

TOTAL RECALL FEBRUARY 2012

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# NOTES AND REMINDERS......

The next membership meeting will be on Sunday, February 19, 2012 at the Bethel Park Municipal Building.

### **NEXT TEACUP TRIAL**

Our next Teacup trial will be held April 28 - 29. More details to come. Mark your calendars!



### CANINE GOOD CITIZEN (CGC) AND THERAPY DOGS INTERNATIONAL (TDI) TESTING

We are offering CGC and TDI testing on Wednesday, February 29, starting at 6:30 pm. There is a limit of 8 dogs. To reserve a time slot, contact Pam Lewis at samoyed4@verizon.net. The testing fee is \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers.

### Total Recall

# Summary of January minutes

Dog Scout Troop - Ed Hanke and Doree Donovan will hold a kick-off meeting for a Dog Scout Troop on January 26. This could bring more public awareness of our club.

ADPT Rally Trials - We are attempting to get approval to conduct ADPT Rally trials at KCTC.

New Equipment - We are purchasing new AKC Rally signs and a new Teacup Agility tire jump. Other equipment has been approved for purchase (AKC Rally and Obedience Regulations, when available; a new chute barrel; and two new tunnels).

Front Door - The front door to the building is tricky to close in cold weather. It must be firmly pushed shut to engage the lock. A "Reminder" checksheet will be posted on the inside of the front door.

WPKA Bulletin - A KCTC ad will be placed in the bulletin for the upcoming WPKA show. They strongly support our Conformation classes.

NEW TRAINER CERTIFICATION Linette Evancic is getting certified as a Dog Obedience Trainer/Instructor from Penn Foster.

# **KCTC SWEATSHIRTS**

In response to the recent demand, we are again selling our cool-looking KCTC sweatshirts. They will have a white KCTC logo on your choice of dark color. Here are the options:

Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL

**Colors:** Black, Red, Chocolate, Forrest Green, Dark Grey Heather, Indigo Blue, Maroon, Navy Blue, Purple, Royal Blue, Orange, Carolina Blue, Heliconia, Gold, Antique Cherry Red, Cherry Red, Antique Sapphire, Charcoal, Kiwi, Paprika, and Violet. You can see color swatches at

www.jonestshirts.com/product/18000. **Prices:** S, M, L, XL - \$20. 2XL - \$22. 3XL - \$24.

The sizes run a little small, so if you are borderline you may want to order the next size up.

Profits will go towards defraying the cost of the air conditioning for our back room. So here is your chance to help the cause! If you are a new member, you definitely need to get a KCTC sweatshirt that you can proudly wear to class. We need to order at least 24 sweatshirts to get the pricing shown above. To place an order, please send an email to Pam Lewis at samoyed4@verizon.net. Please include your name, phone number, email address, and quantity of each size and color. Or you can write out your order and place it in the cash box in the office at the club. If you would like a color you do not see listed, check with Pam (412-831-1042) and she will determine if the color you want is available. You do not need to pay until you pick up your sweatshirts. Deadline for placing orders is February 15. Delivery is anticipated by the end of February. Thanks in advance for your support!

#### Total Recall

# EARN A BONUS BONE

Announcing a new incentive -- We will give one Bonus Bone (good for one free class) to any member who recruits five new students for any KCTC classes. Hopefully this will provide an incentive for you to tell the doggy people you know about our classes. We have added a line on the enrollment form for people who you recruit to provide your name, so we can track who is providing referrals to us.

# BETHEL PARK LIBRARY PROGRAM

KCTC will participate in the Bethel Park Library "Barks for Books" program the first Sunday of each month this spring (February, March & April). This program is for young children who like to read to dogs. If you have a TDI certified dog and would like to participate, please contact Pam Lewis at samoyed4y@verizon.net.

#### TRAINER CERTIFICATION

Linette Evancic is currently taking a Dog Obedience Trainer/Instructor Course from Penn Foster. For more information you may refer to the website at <u>www.PennFoster.edu</u> They are located in Scranton, PA. The phone number is 1-800-228-0799

# BRAGS

From Elaine Kelvington:





I recently got these pictures from the agility trial at Zanesville. Sawyer looks like he is flying over the jump.

