

JANUARY 2011

# TATTLE TAILS



club newsletter

www.NapaDogTraining.org

## Annual Club Celebration!

In past years, the club has had an annual dinner to celebrate accomplishments and to spend time together away from the clubhouse. This year, club members suggested a luncheon for a change of pace. The luncheon will be held at Chardonnay Golf Club on Saturday, February 26, starting at noon.

We encourage all members to attend. The sign up form is on page 7. Please note you must sign up in advance using this form.

In the event you have put any titles on your dog(s) this year, please make sure you have completed the Year End Awards application on page 3 and have it submitted to Linda Luchsinger by January 5, 2010. Members receive plaques at this event to recognize accomplishments.

Finally, please don't forget to nominate someone for the club service award which is also announced at this event. See page 5 for criteria and a form to fill out.

All forms and applications are also on the NVDTTC website.

*We look forward to seeing all of you at the annual celebration!*

## Include Your Dog in Your New Year's Resolutions

- 1. Walk your dog every day for at 45 minutes to an hour.** Walking with your dog twice a day for 30 minutes is the first step toward improving your relationship with your dog. The walk is the foundation of your relationship. It is a powerful tool that will help you connect with all aspects of your dog's mind.
- 2. Set rules, boundaries and limitations every day.** As a pack leader, you need to set the rules both inside and outside the house. What you allow and don't allow is up to you, but be consistent, use calm-assertive energy, and never, ever correct out of anger.
- 3. Live in the moment.** Start the New Year with a clean slate for you and your dog. Let go of the past. Don't worry about the future. With your dog and in your day-to-day life, you will find many benefits.
- 4. Schedule playtime with your dog once a week.** Play fetch. Go for a swim. Play Frisbee. Run an obstacle course. Just make sure your dog has had a long walk beforehand, and only play for the time you have decided in advance to allot.
- 5. Share affection...at the right times only.** After your dog has exercised or eaten. After your dog has changed an unwanted behavior into a behavior that you asked for. After your dog has responded to a rule or command. Share affection only when the dog is in a calm-submissive state!



**Napa Valley Dog Training Club**  
**(707) 253-8666**  
**Clubhouse: 68 Coombs St., Bldg N**  
**Mailing Address: P.O. Box 4097, Napa CA**

### Officers

**President:** Mary Ash  
**Vice President:** Gerry Glantz  
**Treasurer:** Lori Jackson  
**Secretary:** Sue Osborn  
**Past President:** Laura Ecklin

### Board Members

Sandy Bonifield  
Barrie Gordon  
Teresa Russell  
Beth Schutz

Monthly membership meetings are the second Monday of the month at the clubhouse.

Deadline for newsletter submissions is the 20th of each month.



# 2011 TRAINING SESSION 1

Subject to Change

To view the 2011 schedule on a full year calendar, visit the classes page on the [napadogtraining.org](http://napadogtraining.org) website.

January 3 through February 11, 2011  
(6 Weeks)

Week off between sessions 1 & 2: Feb. 14-18

## Monday (1-3 to 2-7)

1st & 3rd Mondays only

5:00 pm	Good Manners 2	Sandy
6:00 pm	Conformation	Michelle
7:00 pm	Advanced Agility	Katherine

## Tuesday (1-4 to 2-8)

5:00 pm	Good Manners 1	Lea
6:00 pm	Puppy Kindergarten	Kelly (w/ Deassa & Marilane)
7:00 pm	S.T.A.R. Puppy	Kelly
8:00 pm	Good Manners 1	Teresa

## Wednesday (1-5 to 2-9)

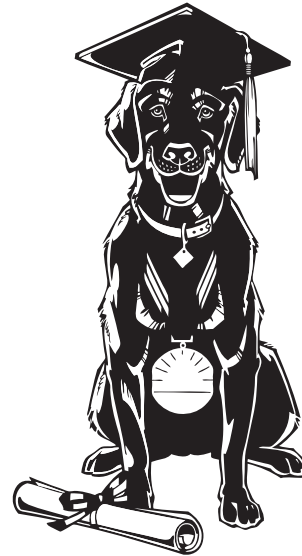
9:00 am	Novice/ Canine Good Citizen	Marlene
10:00 am	Good Manners 1	Marlene
11:00 am	Good Manners 2	Marlene
6:00 pm	Intermediate Agility	Katherine
7:00 pm	Jumpers 1	Laura

## Thursday (1-6 to 2-10)

10:00 am . . . 7 pm	Rally Classes	Mary
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## Friday (1-7 to 2-11)

5:00 pm	Competition Obedience	Teresa
6:00 pm	Puppy Kindergarten	Marilane (w/Lynda R.)
7:00 pm	Good Manners 1	Lynda R.



