

SOTC Classes, Summer 2017

Juniors enrolling for the 1st time as the dog's principal trainer or anyone not meeting the stated prerequisite for a class must attend run-thrus (with dogs) on Wednesday 7/12 at 6pm.

Anyone new to SOTC classes must attend Orientation on Wednesday 7/12 at 7pm. No dogs at Orientation.

Basic Obedience

Basic obedience classes limited to 8 dogs unless otherwise noted

Puppy	The AKC S.T.A.R. program (Socialization, Training, Activities, Responsibility), designed to encourage socialization, beginner obedience training, and responsible care for your new puppy. This is the puppy level of the Canine Good Citizen program. For puppies that will be between 12 and 20 weeks of age on the first day. Puppies must have received at least the 2nd DHPP shot by the start of class. PREREQUISITE: None! Just see the age guidelines above.	
8 weeks 45 minutes		Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$90
PUPTH730	Starts Thu 8/3/2017 7:30 PM <i>Minimum date of birth 5/11/17, maximum 3/16/17. Will NOT meet on 8/31.</i>	INSTRUCTOR Leah Pekarsky, ASSISTANT Lauren Wienclawski
Pre-Basic	For dogs 5-14 months of age who have taken our Puppy class, or those new to our program and too old for Puppy class. Designed for the older puppy to introduce basic obedience commands while recognizing the special needs of the younger dog. PREREQUISITE: None! Just see the age guidelines above.	
8 weeks 45 minutes		Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$100 Non-member price includes training collar, 4-foot leash and fanny pack. Non-members repeating the class with the same dog may deduct \$15 from the price. Members may purchase supplies at additional cost.
PRETU1045	Starts Tue 7/18/2017 10:45 AM	INSTRUCTOR Kryssi D'Eredita, ASSISTANT TBA
PRETU8	Starts Tue 7/18/2017 8:00 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 8/8</i>	INSTRUCTOR Hilary Mack, ASSISTANT Kathy Morse
PREW630	Starts Wed 7/19/2017 6:30 PM	INSTRUCTOR Colleen Clemett, ASSISTANT TBA
PRETH8	Starts Thu 7/20/2017 8:00 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 8/31</i>	INSTRUCTOR Ann Marie Letto, ASSISTANT Pam Hottois
Basic	For those continuing from Pre-Basic or new to obedience with an older dog (14 months of age and up). Includes walking under control on leash and development of basic obedience commands, including come, sit, down and stay. PREREQUISITE: None! Just see the age guidelines above.	
9 weeks including Graduation 45 minutes		Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$100 Non-member price includes training collar, 4-foot leash, and fanny pack. Non-members repeating the class or continuing from Pre-Basic with the same dog may deduct \$15 from the price. Members may purchase supplies at additional cost.
BASM7	Starts Mon 7/17/2017 7:00 PM <i>Limit 6. Will NOT meet on 9/4, 9/11.</i>	INSTRUCTOR Lauren Wienclawski, ASSISTANT Leah Pekarsky
BASTU12	Starts Tue 7/18/2017 12:00 PM	INSTRUCTOR Peggy Metcalf, ASSISTANT Linda Fleisch
BASTU6	Starts Tue 7/18/2017 6:00 PM	INSTRUCTOR Megan Donley, ASSISTANT Patty Warner

Competition Obedience

Competition obedience classes limited to 6 dogs unless otherwise noted

Obedience and Rally Foundations

For Basic graduates new to obedience training who wish to continue to the competition classes (Intermediate A and beyond). Includes getting control of your dog with fun and games; introduction to clicker training (and alternatives); keeping the dog's attention on the handler, and the handler's on the dog. Heeling itself is not included, just control in the general vicinity of the handler's side. Limit 6.

Students will need an acceptable training collar (buckle, slip/choke, martingale, or pinch; no Halties/harnesses); a plain 6-foot leash that can be folded into one hand; and clickers, treats, and toys. If there are questions about equipment, contact the instructors (btehon@twcny.rr.com or judyharvey248@gmail.com).

