

# Dumbbell



Oriole Dog Training Club

9 Azar Ct., Halethorpe, MD 21227

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## Happenings

### April 2021

24-25: **NAFA Flyball** – No Speed Limit Flyball Racing Team Tournament, Format TBD, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

### May 2021

6-7: **BHA Barn Hunt Trial** – Branchwater Farm, Severn, MD

15-16: **USDAA Agility** – Artful Dodgers Agility Trial, Hog Dog Productions, Millersville, MD

23: **NACSW Odor Recognition Test** – Oriole Dog Training Club Nosework Test. Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD

28-30: **AKC Rally and Obedience** – Oriole Dog Training Club Rally and Obedience Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

### June 2021

12-13: **AKC Agility** – Oriole Dog Training Club Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD

19-20: **NADAC Agility** – Artful Dodgers Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

## Announcements!



*Board of Directors & GM Meeting Minutes (Members Only)*

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

[ODTTC BOD Minutes](#)

[ODTTC General Meeting Minutes](#)

## Help Needed – USDAA Trial May 15-16

The Artful Dodgers USDAA trial is being held on May 15-16 at Hog Dog Productions in Millersville. Trial Chair Lee Carr is in search of a Chief Course Builder and a Chief Ring Steward for both days.

If you are available and interested in either position, please contact Lee at [fluple@hotmail.com](mailto:fluple@hotmail.com)

## Companion Dog Sports Program (CDSP) Obedience Trial

Oriole/K9 Lodge held their first CDSP Obedience Trial at the building on Sunday, March 7, 2021. It was a huge success!! So much so, I already have our next one scheduled for Sunday, August 1.

We ran two trials concurrently with Joan Klingler from OTCH in PA serving as our judge. This allowed for exhibitors to arrive in shifts so no one was stuck hanging around the parking lot all day waiting for Trial 2. We did ask exhibitors to work out of their vehicles, but small groups were permitted to enter the building for a briefing with the judge before each class. Three to four dog teams were permitted in the building to warm-up prior to their turn in the ring.

We had a few exhibitors who were new to CDSP obedience and at least one who had never competed in obedience of any kind before.

The trials were limited to 60 entries and I'm happy to report that the trial filled. I even had to maintain a wait list.

The day ran smoothly because of my wonderful stewards and volunteers!! I had an abundance of club members reach out to me

to see if they could help. So many so, that I had to turn some away. **Special thanks go to Karen Baker, Debby Brannan, Maggie Crook, Joyce Engle and Kirsti LaVoy for doing an awesome job!!! The trial wouldn't have been as successful without all of you!!!**

I kept expenses to a minimum only seeking reimbursement for the judge's fee, her travel expenses, and the CDSP administrative fee. I donated the rosettes and ribbons and lunches were donated by Debby Brannan.

If anyone would like more information about CDSP, please feel free to contact me at [dekamin@aol.com](mailto:dekamin@aol.com). It's a great introduction to the world of competitive dog obedience.

### AKC Rally - April

We wrapped up our Annual Rally Obedience trials. Congratulations to all the participants that got Qs. In the first trial there were 33 Qs and in the second there were 29.

We had 11 new titles 🥳!!



## Educational

### Springtime Safety Tips from the ASPCA

Spring has sprung, and with the change of season, our thoughts turn to Easter celebrations, spring cleaning and much-needed home improvement projects. Before you embark on seasonal chores or outdoor revelry, take inventory of potential springtime hazards for your furry friends.

*\*If you suspect your pet may have come in contact with or ingested a potentially poisonous substance, contact your local veterinarian or the [ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center](#) immediately at (888) 426-4435.*

#### Easter Treats and Decorations

Keep lilies and candy in check—chocolate goodies are toxic to cats and dogs, and all true lilies can be fatal if ingested by cats. And be mindful, kitties love to nibble on colorful plastic grass, which can lead to an obstructed digestive tract, severe vomiting and dehydration. Moreover, while live bunnies, chicks and other festive animals are adorable, resist the urge to buy them—these cute babies grow up fast and often require specialized care!

#### Screen Yourself

Many pet parents welcome the breezy days of spring by opening their windows. Unfortunately, they also unknowingly put their pets at risk—especially cats, who are apt to jump or fall through unscreened windows. Be sure to install snug and sturdy screens in all of your windows.

#### Buckle Up!

While most dogs love to feel the wind on their furry faces, allowing them to ride in the beds of pick-up trucks or stick their heads out of moving-car windows is dangerous. Flying debris and insects can cause inner ear or eye injuries and lung infections, and abrupt stops or turns can cause major injury, or worse! Pets riding in cars should always be secured in a crate or wearing a seatbelt harness designed especially for them.

#### Spring Cleaning

Spring cleaning is a time-honored tradition in many households, but be sure to keep all cleaners and chemicals out of your pets' way! Almost all cleaning products, even all natural ones, contain chemicals that may be harmful to pets. The key to using them safely is to read and follow label directions for proper use and storage. Please visit our [Poisonous Household Products](#) page for more information.

