

Dulles Scoop



**The official newsletter of the Dulles Gateway
Obedience Training Club**

February 2007

DGOTC Meeting on 7 February

The next meeting of the DGOTC will begin promptly at 8:00 PM on **7 February** at the Sterling Annex, an old school building. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month. Directions: **From Leesburg:** take Rt. 7 East, Take Rte. 28 South Exit; Go right on 625 (Church Road) Exit towards STERLING; Go right at Traffic light (Davis Drive); Take 1st Right onto Shaw Road; at stop sign, go right on Shaw road; at stop sign, go Left (Shaw Road)...Shaw road curves around in front of our building, take first left into our parking lot.

From the Chantilly/Dulles Airport area: take Rte. 28 North past Dulles Airport, Past Sterling Blvd (846) and continue on and make a Right onto Cedar Green, a left at the 4-way stop onto Shaw Road, travel past the Belfort Furniture store and make a right into our gravel parking lot..

From Route 7 East: turn Right onto Sterling Blvd. Turn Right onto West Church Road. Turn left onto Davis Drive. Take the first right onto Tippet Hill Way. Turn right at the stop sign onto Cedar Green. Continue to the end of Cedar Green to the stop sign. Turn left onto old West Church Road. We are on the corner of Shaw and Church Rd. (in an old one-level brick school building).

DGOTC Calendar

UKC Obedience Trial February 10 - 11, 2007
Awards Banquet February 25, 2007

DGOTC Website

www.dgotc.org.

DGOTC List

Members sign on and enjoy !

www.yahogroups.com

Post messages: DGOTC@yahoogroups.com

Subscribe: DGOTC-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Publication Deadlines

Articles/event notices for the **Dulles Scoop** must be received by the editors on or before the 15th of each month. Send items to Monica Patty at mpatty@erols.com.

DGOTC Monthly Membership Meeting – 3 January 2007

In attendance: Erich Rutscheidt, Marion Lee, Maureen Taylor, Bobbie Lutz, Karen Zelonis, Shanthi Fernando, Marie DeGeneste, Jane Lantz, and Karla Vernon. Monica Patty was in attendance via a conference call.

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the December 6 meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was distributed and discussed.

Obedience Committee: Bobbie said entries were light as of the end of November for the Catoctin UKC Obedience Trial on February 10 and 11, 2007. She asked for more volunteer help.

Membership: Jane Lantz and Karla Vernon were presented for the second reading and accepted for membership.

Old Business:

Elections: The following officers were voted in:

Erich Rutscheidt - President

Maureen Taylor - Vice-President

Marion Lee - Secretary

Elaine Maher - Treasurer

Members-at-Large - Karen Zelonis and Clarissa Bergman

Field Secretary Leesburg - Ann Hereford

There is no replacement for Marie DeGeneste as Frying Pan Park Field Secretary. Marie initiated a discussion of the problems of Field Secretary, especially the number of phone calls. Shanthi suggested that we put more class information on the website. It was also suggested that the Training Director take on some of the duties of the Field Secretary.

Awards Banquet: The annual DGOTC banquet will be held on Sunday, February 25, at the VFW Hall in Leesburg from 1 - 5 p.m. Admission will be \$10.00 per person and must be paid by February 15. Maureen said she would put a reminder in the next newsletter. It was suggested that an email reminder also be sent. Bobbie said that Sandy Martin has volunteered to do the awards. Shanthi asked what the policy is for awards, and Maureen said it was specified in the newsletter.

Newsletter: Bobbie asked if the newsletter is sent out to all members. Maureen said an email notice is sent to all members whose email addresses are on file, and it is mailed to others. Erich asked how many at the meeting go to the web site to read and/or print the newsletter, and most said they did. Bobbie said that all newsletters should be saved on the web site. Sending the newsletter as an email attachment was also discussed.

By-laws: Erich read from the by-laws and initiated a discussion on how many meetings a year should be held, whether meetings should include an educational program, and whether business meetings might be more effectively run by the Board of Directors.

New Business: There was no new business.

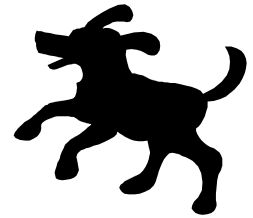
Maureen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Marion, and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:25.

Respectfully submitted by Marion Lee

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**ONCE AGAIN IT'S TIME TO GATHER TOGETHER TO RECOGNIZE
THOSE HARD-WORKING CLUB MEMBERS THAT HAVE PUT TITLES
ON DOGS IN 2006 !**



WHERE: VFW Hall, Leesburg, Virginia

WHEN: February 25, 2007

TIME: 1 pm - 5 pm

COST: \$10.00 per person

CATERED BY: Comfort Caterers

DIRECTIONS:

From the East: Rt. 7 west to traffic light at center of Leesburg (by Courthouse) –right turn onto King St., (Rt. 15 North)-- **Left turn on North Street (by small yellow house)—follow North street to VFW Hall on left side of road across from Leesburg Library.

