



January-February, 2011



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# Wag Wag Rag

San Lorenzo Dog Training Club, 534 C Lewelling Blvd., San Leandro CA, 510-483-4546

## President's message

by Rebecca Logsdon

Happy New Year and Happy "Year of the Rabbit". I hope that 2011 has started off on a pleasant note for everyone. We had a terrific turn-out at our Holiday Party last year (at El Torito—and, yes, we will be returning in 2011) and I was thrilled to see all the awards that were handed out. Club members and their dogs certainly had a successful year competing in 2010. Fingers crossed for continued success in 2011.

There is so much to look forward to in the coming year. We have our annual C-Match in April and our Trial in October. Then we have our regular slate of classes, from Puppy Class to Obedience to Rally to Dancing to Conformation to K9 Nose Work (just added in 2010). Plus we have some new things in the works, so stay tuned!

This is my second year as President and 9th year as a member. Like most of you, I came to San Lorenzo DTC as a student. In 2001, I began attending the Wednesday night Beginning Class with *Coulter*—at the time, one-year old and

quite painfully shy. With the help and caring support of the wonderful trainers at San Lorenzo DTC, his confidence gradually increased. One of the big reasons why *Coulter*, my shy tri Sheltie boy, has the "alphabet-soup" list of titles following his registered name is the training he has received here. When the time came to choose a Puppy Class and Beginning Class for my next Sheltie, *Keaton*, there was no question that he would go to San Lorenzo. Now I am starting all over with my new puppy *Dashiell (Dash)*. The adventure begins again!

Thanks to our trainers, who make our Club such a wonderful place to train. And thanks to the Board, to everyone who works our desk, the C-Match and the Trial, etc.—volunteers one and all. We couldn't do it without you.

—*Rebecca Logsdon*, SLDTC President and mom to the Sheltie boys, *Coulter* (age 11), *Keaton* (age 9) and *Dashiell* (age 6 months)

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## Desk worker notes

by Mary Bayley

I want to thank all the desk workers for their help at the desk.

We still need more people to step forward and help out. It is a great experience and you get to listen to the trainers help students with their problems. I will be glad to "baby sit" new desk workers until they feel comfortable at the desk by themselves.

As a reminder:

- Write a receipt for any type of money transaction, cash or check.
- Do not sign anyone up for a class until they have paid the deposit.
- Send a class schedule, with prices and dates filled in, to people who call the club about upcoming classes.

Thanks for all you do.

## General Meeting

The next SLDTC general meeting will take place at 7:45 pm on March 7 at the training facility. See you there!

## SLDTC Needs You

Financially, 2010 was a bad year for SLDTC. Our income was about \$300 per month less than our expenses. Participation in our classes and entries in our trial were down. We have survived other bad years since the club was founded in 1953. To improve our finances we have eliminated use of puppy passes to pay for beginning and puppy classes, temporarily suspended the \$1 member discount for drop-in classes, and increased the price of supplies slightly.

Thanks to the trainers and substitute trainers who have taught classes without charging the club for their time.

As we get back on our feet, we ask all members to:

- If possible, avoid using puppy passes to pay for classes.
- Tell your vet, your dog groomer, dog walkers you meet in the neighborhood, and your friends about our classes.
- Attend our classes.
- Enter your dogs at our paid events (trial, C-match, Jack & Jill workshop).
- Inform the board if you have ideas for low-cost advertising or any other suggestions on how we can improve our situation.

2011 is off to a good start. Thank you all for your help and participation in our events.

## SLDTC C-Match April 10

by Marilou Garfinkle

Please mark your calendars for our April 10th C-Match at Cal State East Bay. This obedience and rally event offers you and your dogs a chance to practice for trials and is very important financially to SLDTC. The club needs your support.

This year we are adding a nose work demonstration and classes. For a small fee, you and your dog can participate in this new detection sport in which dogs search for specific odors. It's a fun event for your dog and you.

We will also be hosting a raffle! There will be many dog- and people-related items to choose from so come and join us.

All of the above call for volunteers. We need stewards and help in setting up rings and hauling equipment to and from the event site. As for stewarding, the rewards are many. You will receive a Continental breakfast, a tasty lunch, and a healthy day in the outdoors. There is a convenient sign-up sheet at the club. We also need items for the raffle. Please contact [Mary Bayley](#) for guidance.

Please, come on out and join us by stewarding, donating to the raffle, or entering your dog in one of our most important events of the year.

Thank You.

