

Dulles Scoop

The official newsletter of the Dulles Gateway Obedience Training Club

October 2006

Meeting on 4 October— Time/Place Change



There will be a free sports injury seminar presented by Dr. Matthew Nicholson at the regular DGOTC meeting on October 4, 2006. Dr. Nicholson is with the Veterinary Surgical Center in Vienna, Virginia and will discuss injuries related to Agility and Obedience such as ruptured cruciate ligaments and biceps tendon injuries. He will also cover surgical procedures used to repair these injuries as well as post-op care and physical therapy. Dr. Nicholson will also willingly answer any questions the audience may have during and after the presentation.

Since this seminar will extend the time of our regular meeting, this meeting will be held in the downstairs special events room at Ida Lee Park Recreation Center in Leesburg, VA. Directions to the center can be found at www.idalee.com. Note that this meeting will begin at 7:00 PM rather than 8:00 PM so that we will have time for Dr. Nicholson's presentation as well as our regular business meeting. Please plan to attend this informative presentation.

DGOTC Calendar

Match 3 September

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www.dgotc.org.

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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 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	Sandee Szabo
	Basic	Sue Lhotka

8:00 – 9:00 PM	Subnovice	Mary Suib
	Basic	Michelle Jackson
	Novice	Joan Wilson
	Basic	Erich Rutscheidt

Agility Classes:

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

* start date October 19

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.

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

J J (CH. Brandywine High Roller WC CGC) earned his **Working Certificate** title in Syracuse in July and earned his first 2 Junior Hunter passes in Brandywine, MD on Sept. 9th and 10th. We are off to Wisconsin for the Toller Specialty where he will be entered in Conformation, Brood Bitch, Rally Nov. and JH test. Busy time for the boy -- Barbara Keane and the Tollers - Caysi and J J

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

14 June '95 – 23 August '06

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On a sad note, some of you might not have heard, but we had to put Calvin to sleep a couple wks. ago. He was diagnosed with a nerve shaft tumor, which left his right leg useless and w/a lot of muscle mass loss. It was starting to affect his other front leg when we had to make the final decision. He was 11. He was my second whippet and first Champion & Dual Champion. He earned his last title in April--Open Jumpers Preferred agility title--and was still lure coursing up through June. I thought I'd highlight some of his accomplishments as a sort of memorial to him:

- His conformation career was launched when he took a 2nd in the 9-12 mo. class of 20 at the '96 American Whippet Club (AWC) National. He had the famous Sporting Fields Kinsman, Alerek's Celebrity, and Morshor's Majestic Dell in this pedigree. The year he turned 2, he finished his AKC bench championship and AKC lure coursing field title (becoming a Dual Champion), and also earned his first LCM in ASFA.
- He earned a UKC Grand Championship in Sept '05. From 2002 through 2004, he was in the top 10 in UKC conformation. He won Best of Breed at the final top 10 'elimination competition' at the UKC Premier in June '03.
- He had a Best in Field in both AKC and ASFA, with multiple Best of Breeds in both lure-coursing organizations. He was #1 in AKC lure coursing most of '97, although he ended up tied for 3rd place the last month of that year. He was in the top 5% of ASFA for '96 through '98 (with over 900 hounds running). After breaking a bone in his rear foot at the AWC Natl' the yr. before, he came back to win overall field champ (of 5 stakes) and a 6th place in the Triathlon at the 2000 Whippet National. The Triathlon is made up of the scores from lure coursing, agility and/or obedience, and a special conformation class. His coursing career is rounded out with a Master Courser title in '00, an LCM3 in Dec. '03, Veteran Field Ch in '04, and ½ of the requirements for Vet-LCM.
- Although his obedience career wasn't as illustrious as his coursing career, he did manage to earn a CD in both AKC and UKC.
- His agility career included a UAGII from UKC just two years ago. He earned the Novice agility titles from AKC as well as his last title, Open Jumpers Preferred in April '06, with placements. He also earned highest scoring combined stnd/jumpers in the agility trial at the '04 Whippet National.
- In other highlights of his life, he was pictured at least three times in the AKC Gazette from '96 to '98 to illustrate articles. The Oct. '98 issue (photo by Steve Surfman) prominently featured him flying across two pages to illustrate an article on structure and movement. He's also pictured on page 454 in Denise Como's book "Sighthounds Afield" with a photo that had earned the photographer (Robert Dequinze) a \$500 photo contest prize.
- His Champion Award of Versatility Excellent from the AWC in '01 and taking first place in the 2004 Whippet Natl' Triathlon 2 ½ mo. shy of 9 yrs. old are his biggest accomplishments, in addition to the fact that he will live on in his kids from 4 litters by 3 lovely bitches.