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APRIL MEETING

The April meeting will be at the Will Rogers Garden Center Tuesday, April 21, 2009, at 7:30 pm.

April Program

Our April program will be about the Oklahoma Pet Legislation. Shelly Kuhn will be our speaker. Please come and hear what is going on with our state laws and how they affect you and your pet and what you can do about it.

OCOTC Drill Team - OCOTC is forming a drill team, further information to follow in the May Courier. If you have questions or would like to apply, please contact Susan Gebur @ 304-6473 or via email @ leadfoothiker@pldi.net

Therapy Dog/CGC Testing

April 23rd @ 7:00p.m.
Space is limited
RSVP: k9pals2@yahoo.com
Lori: 373-4616

THINKING OF YOU

Please keep Susan Abrams, Troy Floyd, Twyla Kunc, Sharon Bonham, Pat White, Barbara Holland, Frances Durrett and Valerie Trumbly in your thoughts and prayers.

THANKS!!

THANK YOU to everyone who cheered and supported Jetta and I this weekend. Jetta made this a special weekend when she decided to finish her UD title at our trials. It is nice to finish where you are surrounded by friends and acquaintances. Everyone's well wishes are greatly appreciated. It's been a long road since my first UD but the time and training with all the dogs in between was time well spent because of the friends I have made at dog school and in the many shows I have attended. For thoughts that are in training now at whatever level you are at, remember that the bond you make between you and your dog while training is something special regardless of the level of the title or non-title you achieve.

Thank you again for all the support,

Karen Allen and
Ch April Gold's Signature Girl NA,
NAJ, RE UD (Jetta)

Special thanks to all the ring stewards! You are the best! Thanks for giving up part of your weekend to help steward at our Spring Trial! Many of you were new to obedience shows and you "learned the ropes" fast and did an outstanding job! As you can now see, we can't hold a trial without ring stewards! The judges were very pleased with your help too! Helpers included the following people:

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| OCOTC Members: | Non-Members: |
| Cheryl Deacon | Andrea Mauer |
| David & Angela Janik | Barry & Emily Collert |
| Caitlin Cheney | Chris Cannaday |
| Brian & Laura Swingle | Cindy Lee |

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Terry & Lori Baer
 Marie Hooper
 Susan Kurth
 Patti & Leroy Saiz
 Marilyn Smith
 Sheryl Hogan

Tony Walker
 David Swingle
 Nina Flannigan
 Elise Ramsey
 Dave Stafford

Woof, woof!
 Lori

OCOTC Spring Trial - Challenge Trophy

Congratulations to Joann Weaver and Shane, Darlin's High Plains Drifter UDX NA NAJ, who won the 2009 OCOTC Challenge Trophy with a score of 197.5 in Open B. Way to go Joann and Shane!

For those of you who may not know what the OCOTC Challenge Trophy is, it is a special trophy offered by our club to the highest scoring club member in the regular classes at our morning trial in the spring.

OCOTC Spring Trials - March 29, 2009

Many thanks to our wonderful club members and friends who made our Spring Trials a success! You are always willing to help in so many ways and your help is appreciated more than you know. Without your support, our trials would not be possible.

Our exhibitors came from Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas. Here is the breakdown: Trial 1 - Kansas 3, Oklahoma 77 and Texas 24 for a total of 104 entries; Trial 2 - Kansas 3, Oklahoma 76 and Texas 23 for a total of 102 entries.

Thank you to those of you who came to help set up on Saturday despite the weather: Karen Allen, Lori and Terry Baer, Gayle Bryner, Angie Dayton, Debbie Harr, Barbara and John Harrison, Diane and David Mier, Patti and Leroy Saiz, Joann Weaver and Mary White.

Thank you to those of you who helped with the trials on Sunday. Diane Mier and Barbara Wood did an outstanding job at the trophy table. Pat White welcomed exhibitors and guests at our catalog table where she handed out catalogs and biscuits donated by

Barking Dog Bakery. Gayle Bryner did a wonderful job with the judge's gift bags and raffle table which made almost \$700. Becky Raines helped sell raffle tickets. Lori Baer and Sheryl Hogan were in charge of the ring stewards and kept the rings going smoothly. The ring stewards were wonderful. Angie Dayton, along with the help of club members and friends, provided a wonderful lunch for the judges and those of us who worked the trials. David Mier had the difficult task of picking up the judges at the airport, transporting them from the hotel to the show site and back to the hotel or airport.

Thank you to those of you who stayed after the trials to help pack up everything: Karen Allen, Gayle Bryner, Angie Dayton, Cheryl and Dennis Deacon, Debbie Harr, Kaye Kirk, Kathy Logan and Diane Mier.