#### "WE ARE IN THE WALL STREET JOURNAL!"

In the February 1, 2012 issue of the Wall Street Journal, there is a great article about Teacup agility that prominently features KCTC and two or our agility dogs, Amber and Tiffany Bandi. Here is a link to the article: http://online.wsj.com/article/SB100014 24052970204652904577193243904964 630.html?mod=WSJ\_LifeStyle\_Lifestyle\_ 6

# Total Recall K9 to Five By Stephanie Colman

(Excerpts taken from the article in The Whole Dog Journal, February 2012 Issue)

#### DOG TRAINING IS PEOPLE TRAINING

Don't let the "dog trainer" title fool you. Even when you think life has "gone to the dogs," you'll still find yourself logging a substantial number of hours engaged in the art of dealing with humans. In fact, interacting with people makes up the lion's share of a career in dog training.

In seeking an education, there are several routes to pursue. According to the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, most people employed as dog trainers are largely "self-educated" through extensive reading; attending seminars, workshops, and conventions; and in many cases mentoring with another trainer.

For students looking for a more structured academic approach, a handful of dog trainer schools exist, offering both online and in-person programs ranging from six days to six months and costing from \$1,200 to more than \$5,500. "Most dog trainers who are committed to professional, ethical dog training attend multiple schools in order to get a well-rounded education.

#### **EXPERIENCE NEEDED**

"One of the biggest issues we've found, especially with the popularity of the Internet, is that people coming into the profession have a great deal of knowledge, but, often, not a lot of mechanical skills."

From Mychelle Blake, executive director of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, "I tell everybody, above all else, get yourself to a shelter. Volunteer. Even if it's just walking dogs, you'll learn so much from that. "The ability to 'read' dogs is so important. You need to be knowledgeable about different breeds, and you need to see dogs at their best and worst states. In a shelter, you'll see the most lovely, well-behaved dog that maybe lost his home because of foreclosure, and you'll see the crazy, adolescent Pit Bull-mix. That kind of experience is so vitally important and it's something I don't see trainers, even experienced trainers, doing enough of. It's such a tremendous educational experience, whether you're just coming into the profession or you've been in it for years. It's also a great public service.

Trainers must also remain mindful, throughout their careers, of what types of cases they feel comfortable and qualified to safely and successfully handle. It can be dangerous (and can have legal consequences) to decide to take on a toodifficult case for your level of experience.

Because so much of dog training revolves around working with people, Blake also recommends accruing skills in teaching methods and interpersonal communication. Dog training is rooted in science, but the act of teaching is an art. The ability to present the same information in different ways can go a long way toward helping the human end of your dog-human team achieve success. Some people learn best by listening, some by watching and others by actually doing. Good trainers know how to develop solid lesson plans and can explain the mechanics of specific behavior skills with an emphasis on each individual learning style.

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#### KEYSTONE CANINE TRAINING CLUB Schedule of Classes - Session I – 2012 Classes start Jan. 8 Classes are for Seven Weeks Unless Noted