—[Marilou Garfinkle](#), Event Chairman

## Wag Wag Rag Delivery

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## 2010 Holiday and Awards Dinner

34 members and guests attended SLDTC's annual holiday and award dinner at El Territo in San Lorenzo on December 12. The lovely buffet was accompanied by great conversation and excellent company.

President [Rebecca Logsdon](#) started the awards program by presenting thank you cards signed by attendees to former president [Jackie Smith](#) for belonging to the club for 38

years and serving on the board for much of that time and to training coordinator [Mary Bayley](#) for her dedication to our classes. [Katie Tucker](#) and [Mary Bayley](#) then presented the remaining awards. The evening concluded with a gift exchange.

Award certificates were issued to the following members. Congratulations to all!

### AKC Companion Dog

*Mary Bayley and Journey  
Virginia Lewis and Ryder*

### AKC Utility Dog

*Nan Franceschini and Chance*

### AKC Rally Novice

*Mary Bayley and Delilah  
Mary Bayley and Rhett  
Virginia Lewis and Ryder*

### AKC Rally Advanced

*Mary Bayley and Journey  
Rita Jensen and Puck  
Virginia Lewis and Ryder  
Rebecca Logsdon and Keaton*

### AKC Rally Excellent

*Rita Jensen and Puck  
Virginia Lewis and Ryder  
Joe and Ramona Sledge and Sonny*

### AKC Champion

*Linda Maggy and Rain*

### Mixed Breed Dog Club Utility Dog

*Dawn Bushong and Penny*

### AKC Agility Titles

*Rebecca Logsdon and Coulter—OFP  
Dorothy Pavon and Sabrina—NA  
Lynn Ungar and Taz—AX  
Lynn Ungar and Taz—OAJ  
Lynn Ungar and Taz—NF  
Lynn Ungar and Taz—OF*

### AKC Junior Earthdog

*Mary Bayley and Delilah*

### AKC Senior Earthdog

*Mary Bayley and Rhett*

### AKC Master Earthdog

*Mary Bayley and Journey*

### AKC Herding Titles

*Virginia Lewis and Jess—HSA ducks  
Virginia Lewis and Jess—PT sheep  
Virginia Lewis and Jess—HSB ducks*

### AKC Canine Good Citizen

*Patricia Kollias and Jenna  
Steven Stern and Harley*

### ASCA Companion Dog

*Virginia Lewis and Ryder*

### American Herding Breed Association

*Virginia Lewis and Jess—HTD I ducks  
Virginia Lewis and Jess—HTAD I ducks and sheep  
Virginia Lewis and Jess—HRD geese and goats  
Virginia Lewis and Ryder—HTAD I sheep*

### National Association of Canine Scent Work

*Virginia Lewis and Ryder—Nose Work I*

### United Schutzhund Clubs of America

*Virginia Lewis and Ryder—BH—Pre Schutzhund*

### World Canine Freestyle Association

*Lynn Ungar and Taz—Musical Freestyle Champion*

### Draft Dog Title

*Linda Maggy and Rain*

### Registered Therapy Dog

*Steve Stern and Harley*

### Honorary Members—25 years of SLDTC Membership

*Dolores Barnes  
Nanette Franceschini  
Ruby Hertz*

### Thank you to Barbara Whitcomb for the certificates

### In Memory of Our Canine Friends

*Debi Best's Jan-Jan  
Mary Reynold's Mr. Cool*

## New Classes

Four-week sessions of two new classes are underway and well attended. Both classes will be repeated upon demand:

- Rally

[Nan Franceschini](#) is teaching a rally class from 4:30 to 6:00 on Thursday afternoons. In addition to giving students the opportunity to run through practice courses, this new class teaches the meaning of the signs for all levels of competition as well as explaining the basics of rally obedience to new students. (The drop-in rally classes on the first Friday of each month assume students have some rally experience.)

- Teaching Your Dog Tricks

What defines a trick? It's a behavior that you teach your dog for fun. (Which, for many of us, describes all training.) Teaching tricks is a great way to develop the bond between you and your dog, and to teach your dog to think creatively. Tricks enhance visits for therapy dogs, provide interest in freestyle routines, burn energy for puppies, and are a relaxed way for older dogs to keep learning. They're also a great way for handlers to sharpen training skills. Taught by SLDTC trainer [Lynn Ungar](#) at 7:00 on Wednesday evenings, the initial four-week session began on February 9.

## SLDTC Bumper Stickers

Help advertise our training program! SLDTC bumper stickers are now available at the front desk. Price is \$2 each.