Everything went by so fast the day of the trials I may have missed someone who contributed. If I have left you out, please let me know.

Thank you for all your help and support. You did an outstanding job!

Debbie Harr

2009 Spring Trial Chairman

Spring Trials Photos

Our photographer, Sonja Hahn, said photos would be up on her website in three weeks. You can go to her website to see if there may be photos of you and your dog www.sonjasphotography.com.

Spring Trials Thank You From Judges

Just wanted to thank you all again for the wonderful time I had judging your spring trials. You were all so thoughtful with gifts, dinner, and conversation.

Thanks again,
 JoAnna Yund

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To all members of OCOTC,

I really enjoyed judging for the club last Sunday. You all are a hard working lot group of people to put on two such successful trials in one day. It was a lot of fun and even with the nasty weather that kept some of the exhibitors from making the morning trial I think overall it was great.

Lunch was delicious. It seems that obedience clubs all seem to have a very talented group of cooks!

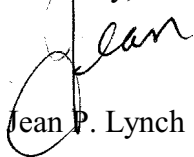
My stewards were great for each trial. The couple who acted as ring stewards for the morning utility classes said they had never done it before. They picked up the routine quickly and did a super job. Same goes for the afternoon stewards for the open classes. They were quick to reset jumps and kept things running very smoothly.

David was a fine chauffeur--even getting up so early so I could make my very early flight back on Monday. I really appreciated it.

Speaking of flights—both were right on time. Matter of fact the flight from Hobby to Birmingham landed twenty minutes early. Did think things were going almost too smoothly and I was right. As I loaded my van and got ready to leave the battery said— don't think so. The fact the battery was the original one and eight years old of course had nothing to do with it. Luckily the security guard was making his sweep of the parking deck and came by at the right time and jumped it for me. Proceeded to the nearest Wal Mart and got a new battery. Had been expecting it to go at any time and just glad it wasn't at a remote rest area on the interstate.

Again I had a great time and thanks for the wonderful hospitality.

Sincerely,



Jean P. Lynch

Linda and Bob Portiss wanted to let the club know they had a lot of fun at our show. They were very appreciative of the ring stewards, judge's bag and wonderful lunch the club provided.

August Trials - Booth Space and Ads

Booth space is available for \$15 for one day and \$20 for both days.

Advertising for the catalog is priced:

Full page w/photo \$40

Half page w/photo \$30

Full or half page w/o photo is \$10 less

If you are interested in booth space or placing an ad, please contact Debbie Harr at debbieharr@hotmail.com or 359-8814.

Thanks,
Debbie

IN LOVING MEMORY OF WANDA HUMPHRIES AUG 4, 1930 FEB. 18, 2009

As a young girl, Wanda rode horses in Will Rogers Park in Okla. City. Her first dog was a Terrier, named Salty, whom she taught tricks to in her back yard. She graduated Central High School and the next day married her high school sweetheart, Bill Humphries. Early in their marriage they picked a Rough Collie puppy, which became Humphries Wild William, CDX, Multiple High In Trial and Challenge Trophy Winner. Husband, Bill became OCOTC's second Training Director, when Arthur McCasland suddenly died of a heart attack in the first year. This was how their work began in our club.

Wanda's gift was always a smile, thus displayed on her car tag 'BE HAPPY'. She trained many dogs over the years, but I know she is now happily healing with her Rough Collie, Humphries Fancy Girl UD, and Therapy dog deluxe. Wanda taught many classes, held many offices, earned the McCasland Award, and always supported the gift that Our club gives to every dog and every owner. She wanted everyone to succeed and would cheer them to enjoy the magic that makes you partners for life.

Through her, many friends and I have a gift to share, that we have seen succeed through our family

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The best chance to kill this is NOW!!! The most resistance this bill will see is in the Senate, if it passes here it will be on a downhill slide to the Governor's desk. It's important to contact your senator and voice your concerns. I'm again posting the NAIA alert for your convenience. Regardless If you use the alert or prefer to write your own notice make sure to ask them to oppose HB 1332. If you've

recently contacted your elected official, do it again.....don't stop. Most people are sending information daily and it's working.

Here is the alert:

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BRAGS!!

Show	Date	Dog	Breed	Owner	Class	Score	Leg	Title	Place
OCOTC	3/29/2009	Suzie Q	Cocker Spaniel	Joyce McIntyre	Rally Novice	99	3 rd	RN	1 st
OCOTC	3/29/2009	Suzie Q	Cocker Spaniel	Joyce McIntyre	Pre Novice	189.5			2 nd

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