



## GREATER VICTORIA DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB

# NEWSLETTER

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### GVDOTC COMING EVENTS:

#### March 28 - General Meeting

- April 29 - GrVic/NOSA
- May 26 - Event Rent-a-Ring
- May 27 - GrVic CKC (2 trials)
- May 28 - GrVic CKC (2 trials)
- Oct. 1 - GrVic Tracking Test
- Oct. 15 - Gr Vic

### OTHER CLUBS

- March 19 - Forbidden Plateau Tracking Test
- March 26 - Forbidden Plateau
- April 2 - NKC Correction
- April 16 - IPLRC CKC ??
- April 22 - NOSA CKC
- April 23 - Tye Sanction
- April 29 - NOCS/GrVic
- April 30 - COWN  
NKC Sanction (Conf)

### Executive 2005 - 2006

President	Judy Currie	479-7474
Vice Pres	Carmela Romano	479-4257
Secretary	Elizabeth Taylor	382-3255
Treasurer	Anita Guns	479-4159
PR/Memb.	Dawn Hall	598-5090
Training	Maralyn Redford	595-2704
Trials	Amalie Bush	479-2345
	Tora Thywold	598-8702
Entertainment		

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The winter training session is winding up and by all accounts things have gone well despite the weather and a two week break. The Rally O class seems to be a resounding success thanks to Carmela and company. The students seem to be enjoying themselves which is what working your dog should be all about.

March 5 Greater Vic. put on the AIOC Team Challenge in Nanaimo. Many thanks to Andrew Coss for organizing the trial, preparing the paperwork, and working at the trial while still trialing his own dogs as well. All of the Greater Vic. members who attended pitched in to give a hand where needed. Thanks to all of you.

For the first time since the Team Challenge has been held Greater Vic.'s three person team came out on top. Way to go Maralyn, Peggy and Gillian.

There are only a couple of months to go before our CKC trials so please consider helping out if approached to do a job. Many of you hopefully will be trialing and supporting the club in this way by your entry.

Only a couple weeks after the CKC trials we will be having our Annual General Meeting so do not be surprised if in the near future you are contacted to possibly serve on the Executive. The current Executive has had a busy year and is a great team to work with. We are very fortunate to have this group of informed and resourceful people working in the best interests of the club.

Whether you will be trialing or simply making your life easier with an obedient dog enjoy your time spent with your dogs and the time spent at Greater Vic.

**Judy**

**TWO VERY SPECIAL DOGS HAVE LEFT  
US AND OUR THOUGHTS GO OUT TO  
THEIR LOVING OWNERS –  
Wendy Brown and Joan Baker**

**Taylor – In Memory**

A gentle and brave boy, “Taylor” (Tay-Tay)  
Torbee Total Trust.

March 5, 1993 - February 25, 2006

Taylor lived his life with dignity, a friend to everyone he met, and never a bad thought.

Taylor taught me a lot about life: Be Loyal, sit close and nuzzle gently when someone is having a bad day. Enjoy the simple things – quiet times, a walk on the beach, sitting in the sun.

Aisha will miss you Tay – you were her big brother.

What I wouldn't give to see those knowing eyes and graying chin again.

Good-bye Big Paw, Love Wendy

**Briggs - April 23, 1993 – Feb. 23, 2006**

Briggs came into Joan Baker's life at the age of 7 weeks and was her constant companion until he left her on Feb. 23. He knew every word she said, and the routine with her horses, Joan only had to say, “I guess I had better put the horse away” and Briggs would be up and at the door. Joan persevered with Obedience training and Briggs was the star of the show, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> trial in a day many times, with his showing off to the spectators saying – “I went through all this this morning – why am I doing it again?” endearing himself to all. Perseverance paid off, Joan and Briggs won the golden medallion for their Utility degrees in 1999. Obedience trials were never the same after that.

In 1996 and again in 1999 Briggs was named Third in the CKC Top Dogs Obedience awards, 1996 for CD and 1999 for Utility.

**CKC AGM**

A letter from the CKC reading in part:

"Canadian Kennel Club Feb.9, 2006

Dear CKC members:

I am writing to you to remind all CKC members of the Board Meetings and AGM that will be held in Victoria at the Laurel Point Inn March 23, 24 and 25, 2006. This is an opportunity for all CKC members to attend the Board meetings at 9 a.m. March 23 and 24, 2006 and the AGM Saturday March 25th. The AGM starts at 9:30 a.m. In the afternoon there will be an opportunity for members to meet Directors and Staff and to listen to presentations from Show and Trials, IT and Finance Depts. of the CKC. I urge all members of this zone to attend. Further information may be found on my website:

[www.margaretjonesforckc.com](http://www.margaretjonesforckc.com)

The letter is signed by Margaret Jones, CKC Director, BC Southwest."

**CKC Rally Obedience Seminar  
with Marion Postgate**

Saturday, May 20, 2006 – 9 AM – 5 PM

Langley Civic Centre, 20699 – 42. Ave  
Langley, BC

Cost \$45.00 – closing date May 1, 2006

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**Deadline for next newsletter April 4, 2006**

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