



THE DUMBBELL

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Happenings

June 2026

5-7: [AKC Agility](#) – Oriole Dog Training Club Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD

13-14: [NADAC Agility](#) – Artful Dodgers Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

20: [AKC Fetch \(2 Trials\)](#) – Oriole Dog Training Club Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building

21: Turf Cleaning Work Party – Oriole Dog Training Club Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD

27-28: [NADAC Agility](#) – Artful Dodgers Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

July 2026

4: [Flyball Green Dog Training Event](#), Speed Limit, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

5: Nose Work Training Day with Mary Ellen Grady. Registration information coming soon! 11-

12: [USDAA Agility](#) – Artful Dodgers Agility Trial, Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

17-19: Hyattsville AKC Agility Trial – Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD.

25-26: [Agility Seminar with Cynthia Hornor](#), Oriole Training Building, Halethorpe, MD



Seminars/Clinics Coming in 2026:

Agility

2026 Seminars

Cynthia Hornor ♦ 7/25/26 - 7/26/26

Christine Tschech ♦ 8/29/26 - 8/30/26

Sheyla Gutierrez ♦ 9/12/26 - 9/13/2026

Annette Alfonso ♦ 10/10/26 - 10/11/2026

Dudley Shumate ♦ 11/7/26 - 11/8/2026

Judy Kolva ♦ 11/14/2026

Nancy Schilling ♦ 11/15/2026

Nose work/Scent Seminars

Nose Work ORT – Nov. 22

Jacy Kelley (Nose Work) – Nov. 28 & 29

Seminar Obedience Seminars

Marion Crane ♦ 9/26/26 - 9/27/26

HEALTH CLINICS

Canine CPR - 10/11/26

Canine Eye Clinic - 10/17/26

Welcome New Members:

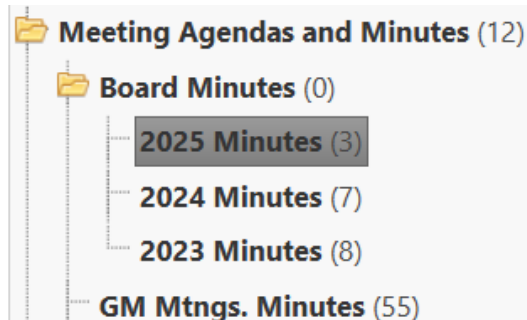
Please welcome our newest member, Melissa Jones !



Announcements

Board of Directors & GM Meeting Minutes (Members Only – login required).

Go to www.orioledogclub.org then select Club Members/Club Documents (Login Required)/Other Documents, where you will find these folders:



Upcoming Meetings:

Quarterly General Membership Meetings (7:30pm):

- Sunday, July 19, 2026
- Sunday, October, 18, 2026

Board of Directors Meeting (7:30pm):

- Sunday, May 17, 2026
- Sunday, August 16, 2026
- Sunday, September 20, 2026
- Sunday, December, 20, 2026

*Note: Oriole members may attend board meetings (although they may be asked to leave temporarily during Executive Session). If you are interested in attending, please contact a board member for information and/or check for Zoom meeting information sent via the Oriole club mailing list. * Meetings are subject to change*

Building Calendar Coordinator

We are seeking a dedicated volunteer to step into the essential role of Building Calendar Coordinator. Felicia Wynn has graciously served as our backup for the building calendar for some time, and we are incredibly grateful for her support. We are now looking for a member to take over this position moving forward.

The club needs someone who is detail-oriented, well-organized, and able to check emails on a daily basis. The volume of requests varies; there are days when you may only get one or two inquiries, and other days when you might receive a dozen. Therefore, the person who fills this position must have great communication, computer, and interpersonal skills.

Key responsibilities include:

Placing classes on the building calendar for each training session (Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall). Ensuring the building calendar and the events calendar are closely aligned and in sync. Coordinate with trainers and directors on canceled classes, make up classes, new events/workshops, etc. Checking calendar availability and placing reservations on the calendar. Ensuring the request is in accordance with building reservation policy. Training will be provided.

This position is open to all membership tiers, including provisional, training, and contributing members. It is a fantastic way to support the club and help keep our operations running smoothly.

If you are interested in this position or have any questions, please contact Rosalyn Dupont at president@orioledogclub.club. The deadline to express interest is June 12, 2026.

