



GREATER VICTORIA DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB
NEWSLETTER

April-May 2011

www.gvdotc.ca

EXECUTIVE 2010-2011:

President: Amalie Bush, 250-479-2345
Vice President: Adele Matte, 250-479-5190
Treasurer: Susan Fukuyama, 250-478-0720
Secretary: Fran Lindquist, 250-383-1761
Membership & PR: Dawn Hall, 250-598-5090
Training: Peggy York, 250-477-0327

Trials: Elizabeth Taylor, 250-382-3255
Entertainment: Myrna Cox 250-479-5238
&
Catherine Harding, 250-477-7946
Newsletter: Catherine Harding, 250-477-7946

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE APRIL-MAY 2011

Hard to believe we're more than halfway through another training session! With May now upon us, I am once again looking forward to our annual CKC Obedience and Rally trials, which will be Saturday May 28th and Sunday May 29th. If you are interested in entering, you have until 6pm Wednesday May 11th to get your entries in, and if you're not quite ready to trial, we can always use your help!

There are also several AIOC trials coming up, so keep an eye on the bulletin board for new posters.

Our AGM is also coming up quickly on Tuesday June 7th so be sure to mark your calendars!

Other upcoming dog events outside of our club include Citizen Canine's 8th annual Everybody and Their Dog Walk, which will take place at Beaver Lake on Sunday May 15th from 10am-2pm. More information can be found at www.citizencanine.org.

So while the weather continues to improve, take the opportunity to go someplace new with your dog. There is no shortage of great parks in Victoria and if you're looking to step out on the town with your dog, check out www.dogabouttown.ca. Among other things, Dog About Town lists many pet friendly businesses, so you can work on your dogs social skills as a shopping companion by bringing them with you! Of course, always keep your dog on leash while shopping and watch your male dogs! If your dog is a boy you'll know that they tend to "mark" things!

-Amalie

Greater Victoria Dog Obedience Training Club

Club AIOC Obedience and Rally Trials

Saturday, March 26, 2011

Location: Saanich Fairgrounds, RCMP Barn

Judge: Terry Gains

Obedience Results:

	Total # Entries	Total # Qualified	GVDOTC # Entries	GVDOTC # Qualified
Novice A	8	2	4	0
Novice B	8+2x	7	1	1
Open A	2	0	0	0
Open B	5	2	2	1
Utility	2	0	0	0
TOTALS	27	11	7	2

X = Exhibition only

Total number of visiting clubs: 5

TRIALS AND TRACKING Report

April 26, 2011

Many congratulations to Amalie Bush and Dibley who recently earned their CKC RAE 2 title! Amalie reports that Dibley is currently #4 Rally dog in Canada (all breeds). Last year he was the top Rally Weimaraner and also #18 for the Sporting Group. Dibley was also the top Rally Weimaraner in 2009, most likely was for 2008, and likely will be for 2011. Amalie believes he was the first Weimaraner to earn an RAE, and is the only RAE 2 Weimaraner in Canada.

We want to recognize all Club members when they earn new CKC and AKC titles so please pass on the news of your accomplishments!

AIOC Titles Earned in 2010:

Congratulations to Club members who earned AIOC titles in the year ending October 2010:

Obedience:

CD	Gillian Anglin & Raffi Judy Currie & Devlin Philippa Sloan & Tag
CDX	Peggy York & Bella

Rally:

RN	Amalie Bush & Dibley Susan Fukuyama & Meeka Maralyn Redford & Amelia Sonja Morris & Midas Carmela Romano & Catcher Judy Currie & Ruby Fran Lindquist & Suds
----	---

AIOC Trial:

Our Mary Bates Memorial Trial was held on Saturday March 26th in conjunction with NOSA. Thank you to our judge, Terry Gains, who did a great job judging 27 Obedience and 33 Rally entries.

My sincere thanks to the ring stewards and runners, without whom the trial would not have been possible:

Aleda Bates, Susan Fukuyama, Blair Kilgour, Fran Lindquist, Adele Matte, Paddy McGregor, Tora Thyvold, and Heather Yellowlees.

Special thanks to Amalie Bush who was there throughout the trial to answer my many questions!

