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Club News

Richella reporting: "We need volunteers for a Cluster Committee." The Cluster is coming up the end of September. The dates are 9/26 thru 9/29. It is time to start forming committees for the Cluster and for our Show. Several members volunteered for the committees. Thank you, Ashley Miller, and Julie Burns. There were questions on the duties for some of the committee chairs. Richella agreed to provide definitions for these roles and to put them online to help volunteers understand their roles better. There was also discussion about holding Obedience & Rally at this event. It can be very hot in the building because it does not have air conditioning. After discussion Mary Sonner made a motion to keep Obedience & Rally in the event. Julie Burns 2nd, Approved.

Braggs: Richella had a litter of 11 rough collies she is hand raising. 8 surviving. 7 boys 1 girl.

New Business: Bonnie reporting: Bonnie and Susan went through the office, straightened and cleaned. We have many "old" books and some VHS tapes. They will be offered to the membership for a very small fee (25 cents maybe) and after that they will be donated. The 2024 meeting schedule has been sent out. Remember we will be electing Board members and officers in June.

The final roster of the Cluster Committee is:

Cindi Chilbert
Julie Burns
Barbara Byrum
Richella Veatch

If anyone has input as to judges or events for the cluster please contact one of these people. The first meeting will be February 13th.

Richella





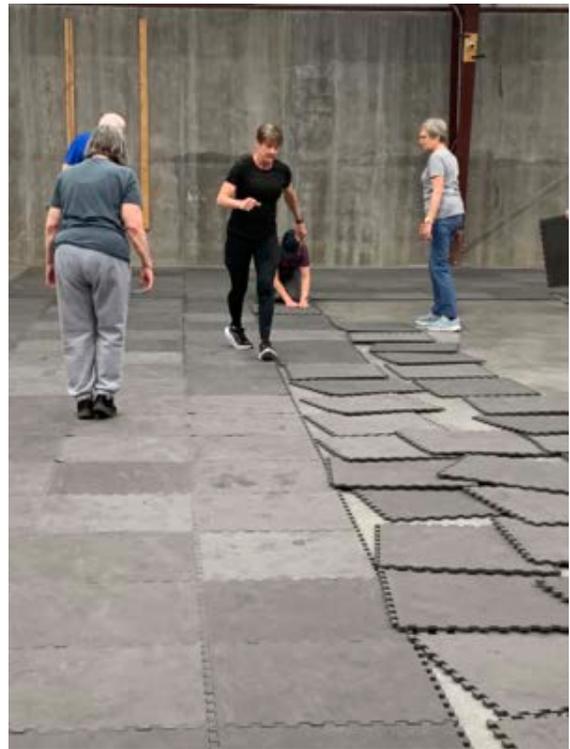
Obedience & Rally



Once again, our group of volunteers has put together a very successful Obedience and Rally event at Ultimutt. You all did a fantastic job of managing absolutely everything! The atmosphere was fun and friendly, and all I could have hoped for. The judges were very pleased with their stewards and ring help. I was overwhelmed with the number of compliments that I received about you volunteers and the entire show. I can't thank you enough for your willingness to help make this all possible; you all are amazing. As always, I am open to your comments/suggestions for any changes we should consider.

Thanks again,
Susan

Dave, Diane, Lisa, Sue, Kathy, Tina, Mike, Amy, Gwen, Jan, Bonnie, Russ, Sharon, Julie, Ashley, Linda, Sandy, Nancy, Bonita, Carol:



ORKC First Spring Fling!

Oak Ridge Kennel Club held it's first "Spring Fling fun match and CGC/Trick test event on March 2, 2014 at the club grounds. The idea for this event came together in a very short time but it was very well received by club members and the public.

The authors of this event are Cindi Chilbert, JeanneLove Ferguson, Courtney Kleiman and Jackie Mascioli. We had an excellent turn out and as a result we hope to hold a similar event in the next few months. Please contact Cindi Chilbert (262-391-0563) with questions.

I would like to thank our volunteers: Susan & Greg Sonatro, Denise Davis, Kelly Alley, Ashley Richardson, Terry Albert, Rachel Hawkins, Ruth Andrick Richella Veatch, George, and of course Jackie, Courtney and JeanneLove.