#### Home Improvement 101

Products such as paints, mineral spirits and solvents can be toxic to your pets and cause severe irritation or chemical burns. Carefully read all labels to see if the product is safe to use around your furry friends. Also, be cautious of physical hazards, including nails, staples, insulation, blades and power tools. It may be wise to confine your dog or cat to a designated pet-friendly room during home improvement projects.

#### Let Your Garden Grow—With Care

Pet parents, take care—fertilizers, insecticides and herbicides keep our plants and lawns healthy and green, but their ingredients may be dangerous if your pet ingests them. Always store these products in out-of-the-way places and follow label instructions carefully. Many popular springtime plants—including rhododendron and azaleas—are also highly toxic to pets and can prove fatal if eaten. Check out [our full list](#)—of toxic and non-toxic plants for your home and garden.

#### Ah-Ah-Achoo!

Like us, pets can be allergic to foods, dust, plants and pollens. Allergic reactions in dogs and cats can cause itching, minor sniffing and sneezing, or life-threatening anaphylactic shock to insect bites and stings. If you suspect your pet has a springtime allergy, please visit your veterinarian as soon as possible.



### Pesky Little Critters

April showers bring May flowers—and an onslaught of bugs! Make sure your pet is on year-round heartworm preventive medication, as well as a flea and tick control program. Ask your doctor to recommend a plan designed specifically for your pet. Please visit our [Fleas and Ticks](#) page for more information.

### Out and About

Warmer weather means more trips to the park, longer walks and more chances for your pet to wander off! Make sure your dog or cat has a microchip for identification and wears a tag imprinted with your home address, cell phone and any other relevant contact information.

### Shout-Outs!



**AKC Rally** - Thank you to all the volunteers that came out to help. Our stewards received a nice complement from one of our judges on how knowledgeable everyone was. Thank you to all the entrants for supporting our club. Also a big thank you to the trial chair Patricia Pierre!

**Thank you to each of you that supports our club** – trial chairpersons, secretaries, workers, catalog editors, registrars, cleaners, equipment managers, board members, all of our contributing members and volunteers! Without you our club would not be successful.

**congratulations!**

★ Tiiu Mayer with Wei-wei and earned our PAD (Premier Agility Dog) at the Oriole AKC Agility Trial January 30, 2021. (no picture)

★ Linda Hulbert - Rain and Porsche played CPE agility today at Artful Dodgers CPE trial. Rain got 1st in level 1 jackpot and level 1 colors. His colors Q finished his Level 1 Handler title.

Porsche had a perfect day, Q'ing in all 5 runs (fullhouse, jackpot, standard, snooker, and colors). She got 1 1st, 2 2nd, and 1 3rd.

★ Gina Lancaster with Remy earned a first place in Spots Landing and has qualified for Skyhoundz 2021 world champions in DiscDogathon Spot Landing.





Carle Lee Detweiler - Another great weekend for the "pointies" in our house. Both girls earned their AKC CA title. And as a bonus they both got their ASFA certification to run in either an ASFA or AKC lure coursing trial.



Sara Tagget with Desi had a fabulous CPE agility trial on Sunday at BAD in Frederick. Desi earned 3 q's and a title, CL1-Fun. So appropriate for my fun girl!



Tricia Dunseith with Edge's had their first Senior Hunt test. It was a double test, 2 qualifying scores!





★ Linda Hubbert - Porsche and rain ran UKC agility this weekend. Porsche Q'd in all 4 of her Excellent (Agility III) runs, which finished her UACHX title. Rain Q'd today in both of his Beginner (Agility I) runs, which means that he needs one more Q in Beginner to finish his 1st UKC agility title.

★ Marina Raukhverger - Rumba got her NW3 title on March 21th at Writz VA NW3 trial and she got her 2nd NW3 title at Furlong PA on April 17th, and rocked it with a 2nd place overall. Rumba also earned NW3 element titles in Interiors, Exteriors and Vehicles. Attached picture of ribbons



★ Jean Wilkins - Very proud of Autumn for winning her division at the Tails Up Regionals. Awesome trial, awesome weather, awesome friends & awesome time. Wit did well in his division too. It was fun trialing again.

★ Felicia Wynn with Kody earned his Barn Hunt RATCHX!!! This means he has had a total of 20 Champion level Qs. Love this fun boy! And how cute is the Bella Vista BH ribbon!

★ Sara Taggett with Desi earned her AKC Master scent work title today. The 1st American Hairless Terrier to do so!





## 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!*

Lorinda McKisson's new pup – Diesel's nephew - Wescot's Drink of Choice! "Hennessy" at 12 weeks.



## Thinking of You

Contact: The Sunshine Coordinator, Sharon Spies at [spies14632@aol.com](mailto: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.***

*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](mailto:Dumbbell@OrioleDogClub.club) for inclusion in the next issue.**

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