## Training When Its Raining

Want a place to stay dry while working your dog on a wet day? When not otherwise in use, SLDTC's training facility is available to members. Contact [Jackie Smith](#) to arrange to

borrow a key. Make sure to lock the building securely when you leave. Sorry, no guests permitted.

## New Training Fees

Since SLDTC is a non-profit organization, we keep training fees low to encourage participation by people who may have limited income. SLDTC fees for puppy classes have not been raised since 2003; those for other classes were last set in 2007. On April 4, 2011, some fees will be raised. A \$10 discount for puppy and beginning classes is available to shelter and rescue dogs. Fees for drop-in rally and conformation classes remains at \$10 per class.

Class	Old Fee	New Fee
Puppy	\$60/6 weeks	\$75/6 weeks
Beginning	\$90/9 weeks	\$100/9 weeks
Novice	\$8/class	\$10/class
Open/Utility	\$10/class	\$12/class

## AOCNC Workshop

The Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California (AOCNC) held its annual obedience and rally workshop on February 6. Each participating club was responsible for one ring, including setting it up and finding judges and

stewards. SLDTC's AOCNC representative, [Connie Holm](#), coordinated club member entries as well as organizing the ring. Our participants appreciated her efforts:

### From Phyllis Gunhouse

The annual AOCNC Workshop held at the Cow Palace on Sunday, February 6th, went well. Kudos to **Connie Holm** for making sure the San Lorenzo Dog Training Club managed its utility ring efficiently and professionally. Although I could only steward for an hour in the morning, there were other members who stepped up to the plate as well: **Steve Stern** was an enormous help, stewarding for several hours, **Celia Reynolds**, **Rita Jensen**, **Dee Bogush**, **Mary Bayley**, **Jackie Smith** all pitched in and **Connie Holm** was responsible for making it all come together. **Lynn Ungar** was the ring judge and did a really nice job. Thanks also to **Dee Bogush** who jumped in to judge while **Lynn** took a quick break.

### From Connie Holm

Thanks to all who helped out at the AOCNC workshop on February 6th. It was a good workshop and everybody had a good chance to work their dog.

### From Celia Reynolds

I just want to thank **Connie Holm** for her hard work with our Utility Ring at the AOCNC workshop on Sunday. My husband and I were there early to help her set up the ring, work table and ring board so we learned a lot from her.

Please add **congratulations!** on her appointment as the new president of AOCNC.

### From Lynn Ungar

Congratulations to all the SLDTC folks who ran a highly efficient utility ring at the AOCNC workshop. Special thanks to **Steve Stern** who stewarded all day long, with a friendly smile for each participant, and to **Rita Jensen** who took over judging for me so that I could shift from judging to working my own dog.

## Boxes for Military K9s

by Katie Tucker

To show my support for the troops I am sending boxes of supplies to military K9s and their handlers on a regular basis. If you would like to contribute, I can always use donations of items or cash. At the current time, I have more than enough dog items. I am looking for items to make the handlers' lives more pleasant. They enjoy

protein/energy bars, granola bars, nuts, dried fruit, beef jerky, energy drinks, coffee, sugar and creamer. The handlers also love to have notes of encouragement/support from individuals or pictures of donators' dogs. Contact me at [ktucker@santaclaraca.gov](mailto:ktucker@santaclaraca.gov) or 510-487-4431 or leave a donation at the club.

## K9 Nose Work at SLDTC



**Rocky** lies down to alert **Penny** she has found the box containing the odor. She took 3rd place in boxes at this nose work trial.

K9 Nose Work is a new sport in which dogs search for odors hidden in cardboard boxes, on the exterior of a vehicle, outside a building, or

within a room. All training is very positive and uses generous food rewards. Methods are based on those used in law enforcement to train explosive- and drug-detection dogs. In competition, instead of searching for dangerous or illegal substances, dogs search for cotton swabs scented with odors distilled from birch, anise, or cloves. The sport is administered by the National Association of Canine Scent Work™ (NACSW).

SLDTC instructors **Josette Kimes** and **Penny Proctor** teach ongoing sessions of nose work classes. One group meets once or twice a month at mutually convenient times, usually on a weekend. Another group meets on Friday mornings. Since the training is progressive, these ongoing classes cannot accommodate untrained drop-in students. New sessions will be scheduled when there is sufficient demand.

A recent lesson for the more advanced group took place at a hardware store in Hayward where the dogs searched for odor that had been hidden both outside and inside the store. Even after an employee watered the sod and planter boxes containing some of the hidden scents, the dogs found them easily.