Terry Gains brought historic trial photos for display, and we had a volunteer photographer taking pictures to help us carry on the tradition.

High in Trial went Nanaimo Kennel Club member Lisa Richardson and Owen (Tervuren), with 198 in Novice B. Second High in Trial went to our own Gillian Anglin and Raffi (Standard Poodle) with 196.5.

Special congratulations to the GVDOTC members who won trophies:

T.M. Jones Cup for High GVDOTC Member in Trial: Gillian Anglin and Raffi, with a score of 196.5.

Second High GVDOTC Member in Trial Trophy: Sandi Lovas and Marshall (Standard Poodle) with 190.

SPCA Cup (High Opposite Sex Handler) and High Sporting Dog Cup: Gord Kifiak and Sophie (Golden) with 183.5.

Flash Memorial Cup (Working/Herding Dog): Robin Christiansen and Tytan (Bouvier) with 177.

Congratulations to the following qualifying club members:**Obedience :****Novice A**

Gord Kifiak and Sophie (Golden)	183.5
Robin Christiansen and Tytan (Bouvier)	177

Novice B

Sandi Lovas and Marshall (St. Poodle)	190
---------------------------------------	-----

Open B

Gillian Anglin and Raffi (St. Poodle)	196.5
---------------------------------------	-------

Rally:**Novice A**

Christine James and Farv (Corgi/J. Russell X)	94
Marion Boulstridge and Ben (Border Collie X)	93
Marion Boulstridge and Coco (Staffi X)	81
Fran Lindquist and Shasta (Westie)	76

Novice B

Andrew Coss and Honour (Golden)	98
Judy Currie and Devlin (SC Wheaten)	96

Andrew Coss and Ready (Golden)	90
Advanced A	
Fran Lindquist and Suds (Westie)	72
Advanced B	
Amalie Bush and Dibley (Weimaraner)	98
Maralyn Redford and Amelia (Golden)	88
Sonja Morris and Midas (Golden)	87

CKC Trial:

Our CKC Obedience & Rally trials will be held on May 28 and 29 this year, with entries closing on May 11th.

Judges will be:

Karen Graham Banman, Moosejaw SK
 Jeffrey Lunder, Red Deer, AB
 Stephen Hazelwood, Winnipeg, MB
 Margaret Henigman, Nanaimo BC (Unofficial Classes Sunday)

Entry fees have increased this year from \$25 to \$28, due to rising costs. This is in line with NOSA's fees. Contributing to our cost increase is the increased event fee from the CKC. This fee is per entry, per trial (meaning if there are 35 dogs entered in a trial, we pay the event fee x 35). In 2009 the CKC charged approximately \$3.00 per entry and this year their fee is close to \$5.00.

The CKC has instituted a non-member fee, effective January 1st, 2011. As a club holding CKC events, we must include the following in our premium lists:

NON-MEMBER PARTICIPATION FEE – EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011

- A) AN ANNUAL NON-MEMBER PARTICIPATION FEE FOR AWARDS AND TITLES WILL BE CHARGED TO A CANADIAN NON-MEMBER OF CKC. THE FEE WILL MATCH THE ERN FEE.
- B) IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE AWARDS/TITLES EARNED, THE NON-MEMBER WILL HAVE A CHOICE EITHER TO BECOME A CKC MEMBER OR TO PAY THE NON-MEMBER PARTICIPATION FEE. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF NOTIFICATION WILL CAUSE ALL AWARDS AND TITLES TO BE CANCELLED.
- C) THESE FEES APPLY ONLY TO DOGS WHOLLY OWNED BY NON-CKC MEMBERS AND ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO CKC MEMBERS."

The CKC will be responsible for checking on the status of dog owner membership and collecting the new fee when applicable. The non-member fee is \$57.60 + taxes. Note that a basic CKC membership is \$50 plus taxes!

We need more ring stewards for the trial, so please let me know if you are able to help. This is a great opportunity for novice handlers to experience a trial!

Our club offers a \$30 prize for the highest qualifying score of a GVDOTC member in most Island CKC trials. There are a number of trials coming up over the next few months, so please keep this in mind; you could recoup your entry fees!

