

DOTC Winter 2011

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Official Club Business

Important Dates

Dec 14
General Meeting

Dec 21
Holiday Party!

Dec 28
No class

Jan 11
Basic and Puppy
Orientation

Jan 18
Classes begin

General Membership Meeting

The winter general membership meeting will be held at 7:30pm on Wednesday, December 14 at the Armory. All are invited to attend. Active Voting members are especially encouraged to participate.

Holiday Party!

Naughty? Nice? Who cares — let's have some fun! Join fellow 2- and 4-footed friends for a bit of holiday cheer on December 21 at 8:30pm. Bring a wrapped canine toy to share (under \$5) and let your furry buddy sniff out their favorite. Refreshments for all. Note class time changes:

Advanced — 7:00—7:45pm
Heeling — 7:50—8:15pm
Basic — 7:50—8:30pm
Party — 8:30pm



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Who Wants a Biscuit?

The club is ordering the small biscuits again for our March trial and for members. These treats sell for \$4 to \$6/lb from local retailers and we buy them for approximately \$2/lb from the manufacturer. They come in 20lb boxes and we ask that you purchase a box and split it with someone if you don't need that much. If they are put in zip

lock bags they easily keep for a year.

Flavors are beef, turkey or peanut butter and the more we order, the lower the shipping price (TBD).

There will be a sign up sheet on the table the beginning of January or call Joy White 443 266-7371 anytime to place an order.

Did You Know?

Listed below is a compilation of recent information and resources passed along by fellow DOTC members.

Infodog.com — a comprehensive and reliable web resource on AKC Dog Show statistics and schedules.

Smoke and Mirrors: The Leptospirosis Vaccine for Dogs in *Dogs Naturally Magazine* (www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com)

AKC's New Therapy Dog Title Program Honors Dogs with the Healing Touch in *Your AKC* newsletter (www.akc.org/newsletter)

Dogwise.com — a resource for training books, forums, newsletters, show schedules

For Your Reading Pleasure

Ruff Ride by Shawn Berryhill

Funny Dogs by Jean-Claude Suares

You Are a Dog: Life Through the Eyes of Man's Best Friend by Terry Bain

The Dangerous Book for Dogs: A Parody by Rex and Sparky (human intervention by Joe Garden, Janet Ginsburg, Chris Pauls, Anita Serwacki and Scott Sherman)



2012 DOTC Show

The DOTC 75th Obedience and 8th Rally Trials will be held on Sunday, March 18, 2012 at the CTA facilities in Beltsville, MD.

Our annual trial is evidence of our commitment to training with our dogs and a testament to the close relationships we have developed with our 2- and 4-footed training friends.

See training director Adam Willie to volunteer. Maps and show details will be available at school and at www.dotc.org as the date draws near.



Club Policies

Snow Closing Policy

Classes are automatically cancelled if Baltimore City OR Baltimore County schools are closed.

Clean-Up

Please be sure to clean up after your dogs both inside and outside of the Armory. Reminder that the Armory outside doorway is NOT the place for a potty break.

Rabies Shots

Make sure that DOTC has your dog's current rabies vaccination information on file.

Keep DOTC in mind when you visit your vet!

Think about dropping off a stack of club business cards at your vet's office. Your personal endorsement and your dog's behavior will make them happy to recommend the club.

Cards are available at the information table.

Remembering Wee Bey

This note is to thank our DOTC friends for your concern and affection for Wee Bey. Your good wishes for his recovery after his surgery, and your sympathy when I lost him touched me deeply. He was a great dog with a courageous heart, yet with a loving and gentle nature who made friends with everyone he met; and, I miss him terribly. I'm sorry to be so late in expressing this. I had a serious health issue shortly after Weebs died, and it's been a challenging recovery for me. But, please know that you've been in my thoughts all along.

I recently received notice of your contribution to BARCS in Wee Bey's name. You certainly picked a worthwhile organization – and what a wonderful gesture! For this, and for all of your care and kindness to my Weebles and to me, you have my heartfelt gratitude.

Sincerely,
Fran Cannon



Modd Squad Rallies

The Modd Squad rally team took second place at the Mt. Vernon Training Club's rally trial in October.

From left to right: Marian Isner & Ace, Marcie Cowie & Rosey, Linda Hulbert & Rerun, Connie Miller & Silver



Dog Gone It, We're Proud!

Elaine McAvoy's Doberman Pinscher, "Piper" recently received her CDX and is also on the Doberman Pinscher Club of America's Obedience Top Twenty list at number 3. She's #1 in our book!

Judi Ruff reports that "Abby" CGC, RN, BN, NAJ, NA has finished her Novice Agility (NA) and her

Novice Agility Jumpers (NAJ). Way to go ladies!

Judy Schreiber's Poodle, "Clancy" completed the new AKC Versatility title in three straight shows with two firsts and a third. He also completed the UKC Rally Champion with two High in Trials, four High Combined and many first places and perfect scores of 100. Nicely done!

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Class Schedule 2011—2012

December 28: No class

January 11: Session 3 Orientation for Basic and
Puppy Kindergarten participants (owners only)

January 18: Session 3 classes begin

March 7: Session 4 Orientation for Basic and
Puppy Kindergarten participants (owners only)

March 14: Session 4 classes begin

May 2: Final classes of the year

May 9: Fun Match — Obedience

May 16: Fun Match — Rally-O

