



Happenings!

All Oriole events for the month of June have been cancelled.

All events scheduled in the ODTc building are cancelled through July.

**You thought
DOGS
were hard to
train...**

**Look at the
HUMANS
that can't
SIT & STAY!**

Announcements!



Board of Directors & GM Meeting Minutes (Members Only)

Minutes of all meetings can be found on the ODTc website - (Login is required):

[ODTC BOD Minutes](#)

[ODTC General Meeting Minutes](#)

Call for Ad Hoc Ethics Committee Members

One outcome of our recent General Membership Meeting was the creation of an Ad Hoc Ethics Committee to develop a Code of Ethics for Oriole Dog Training Club. Contributing Member Francine Bethea will be leading the Committee and Rose Kane will act as the Board Liaison. If you're interested in joining this committee, please email Rose Kane at Rose.Aimee.Kane@gmail.com.

New Building Entry System

During the shutdown, the club has proceeded with the installation of a new programmable keyless entry system. Contributing members will be contacted at some point in the near future and asked to choose a pin number they can use to enter the building. The board is currently reviewing access policies as to when the building will again re-open for class and for use by CMs.

At Home Training and Events

AKC, USDAA, and NADAC have put in place so that recognition of training in one's home environment can be recognized until such time as public trials are practical to run again.

The AKC has established AKC Rally Virtual events in which you can train and test at home at the Novice level. More information is available here:

<https://www.akc.org/sports/rally/rally-virtual-entry-pilot/>

The USDAA has established the USDAA@Home program which allows for handlers and dogs to run for titling credit on smaller versions of Standard courses (min area size 60' x 80'), as well as Gamblers, Jumpers, and Snooker courses (min area size 40' x 60') on course levels from Starters/P1 through Masters/P3. USDAA is also the owner and administrator of the sport of World Cynosport Rally Limited (WCRL) and is providing the ability to exhibit for titling credit on Rally obedience courses Levels 1-3, Intro, and Veteran in an area sized 25' x 40'. Dogs must

have either a USDAA registration number -or- a WCRL registration number to participate in either program. More information is available here:

<https://www.usdaa.com/athome/eventRequirements.cfm>

NADAC has offered a VT (VideoTape) program since 2011 (min course area 80' x 100') and this program has been recently revised to accommodate the current situation. More information is available here:

<http://www.nadac.com/VT-Video-Tape-Program.htm>



Many club activities continue to be suspended or modified.

However, now that Baltimore County has dramatically expanded the types of businesses that may reopen, Oriole will resume some very limited activities in the building this summer. Possibilities include staging some limited "by appointment" trialing opportunities for the organizations that support submission of videoed performances including AKC Rally Novice, USDAA@Home agility, and WCRL Rally@Home. In addition, we are exploring expansion of our online class options and establishing a small number of outside/off-site classes. You will find these listed on the Home page when available, and they will be announced here and on the Facebook page.

There are some new event cancellations.

The August 8-9 and August 29-30 NAFA flyball events are cancelled. NAFA has informed all clubs to cancel flyball tournaments through the end of September. The August 15-16 CPE agility event is cancelled.

Our August AKC rally/obedience trial is still pending.

With respect to Oriole's pending obedience/rally trials to be held on August 21-23, our Secretary, Clantyre, has received some entries even though the premium has not yet been finalized or approved. These will be returned to the exhibitors and we ask that everyone please wait until the premium is officially posted. Note that the premium will contain a COVID guidelines/hold harmless waiver.

Membership Renewal Time

We are currently in the timeframe for club dues renewal. The Oriole membership "year" is from 1 July 2020 - 30 June 2021. If you log into your Oriole account you should already see the red "RENEW" or "PAYMENT DUE" in the upper right corner of your window on the webpage. Please renew as soon as possible but no later than 30 June 2020. If you have financial concerns related to COVID-19 please let our Membership Director (Lori) know.

ODTC SPIRIT WEAR AVAILABLE UNTIL JUNE 26!

ODTC logo T-Shirts, Jackets, and Polo Shirts

NEW Packable Lightweight Hooded Zip Windbreaker (4 colors) \$42

Gildan Softstyle Long Sleeve Jersey T-shirt (3 colors) \$32

Gildan Ultra Cotton Polo (5 colors) \$25

Gildan Softstyle Jersey T-shirt (6 colors) \$25

Fruit of the Loom Sofspun Zip Hoodie (4 colors) \$42



ORDER NOW!

ODTC Face Mask

Orders will arrive the end of June, details on delivery will be sent out to those that ordered.