**Josette** and **Riley** display **Riley's** ribbons for completing the NW1 title with 1st place in Vehicles and 3rd place overall.

Several students from this group passed the Odor Recognition Test (ORT) on birch at the end of January. Congratulations to *Meg* and *Jackie Smith*, *Chaska* and *Beth Hillard*, *Zipper* and *Phyllis Gunhouse*, *Flash* and *Rita Jensen*, *Elsa* and new member *Scott Kimes*, and *Radar* and *Vange Leonis*. *Flash* was the fastest of the 48 birch entrants to find the odor with a time of 6.44 seconds! Congratulations also to *Ric* and *Sue Pokart* (whose application for SLDTC membership was read at the February general meeting) for passing the ORT on anise.

*Penny* and *Josette* are working toward instructor certification by NACSW. Their classes are full of insight about how odors disseminate under various conditions (such as temperature, wind, and placement of the scented object) and how dogs detect scent. They also teach nose work classes through the Leisure Services program in Union City.

*Penny* began training dogs when she was 12. In high school and college, she performed with the Doberman Drill Team in parades, at the Cow Palace, and at the Beverly Hills KC show. She has had Belgian breeds for the last 30 years, first Belgian Sheepdogs and, more recently, Belgian Tervurens. Her current Terv, *Rocky* (Aftershock Shard of Hope RE HT), is her best companion yet. *Rocky* has two legs toward a CD and is training in agility. *Rocky* has a Nose Work 1 (NW1) title.



*Penny*, *Rocky*, and *Lulu* at the Sacramento DTC trial in October, 2008

*Penny* recently lost *Rocky's* cousin, *Lulu* (Ch Aftershock Mood for Love PT NA NAJ CD RE) at age 16. *Lu* and her sister *Annie* were Best Brace in Show twice, including at the Golden Gate Kennel Club show in 1998 where applause from the large Cow Palace audience was thrilling. *Lu* finished her

RE at age 14 3/4. She earned a versatility award from the Tervuren club. At the 2000 National Specialty in Atlanta, she earned a PT, won her class in Novice A agility, won the herding titled class, and made the first two cuts in the BOB class.

Although *Penny* enjoys many activities with her dogs, she likes nose work because every search is different and because the handler must figure out how to communicate with the dog about something that people cannot experience.

For the last three years, *Josette* has taught obedience at Pet Smart in Fremont. She finds that nose work builds confidence and focus and greatly benefits some of the aggressive and reactive dogs she has seen in some of her classes. She observes that wild dogs spend most of their day looking for food and shelter, both of which are provided to pets. Nose work gives them the opportunity to use some of the same mental skills that would be needed for survival in other environments.



*Josette* and her Entlebuchers

*Josette* has had dogs all her life and has owned a Portuguese Water Dog, Smooth Fox Terrier, Doberman Pinschers, and Dachshunds. She was considering a Bernese Mountain Dog three years ago, but wasn't sure she wanted such a large dog or how well her allergies would do with a coated breed. Her son did some research and discovered the Entlebucher Mountain Dog, the smallest of the Swiss mountain dogs, which has a short coat. (Entlebuchers were featured in the January 2011 AKC Gazette.) *Riley* soon joined the family and was followed by *Elsa* and, more recently, *Polly*.

## SLDTC Calendars

Still need a 2011 calendar? A few SLDTC calendars are still available.

Thanks to members who bid from \$5 to \$20 in the auction for photo slots. Your pictures are wonderful! Despite the

late start in the calendar year, this club fundraiser was a big success.

We plan to print our 2012 calendar before the end of this year, so start saving pictures to contribute!

## Read Me a Story!



Rita Jensen and Puck listen intently at the inaugural *Paws to Read* session at the Castro Valley Library

Children's reading skills can improve with reading aloud. However, beginning readers are often self-conscious about reading to themselves and adult listeners can be critical. Dogs make great listeners, paying close attention without correction and helping the

young readers relax. Libraries throughout the Bay Area now offer programs where a child can read to a dog for half an hour. The children enjoy a business card, bookmark, or letter that has a photo of their canine reading partner.

Intermountain Therapy Animals in Salt Lake City, Utah, launched the Reading Education Assistance Dogs (R.E.A.D.) program in 1999. The essence of the program is that an animal therapy group works with schools and libraries to match dog/handler teams with young readers. The therapy group provides the necessary insurance and certifies the dogs to ensure that only healthy animals with stable temperaments participate. There are now thousands of R.E.A.D. dog/handler teams throughout the United States and other countries, including Canada and Great Britain.



