

Dulles Scoop



*The official newsletter of the
Dulles Gateway Obedience Training Club
November 2006*

DGOTC Meeting on 1 November

The next meeting of the DGOTC will begin promptly at 8:00 PM on **1 November** 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

DGOTC Website

www.dgotc.org.

DGOTC Online Discussion List

Members sign on and enjoy ! www.yahogroups.com

Post messages: DGOTC@yahogroups.com

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Scoop 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- October 4, 2006

In attendance: Erich Rutscheidt, Ken Ring, Marion Lee, Maureen Taylor, Ann Hereford, Clarissa Bergeman, Monica Patty, Barbara Harding, Melissa Muniz, Velda Warner, Barbara Lewis, and Bobbie Lutz.

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 p.m. with 13 members present.

Secretary's Report: There were no minutes from the last meeting.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was distributed. There was no discussion.

Obedience Committee: Bobbie reported that judges were picked for the UKC Obedience Trial on February 10 and 11, 2007, at Catoctin. She has sent \$10 coupons to those entered on the day the show was cancelled this past February. A discussion was held as to whether to hold a June UKC Trial, and it was decided not to.

Membership: Ken presented Sandy Silko for her second reading, and she was accepted for membership. Karla Vernon's membership application was presented for the first reading.

Old Business:

Class Guidelines: Barbara Harding initiated a discussion of class guidelines and evaluations.

Annex Event: Barbara Harding has been approached to do a search and rescue demonstration at the Sterling Park Annex as part of an event to be held there on October 21 in conjunction with the animal shelter.

Equipment Storage: Erich discussed replacing the current storage box at Frying Pan Park with something larger. Barbara Lewis says she has equipment she could send there, such as an a-frame, if there were more storage capacity.

New Business:

Nomination Committee: Maureen will head a nomination committee to find candidates to replace Karen Zelonis as Treasurer and Marie DeGeneste as Frying Pan Park Field Secretary.

Awards Banquet: Members voted to hold the annual DGOTC banquet will be held on Sunday, February 25, at the VFW Hall in Leesburg from 1 - 4 p.m. After some discussion, it was decided that admission will be \$10.00 per person and must be paid in advance.

Maureen made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by several members and approved by all attendees. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30.

Respectfully submitted by Marion Lee

From the Seminar Committee

Dr. Matthew Nicholson with the Veterinary Surgical Center in Vienna, Virginia, presented an interesting and informative seminar at the October monthly meeting. He presented a slide show describing common canine injuries and their surgical repair as well as post-operative care and physical therapy. Dr. Nicholson answered many questions from the audience as well.

We have tentatively planned an Agility Instructor's Seminar with Holly Hammerle on January 13th, at Ann's house near Leesburg. As most of you probably know, Holly is facing hip-replacement surgery in the near future, so we will keep that date penciled in and proceed when she is recovered and up to it!

We will also have an obedience instructor's seminar with Cathy Hughes coming up soon, so watch the newsletter and the Yahoo list for more details!

Clarissa Bergeman
Ann Hereford
Averill Ring



DGOTC Leesburg Site

Fall training session begins on October 5, 2006 in the new barn at the Loudoun County Fairgrounds in Leesburg, VA. 6-week session. On site registration ½ hour prior to class but classes fill quickly, *pre-registration is suggested!* Contact the Field Secretary, Ann Hereford, 540-338-5602. Please visit our website www.dgotc.org for more information and pre-registration forms.

Obedience Classes:

6:30 – 7:30 PM	Puppy	Maria Swezey
	Advanced Basic	Maureen Taylor
7:30 – 8:30 PM	Basic Obedience	Shanthi Fernando

Agility Classes:

6:00 – 7:30 PM	Beginner Agility	Suzi Dodson and Leslie McLean
7:30 – 8:45 PM	Intermediate/Advanced Agility	Barbara Lewis

Note**** All Agility class members are expected to help set up as well as take down equipment as needed EVERY week as part of the class requirements. If you have any physical impairments that prevent this, it must be cleared with the instructor prior to the start of class. No exceptions.

DGOTC Fairfax Site

Fall training session begins on October 5 at in the equestrian barn at Frying Pan Park. 8-week obedience 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*	Sandee Szabo Sue Lhotka Mary Suib
8:00 – 9:00 PM	Basic Novice/Rally Open	Michelle Jackson Joan Wilson Erich Rutscheidt

Agility Classes:*Fall Session:*

7:00 – 8:00 PM	Intermediate JWW*	Mary Denigan-Macauley
8:00 – 9:00 PM	Beginner JWW**	Karen Zelonis

Winter Session:

8:00 – 9:00 PM	Intermediate JWW***	Karen Zelonis
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* start date October 19

** start date October 5

*** start date 11 January

Agility prerequisites at FPP:

Beginner JWW agility dogs must be friendly, able to heel without pulling, and provide their handler adequate attention while working. Reliable recalls and Sub-Novice obedience experience preferred. This is an introduction for dogs new to agility or for dogs that need more obedience prior to attending the Intermediate or Advanced classes.

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

Winter Session begins January 11, 2007 inside the Equestrian Barn:

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

Dates DGOTC has FPP in 2006/2007:

Summer Session Outdoors- September 7,14,21,28; **Fall Session** Indoors (9 dates) – October 5,12,19,26, November 2,9,30, December 7,14; **Winter Session** Indoors - (12 dates) January 11,18,25, February 1,8,5,15,22, March 1,8,15,22.

Wags and Brags

My 9-month-old Leonberger puppy **Bravo** (Ovation von Alpensee) took Reserve Winners in his very first official show over Columbus Day Weekend, at the Mid-Atlantic and Southeast Leonberger Clubs' combined regional specialty weekend.

But the big news is that the second day he took Best of Winners for a 5-point major!(My dogs are always owner-handled.)

At that same show weekend I also put two other majors on Leonbergers for other people, finishing up a CH on one of them, with our third 5-point major together as a team.

Shannon White

Home For Sale

DOG TRAINER'S DELIGHT: 4 bedroom, 3 ½ bath home with finished recreation room, workshop, 4-car garage and view of valley, located in the Blue Ridge Mountains mid-way between Leesburg and Winchester, VA. Over 3 wooded acres with approx. 2/3 acre fenced, including large lawn area suitable for obedience, agility, protection and beginning tracking training. Also has shaded 13' x 33' dog run.

Originally listed at \$549,900; slow market price, \$465,000. (540) 592-3967