### TRAINING SCHEDULE FOR 2011

All 2011 Sessions are 6 Weeks

Session 1: January 3 — February 11, 2011

Session 2: February 21 — April 1, 2011

Session 3: April 11 — May 20, 2011

Session 4: May 30 — July 8, 2011

Session 5: July 18 — August 26, 2011

Session 6: September 5 — October 14, 2011

Session 7: October 24 — December 9, 2011

### Class Fees:

Members\* & Non-Members \$115

Senior/Jr/Rescue: \$100

Unless noted otherwise, all sessions run 6 weeks, one time per week at the day & time shown for 50 minutes.

Please call the club at

**707-253-8666**

to check class availability and to register.

\*Members can earn vouchers to offset the cost of classes.

Details: [www.napadogtraining.org/vouchers.htm](http://www.napadogtraining.org/vouchers.htm)

# YEAR END AWARDS

In order to be eligible for one of these awards a member must have attended at least three general meetings in 2010 and have worked at least one major event or on a committee. The criteria for earning an award for your dog is simple. You must have competed in any venue (agility, obedience, rally, etc.) and received a title in that venue. NVDTTC not only recognizes AKC events but mixed breed events as well. If you competed in a non-AKC event it must require that you receive at least three legs (or equivalent) in order to title. The official application for year end awards is shown below, is available in the office, and is online at [www.napadogtraining.org](http://www.napadogtraining.org). Applications must be turned in to Linda Luchsinger by Tuesday, January 5, 2011. If you have any questions please feel free to give Linda a call through the club at 253-8666.

## Napa Valley Dog Training Club Year End Awards Application 2010

You have until December 31, 2010 to complete your titles. However, if you have received awards so far this year, please fill out your paperwork ASAP.

Please fill out all information below.

You must fill out a separate application for each individual award.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Registered Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Call Name \_\_\_\_\_

Your Breed of Dog. \_\_\_\_\_ Variety/Color \_\_\_\_\_

Date Title Received \_\_\_\_\_

Title Received (i.e.: AKC Agility Novice Jumper, AKC Champion, CD (Companion Dog))  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you already have a plaque? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you only need a new engraving for your existing plaque? \_\_\_\_\_

In order to receive your year end award you must have attended at least 3 meetings in 2009 and worked on one event or committee. See Linda Luchsinger if in doubt about whether you have fulfilled this requirement. *There will be no exceptions to this requirement.*

*This form must be returned to Linda Luchsinger, c/o NVDTTC, P.O. Box 4097, Napa, CA 94558 or may be left in her box at the club no later than **January 5, 2011.** If you have any questions, please call Linda at 224-1500.*

# 12/13/10 NVDTTC General Membership Meeting Minutes

## I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Mary Ash, President, called general meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.
- B. Board members present: Mary Ash, Sandy Bonifield, Janet Davis, Laura Ecklin, Gerry Glantz, Sue Osborn, and Teresa Russell. Absent: Lori Jackson, Lynda Rhyno.

## II. MINUTES, Sue Osborn

MSC to accept minutes from the November 8, 2010 general meeting as published in the December newsletter.

## III. BOARD REPORTS—TRAINING, Teresa Russell

Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 15 at 6:30 at the clubhouse for all trainers and assistants.

## IV. HOSPITALITY

Tonight is the Christmas potluck. Barrie Gordon and Beth Schutz will provide hospitality for the January general meeting.

## V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Year End Banquet, Laura Ecklin and Lynda Rhyno
1. MSC to hold banquet on February 26, 2011 at noon.
  2. Banquet will be a luncheon held at Chardonnay Golf Club.
  3. Committee requested \$250 budget for sundries and raffle prizes.
- B. 2010 Service Award
- To nominate a member for the award, email or fill out form published in the newsletter by January 15.

## C. 2010 Obedience/Rally Trial, Mary Ash

1. Approximately \$1640 profit.
2. McCormick Hall has been reserved for trial for November 5, 2011.

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

None.

## VII. NEW MEMBER

MSC to approve Diana Martin as a new member. Diana has Irish Terriers: Piper, Jazz and Ginger.

## VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:26 p.m.

Respectively submitted,  
Sue Osborn, Secretary

*Welcome to  
new member,  
Diana Martin!*



## Your Dog's Voice



1. My life is likely to last 10-15 years. Any separation from you will be painful for me. Remember that BEFORE you get me.
2. Give me time to understand what you want from me.
3. Place your trust in me. It is crucial to my well-being.
4. Don't be angry with me for long, & don't lock me up as punishment. You have your work, entertainment & friends. I have only YOU.
5. Talk to me sometimes. Even if I don't understand your words, I understand your voice.
6. Be aware that however you treat me, I'll never forget.
7. Please don't hit me. I can't hit back, but I can bite & scratch and I really don't want to do that.
8. Before you scold me for being uncooperative, obstinate, or lazy, ask yourself if something might be bothering me. Perhaps I'm not getting the right foods or I've been out in the sun too long or my heart is getting old and weak.
9. Take care of me when I get old. You too will grow old.
10. Go with me on difficult journeys. NEVER say, "I can't bear to watch, or let it happen in my absence." Everything is easier for me if YOU are there. Remember, I LOVE YOU!!