Denise Laberee's Hurricane Katrina rescues, Trina and Cane, take a break from the story to watch the photographer.

A March 20, 2010 article in the *Sacramento Bee* reported on a UC Davis study that showed that reading to dogs for 10 weeks improved children's reading skills by 12%. There

was no change in the skills of a control group that did not participate in the program. This article mentions the side benefit of improving the children's relationship with animals. Links to other results are available at <http://www.therapyanimals.org/R.E.A.D.html>.

The Pleasanton Public Library was the first library in California to offer a program where children read to dogs. Sue Jones started its *Paws to*



Trina wears Christmas red and green for the December reading session.

*Read* program in 2002. Dogs are certified by the Valley Humane Society. The Pleasanton program is now coordinated by Reneé Freidus and the Valley Humane Society also supplies certified therapy dogs to programs at the Danville, Livermore, and Castro Valley libraries. TherapyPets, [www.therappets.org](http://www.therappets.org), manages volunteers from Contra Costa, Alameda, and other Bay Area counties who participate in *Paws to Read* programs in libraries in several cities, including San Leandro, Oakland, Alameda, and Orinda.

Several SLDTA members volunteer in reading programs, including those in Castro Valley and San Leandro. At the Castro Valley library, 20 dog/handler teams meet at 6:30 PM on the first Monday of each month for two half-hour sessions.

For information about the Castro Valley program, contact Marianne Dimick at 510-502-9326 or [pawstoread@dimicklaw.net](mailto:pawstoread@dimicklaw.net) or Nathan Silva at [NSilva@aclibrary.org](mailto:NSilva@aclibrary.org).



Dahlet and Lynne Price (out of sight) enjoy a good book.

At the San Leandro main library, readers sign up for 3-week sessions that meet on Tuesday afternoons. Three time slots are available beginning at 3:30, 4:00, and 4:30. Four dogs attend each time slot. Children do not necessarily read to the same dog each week because a handler may not be able to come to every meeting during a session. The first step in joining the San Leandro program is becoming a registered TherapyPet team. See the Getting Started Kit at [www.therappets.org/GettingStarted2.pdf](http://www.therappets.org/GettingStarted2.pdf) for information.

## To Catch a Thief

by Patricia Kollias

In the middle of a morning a few weeks ago, I let *Jenna* out in the backyard. She took a few steps and then ran for the fence, growling. From the way she growled, I knew she was alerting to a person and not an animal. I was on the porch so I could see over the fence. I could tell where to look from *Jenna's* position. A young guy was coming from the front of the neighbor's house to the back. He was soon joined by a second man and then a third. Even though there is no fence separating the front and back yards next door, I thought these men had no business there. I asked my daughter to bring me my cell phone and called the police department.

Then we saw the three guys come out from the yard and walk down the sidewalk. *Jenna* calmed down as soon as they left the yard, but I was still on the phone. I described to the dispatcher what the men looked like and the clothes they were wearing. As we spoke, they went down another driveway and then came back to the sidewalk again. They kept going down the street and then jumped into a van. I described the van and the dispatcher said the police were

following them. I hung up and thought the incident was over.

However, less than 10 minutes later, a police officer knocked at the door and asked us to come and identify the men. They drove *Catherine* and me in separate cars a couple of blocks away where the street had been blocked off. They drove each of us by five people in five different locations and asked if we recognized them. We identified three of them as the men we had seen, recognizing them primarily by their clothes. As the policemen drove us home, they explained that they thought the men had been going through the neighborhood knocking on doors and breaking into houses if no one answered. The police were anxious to catch these guys because crime had been going up in the neighborhood recently. They were frustrated that people see suspicious activity in their neighborhood but don't call the police. As the officer dropped me off at home, he remarked, "You've got a really good dog there." I feel the same way!

## Stitch takes a shower

by Sue Luebbert

[*Sue Luebbert's Stitch* passed away at the end of 2010. Among the 16 years of memories he left was this one, written in early 2006:]

One Sunday morning, *Bob* was out walking two of our dogs. I was getting things together to go to the park. I heard a strange noise in the back yard. To my amazement, the hose was in the middle of the yard and going full blast. On the other side of the yard was *Stitch*, lying down and taking in

the full blast of water. There was water everywhere, including in the garage. I rushed over to the spigot. It took four full turns to shut the water off. There was no one home but me and I did not turn the water on. Who do you think did?