	Specialty Cla	sses - Rear T	raining Roo	m
Class	Day	Time	Start	Instructors
Puppy Kindergarten (Class is open to puppies up to & including 6 months of age)	Friday	7:00 PM	Jan. 13	Joyce Petrow (Barbara Newman, Lynda Kuzbel)
Advance Puppy (4 Weeks)	Friday	8:30 PM	Jan. 13	Joyce Petrow, Barbara Newman
Beginners Novice (3 Weeks)	Friday	8:30 PM	Feb. 10	Barbara Newman, Joyce Petrow
TDI/CGC (4 Week Class) (Week 5- Testing	;) Wednesda	y 6:30 PM	Jan. 11	Dan Goldberg (Sue Schweitzer)
Conformation – Drop-in Class	Wednesda	y 8:30 PM	Ongoing	Bill Colbert, Clara Marie Schmaltz
Introduction To Conformation	Wednesda	y 8:30 PM	Jan. 11	Clara Marie Schmaltz
Nose Work Level 1(6 Week Class) Continuing Nose Work (6 Week Class)	Tuesday Tuesday	7:30 PM 8:30 PM	Jan. 10 Jan. 10	Doree Donovan Doree Donovan (Sue Schweitzer)
Open Obedience – Drop-In (See website home page for specific dates)	Saturday	9:00 AM	See Website	Julie Agosti
K9er's	Sunday	6:00 PM	Ongoing	Caroline Chapman
	<b>Obedience</b> Cl	asses - Rear T	<b>Fraining Ro</b>	0m
Class	Day	Time	Start	Instructors
Puppy Basic Obedience (Puppies 6 months up to one year)	Monday	6:30 PM	Jan. 9	Toni Yurkovic (Pauline Kitchen)
Puppy & Basic Obedience (No age restrictions)	Wednesday	10:00 AM	Jan. 11	Ed Hanke (Linnette Evanic)
Basic Obedience	Saturday Sunday	11:00 AM 11:00 AM	Jan. 14 Jan. 8	Rod Sabatini Marian Roznowski (Maryann Snyder)
Basic Obedience II	Monday	7:30 PM	Jan. 9	Sally Tress (Toni Yurkovic)
Novice Obedience	Saturday	10:00 AM	Jan. 14	Rod Sabatini
Basic Obedience 101.5	Thursday	7:30 PM	Jan. 12	Ed Hanke (Linette Evanic)
Rally Obedience	Tuesdays	6:30 PM	Jan. 10	Sue Wray & Clara Marie Schmalz
Advance Rally	Monday	8:30 PM	Jan. 9	Barbara Newman (Lori Ritchey)
Standard Agility Classes -	Front Train	ning Room	; Teacup A	Agility - Rear Training Room
Class	Day	Time	Start	Instructors
Puppy Foundation Agility	Monday	7:15 PM	Jan. 9	Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza
Beginners Contacts & Weaves	Thursday	7:30 PM	Jan. 12	Pam Lewis, Dan Goldberg, Lucy McCloskey, Joanne Kerfonta & Lynda Kuzbel
Agility Games Drop-ins Welcome	Friday	7:30 PM	Jan. 13	Sharon Hareza (Lucy McCloskey)
Beginner's Foundation Agility	Monday	8:15PM	Jan. 9	Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza
Beyond Beginner's Agility	Thursday Saturday	8:30 PM 5:00 PM	Jan. 12 Jan. 14	Pam Lewis & Lucy McCloskey
Handling Skills	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Jan 11	Dan Goldberg & Pam Lewis
Intermediate Agility	Wednesday	8:30 PM	Jan. 11	Lucy McCloskey & Paula Shimko
Advanced Agility I & II	Tuesday	7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Jan. 10	Amy Wustin & Emil Pohodich & Terri Chasser (Pete Grandillo, Sr.)
Teacup Agility (Drop-ins Welcome)	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Jan. 11	Emil & Barbara Pohodich
Teacup Agility (Daytime Class)	Monday	4:00 PM	Jan. 9	Tom Bandi & Phyllis Bandi

# 2012 Weekly Calendar

# KCTC SESSIONS AND WEEKLY CLASSES.

Month	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Jan 2012	1 NEW YEARS DAY	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Х	X	X	X	X	X
	8 Session I	9 Session I	10 Session I	11 Session I	12 Session I	13 Session I	14 Session I
	15 Session I	16 Session I	17 Session I	18 Session I	19 Session I	20 Session I	21 Session I
	22 Session I	23 Session I	24 Session I	25 Session I	26 Session I	27 Session I	28 Session I
	29 Session I	30 Session I	31 Session I	1 Session I	2 Session I	3 Session I	4 Session I
	5 Session I	6 Session I	7 Session I	8 Session I	9 Session I	10 Session I	11 Session I
Feb 2012	12 Session I	13 Session I	14 Session I	15 Session I	16 Session I	17 Session I	18 Session I
	19 Session I	20 Session I	21 Session I	22 Session I	23 Session I	24 Session I	25 Session I
	26	27	28	29	1	2	3
	Х	X	X	X	Х	X	Х
Mar 2012	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Х	X	X	X	X	X	Х
	11	12	13	14	15	16 Session II	17 Session II
	X	X	X	X	X		
	18 Session II	19 Session II	20 Session II	21 Session II	22 Session II	23 Session II	24 Session II
	25 Session II	26 Session II	27 Session II	28 Session II	29 Session II	30 Session II	31 Session II