Instructors Wanted!

ODTC is looking for instructors for the lower level classes such as Puppy Kindergarten, Puppy class, and Basic Obedience.

This is a volunteer position open to all Members of ODTC. Established instructors from other training clubs are welcome to apply.

Instructing is a Contributing Member position. Candidates must shadow and assist current instructors before managing their own class and achieving Contributing member status. First session instructors will remain a Training Member until a second session of teaching has been effectively fulfilled.

Criteria for those interested:

Successful in training their own dog(s) beyond the introductory level of the class being taught. Past roles in working with people by instructing, tutoring, or mentoring others helpful. Demonstrate an ability to adjust teaching methods for struggling individuals, assess student progress, and manage a class in and outside the ring at ODTC. Knowledge of and the ability to follow ODTC's House Rules and AKC Rules and Regulations of Obedience. Contact ODTC Training Director, Tamalee Kramp at odtcobedience@gmail.com

Update to Agility Worker Coupons

Starting 1 June 2026, an expiration date of 1 year will be added to all agility worker coupons. ODTC will accept all coupons distributed without an expiration date until 31 May 2027.

SUMMER 2026 REGISTRATION SCHEDULE:

- 5/25 – Catalog Posted to ODTC Website
- 6/1 - 6am – Reg. begins for Contributing Members
- 6/3, 6am – Registration begins for Training Members
- 6/5, 6am – Registration begins for Provisional Members & Non-members
- Week of 6/29 – Summer classes begin

Congratulations



Sheila Saville – Pearl earned her AKC Intermediate Trick Dog title on April 30.

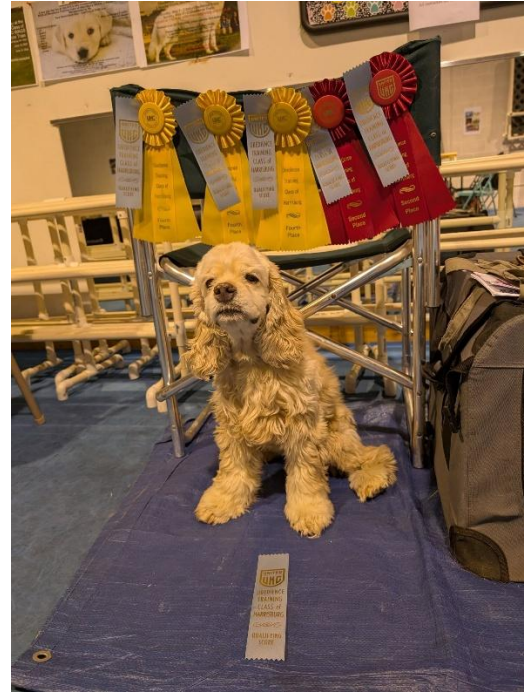


Dianne Harab - Rocky earned his Rally Advanced title on April 4, 2026, at Oriole Dog Training Club in Halethorpe, Maryland.



★ **Lynda Folwick** - Petra earned her NACSW NW1 title on February 15th - I guess the 7th time is a charm! On April 4th she earned her Novice Barn Hunt title (RATN) with two first places and a High In Class (for a 8.3-second hunt). And on May 1st, she earned her FCAT title, and did it with a new personal best time.

★ **Linda Hulbert** - Rain was in UKC Rally today at OTCH'S UKC Rally trials. He hasn't done UKC in over 2 years. He Q'd in both trials in Level 2 (R02), Level 3 (R03), and Master (ROM), placing in 5 of his 6 runs.



★ **Lynda Folwick** - Pocket earned his Fast CAT FCAT title on April 4th. He earned his Senior Barn Hunt (RATS) title on April 26th, with first place in all three of his qualifying hunts and one High In Class.

★ **Deb Knowles** - Breaking news: Berwyn finished his AKC Rally Novice title today. 🎉 Once he got in the ring, he was very attentive and happy to work. He got a perfect 100 score, and won on course time. I was thrilled to pick out this cute little frog from the huge toy basket for 1st place - because...frog...toad.... It's the little things in life.