### Stop Puppy from Chewing & Biting

To discourage your puppy from biting, there are several things you can do:

1. Refrain from any dominance type games like tug of war, chase, or wrestling.
2. Withhold your attention if your puppy tries to nip. If she continues, let out an "Ow! Ow!" and then go about your business.
3. If your pooch is especially persistent with her teeth, leave her on a leash. When she attempts to bite, redirect her attention with the lead.



### Food Fighting

In a household, fights may break out between dogs over mealtime. One way to prevent dogs from fighting over food is to feed each dog in a designated separate area every time. This way they have their own protected space, reducing squabbles. Occasionally, you may be able to feed dogs in the same area if you give food to the alpha dog in the household and then feed the less dominant dog.



### Digging Solutions

If you find your pooch is digging up your yard, consider giving him a designated "dig area." Then make sure you keep the rest of your yard off limits. If he's got some place to burn energy and an outlet for his natural tendency to dig, he's less likely to ruin your yard. Also make sure your canine gets lots of exercise and attention, and has items to chew, as digging can be a sign of boredom.

source: www.lifetips.com

## Napa Valley Dog Training Club Service Award

Thanks to the work of devoted members our club has remained strong for over 35 years. In 2001 the NVDTTC Service Award was created to recognize those who have made significant contributions. This award will be presented at the Annual Awards Dinner in February, 2010.

### Nominations:

Any member is welcome to make a nomination, and a member may nominate multiple people each year. Nominations must be given in writing and must include the contributions of the nominee.

### Criteria for the NVDTTC's Service Award:

- 1) Nominee must be a current club member and in good standing.
- 2) Nominee must follow and uphold NVDTTC's bylaws and rules.
- 3) Nominee has contributed to the overall well-being and growth of the club.
- 4) Nominee represents the club in a professional and positive way.

### Voting:

The Selection Committee is made up of past Service Award Recipients: Lynda Rhyno, Sue Osborn, Teresa Russell, Mary Joy Davis, Anita Boyce, and Bobbie Honsvick. Please note: As committee members—none of these individuals are eligible to receive the award.

**Return the completed form by  
January 15th to Lynda Rhyno.**  
c/o NVDTTC, P.O. Box 4097, Napa, CA 94558  
or leave in her box at the club.

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Contributions: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Contributions include but are not limited to: Office(s) held; Board/Chair position(s) held; committee(s) worked on; projects for the club; help at the clubhouse/classes/events, etc.*

**A VERY SPECIAL AWARD!**



## For upcoming trials/shows go to [nvdtc.org/events](http://nvdtc.org/events)

Also visit [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com), [www.nadac.com](http://www.nadac.com),  
[www.k9wag.com](http://www.k9wag.com), and [www.k9cpe.com](http://www.k9cpe.com)  
for information on conformation  
shows, obedience and agility trials,  
tracking tests, field trials, etc.

### Pet First Aid

A Partnership of Napa Humane  
and SPEC (Solano-Napa Pet Emergency Clinic)  
and the Town of Yountville

Saturday, January 22, 2011

Yountville Community Center  
6516 Washington Street, Yountville

TWO SESSIONS:

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

PUBLIC INFO: 707-255-8118 x202, or  
[www.napahumane.org](http://www.napahumane.org)

MEDIA CONTACT:  
Wendi Piscia – [wpiscia@napahumane.org](mailto:wpiscia@napahumane.org)

REGISTRATION: Pre-registration is required. To register visit [www.townofyountville.com](http://www.townofyountville.com) or call the Yountville Parks and Recreation Department - 944-8712. Course fee is \$30 donation per participant (\$25 for Yountville Residents), which includes the class and all materials. Register by January 14, 2011.

Napa Humane and SPEC (Solano-Napa Pet Emergency Clinic) are sponsoring "Pet First Aid." The class, taught by Dr. Chris Shacoski, is designed to protect both pet owners and their pets from further harm, injury, or suffering during emergencies by teaching prompt, effective actions and care that will safeguard the life of an injured or ill pet.

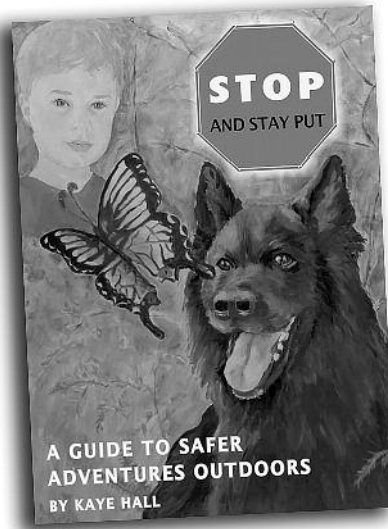
Participants will learn when and where to call for help, how to apply first aid techniques, and learn emergency actions steps that can be used in almost any emergency.