Best in Match



CGC



Welcome New Member



My name is Vicky Rhein, and I am so thankful I finally found a place to train and meet Dog People. I started training Dogs in 1967, in Cincinnati, Ohio at the Queen City Dog Training Club. My mother took an out of control German Shepherd to basic training, and I met a wonderful lady who raised Maltese. At the age of 10, I found myself titling several of her dogs to CD's and CDX. From there I continued to train various breeds of dogs for myself and others, enjoying and earning CD, CDX,UD,UDX, TD,JH, and OTCH's in the US and Canada. In the year 2000 I stepped away from Dog Training and enjoyed training and showing Horses. So for 23 years, I have been out of and away from various Dog Sports. A LOT has changed and relearning all the new exercises, and rule changes, has been a new experience!

As with everything, life changes, and for the past 6 years, I have been living in Jamestown, TN, with the horses. Thankfully I found Oak Ridge while "Googling for Puppy Classes. I managed to find a beautiful, but slightly unhinged, very intelligent Mini American Shepherd. I could see her talent and that was the match that lit the flame.....So here we are enjoying classes at Oak Ridge! Many thanks to my classmates that have managed to allow me to find my old self, to trial and error what I thought I knew, and accommodate, Wheezy's sometimes "over zealous" learning curves, she can be very feral. I'm not sure how far Wheezy and I can take this goal of mine, but we are going to take it as far as we both want to. I hope to meet more Oak Ridge Members as we continue to learn and earn!

New Members

Please introduce yourself and your dog(s) here on the Woofers. Send me a short bio and photo so that club members can welcome you, and get to know a little about you. send to me Deanna Leveque, at 4woofernews@gmail.com along with your brags.

!!! Brags, Brags, and More Brags !!!



My 6 month old puppy won 4 out of 4 days in Atlanta at his FIRST show, even grabbing 2 Best of Winners!!

With ME ...super Novice Owner Handler....piloting him

I got even Better Brags now!! He got his Championship today!

In just 2 weekends....all Owner Handled.....7 shows, 7 wins. UNDEFEATED!!!!!!! lol!!

At just 7 months old!!!

Registered Name:

Black Onyx Mystical Writings on the Wall

call name is Rune.



Prisi Selfridge and Ponderosa's Smart Little Lena earned their Rally Novice title with three first places and two second places.



Susan Varrasso and her Chesapeake Bay Retriever, Gemma, have had a busy few weeks. Gemma earned her first Detective level scent work leg in Murfreesboro. She then attended the ORKC Obedience/Rally trials at Ultimutt as co-chair where she completed her 9th RAE leg in rally. After that she went to the ORKC Spring Fling and earned her CGCA title. So much fun with all these events!

!!! Brags, Brags, and More Brags !!!



At the recent ORKC Obedience and Rally Trial, Tildy and I stepped back into the Rally ring after a two year hiatus. Being true to form, we did things Tildy's way but my fiery redhead Qualified in both legs completing her Intermediate title. Thank you to my fellow Oak Ridge Kennel Club members for being so supportive of this non-traditional team and Judge Jill Lowry for being so amazing to Tildy, I am so grateful!

GCH SureShot Harmonix Dancing In the Shadows RI
FDC BCAT SWNE SWA SBE SHDN THDN RATN
CGCA TKI ATT VHMP

Harrison, owned by Tom and Karen Orr, earned his AKC Scent Work Advanced and Container Excellent titles at the Greater Louisville Training Club's Scent Work Trial March 2nd-3rd in Louisville, KY. Harrison qualified in 15 out of 16 runs. He earned 7 first placements, 2 second, and 2 fourth. Harrison is now Moonridge Captain Dynamite SWA SCE FCAT6 RATO CGC TKA. He's such a happy sniffer and loves to train! A big thank you to our scent work instructors: Lisa Varrasso, Kathy McSween Ambrose, and Susan Varrasso.



Up Coming Event

April 5, 6, & 7, 2024

An Introduction to Tracking with Ed Presnall & Debbie Maheu

A Component Training™ Workshop

Introductory and Advanced Tracking (TDU) Workshop – 2 1/2 Days

Pellissippi State Community College Knoxville, Tennessee Sponsored by the Oak Ridge Kennel Club

Hundreds of acres of open meadows dotted with lots of buildings, a dozen parking areas, roads, islands, berms, patios, and sidewalks will be the site for the weekend workshop.

We will take your puppy, older dog, or started dog to the next level in one weekend!

Do you want to be one of the best? Do you watch people at tests and wonder how they can be so calm when working through distractions? Ever wonder how some people just keep getting better and better at handling their dogs and earning more tracking titles? It takes great teachers, proper training, and lots of practice.

