDTC, a member who doesn't have a key or a person who has Training Privileges (TP) to our club to practice. It is, therefore, important that everyone knows how this works.

When you come in you will need to go to the I75 lobby at the back of the building.

When you are in the lobby and look toward the exterior doors, you will see the sign-in area where you and your guest(s) need to sign in. Then ...

Pick up a Training Waiver for each guest. These will be found in the pouch inside the front cover of the sign-in book.

Place the form with the appropriate fee (members and TPs \$10, non-members \$15) in the box bolted to the wall.

Enjoy your time at DDTC!

PLEASE NOTE: Remember that you are responsible for the conduct of your guests. This means you should be there during their entire visit. It also means that if your guest neglects to pay the appropriate fee, you will assume that responsibility.



August actions taken by the AKC Board of Directors

Emergency Procedures at Dog Events

The Emergency Procedures at Dog Events Policy was modified to allow a CPR certified qualified healthcare professional as an option for fulfilling the policy requirements. An example of a QHP is a physician, physician assistant, nurse, nurse practitioner, etc. who by virtue of their education, credentials, and experience are permitted by law to evaluate and care for patients.

All clubs are strongly encouraged to have a qualified emergency medical technician (CPR certified) or CPR certified qualified healthcare professional in attendance at each event.

Disqualification and reinstatement

The disqualification and reinstatement procedure was modified to establish that dogs disqualified more than once under the provisions of Chapter 11 Section 8-A of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows are ineligible for reinstatement. This applies to disqualifications by judge for attacking a person in the ring, by the event committee for attacking and injuring a person or a dog, or administratively barred due to multiple excusals for aggression.

Five event committee members must be individually listed in the premium list

As a reminder, AKC rules and regulations require that at least five members of the event committee must be individually listed in the premium list. All members of the event committee must be from the event-giving club and they must be in good standing with both the club and the AKC.

Additional actions affecting conformation events appear on the AKC website. Link is <https://tinyurl.com/2dvbtyar>.

Companion event actions

The board made the following changes to companion events during the COVID pandemic and is now making them permanent.

- One judge required on three passes for lower-level obedience, agility, and rally titles. Board policy was modified to require only one judge for three passes for lower-level titles in obedience, agility, and Rally.
- Removal of date and mileage restrictions for obedience and rally judges. Board policy was modified to reduce the date and mileage restriction for judging assignments in agility to 30 days/100 miles.

- Removal of the restriction on the number of obedience or rally judging Assignments in a cluster. Board policy was modified to remove the restriction on the number of times an individual can judge a class at obedience or rally trials in a cluster.
- Reduction of date and mileage restrictions for agility judges. Board policy was modified to reduce the date and mileage restriction for judging assignments in agility to 30 days/100 miles. This modification is effective January 2, 2023.
- Removal of date and mileage restrictions for scent work Judges. Board policy was modified to not have date and mileage restrictions for judging assignments in scent work.

AKC breed list reaches 200 with the Bracco Italiano



The Bracco Italiano, an ancient hunting dog from northern Italy, is the AKC's 200th registered breed. The Bracco will compete in the Sporting Group.

Translated into English, Bracco Italiano means Italian Hound. Also known as the Italian Pointer, the powerful and energetic Bracco is docile, intelligent, and easy to train. A consummate all-around hunting companion, the breed is happiest in a

hunting family. Smooth-coated, the Bracco is 21-27 inches at the withers with males taller and heavier than females. Color and color pattern are important; the only solid color allowed is white and patterned dogs have a white background with either orange or brown markings that can be patches, ticking, or roan. The breed standard disqualifies other colors and patterns.

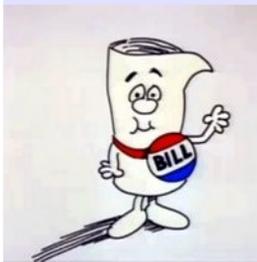
Ancestors of the original breed now known as the Bracco were the Segugio Italiano and the Asiatic Mastiff, a combination that gives this pointing breed its well-muscled robust look. The Segugio is now in the Foundation Stock Service; the Asiatic Mastiff no longer exists. Two varieties of the Italian Pointer emerged from this combination, the Lombardy Pointer for hunting in marshy lowland areas and the smaller Piedmontese Pointer for hunting in the mountains.

Bracco type dogs appear in text and drawings from the 4th Century BC and became popular among European royalty and noblemen in the 13th Century when they were bred by the politically and financially powerful Medici family. Unfortunately, as with other popular breeds, the Bracco eventually suffered from poor breeding practices that endangered its survival. In the 1920s, breed admirers decided to merge the two pointers to maintain genetic diversity, and after a period of careful breeding, they published a standard that used aspects of both the Lombardy and Piedmont varieties to describe the Bracco. The breed came to the US in the mid-1990s, joined the FSS in 2001 and now enjoys full AKC recognition.



For more on Bracco history and to see the breed standard, go to <https://www.akc.org/dog-breeds/bracco-italiano/> or the breed club at <https://www.thebraccoclub.org/>.

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Legislative Report

*Submitted by Norma Bennett Woolf
DDTC Legislative Chair*

Federal dog import act presses on

The US Senate Appropriations Committee approved an Agricultural Appropriations Bill that will strengthen federal oversight of dog imports, a move that AKC and the National Animal Interest Alliance have advocated for years.

The Healthy Dog Import Act is designed to cover dogs brought into the US for resale, specifically dogs imported by commercial operators and rescue organizations, and requires that these dogs receive health screenings prior to admission to this country.

More than one million dogs enter the US for resale or adoption each year, the vast majority without appropriate health checks or vaccinations. This situation results in importation of dogs in poor health or condition and dogs carrying diseases, parasites, and pests that threaten canines, people, and livestock.