*This course is designed  
to teach you basic first aid  
techniques for the care  
of your pet.*

*Please do not bring  
your pet to class.*



## Check out the book and CD from NVDTC Member, Kaye Hall!



### *Stop and Stay Put: A Guide to Safer Adventures Outdoors*

Kaye Hall's *Stop and Stay Put*, is a *Must Read*. This book will save lives and prepare children and their parents for safe and enjoyable adventures outdoors.

It is a story that entertains, empowers readers by introducing them to basic wilderness survival skills, and is designed for children and adults.

With nature as its setting, Colin and Katy embark on an adventure. With the help of a heroic search dog, they learn how to keep from getting lost and how to be safer if lost in the woods.

An accompanying CD with *SAFER Song*, and *A Word from the Animals*, helps imprint the book's key concepts on its readers and listeners. Oil paintings by Kaye Hall are of her own search dog, Julot, and can be viewed on the PAINTING page of her website.

[www.kayehall.com](http://www.kayehall.com)

### Club Logo Embroidery

Nita's, located in the Napa Bowl (498 Soscol Avenue in Napa), has our club logo on file. You can bring in your own clothing or choose from their extensive catalogues. They can enhance shirts, sweaters, hats and more.

Embroidery is only \$7.50 per item plus tax.

Stop by their shop or call **252-2164**. Their staff is very helpful and friendly.

Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California  
(AOCNC)

ANNUAL All-Breed Obedience & Rally Workshop  
SUNDAY - FEBRUARY 6, 2011



COW PALACE, DALY CITY — Geneva Avenue and Santos Street  
FOLLOW DIRECTIONS POSTED BY COW PALACE TO ENTER THE GROUNDS

**CLASSES OFFERED:**

- Novice Rings (also includes Beginner Novice and Pre-novice)
- Open rings (also includes Graduate Novice)
- Utility rings (also includes Graduate Open)



Entry forms posted at [www.napadogtraining.org](http://www.napadogtraining.org)  
**ENTRIES CLOSE THURSDAY JANUARY 20, 2011**  
or when ring limits are reached.

Additional Information: Contact Event Secretary, Luane Vidak, (831) 724-6657; [luanemv@sbcglobal.net](mailto:luanemv@sbcglobal.net)

Napa Valley Dog Training Club, Inc.

**ANNUAL CELEBRATION LUNCHEON**  
Saturday, February 26, 2011

Chardonnay Golf Club, 2555 Jamieson Canyon Road, Napa  
*The Chardonnay Room*

**Entree #1** New York Steak w/shaved Truffle Merlot Reduction sauce

**Entree #2** Vermont Maple Glazed Roasted Breast of Chicken

**Entree #3** Vegetarian Option: Grilled Vegetable San Marcos  
Fettuccine with Garbanzo Beans, Kalamata Olives, Roasted  
Red Bell Peppers and Feta Cheese

**Coffee, Tea & Lemonade**

Garlic & Herb Mashers, Vegetable Ratatouille, Dinner Rolls and Butter

**DESSERT:** Boston Cream Pie

**\$30.00 per person (includes everything)**

**No host cocktails, cash bar: 12:00 p.m.**

**Lunch served: 12:30 p.m.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Choice # for each person \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your order including a check by February 12th payable to NVDTC to  
Laura Ecklin's attention, NVDTC, P.O. Box 4097, Napa, CA 94558 or drop in her box at club.

**DEADLINE:  
FEBRUARY  
12TH**

**Next General Meeting at the Club:  
Monday, January 10, 2011  
6:30 p.m.**

**No Dogs  
at  
Meeting**



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**Scheduling of Board Meetings**

Board meetings are open to all members and, except for December, are scheduled the fourth Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m.  
Call 253-8666 to verify both date and location of meeting. Minutes from board meetings are posted at the club.

**If you have articles, stories or events to share in the NVDC  
Newsletter, please contact Sue Osborn:  
NewsletterEditor@napadogtraining.org**

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**ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED**

**Agility Trial Chair:** Laura Ecklin

**Obedience and Rally Trial Chair:** Mary Ash

**AOCNC:** Gerry Glantz

**Training:** Teresa Russell

**Building:** Gerry Glantz

**Office:** Lynda Rhyno

**Sunshine:** Mary Joy Davis

**Newsletter/Website:** Sue Osborn

**Membership:** Linda Luchsinger

**Publicity:** Janet Davis

**CGC:** Jim Spiva

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