# HAPPENINES AROUND THE HOUSE 

 NEWS FROM HOYTT OWNERS AND HOUSE OF HOYTT MARCH 2018

## SAVE THE DATE!

SEPTEMBER 21st AND 22nd 2018 WILL BE OUR 8TH ANNUAL GATHERING OF HOYTT DOBES AND OWNERS ~ DETAILS ON NEXT PAGE......



## AKC TRICK DOG TITLING THIS YEAR AT DOBEFEST!

Sassi and Nikki of Illinois have been working hard with their trick dog training, and have completed their Novice Titles.


From the 1920's and 1940's when trick dogs such as Rin Tin Tin and Lassie won peoples' hearts, trick dog training has become one of the most exciting new areas in dog training today.

The AKC has a Trick Dog Title available, which is a fun way to train and bond with your dog. More info available on akc.org

The next page shows the tricks needed for a Novice Title, and please note that if your Doberman already has a CGC, then only 5 tricks (instead of 10 ) will need to be performed.

We will be offering all of the levels that you can title in, and will have more info as the months progress.

So if this is something you would like to do with your Dobe, start training! We will also have short videos on how to train some of these tricks soon on the Hoytt You Tube Channel.

## AKC TRICK DOG <br> TRICKS CHECKLIST: NOVICE

Instructions: Include this page with the AKC Trick Dog Title Application.

## A TOTAL OF 10 TRICKS ARE REQUIRED TO EARN THE AKC NOVICE TRICK DOG TITLE.

If you have a Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certificate or title on record at AKC, you may count the CGC as 5 of the required tricks for the NOVICE TRICK DOG TITLE.

## CGC Skills

Foundation Behaviors for Trick Training

1. Accepts friendly stranger
2. Sits politely for petting
3. Appearance and Grooming
4. Out for a Walk
5. Walking through a crowd
6. Sit, Down, Stay in place
7. Coming when called
8. Reaction to another dog
9. Reaction to distractions
10. Supervised Separation

## Check one box:

$\square$
CGC is on record (counts as 5 tricks). 5 additional tricks have been observed by evaluator and are checked below.
$\square$ No CGC, 10 tricks have been observed by Evaluator and are checked below.
$\qquad$ Balance beam (walk on low board a few inches off floor)
Bark on cue ("Speak")
Crawl (dog on belly, crawls at least 5 feet)
Fetch it and give (ball, toy, etc- bring to handler, release)
Find it (find treat hidden under cup)
$\qquad$ Get your $\qquad$ . (Leash, brush, name of toy)
$\qquad$ Get in (gets in box)
Get on (gets on low platform or step - 4 paws)
Hand signals (down, sit, or come) $\qquad$
High five
Hold (3 seconds)
Jump (thru a low hoop or over a low bar)
Kennel up (go in crate, stay in until released)
Kiss (point to cheek)
Paws up (2 front paws on low stool or step)
Push-ups (sit, down, sit, down, sit, down)
Shake hands
Spin in circle
Touch it (hand or target stick)
Tunnel (agility tunnel or child's tunnel)
Other: Handler's choice: $\qquad$
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For the Novice title, handlers may use a food/toy lure if needed. May use food/clicker reinforcers.

Dog owner name $\qquad$ Dog Name $\qquad$
Evaluator name $\qquad$ Eval Number $\qquad$ Date $\qquad$
Evaluator signature

## RECENTLY PLACED

"ZOEY" WHO HAD BECOME PART OF MR. HOYTT'S CREW, HAS FOUND A NEW HOME IN TEXAS!

HER NEW MOM IS pLANNING LOTS OF ADVENTURES WITH HER NEW GIRL ZOEY, SO WE LOOK FORWARD TO UPDATES!



## RECENTLY PLACED

"REMINGTON" (Formerly Wilbur) HAS GONE HOME TO MASSACHUSSETTS AND IS ENJOYING HELPING HIMSELF TO HIS NEW FOOD!

## LOVED AND OWNED BY THE SULLIVAN FAMILY



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## TIPS FOR CALMING YOUR DOG.....

When you must leave your dog at home alone, leave him with an article of clothing or blanket with your scent on it. Also leave a treat-release toy for him to focus on in your absence. Place small treats around the house for him to discover, along with his favorite toys.

Make sure your dog gets plenty of exercise (like an all-out 40 minute play time prior to being left alone all day), mental stimulation and TLC. The fuller her life is when you're around, the calmer she'1l be when you're not

Add a flower essence blend like Separation Anxiety from Jackson Galaxy's Solutions to her drinking water. This works wonders for some dogs. And put on some soothing doggy music before you leave

Play calm, soothing music before a possible stressor occurs. This may relax your dog and have the added bonus of drowning out distressing noises

If your dog seems to respond well to pressure applied to her body, there are wraps available (e.g., Thundershirt, TTouch anxiety wrap) that many pet owners and veterinarians find extremely helpful.

Ttouch is a specific massage technique that can help anxious pets
Consult your holistic vet about homeopathic, TCM (traditional Chinese medicine) or Rescue Remedy, ( you can find this in pharmacies) as well as other specific Bach flower remedies that could be helpful in alleviating your dog's stress. Products I use, always in conjunction with behavior modification, include Hyland's Calms Forte (found in pharmacies) or calming milk proteins (variety of brands)

Calming nutraceuticals and herbs that can be of benefit include holy basil, 1 -theanine, rhodiola, ashwagandha, GABA, 5-HTP and chamomile. Consult your holistic veterinarian about which makes sense for your pet.

The essential oil of lavender has also been proven to reduce a dog's stress response. I recommend placing a few drops on your dog's collar or bedding before a stressor occurs, if possible, or diffuse the oil around your house for an overall calming effect. There are also great oil blends specifically for calming animals. ~Dr. Karen Becker Healthy Pets

## * Editor's Note:

Items that Carol and I use are Red Barn bones that you can put yogurt or peanut butter in the center, then freeze. It takes our Dobermans a little longer to work on them if the goodie inside is frozen.




HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO "JACKSON" IN MICHIGAN WHO CELEBRATED HIS 7TH BIRTHDAY.....

FAWN SISTER 'CASHMERE' IS NOT AMUSED, OR INTERESTED IN ALL THE ATTENTION HE GETS FROM DAD!

# DOBDRMANS COPING WIIE WINTER 

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## $\mathcal{A}$ Love Lost But $\mathcal{N o t}$ Forgotten



In Loving $\mathcal{M e m o r y}$ of my dear sweet"Zane" ~ Lori $\mathcal{M}$. Florida


"Cajun" left; and "Token" above wait in anticipation for class to start Cajun is $\mathbf{6}$ months old and AVAILABLE

Fawn boy "Jet" who will head off to Florida once he completes his Grand Victor Program, and "Khaleesi" who is a Custom Young Adult going home soon, work on their Stay command at Bass Pro

## CANWE GO TO BED NOW??"

Photos and stories to share? Please email me ~
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