

# Ruff Notes

## April 2024

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Dog Training Club, Inc.



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### April 2024 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy Spring! I hope everyone is finally able to get out and enjoy some good weather to be with our dogs.

I understand our March general meeting was another wonderful opportunity to earn Trick Dog titles. Congratulations to all our new title holders and a huge thank you to Reena Walton for judging the dogs.

Thank you also to Lynn Schmitt for judging the Canine Good Citizen test at the Capitola

classes. It is always wonderful to recognize the well-behaved dogs of our community.

Later this month we are hosting our next Scent Work trial. This has been a wonderfully successful event for all ages of dogs. If you are interested in volunteering – check with Michael Bashista.

At the March meeting we updated the way a new member may qualify to join the club. If you know of a worthy person – think about sponsoring them to join. Marion Bashista is in the process of getting our new procedure approved by AKC. Watch in Ruff Notes for all the particulars.

In May we will host our annual Morris Animal Foundation walk around the Capitola Mall. Look for more details in this edition of Ruff Notes. We will get together afterwards at a dog friendly food establishment for fun and our general meeting.

In June we have our agility trials and obedience and rally workshops. Then at the end of July it's our obedience and rally trials. Take advantage of the good weather ahead and practice your skills.

We are looking for people to take positions on the Board. Perhaps you can step up for a year and take one of the jobs. We can help with training if you are worried that you don't know enough about the positions. None of us had prior training, just a willingness to help. We would love to have you join us.

Hug your dogs and cherish every minute we are privileged to train them!

Terri Gregson, President

# Mark your Calendar

Annual Morris Animal Foundation  
Walk

May 18, 2024

**Monterey Bay**  
Dog Training Club, Inc.



**Morris Animal**  
FOUNDATION

58 years of service to  
our Community



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2023

**10:00 AM** Walk around the Capitola Mall. Meet in the Mall Parking lot, close to main entrance on 41<sup>st</sup> Street.

**12:00 PM** Lunch with our pups at a local restaurant. Location to be selected  
General Meeting after lunch.



Bring your donations issued to the Morris Animal Foundation, Golden Retriever Lifetime Study.

## Club's Trial Season Begins

April 28<sup>th</sup> is our Scent Trial offering the Detective and Master Interior classes. Premium is available on our web site and via AKC. Suzanne Edholm is our judge and once again SockSmith in Santa Cruz is our host. The popular Free Pair of Sock to Exhibitors and \$20 for 5 pairs returns. Even though there are no spectators, anyone can drop by to take advantage of 5 for \$20.

Accompanying our June 14-15-16 Agility Trials in Manzanita Park, Prunedale, is our annual Obedience – Rally Workshop at the park on June 15. Linda Lang needs setup assistance and stewards ([lslang@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lslang@sbcglobal.net)). Entry form can be downloaded from the club's web site.

The Premium for our July 27<sup>th</sup> Obedience and Rally trials will be available on the web site and at AKC by mid-April. Linda Lang, Chief Ring Steward, needs quite a few volunteers. Remember, we offer a morning and afternoon trial. Stewards do not need to be there all day. OH, we set up Friday afternoon and some help then is greatly appreciated.

And our successful Raffle, to continue to be so, needs donations. More information in May. Lora Cox, Hazel Olbrich, and Cathy Dutra are our judges. Cathy moved from 2025 to this year, replacing Lizanne Miller. We've added Preferred classes. A second Rally Ring will be set to shorten delays setting up the class-to-follow.

Also, thanks to Craig Simberg for getting the agility trailer to and from Thorson Arena for the rental to Abba Dogs. He inflated the tires for both trailers, power washed the agility trailer, black-shined the tires, and discovered the emergency trailer brake battery had been stolen. Yes, Cathy Vanderbilt stores the trailers for us but in the past we have left the trailer at Manzanita and Thorson for short periods of time. It will be replaced before our June trials.



# Mark your calendars for our Club Trials in 2024





**Agility Trial**  
June 14, 15, 16, 2024  
Manzanita Park Sports Complex  
Prunedale, CA.



Volunteers are always  
needed and appreciated.  
Contact Michael Bashista



**Obedience and Rally  
Trial**  
July 27, 2024  
Manzanita Park  
Sports Complex  
Prunedale, CA.



**April 28, 2024**  
Scent Work  
Trial, Detective  
AM and Master  
Interior PM





# MEMBER BRAGS



Booyah finished his Open FAST title. He also earned his Novice Fetch Title and FCAT in Fast Cat this past weekend..... (Pam Fugitt-Hetrick)

Zsuzsi Q with my granddaughter Amorette. She qualified for trick dog, intermediate. (Diana Galvan)



Diamond Hill Meant To Be (Caleb) earned his CD with 2 firsts and a second, his first 3 times in the ring!! Now, on to Open and Utility! (Stacy Thompson)

Lacie and I went to a Scent Work trial today 3/30/24, the Weimaraner Trial in Sunol.