We are Ed Presnall and Debbie Maheu, and we developed Component Training™. We've been doing the teaching, the training, and the practice part for a long, long time. We've written nine, best-selling, tracking books and hundreds of articles on the sport. We've won at Westminster and the Eukanuba Classic with our CT dogs and have been on television and participated in the Breed All About It series on Animal Planet.

Along the way we have personally earned over 70 tracking titles on eleven breeds of dogs and our students have earned over 600 TDX, VST and/or CT titles. Additionally, we have passed over 20 VST/CT dogs in the past 2 years at our judging assignments.

We have worked with over 6,000 dogs and handlers at our national and international Camps and Workshops, encompassing 146 different breeds. Our ability to work with such varying breeds of dogs as well as our owning and handling a diverse group of dogs gives us a unique insight into the dog/handler team and how they must work together to become successful. Now it is your turn to become one of our students and yes, become successful with your dog.

Each attendee at this workshop will be invited to participate with us in our private Facebook group for two months following the workshop. Send us videos of you and your dog tracking for us to evaluate, tell us about your current problems or simply ask questions. We will be there for you!



An Introduction to Tracking

April 5, 6, & 7,
2024

Friday afternoon we will separate you into groups by skill level. Beginners will start on basic routines and transitions while the advanced level will work on advanced components, distractions, and teamwork.

Overview of Tracking What Are Components? Why Component Training Works The Mental Game Random Rewards Not Handouts Teaching an Article Indication Reading Your Dog

Limited To 20 Participants

Required Equipment

Non-Restrictive Harness

6-foot Leash & 10 to 40 foot Long Line High-Value Treats (Not your normal dry kibble)

Basic Routines Starts Article Indications The Article Game™ Transitions Track Distractions and so much more!

We will break each day for lunch. Multiple local restaurants are available in the area.

Friday April 5 @ 12 Noon

Meet at Parking Lot 10 @ Pellissippi State 10915 Hardin Valley Road

Knoxville, TN 37933

Bring a Chair

How to Create an Article Indication Introducing Transitions Introducing Components Changes in Surfaces

2pm to 4:30pm

Working Component Tracks

One to Multiple Turn Tracks

Saturday April 6

Meet at Pellissippi State Community College 8:00am – Parking Lot 10

Discussion Period

Working Component Tracks

One to Multiple Turn Tracks

Break for Lunch End about 4:30pm

Sunday April 7

Meet at Pellissippi State Community College 8:00am – Parking Lot 10

Discussion Period

Working Component Tracks

One to Multiple Turn Tracks

Break for Lunch End about 4:30pm

Except in a weather emergency, dogs are not allowed in any building on the campus. As stated in the registration papers and Rules, you are expected to clean up after your dog.

We promise you a weekend filled with tracking, learning, watching, and doing ... not just listening. We want you to have an enjoyable experience and to be able to ask any question or make any comment without worrying about being "*politically correct*". We are here to help guide you and show you a toolbox full of ideas and tools which can make your journey to your TD or TDU title easier.



Suggested Lodging

DoubleTree by Hilton

Oak Ridge, TN

La Quinta Papermill II

Knoxville, TN

Always check with listed hotels to confirm pet policy at time of booking.

Country Inn & Suites by Radisson

Knoxville, TN

Red Roof Inn West

Knoxville, TN

Agreement

Your participation in this workshop acknowledges your acceptance and agreement to the following agreements:

I hereby agree to save and hold the Oak Ridge Kennel Club, Ed Presnall, Component Trainer members, employees, agents and assigns harmless from any and all liability, including but not limited to reimbursement of all costs and attorney's fees, for damages and/or injury to self and/or to my dog caused by my dog during any instruction period, before or

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An Introduction to Tracking with Ed Presnall & Debbie Maheu

after any session, and at any and all times while dog owner's dog is located on property used for the workshop and;

I hereby grant to Oak Ridge Kennel Club, Ed Presnall, Component Training LLC, their members, employees, agents and assigns the right to photograph myself and my dog(s) which may participate or attend this work-shop/seminar and use such photo(s) and or other digital representation(s) or other reproduction of such likeness for publication processes, whether electronic, print, digital or electronic publishing via the Internet.

We Build Champion Trackers - One Dog & Handler at a Time!

Fee:

\$250.00 for ORKC Members \$300.00 for Non-Members

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THIS WORKSHOP

<https://tinyurl.com/2p9zuys9>

For Additional Information Contact

Ed Presnall



Jan/Feb Beginner Puppy Class

Courtney and I had an outstanding Beginner Puppy Class for the Jan/Feb class session. Grace, Livvy, Treasure and Piper all did amazing and have such bright futures ahead!



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