## The Meal

by Lynne Price

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Once upon a mealtime wanted, while I ate and collies taunted,  
Savoring each tasty morsel as if never would be more,  
While I listened for shrill yapping, suddenly there came a tapping,  
As of someone gently rapping, rapping at my kitchen door.  
" 'Tis some tricolor," I muttered, "tapping at my kitchen door—  
*Kasheh* there, and no one more."

Ah, distinctly I remember. It was Pie Day<sup>1</sup>, not December,  
And each separate, flaky pastry wrought its crumbs upon

the floor.

Eagerly she begged for entry, at the pantry to stand sentry,  
Pleading for a liver pasty, pasty she'd enjoyed before.  
And her thick, luxurious tail slammed thwack, thwack,  
thwack against the door.  
Hungry she, for evermore.

Presently, my meal grew smaller; hesitating then no longer,  
"Girl," said I, "dear madam, truly your forgiveness I implore;  
But your mother, she was barking, and your cousin ate the caulking,

1. National Pie Day is January 23. The Price household always celebrates with a special treat for the collies and their friends.

And your brother he was marking, marking tree and fence  
and more,  
So I scarce was sure I heard you"—through the glass, I  
viewed the door;  
Would the quiet come no more?

Back into the kitchen turning, in the oven nothing burning,  
Soon again I heard a tapping somewhat louder than before.  
"Surely," said I, "surely, she will leave alone the wooden  
latching,  
And will cease the constant scratching, scratching nails on  
glass no more",  
But again there came the rapping, "Let me through the  
patio door,"  
Open here I slid the door.

Almond eyes rekindling brightly as the door was opened  
slightly,  
In there stepped that stately lady in the raven coat she

always wore.  
Not the least obedient was she; not a minute dropped or  
stayed she;  
But, with mien of lord or lady, fixed on me a plaintive stare.  
I, who had few mouthfuls eaten, knowing I was finally  
beaten,  
Placed my dinner on the floor.  
And her tail, it still was wagging; never was she one for  
lagging;  
Polishing the empty dish until it glowed upon the floor.  
Now, when next I hear her tapping, I will set her right to  
lapping,  
Watch her swallow without chewing, gulping down enough  
for four.  
And my bowl upon the table in the corner by the door,  
Shall be lifted never more.

## Training

The SLDTTC training facility is located in San Leandro off Interstate 880, around the corner from Walmart and behind SP Automotive Supply. Our experienced trainers offer a wide variety of obedience classes from puppy socialization through utility as well as conformation, canine freestyle, and nose-work classes.

For your dog's health, we require all dogs to be vaccinated. Pre-enrollment, fee, and proof of vaccinations are required prior to starting a class. **Class size is limited and some classes fill far in advance.** Our classes include:

**PUPPY:** Socialization and some obedience work. For puppies 3 to 6 months old who have had at least two DHPP shots. Six-week course.

**BEGINNING:** Basic obedience. For dogs and puppies at least six months old. Trainers may assess and admit dogs younger than six months. Nine-week course.

**NOVICE:** Continuation of basic obedience to improve basic skills and off-leash work. Prepares those wishing to compete in obedience as well as people who want a well-behaved pet. Drop-in, pay when you attend.

**OPEN:** Preparation for competition in the Open ring for a CDX title. Drop-in class.

**UTILITY:** Preparation for competing in the Utility ring for a Utility title. Drop-in class.

**CONFORMATION:** Preparing handler and dog for the show ring. Drop-in class, pay when you attend.

**RALLY:** Learn to follow a course marked by signs describing obedience exercises. Preparation for competition.

**CANINE FREESTYLE:** Obedience moves as well as spins, moving sideways, backing up, and more to music. Done in a group or solo.

**K9 NOSE WORK:** Teach your dog to search rooms, vehicles, and building exteriors for hidden scents.

## Class schedule

See page 9 for a description of the different classes:

Class	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Conformation	6:30 pm			
Puppy		6:30 pm, session starts February 22*		
Beginning		7:30 pm, session starts February 15*	7:00 pm, session starts March 9*	7:00 pm, session starts March 17*
Novice			8:00 pm	8:00 pm
Open			8:00 pm	8:00 pm
Utility	7:30 pm, no class first Monday of each month		run-thrus 8:00 pm	run-thrus 8:00 pm
Canine freestyle (dog dancing)	Call for times (usually first Sunday of the month) Next scheduled classes are March 6 and April 3: —Advanced 2:00 pm —Beginners 3:30 pm —Solos 4:00 pm.			
Nose work	Call for times			

\* Start date subject to change

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