PREREQUISITE: SOTC Basic graduate or instructor permission

6 weeks
45 minutes

Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54

ORFTH6 Starts Thu 7/20/2017 6:00 PM INSTRUCTOR Becky Tehon, ASSISTANT Judy Harvey

Intermediate A

Introduction to on-lead heeling, off-lead recalls, and stays; continued work on basic obedience skills

PREREQUISITE: SOTC Basic graduate or run-thru

9 weeks including Graduation
45 minutes

Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$72

INT1TH7 Starts Thu 7/20/2017 7:00 PM INSTRUCTOR Judy Harvey, ASSISTANT Becky Tehon
Will NOT meet on 8/31

Intermediate B

Beginning off-lead heeling and recalls, refining and adding distractions to stays

PREREQUISITE: SOTC Intermediate A graduate or run-thru

9 weeks including Graduation
45 minutes

Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$72

INT2TU6 Starts Tue 7/18/2017 6:00 PM INSTRUCTOR Sallie Lennox, ASSISTANT Anne Wood

Rally Novice

An introduction to the Rally Novice signs. Students will learn how to walk a course and will work on heeling and sit/down/stand-stays. Students must arrange for their dogs to be crated or held while they walk the course. Limit 6.

PREREQUISITE: SOTC Intermediate A graduate or prior experience in Rally or competition obedience classes

6 weeks
45 minutes

Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54

RAL1TU7 Starts Tue 7/18/2017 7:00 PM INSTRUCTOR Ann Marie Letto, ASSISTANT Pam Hottos
Will NOT meet on 8/8

Learn the New Rally Signs

We will work our way through as many of the new signs as we can, beginning with Novice and getting at least a start on Masters. The emphasis will be on learning the signs as opposed to running courses. The class will be taught with the understanding that things are still being tweaked at the AKC, and we may need to re-learn signs in the future. We will be using Pocket Rally (an iPhone app with videos) as a guide. Limit 8 dogs, only one dog per handler.

PREREQUISITE: Teams must familiar with and able to perform all of the "old" Rally signs

8 weeks
90 minutes

Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$72

RAL5TH6 Starts Thu 7/20/2017 6:00 PM INSTRUCTOR Judy McManus, ASSISTANT Ann Hardy
Will NOT meet on 8/31

Rally Masters

Learn the new signs, especially Rally Masters, as well as run a course incorporating them. Limit 6 dogs.

PREREQUISITE: For dogs with the RE title or those with the RA and ready to compete in Excellent. Dogs must be able to work off lead.

6 weeks
90 minutes

Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54

RAL6TU10 Starts Tue 7/18/2017 10:00 AM INSTRUCTOR Pat John, ASSISTANT Judy Harvey

RAL6W615 Starts Wed 7/19/2017 6:15 PM INSTRUCTOR Pat John, ASSISTANT Dawn Watkins

Introduction to Novice Obedience	An introduction to the Novice exercises for those starting to train for a CD. Will break each exercise down into its basic elements and will include work on handling skills. Limit 6.	
	PREREQUISITE: SOTC Intermediate B graduate or instructor permission	
	6 weeks 45 minutes	Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54
NOV1M6	Starts Mon 7/17/2017 6:00 PM	INSTRUCTOR Naneese Bonnell, ASSISTANT TBA

Intermediate Novice	For those who are familiar with the Novice exercises but not ready for competition. This class will continue work on Novice skills. Limit 6.	
	PREREQUISITE: Prior Novice class, BN/PN title, or instructor permission. Students must have Novice skills prior to signup.	
	6 weeks 45 minutes	Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54
NOV2M630	Starts Mon 7/17/2017 6:30 PM	INSTRUCTOR Evelyn Brenzel, ASSISTANT Suzanne Eaton

Introduction to Open	For dogs and/or handlers who have not had much experience with the Open exercises. Exercises will be taught from the beginning stages. Limit 6.	
	PREREQUISITE: Novice title (CD/PCD) or instructor permission	
	6 weeks 45 minutes	Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54
OPN1TH630	Starts Thu 7/20/2017 6:30 PM	INSTRUCTOR Wendy Longden, ASSISTANT TBA