The Healthy Dog Import Act is also known as HR 4239 in the House of Representatives and S 2597 in the Senate. For more information, and to follow the progress of the bills, go to <https://tinyurl.com/4bah4t7r> for the NAIA comment to USDA in support of the Healthy Dog Import Act as part of the agency's five year Strategic Plan Framework. Also see pages one through three of the AKC In Session newsletter at <https://tinyurl.com/ukaj2kf3>.

Congressional bill honors service animals and their handlers

Senator Richard Blumenthal of Connecticut and Senator Marsha Blackburn of Tennessee are cosponsors of S3447, a bill to establish a national monument for service animals and their handlers on government land in the nation's capital. The bill authorizes the non-profit National Service Animals Monument Corporation to commission a commemorative work to honor these animals and handlers and requires that the organization raise the necessary funds.

The monument will be a sculpture garden with a walking path past bronze statues of military and law enforcement dogs, search and rescue dogs, therapy and assistance dogs, and shelter dogs as well as horses, homing pigeons, mules, donkeys, seals, and dolphins that have served in many capacities.

For more information, including information about the artist, a view of the design, and examples of the sculptures, go to <https://tinyurl.com/3pre9pdt>.



CHF Webinars cover a variety of canine health topics

The AKC Canine Health Foundation and VetVine offer webinars about canine health research and offer practical advice on common health concerns. Each webinar is recorded and can be watched on demand from a computer or mobile device. All webinars require registration through VetVine.

Most recent webinars are:

Cognitive and emotional development in assistance dog puppies

A presentation about understanding the psychological mechanism(s) that help predict which puppies will be successful service dogs. It is available for viewing On Demand on October 5, 2022, at noon.

To Learn more about this CHF-funded research, see:

- Grant 02700: Longitudinal Comparison of Cognitive and Emotional Development in Assistance Dog Puppies
- Grant 01995: Understanding the Flexibility and Limitations of How Dogs Acquire Knowledge and Understanding: Application to Service Dog Emotional Health and Selection

The following webinars are available now.

Pain sensitivity in dogs of different breeds: what do we know, and what do we believe?

This presentation delves into the understanding and awareness of the relationship between behavior and pain and focuses on the investigation of pain sensitivity in dogs of different breeds.

Cancer attributable to infection?

What we know about the genus Bartonella and its role in the development of hemangiosarcoma in dogs.

CHF has dozens of webinars listed on the website at <https://tinyurl.com/mswc8vsm>.

Hope for canine diet-related dilated cardiomyopathy

*Summary of an update from the
AKC Canine Health Foundation, June 2022*

For several years, scientists have been investigating the increase in reported cases of dilated cardiomyopathy in dog breeds without a genetic predisposition to this disease.

Dilated cardiomyopathy, or DCM, is a disease where the heart becomes enlarged, and the muscle cannot contract or pump adequately to provide normal blood flow throughout the body. Clinical signs in dogs include increased heart rate, coughing, difficulty breathing, weakness, and fainting. Arrhythmias, congestive heart failure, or sudden death are also possible. Treatment involves the use of medications to support heart function and remove excess fluid from the lungs. Unfortunately, the disease is rarely reversible except in a small number of cases that respond to supplementation with the amino acid taurine.

With funding from the AKC Canine Health Foundation [Grant 02661: Investigation into Diet-Associated Dilated Cardiomyopathy in Dogs](#), a team of investigators at several US veterinary colleges screened apparently healthy dogs eating various diet types to better understand the extent of the problem and look for potential causes.

CHF awarded a Summer Veterinary Student Educational Grant to a veterinary student at the University of Florida to help collect and analyze data on 20 dogs eating grain-free diets with subclinical heart damage in the original study. The dogs received physical exams, blood tests, and echocardiograms every three months for one year to see if their subclinical heart damage would improve after a diet change. Results showed that heart muscle cells can recover, and that subclinical damage appears to be reversible.

Additional study is ongoing to explore exactly how grain-free diets or those with peas, lentils, and potatoes as main ingredients contribute to subclinical heart damage and DCM in dogs. However, these latest findings offer hope.

The complete update is at <https://tinyurl.com/4zyyd39k>, and more about cardiac research is at akcchf.org/cardiologyRPA.

Veterinarians have new drug to relieve pain and keep dogs calm

The US Federal Drug Administration has approved a new combination drug for use as a sedative and pain reliever in dogs undergoing an exam or medical procedure.

Zenalpha is a combination of medetomidine and vatinoxan. Medetomidine was previously approved for use in dogs but can cause a decrease in heart rate and increase the potential for irregular heartbeats in some dogs. Vatinoxan, not previously approved by FDA, reduces these negative cardiac effects of medetomidine by keeping the heart rate closer to the normal range while the dog is sedated.

Zenalpha provides sedation along with pain relief that lasts for the duration of the sedation for clinical examinations or procedures that require the dog to remain still or quiet. It can be used in a range of procedures from nail trims to diagnostic methods to minor surgeries such as removing skin masses or draining abscesses.

For more information, go to <https://tinyurl.com/2r5weuzz>.

Pet Sympathy / Sunshine Report

If you have a Pet Sympathy/Sunshine item, please contact Mary Savage (cliff414@frontier.com, 937-836-5280).

Pet Sympathy

“Whirley” – Wandrlyn’s Whirling Dervish
RE (Belgian Laekenois)
Lynnette Gandl

“Wheeler” – Wandrlyn’s Wheels Up In
Twenty RA NAP NJP (Belgian Laekenois)
Lynnette Gandl

“Laci” – (All-American Dog)
Mary Graf

Sunshine

Kathi Bigler
Doug Scott

Deaths

Dan Shellabarger – brother of Roberta Shellabarger



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