Tracking:

We will hold our first Urban tracking test on August 28th with six UTD tracks offered under judge JoAnne McLeod. The venues will include various sites in North Saanich, which the judge approved on a recent visit to Victoria. The weather may be quite warm on the test day so we have the option of holding the event early in the morning or in the evening.

Our annual Hudson Memorial tracking test will be at Woodwynn Farm on October 2nd, with Gary Roe judging.

Andrew Coss volunteered to organize and lead a tracking class that is going very well. Eight club members registered for working spots and three are auditing. Members of the Tracking Committee are assisting Andrew and helping to mentor the participants. March 12th was the first training day, with a morning seminar and afternoon working session, and has been followed by working sessions in March and April.

--Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Taylor
Trials and Tracking Chair

Training Report

Classes

We are just finishing our last set of classes until September. The Spring session has gone very well. I personally have noticed how so many of our club dogs have improved over the year in the various levels of obedience! I have seen the Beginner dogs really progress as I have watched them in P1 and P2. The Open class has made great strides. The dogs are successful and happy working. Well done!

With Trials Practice, we have had a very good showing and many successes of Novice dogs at the NOSA trial. I hope to see the same at our trial with Greater Victoria Dog Obedience Training Club. Great job to you all who are working so hard!

None of this could be accomplished without the assistance of our Trainers who are so knowledgeable, so dedicated to doing the best job for you and so thorough with their lesson planning and teaching! It is quite amazing and we are so fortunate to have their expertise and commitment to our club. This training along with the assistance of the helpers makes for a terrific team of training staff.

Words can't thank you all for your help this past year.

Status of Training Committee Members

Active Instructors in the training committee are:

Gillian Anglin, Karen Blair, Amalie Bush, Andrew Coss, Randy Street, Peggy York and Adele Matte, Blair Kilgour.

Active Helpers on the training staff are:

Judy Currie, Dawn Hall, Erin Finlayson, Tora Thyvold, Lorna Reid, Michael Boissevain, Myrna Cox. Heather Yellowlees is a Probationary Helper.

Members taking a terms out are: Mary Harkness, Carm Romano, Janey Turner, Maralyn Redford.

Members on Leave: Wendy Brown

Resignation from training committee: Diane Smith and Tuck Brennan

A thank you card will be circulated for members to sign thanking both Tuck and Diane for their expertise and wonderful service over the years.

Happy summer to everyone! The training committee looks forward to helping you again in the fall.

Enjoy your dog and keep training.

--Respectfully submitted,

Peggy York

Date to remember

Date:

Time:

Where:

Fun Trial

May 24 2011

6:30 pm

The barn (ring # 1, #2)

Please come and Practice with your dog. It is fun!

NOTICE:

Greater Victoria DOTC will be having the Annual General Meeting on June 7 . At this meeting we will be having the election of officers for the 2011/2012 year. Each year a number of members accept the nomination to club office to help keep our club moving forward in it's obligation to foster great dog/owner relationships.

Your nominating committee members for this year are: Judy Currie (Past President)- Chair-
nzrabbit@shaw.ca

Gillian Anglin- member at large
Tora Thyvold- member at large

At this time we are looking for GVIC members willing to serve their club on the Executive for the upcoming year. Please contact one of us if you are willing or know someone who you think would be a suitable member to serve the club.

The slate of members who have allowed their name to stand for election are:

President: Amalie Bush
Vice President: Adele Matte
Secretary: Fran Lindquist
Treasurer: Susan Fukuyama
Training: Peggy York and Heather Yellowlees
Trials and Tracking: Liz Taylor
Entertainment: VACANT
Membership: Myrna Cox or Catherine Harding or Marion Boulstride

Nominations will be accepted from the floor at the meeting but the person must be present or have written that they are willing to stand. As you can see there is a need for an Entertainment person(s).

If there are any questions please seek out one of the Nominating committee.

Let's have a great election. It would be nice to actually see some competition for these positions. It is nice to see that there will be at least one position with more than 1 candidate.

-Judy Currie

CLUB MEMBERSHIPS DUE SOON!

This is a reminder that your club membership expires on May 15, 2011. Please renew before the expiration date to avoid the \$5.00 late fee.

Receipt and club membership cards are not being picked up from the gray box, please do so. If you require a trialing card please see me.

Dawn Hall
Club Memberships