★ **Diane Myers** - Hendrix the whippet finished his Championship in Harrisburg April 9th with a major from the Bred By Exhibitor Class. He also earned his owner-handler-breeder, Diane Myers, the AKC BredBy Exhibitor medallion, as he was shown exclusively in that class for all of his wins. New Champion Shaldran T'Daz Hazy Purple Dream CAA TKI aka "Hendrix"



★ **Linda Hulbert** - Last weekend (5/9-10/2026) Rain was entered in BAD's WCRL rally trials. On Saturday he finished his ARCH MX title. On Sunday he finished his RL1X3 (3rd Level 1 Championship title)



★ **Felicia Wynn** - Brave earned his NW1 (NACSW Nose Work Level 1 title) and placed 3rd in every search (containers, vehicles, exterior, and interior) and I'm most proud he placed 2nd overall in the whole NW1 trial.



★ **Felicia Wynn** - BRAVE GOT HIS MX!!! What a weekend this boy gave me! Brave got his AKC MX (Master Standard title), his 2nd double Q, and 50 MACH points. We are now halfway to the total number of MACH points needed. He is such a blast to run!



★ **Linda Miles** - Sheba had a great day today. This morning AKC Novice JWW agility title, first Open standard agility leg, both first place. This afternoon she earned a NACSW nose work NW1 title. And in addition to a CGC and tricks title, that is what a 7 year old rescue can do in a little over a year, adopt. Old is only a number.



★ **Reese Spindle** - Havana went 3/3 and won a super fun WEAVE CHALLENGE for the small masters dogs that earned her a new seahorse tug toy!



★ **Lorinda McKisson** – Hennessy had a fun weekend of USDAA Agility!! We earned TWO Q's this weekend! Master Gamblers and Combined Pairs!! Had a beautiful Jumpers run but second to the last obstacle I miss handled the double. Should have stepped a half a step to the left and he would have taken it. But still really happy with that run!!



★ **Felicia Wynn** - Kody got to run with me in the agility ring one more time in a Veteran's run at the Cocker Club trial. They read his bio as we ran. Due to his health issues, I didn't want to do too many obstacles, but he was SOOO happy! He got his favorite Chick Fil A for being such a good boy and gave me a big grin for his photo op. The ribbons they gave us were beautiful. This was such a special thing to do for handlers with retired dogs and I encourage other clubs to do this.



★ **Tina Hayden** - Yogi passed his Canine Good Citizen Advanced Urban and Community tests!



★ **Fran Bethea**- Jagger earned his ORT.



CGC/TRICKS Title Recipients Spring Classes 2026



Kim DeBoy and "LUCILLE" - CGC and Tricks-Novice



Susan von Suhrke and "MERLIN" CGC



Sarah Tielman and "DR. JOHN WATSON" CGC



Susan Younts and "CHARLIE" CGC and Tricks-Intermediate



Leanne Smith and "SABRINA" CGC



Jennifer Carrano and "IZZY"
CGC, Tricks-Novice, Tricks



Jarred Reaves and "GANNI"
CGC and Tricks-Novice



Mary Anne Dresler and "CAPPY"
CGC and Tricks-Novice



Dana Gorsche and "FOX"
CGC, Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate



Laura Schneider and "PETE"
CGC and Tricks Novice



CGC/TRICKS Title Recipients
MOTHER'S DAY AKC CGC/Tricks EVENT DAY!



Title Recipients:



Sadie Niles and "GOOSE"
CGC, Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate



Becky Anderson and "Huckleberry"
CGC, Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate, Tricks-Advanced



Vanessa Andrews and "TAIKA"
Tricks-Novice and Tricks Intermediate



Karen Baker and "RILEY"
Tricks-Advanced



Lois Mark and "FIG"
CGC, Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate



Lois Mark and "TOAST"
CGC, Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate



Paul Bunting and "RIVER"
Tricks-Advanced



Marie Bennett and "GINGER"
CGC, Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate



Jess Henke and "NOVA"
CGE, Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate



Rachel Lachow and "BIRDIE"
CGC, Tricks Novice, Tricks-Intermediate



Drew McLean and Family and "DERBY"
Tricks-Advanced



Sharon Martinez and "ODIN"
Tricks-Novice, Tricks-Intermediate,
Tricks-Advanced

The CGC/TRICKS "TEAM"



(Debby Brannan, Aimee Pharr, Francine Bethea, and Leanna Carpenter)

Volunteer Opportunities

Fri. – Sun., June 5-7: AKC Agility – Volunteers needed for setup on Fri. and tear-down on Sun.