Open Proofing and Polishing	For those who have learned all the Open exercises and are getting ready to show. Limit 6.	
	PREREQUISITE: Working knowledge of all the Open exercises	
	6 weeks 45 minutes	Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54
OPN3M6	Starts Mon 7/17/2017 6:00 PM	INSTRUCTOR Kathy Helmke, ASSISTANT Judy Harvey

Intermediate/ Advanced Utility	For dogs and handlers who understand and can perform the Utility exercises but need refinement. Limit 6.	
	PREREQUISITE: Prior Utility class, CDX/PCDX, or instructor permission. Students must have Utility skills prior to signup.	
	6 weeks 45 minutes	Members \$42 or 6 points, non-members \$54
UTL2M7	Starts Mon 7/17/2017 7:00 PM	INSTRUCTOR Kathy Helmke, ASSISTANT Anne M. Kernan

Agility

Agility classes limited to 6 dogs unless otherwise noted. Class times include equipment set-up and tear-down. Agility students are required to help set up and tear down. Failure to assist (without instructor permission) will result in ineligibility for next session's agility classes. DOGS ARE TO BE CRATED WHEN NOT WORKING (handlers may bring their own crate or use an SOTC guest crate).

It is important to understand that agility training takes time and practice. Six to eight weeks is not enough for most dogs to master the skills covered in a class. Most dog/handler teams will repeat a class before they move on.

Beginner Agility	Introduction to contact equipment, jump training, practicing lead-outs, and basic handling. Building drive while maintaining focus and control.	
	PREREQUISITE: SOTC Agility Foundations or equivalent class. Dogs should be at least 8 months old.	
	8 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$88 or 10 points, non-members \$104
AGL1M6	Starts Mon 7/17/2017 6:00 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 9/4, 9/11</i>	INSTRUCTOR Heather Lane, ASSISTANT Susan Taylor

Advanced Beginner Agility	Building confidence on contact equipment, introduction of weave poles, developing dog and handler skills, beginning simple sequencing, and doing grid work.	
	PREREQUISITE: Successfully passing SOTC Beginner Agility or run-thru	
	8 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$88 or 10 points, non-members \$104
AGL2M730	Starts Mon 7/17/2017 7:30 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 9/4, 9/11</i>	INSTRUCTOR Barbara Hoopes, ASSISTANT Susan Taylor