From the West:

Rt. 7 east to King St., (Rt. 15 North.) Follow direction at ** above.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete the following awards banquet registration form:

Attendee Name(s): _____

Number of Persons Attending: _____ X \$10.00 = \$ _____

Include with the registration form a check for the total amount due and mail by February 12th to:

Maureen Taylor
21903 Foxden Lane
Leesburg, VA 20175



REGISTER FOR AWARDS

Each year at our Awards Banquet, Dulles Gateway Obedience Training Club recognizes those club members whose dogs have earned obedience, tracking, or agility titles during the previous calendar year. Additionally, an award is presented to the highest scoring dog in the Novice, Open, and Utility classes (average of legs 1,2,&3) of AKC and/or UKC venues, as well as the Challenge Trophy to the overall highest scoring dog.

There will be **separate AKC and UKC** Highest Scoring Dog plaques in Novice, Open, & Utility. These **Highest Scoring** plaques, as well as the **Challenge Trophy**, are open to those dogs that have not previously earned a title at this level or higher in any other organization. For example, you won't be eligible for the Highest Scoring AKC Open plaque (& ultimately the Challenge Trophy) if you previously earned a CDX or UD in UKC. However, you would be eligible for the HS AKC Open if you only had a CD with UKC &/or AKC. If, for example, you were lucky enough to have your dog earn both CDX's in '04, the 1st title earned will be eligible.

The **agility** organizations we currently recognize with plaques are: AKC, UKC, NADAC, USDAA, and ASCA. We accept **obedience** titles from **any Natl'** or **Internatl'** organization (i.e., rare breed clubs, Canadian clubs, etc., but sorry not Schutzhund titles). Obedience titles from organizations other than AKC or UKC are not eligible for the High Scoring awards, however. **Rally** titles from any organization are also accepted.

Those dogs earning multiple titles in 2004 will receive a single (slightly larger) plaque instead of separate plaques for each title.

In order to receive your award, the form provided below **must be received by Sandy Martin no later than Sat., 27 January 2007**. Please submit separate forms for each dog earning title(s). **You must be a DGOTC member at the time your dog (that you own or co-own) earned the title**. Please be sure to fill in all the pertinent information requested and mail to: **Sandy Martin, 24 Barnswallow Ct., Sterling, VA 20164** or email: Bedlngtn2@aol.com. Her phone number for questions is: (703) 430-4392

DGOTC 2006 TITLE

Your Name:

Phone:
Daytime:
Eve:

Dog's Name -- as you would like it to appear on the plaque (pls. print clearly) & incl. new title:

BREED:

OBEDIENCE Titles Earned: **AKC** _____ **UKC** _____ **Other-list**

LEG	Date	Score	Trial-Giving Club
1			
2			
3			

IS THIS THE FIRST TIME YOUR DOG EARNED AN OBED.ITLE AT THIS LEVEL?

AKC TRACKING TITLES EARNED: (Pls. include date)

RALLY TITLES earned (scores not needed) (indicate date and pertinent organization)

AGILITY TITLES EARNED: (scores not needed)

(Pls. include date; and circle pertinent Nat'l organization(s): **AKC, UKC, NADAC, USDAA, &/or ASCA**)

Member-of-the-Year Award

The Member of the Year will be selected by the Board from the nominees submitted by club members. A form is provided below for your nomination; please complete it (while you're thinking about it) and mail to:

Erich Rutscheidt, 10112 Sanders Court, Great Falls, VA 22066; or e-mail your nomination to erutscheidt@COX.NET

I select _____ to be Member of the Year because:

Signed _____

PREVIOUS DGOTC MEMBER-OF-THE-YEAR AWARDEES

2005 - Maria Swezey

1999 - Ken Ring

1993 – Claudia Bailey

2004 - Barbara Lewis

1998 - Monica Patty

1992 – Erich Rutscheidt

2003 - Joan Wilson

1997 – Michelle Jackson

1991 – Gay Swofford

2002 - Erich Rutscheidt

1996 - Maureen Taylor

1990 - Troy
Collingsworth

2001 - Erich Rutscheidt

1995 - Monica Patty

2000 – Bobbie Lutz

1994 – Elaine O'Carroll

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR DGOTC MEMBERSHIP!