Contact: Cindy Deubler rosiepup@verizon.net

Fri. – Sun. June 13-14: NADAC Agility – Volunteers needed for setup on Fri. and tear-down on Sun.

Contact: Lorinda McKisson lmckisson@gmail.com

Sat. – June 20 AKC Fetch – Contact: Debbie Kaminski at dekamin@aol.com

Sun. June 21 - Turf Cleaning Work Party – We will need help with moving the blue panels, moving agility equipment, moving ring gating and obedience equipment

We will be using the gas-powered turf cleaner on the field. All doors and the loading dock bay doors will be open for ventilation, but the machine will throw fumes while in use. Contact: Karen Keegin kkaren2014@gmail.com

Fri. – Sun. June 27-28: NADAC Agility – Artful Dodgers Agility Volunteers needed for setup on Fri. and tear-down on Sun. **Contact:** Lorinda McKisson lmckisson@gmail.com

Sat. – July 4: Flyball Green Dog Training Event – No Speed Limit.

News & Special Recognition

New Community Outreach Committee Forming

By: Francine Bethea, Communications Director

I am looking for members to help establish a new committee to develop a relationship with our local communities.

Typical duties may include attending and actively participating in meetings, whether in person or via Zoom, and contributing to decision-making to formulate projects or initiatives. Members will also be involved in tasks such as establishing standards for outreach, event planning, and the execution of each project to its fullest.

Although, participation in the committee is not a Contributing member position, logged hours will go towards fulfilling volunteer requirements as a member, or potential member, of Oriole Dog Training Club.

Contact me at fbethea@gmail.com to be a part of creating a tangible, positive difference in the lives of the people and their pets.

Core Objectives:

- **Education:** Providing the public with accurate information on canine behavior, safety, and training.
- **Accessibility:** Offering training expertise to those who might not otherwise have access to professional services.
- **Visibility:** Establishing the club as a valuable "go-to" community asset and resource for government officials or citizens.
- **Welfare & Prevention:** Reducing shelter surrenders by addressing behavioral challenges through community support.

Common Outreach Activities:

- **Visibility & Marketing**
- **Educational Workshops & Seminars:** Hosting events at Oriole, libraries, schools, or community centers on topics like dog safety, bite prevention, and basic pet care.
- **Public Demonstrations:** Showcasing dog sports (like obedience or rally) at local fairs or events to engage the public and inspire new handlers.
- **Shelter & Rescue Support:** Providing pro bono behavior assessments, training plans, or group class spots for shelter and rescue dogs to improve their adoptability.
- **Pet Therapy & Socialization:** Organizing certified therapy teams to visit hospitals, nursing homes, or schools to provide comfort and stress relief.

- Youth Programs: Engaging younger generations through reading programs (where kids read to dogs) or student mentorships to foster early advocacy for animals.
- Resource Assistance: Setting up "pet pantries" to provide food, leashes, and supplies to low-income families to help them keep their pets.

Benefits to the Community:

- **Safer Environments:** Better-trained dogs and informed owners lead to fewer pet-related issues like excessive barking or jumping in shared spaces.
- **Social Connections:** Training events create opportunities for pet owners to interact, fostering a sense of belonging and mutual support.
- **Responsible Stewardship:** Outreach teaches essential skills like leash etiquette and waste management, resulting in cleaner and more harmonious public

Benefits to the Club:

- Increase the Club's profile as a preferred local expert
- New Member recruitment
- Increase enrollment in paid classes
- Satisfy the Club's nonprofit status and Bylaws

Expertise that could benefit the committee:

- Passionate Enthusiasts
- Social workers
- Therapists/Counselors
- Judges
- Exhibitors
- Teachers
- Legal
- Trainers
- Photographers/Videographers
- Writers
- Graphic Designers
- Veterinarians
- Groomers
- Kennel staff/shelter
- Dog Walkers/Sitters
- Service Dog Trainers
- Puppy raisers
- K9 officers

Oriole Obedience/Rally Trials a Huge Success

By: Deb Jackson

Oriole Obedience/Rally Trials a Huge Success Oriole held the first of its 2026 AKC Obedience and Rally Trials on Memorial Day weekend with Friday evening Rally Trial and Obedience trials followed by two full days of Obedience Trials. Our judges, Ms. Carol Riback from Nevada and Ms. Jean Nocilly from Delaware were such a pleasure to work with and show under, making sure everyone had a great ring experience.