Agility Focus: Pre-Novice	Skills for those continuing from Intermediate, specific focus to be announced	
	PREREQUISITE: Successfully passing SOTC Intermediate Agility or permission. Dogs must be able to negotiate sequences of 8-10 obstacles.	
	4 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$44 or 5 points, non-members \$52
AGFM430	Starts Mon 7/31/2017 4:30 PM <i>Note LATER start date</i>	INSTRUCTOR Susan DeRienzo, ASSISTANT TBA
Turns and Timing	Learning which turns to use, and when, for teams getting ready to compete at the Novice level	
	PREREQUISITE: Successfully passing SOTC Intermediate Agility or permission. Dogs must be able to negotiate sequences of 8-10 obstacles.	
	4 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$44 or 5 points, non-members \$52
AGTW4	Starts Wed 7/19/2017 4:00 PM	INSTRUCTOR Kristin Hart, ASSISTANT Peggy Mooney
Agility Drop- ins: Which Is the Best Way?	A short sequence will be provided and multiple handling options will be discussed. Each team will have the opportunity to try each of the handling options and will be timed to find out which way of running the course produces the shortest time. The instructor reserves the right to limit time on the floor for each team. Please e-mail Andrea at MACHBrittany@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Limit 8 teams per class.	
	PREREQUISITE: Teams must be able to sequence 6 obstacles in a row	
	4 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$3 or 1 points, non-members \$10
AGDTH730	Starts Thu 7/27/2017 7:30 PM <i>Will meet on 7/27, 8/17, 8/24, 9/7</i>	INSTRUCTOR Andrea Lee, ASSISTANT TBA
Novice Agility	For students ready (or nearly ready) to start trialing in AKC Novice, CPE level 1-2, or the comparable level in other venues. The class will involve negotiating Novice courses, trying out various handling techniques, building drive, progressing from 6 weave poles to 12, and proofing contacts and start lines.	
	PREREQUISITE: Successfully passing SOTC Intermediate Agility or permission. Dogs must be able to perform full-height contacts, do 6 weave poles, and negotiate sequences of 8-10 obstacles.	
	6 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$66 or 7.5 points, non-members \$78
AGL4TH6	Starts Thu 7/20/2017 6:00 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 8/10, 8/24, 8/31</i>	INSTRUCTOR Sandy Madaio, ASSISTANT Pam Renock
Open Agility Handling	Working at the Open level and preparing for the Excellent level. Developing speed in the weaves, improving your timing, and choosing the best handling options.	
	PREREQUISITE: One Standard Q in Novice, CPE Level 2/3, USDAA Starters, or permission	
	6 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$66 or 7.5 points, non-members \$78
AGH1TU6	Starts Tue 7/18/2017 6:00 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 8/8</i>	INSTRUCTOR Jeri Fishack, ASSISTANT Karen Vanderburgh
Open/ Excellent Agility Handling	Preparation for Open/Excellent-level competition. Improve skills and dog/handler communication at the Open/Excellent level. Drills and skills will be emphasized.	
	PREREQUISITE: One Standard Q in Open, CPE Level 3/4, USDAA Advanced, or permission	
	6 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$66 or 7.5 points, non-members \$78
AGH2TU430	Starts Tue 7/18/2017 4:30 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 8/8</i>	INSTRUCTOR Jeri Fishack, ASSISTANT Susan DeRienzo
Masters Agility Handling	Negotiating the challenges of advanced level courses. Polishing up your performance. Finding out what works best for YOUR dog.	
	PREREQUISITE: Students must be competing in Standard Excellent, Masters, or CPE Level 5. No exceptions.	
	6 weeks 90 minutes	Members \$66 or 7.5 points, non-members \$78
AGH3TU730	Starts Tue 7/18/2017 7:30 PM <i>Will NOT meet on 8/8</i>	INSTRUCTOR Jeri Fishack, ASSISTANT Karen Vanderburgh

Other Activities

Conformation Training dog and handler for the conformation (breed) ring. Breed standards, conformation rules, grooming (dog and handler), etc. will also be covered. Handlers may either sign up for the full session of classes or attend on a drop-in basis.

8 weeks

Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$72

45 minutes

Drop ins: Members \$8 or 1 point, non-members \$10

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Starts Tue 7/18/2017 8:00 PM

INSTRUCTOR Ellen Shearer, ASSISTANT Deborah Waters

will NOT meet on 8/8

Beginner Flyball Flyball is a relay sport, with 4 dogs running as a team. This class will teach the basics: retrieving a tennis ball; coming back with the ball as fast as going after it; going over jumps to get the ball; doing a swimmers turn off the flyball box while catching; and doing all of this while running fast. It's a team sport, so students need to help set up, take down, and eventually box-load and hold another dog while their own dog is resting. DOGS ARE TO BE CRATED WHEN NOT WORKING (handlers may bring their own crate or use an SOTC guest crate). Limit 6.

PREREQUISITE: SOTC Basic graduate or run-thru. Handlers must have basic control of the dog. Dogs should be at least 1 year old. No people- or dog-aggression.

8 weeks

Members \$56 or 8 points, non-members \$72

45 minutes

FLY1W630

Starts Wed 7/19/2017 6:30 PM

INSTRUCTOR Terri Botsford, ASSISTANT TBA

FLY1TH12

Starts Thu 7/20/2017 12:00 PM

INSTRUCTOR Terri Botsford, ASSISTANT TBA

Will NOT meet on 8/31