Educational

The Whole Dog Journal

Standard First-Aid Kit for Dogs

Find a sturdy bag or plastic box for your kit. Remember, this is just a guideline, and since every dog is different, be sure to consult with your vet.

☐ **Collect Important Phone Numbers**

Collect the phone numbers for your holistic vet, the vet nearest you, AND the nearest emergency veterinary clinic. Also, ask your vet for the number for the Animal Control Center nearest you.

☐ **Gather a Comfy Blanket and Towels**

Include a warm thick blanket and a couple of clean towels you can use to keep him warm on the way to, and at the vet's office. Keep some clean towels, too. They can be useful if your dog is bleeding.

☐ **Flower Remedies for Shock**

Rescue remedy, or any other brand of flower essence therapy for shock is crucial. You'll need to keep your dog calm, and this is key for that. The most common brand is Rescue Remedy, but your vet can recommend others.

☐ **Dressings for Wounds**

Include plenty of gauze pads, cotton, bandage tape, q-tips, and elastic bandages to ensure you're prepared for any flesh wounds. Don't forget scissors, adhesive tape, and tweezers!

☐ **Pure Water (Spring or Distilled)**

☐ **Clean tools and vessels**

Make sure you have a clean spray bottle, measuring cups and spoons, an eyedropper, and one or two clean glass (preferred) or plastic bottles.

☐ **Hydrogen Peroxide**

Use this on any open wounds in order to prevent an infection.

☐ **Baking Soda, Cider Vinegar, and Soap (Castile, or other natural type)**

These can help with a variety of topical issues like itching due to allergic reactions.

☐ **Homeopathic remedies**

These are the 6c potencies that you should have: Aconitum, Apis mel., Arnica Montana, Hepar sulph, Hypericum, Ledum, and Silicea.

☐ **Herbal Cleansing Solutions**

Calendula and hypericum are two common solutions.

☐ **Herbal Topical Remedies**

Lastly, include some goldenseal, echinacea, and Chinese Yunnan Pia Yao, available in health food stores.

Shout-Outs!

congratulations!



Sara Tedesco Tagget with Desi earned her Fcat in June! She may be the first American Hairless Terrier to do so! It took her 25 trials to earn her Fcat and in all but one run she earned 1st place for the small dogs. Yesterday she had her best time yet, 8.87 seconds! That is 23.06 mph! Go Desi!

★ Desi also earned her C-Wags Ranger Level 1 in June.



★ Janet Gauntt and Johnny B earned the third and final leg of their WCRL Rally Level 2 title participating in the Rally@Home program offered by WCRL.



★ Sally Josselyn and Baru earned their 35th Masters Gambler leg in the USDAA@Home program, simultaneously completing the title requirements for the Gambler Champion Gold (35 MG legs), Agility Dog Championship Gold (the equivalent of earning the ADCH seven times), and their Lifetime Achievement Gold (350 legs total with 35 legs in each of the titling classes).





Don Grskovich with Asher earned his CA Coursing Ability title last weekend. The rosette was for being a pup who started with Mason Dixon Ibizan Hound Club and went on to get his first title with the same club.



New Puppies or New To You



If you have a new puppy (8 weeks – 1 year) submit pictures so that others may enjoy some puppy cuteness!

Thinking of You

Contact: The Sunshine Coordinator, Sharon Spies at spies14632@aol.com

If you know of a club member's loss or illness, please contact the Sunshine Coordinator or Dumbbell Editor so that we may share with our fellow members and acknowledge the member.

LEARNING FROM CURRENT EVENTS

Oriole Dog Training Club has always viewed itself as a welcoming and inclusive club.

Recent events occurring in society have caused the club to realize it needs to take a more active approach to ensure that a culture of inclusivity in the club is both explicitly stated and provided with guidelines for ensuring that the goals of inclusivity are met. To that end, we are preparing to modify our bylaws to explicitly state the openness of membership for all. In addition, we will be publishing a code of ethics to help educate and guide what an inclusive dog sport culture means for the members, judges, exhibitors and renters engaging in activities held under the Oriole banner.

Oriole has worked for many decades to support and broaden a wide range of dog sports to be inclusive of all dogs; we will be expanding that mission statement to ensure that all people feel welcome and judged only on their performance and behavior.

I Hope you enjoyed this edition of the Oriole Dog Training Club "Dumbbell" – Newsletter Editor: Sheila Saville

Submit your brags/accomplishments or new puppy info to Dumbbell@Orioledogclub.club for inclusion in the next issue.

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