The trials were well-attended with large Open and Utility classes and representatives from all the breed groups (except Misc.)

Some club members came away with big wins including Burton Goldstein who won High Combined and High Triple with his Shih Tzu, Tikva, in the Rally trial, Elaine O'Carroll who, on Saturday, won High in Trial with her Sheltie, Brodie and High Combined with her Sheltie, Gavin, and Andra Shanley who finished a RACH with Winston!!! I saw many club members competing and hope to see them celebrate their wins in the newsletter.

I want to thank all those who helped make the trial run smoothly.

Setup: Shirley Harry, Joan Faltot, Kimberly Quach
Building Reset: Joan Faltot, Helena Dahlen, Cher Synder, Andra Shanley, Deb Kaminski Barry Palmer, Ashley Donaldson, Roz Dupont Tamalee Kramp, Debby Brannan

Stewards: Pat Kavanaugh, Joan Faltot, Mary Sebera, Martha Badura, Shirley Harry, Ann McCallum, Debby Brannan, Jane Terry, Tamalee Kramp, Sharon Martinez, Fran Bethea, Barry Palmer, Bob Chase, Ilene Caroom, Elaine O'Carroll, Linda Pitelli, Ann Pribyl, Chris Bevillard, Andra Shanley

Mark your calendars for our August 21-23, 2026

Trials. Our judges will be: Mr. Michael Mooney for Rally on Friday evening, August 21; Ms. Cheryl Pratt from Virginia, and Mr. Thomas Igiel from New York for Obedience on Saturday and Sunday.

New Puppies or New to You

If you have a new puppy (or new to you dog) submit pictures so that others may enjoy!



Thinking of You

If you know of a club member's loss or illness, please contact the Sunshine Coordinator, Sharon Spies at spies14632@aol.com or Dumbbell Editor so that we may share with our fellow members and acknowledge the member.



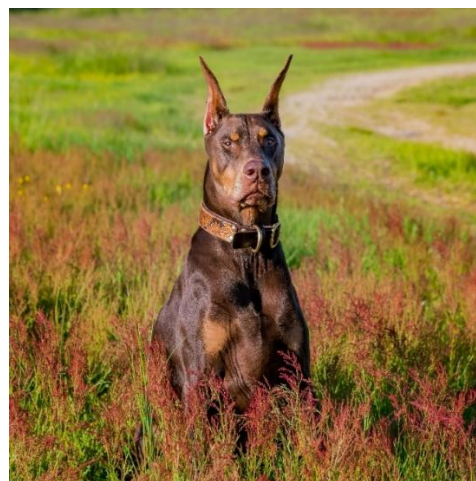
Please extend your sympathy to Janet Gauntt on the passing of Johnny B Goode (Nov 24, 2010 - May 4, 2026). Janet



wrote: Always determined to be in fierce competition with his older brother, JB was a most excellent companion and did everything I ever asked him to do in the many sports we titled in at the highest levels (agility, rally, and barnhunt) or just plain did well and had fun at (herding, disc). While quite talented at herding, we were forever unable to trial as he absolutely would not go out to fetch the sheep if there was a set out person there! He lived to experience 15.5 travels around the sun and I will miss his always big and sometimes slightly naughty grin and the way he threw himself totally into everything he did.



Please extend your sympathy to Barbara Novak on the passing of Trouble (7/2/2014 – 5/12/2025). RATCHX Cambria's Dreaming About Trouble RATI, CZ8S, CD, RE, OA, NAJ, NF, CL1-F, CL2-R, CAX, BCAT, CGCA, CGCU, TDIA, THD, TKI, SWA, ELITE CH, NW3-C, NW3-E, NW3-I, NW3-V, L3I, L2C, L3E, L1V, ORT, WAG1-SII, WAG1-SIS, CW-ScR1A, CW-ScR2A, CW-ScR3, CW-SPA, CW-SDA, CW-SI, HCT, ATT, ATTS, FDC, WAC, LC-11



Our sympathy to Sue Cox on the passing of her Mother, Marian Krause, on 5/1. Marian was an ODTC member who trained in obedience and nose work with her Shiloh Shepherd, Enzo.



From your 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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