Month	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Session II	2 Session II	<b>3</b> Session II	4 Session II	5 Session II	<b>6</b> Good Friday	<b>7</b> Holy Saturday
	<b>8</b> Easter Sunday	9 Session II	10 Session II	11 Session II	12 Session II	13 Session II	14 Session II
Apr 2012	15 Session II	16 Session II	17 Session II	18 Session II	19 Session II	20 Session II	21 Session II
	22 Session II	23 Session II	24 Session II	25 Session II	26 Session II	<b>27</b> Teacup Trial	28 Teacup Trial
	<b>29</b> Teacup Trial	30 Session II	1 Session II	2 Session II	3 Session II	4 Session II	5 Session II
	6 Session II	7 X	8 X	9 X	10 X	11 Session II	12 Session II
	<b>13</b> Session II	14	15	16	17	18	19
May	Mothers Day	X	X	X	X	X	X
2012	20	21	22	23	24	25	<b>26</b> Holiday
	X	X	X	X	X	X	nulluay
	<b>27</b> Holiday	<b>28</b> Memorial Day	29 Session III	30 Session III	31 Session III	1 Session III	2 Session III
	3 Session III	4 Session III	5 Session III	6 Session III	7 Session III	8 Session III	9 Session III
	10 Session III	11 Session III	12 Session III	13 Session III	14 Session III	15 Session III	16 Session III
Jun 2012	<b>17</b> Session III Fathers Day	18 Session III	19 Session III	20 Session III	21 Session III	22 Session III	23 Session III
	24 Session III	25 Session III	26 Session III	27 Session III	28 Session III	29 Session III	30 Session III
Jul 2012	1 Session III	2 Session III	<b>3</b> Holiday	4 Independence Day	<b>5</b> Holiday	6 Session III	7 Session III
	8 Session III	9 Session III	10 Session III	11 Session III	12 Session III	13 Session III	14 Session III

Month	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	15 Session III	16 Session III	17 Session III	18 Session III	19 Session III	20	21
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	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	X	X	X	X	X	X	Х
	29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	Х	X	X	Х	X	X	Х
	5 Session IV	6 Session IV	7 Session IV	8 Session IV	9 Session IV	10 Session IV	11 Session IV
	12 Session IV	13 Session IV	14 Session IV	15 Session IV	16 Session IV	17 Session IV	18 Session IV
Aug 2012	19 Session IV	20 Session IV	21 Session IV	22 Session IV	23 Session IV	24 Session IV	25 Session IV
	26 Session IV	27 Session IV	28 Session IV	29 Session IV	30 Session IV	31 Session IV	<b>1</b> Labor Day
	<b>2</b> Labor Day	<b>3</b> Labor Day	4 Session IV	5 Session IV	6 Session IV	7 Session IV	8 Session IV
	9 Session IV	10 Session IV	11 Session IV	12 Session IV	13 Session IV	14 Session IV	15 Session IV
Sep 2012	16 Session IV	17 Session IV	18 Session IV	19 Session IV	20 Session IV	21 Session IV	22 Session IV
	23 Session IV	24 Session IV	25 X	26 X	27 X	28 X	29 Session IV
	30 X	1 X	2 X	3 X	4 X	<b>5</b> Teacup Trial?	<b>6</b> Teacup Trial?
Oct 2012	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Teacup Trial?	X	X	X	X	X	Х
	14	15	16	17 Session V	18	19	20
	X	X	X		X	X	X
	21 Session V	22 Session V	23 Session V	24 Session V	25 Session V	26 Session V	27 Session V

Month	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	28 Session V	29 Session V	30 Session V	<b>31</b> Halloween	1 Session V	2 Session V	3 Session V
	4 Session V	5 Session V	6 Session V	<b>7</b> Session V	8 Session V	9 Session V	10 Session V
	<b>11</b> Session V	12 Session V	13 Session V	14 Session V	15 Session V	16 Session V	17 Session V
Nov 2012	18 Session V	19 Session V	20 Session V	<b>21</b> Thanksgiving	<b>22</b> Thanksgiving Day	23 Thanksgiving	24 Thanksgiving
	<b>25</b> Thanksgiving	26 Session V	27 Session V	28 Session V	29 Session V	<b>30</b> Session V	1 Session V
Dec 2012	2 Session V	<b>3</b> Holiday Party	4 Session V	5 Session V	6 Session V	7 Session V	8 Session V
	9 Session V	10 Session V	11 X	12 Session V	<b>13</b> Session V	14 Session V	15 Session V
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Х	X	Х	X	X	X	Х
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Х	X	Christmas Day	Х	X	X	X
	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
	Х	X	New Years Day	X	X	Х	X