Lacie competed in 4 classes.

Got 4 qualifying scores, finished the 4 titles, and completed her overall advanced title, SWA.

And my instructor just texted me that we got High In Trial!!!! Still waiting to see each class results if we placed in any (1-4). This is a big, big deal!!

I am over the moon happy!!..... (Reena Walton)





## April Birthdays



4/7/2020	4	Zsuzsi	Vizsla	Diana Galvan
4/7/2012	12	Miles	Clumber Spaniel	Donna Starr
4/8/2018	6	Annie	Anatolian Shepherd	Edie Losch
4/8/2013	11	Duchess	Beagle	Lynn Schmitt
4/20/2021	3	Cairo	Miniature Schnauzer	Imo Lawton
4/22/20	4	Caleb	Australian Shepherd	Stacy Thompson
4/24/2013	11	Sunny Skies	Australian Shepherd	Candice McLaren
4/25/2012	12	Zsophie	Vizsla	Diana Galvan
4/27/20	4	Jerry	Golden Retriever	Judy & Craig Simberg

\*\* If we've missed someone or your information needs to be updated, please contact Marion Bashista at [marionb@bashista.com](mailto:marionb@bashista.com) with your changes. Thanks!

4/6	Dale Noble
4/23	Linda Coleman
4/26	Barbara Gibson



## AKC's Most Popular Dog Breed of 2023

Wondering what breed has earned the top spot as the AKC's most popular breed for 2023?

For the second year in a row, it's the French Bulldog. Following the Frenchie and ranked 2 – 10 are the Labrador Retriever, Golden Retriever, German Shepherd Dog, Poodle, Dachshund, Bulldog, Beagle, Rottweiler, and German Shorthaired Pointer.

Curious about the other breed rankings? Check out the AKC's website at <https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/news/most-popular-dog-breeds-2023>



Obedience  
& Rally  
Workshop

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***Manzanita Park***  
**Saturday, June 15, 2024**  
171000 Castroville Blvd.  
Prunedale, CA 93907

**Pre-Entries Only - Closes June 8, 2024**

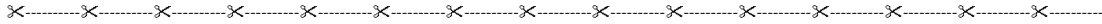
**\$15 per dog per class**

**RALLY 8:00 AM – 4:00PM     OBEDIENCE 9:00 AM – 1:00PM**

**OBEDIENCE RING 1 – OPEN   RING 2 – UTILITY   RING 3 – NOVICE & BEG NOV.**  
Limited to 20 Entries Per Class. Sits and Downs will be offered.

**RING 4 RALLY   Limited to 60 TOTAL Entries**

Dogs may be shown in any class regardless of titles. Mixed and rare breeds welcome! Pre-entries judged in pre-entry order. Please be ready at ringside. Reasonable corrections allowed. No severe disciplining allowed in the ring or on the grounds. **Exercises may be repeated at judge’s discretion.** Reasonable training aids allowed at judge’s discretion. This is a workshop only, no awards. Treats are allowed in the ring on your person or on your personal go out pole. Please avoid leaving residual odors for other dogs to scent.



NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DOG’S CALL NAME \_\_\_\_\_ BREED \_\_\_\_\_  
AMT \$ Received: \_\_\_\_\_ CK# \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL FOR CONFIRMATION \_\_\_\_\_

**OBEDIENCE**  
BEG NOV \_\_\_\_ NOVICE \_\_\_\_ OPEN \_\_\_\_ UTILITY \_\_\_\_ JUMP HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_

**RALLY   Jump Height if Applicable to Class Entered \_\_\_\_\_**  
\_\_\_\_ MASTERS \_\_\_\_ EXCELLENT \_\_\_\_ ADVANCED \_\_\_\_ INTERMEDIATE \_\_\_\_ NOVICE

**\_\_\_\_ # Classes Entered X \$15.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED.**

YOU WILL RECEIVE AN APPROXIMATE TIME TO BE AT THE RING WITH EMAIL CONFIRMATION. NO REFUNDS.  
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **MBDTC**  
**MAIL ENTRIES TO: Karey Krauter, MBDTC, 374 Stanford Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94306**

*I agree to hold Monterey Bay Dog Training Club, its members, officers, helpers, and Manzanita Park harmless from loss injury to any person or object caused by any act at this event. I assume full responsibility and liability for the dog(s) I enter and certify they are current with all vaccination shots.*

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

AMT \$ Received: \_\_\_\_\_ CK# \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



WANT A GOOD DOG?  
WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN!

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