Due January 30, 2007

Please note: **If your membership lapses you will need to re-apply to the club.**
Please complete all 4 parts of this form and sign. You can also download this form at
<http://www.dgotc.org/PDFs/renewal.pdf>

Make check payable to Dulles Gateway Obedience Training Club (DGOTC). If you have not been an active member this past year, we request a club donation. Please mail the membership renewal form and a check to the Membership Chairperson:

Ken Ring – PO Box 36 – Amissville VA 20106 (email av8orken@adelphia.net)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Work Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____

Breed(s): _____

Breed Rescue Affiliation: _____

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP / YEARLY FEE / DESCRIPTION (Check one)

Exempt

Life --\$0 --Corson Jones, Evelyn McCormick, Muriel Ratcliff, Gay Swofford

New --\$0 --New member as of November or December 2006

Those who volunteered in 2006:

Single --\$35 --Teacher/Assistant/Board of Directors/Match Chair/Ring Steward/Committee

Family --\$45 --Two or more family members; each individually meet requirements

Junior --\$17.50 – Age 16 years or younger

Those who did NOT volunteer in 2006:

Single --\$50 --Includes \$35 membership dues plus a donation of \$15 (or more)

Family --\$60 --Includes \$45 membership dues plus a donation of \$15 (or more)

Associate --\$10 – Member receives the newsletter but cannot vote and must pay non-member prices for classes.

ACTIVITIES YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN DURING 2006.

SHOW-AND-GO OR TRIAL WILL YOU BE WILLING TO WORK IN 2007

Fall Match UKC Obedience Trial Agility Trial Other (please list):

SIGNATURE DATE

Club use: Date Received: _____ Check #: _____ Amount: \$ _____

UKC Obedience Trials

I still need some more volunteers for our **UKC Obedience Trials on 10 -11 February.**

Email me privately pls. to lutzsei@aol.com

Bobbie Lutz

Please Mark Your Calendars !

The fun and fabulous Mattaponi Kennel Club - Dulles Gateway Obedience Training Club UKC agility trials will be held on June 9th and 10th, 2007. Our trial site is changing to the Mattaponi Kennel Club agility training area at the Prince William County Fairgrounds. Please start thinking good weather thoughts. The DGOTC trials on Sunday will again feature free food for volunteers and the enormously popular "I didn't Q" prize raffle for competitors in each trial.

DGOTC Fairfax Site

Winter Training session begins on 11 January in the equestrian barn at Frying Pan Park. **8-week obedience session. 6-week agility session. 6-week agility session.** Mail registrations to: Marie DeGeneste, 1520 Coat Ridge Road, Herndon, VA 20170. *Some classes fill quickly! Please register at least two weeks before classes start!* Visit our website at www.dgotc.org for applications & information.

Obedience Classes:

7:00 – 8:00 PM	Puppy Basic Subnovice/Novice	Sandee Szabo Cheryl O'Connor Mary Denigan-Macauley
8:00 – 9:00 PM	Basic Open	Michelle Jackson Erich Rutscheidt

Agility Class:

7:00 – 8:00 PM	Intermediate JWW	Karen Zelonis
8:00 – 9:00 PM	Intermediate JWW	Karen Zelonis

Agility prerequisites at FPP:

Intermediate JWW agility-advanced JWW agility dogs must have graduated from novice obedience and have good off lead control. Dogs must have taken at least one beginner agility class prior. Dogs must be well behaved, well socialized, and friendly for off lead work.

Agility classes are 6 weeks long for \$70.

Dates for FPP:

Winter Session Indoors - (12 dates)

January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 8, 5, 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22.

FPP Spring Session begins 4/12/07 Outdoors:

7pm - Sandee Szabo's Puppy Class, Cheryl O'Connor's Basic Class

8pm - Michelle Jackson's Basic Class

(Dates we have FPP: April 12, 19, 26 May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 June 7, 14, 21)

FPP Summer Session begins 7/12/07 Outdoors:

7pm - Sandee Szabo's Puppy Class

8pm - Michelle Jackson's Basic Class, Joan Wilson's Class

(Dates we have FPP: July 12, 19, 26 Aug 9, 16, 23, 30 Sept 6, 13, 20, 27)

FPP Fall Session begins 10/07 Inside the Equestrian Barn:

7pm - Sandee Szabo's Puppy Class, Cheryl O'Connor's Basic Class

8pm - Joan Wilson's Class

DGOTC Board and Key Contacts

President	Erich Rutscheidt	703-759-3337
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	Ann Hereford (Leesburg)	540-338-5602
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	Leslie McLean (Leesburg)	540-837-1444
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	Maureen Taylor	703-327-6815
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Librarian	Barbara Harding	703-938-7143

Wags and Brags

My Whippet Tyler ended up #1 in UKC conformation for '06. Last fall, he also earned his NAJ and two AKC championship points. He's UGRCH Windryder's Full Throttle, SC, CGC, NAJ.

My Travis was #8 in UKC conformation for '06. He's BIF, UCH, UAGI, Windryder's Americade Cruiser, FCH, SC.

And My Ashley was #10 in UKC conformation for '06. She also earned her UKC Championship this past Nov. She's UCH Timbreblue Wndryder Biker Girl, SC.

Bobbie Lutz