

UPCOMING TRIALS AND RUN-THROUGHS AT MERRIMAC DOG TRAINING CENTER

Address: *15 Newsome Place, Hampton (It's 5 minutes beyond the exit from the HRBT)*

Note: *You do NOT need to pre-register for the run-thrus; however, you MUST turn in your entry for a trial before the stated closing date. That means you must mail it several days before (unless the trial allows online entries, which is happening more and more...thank goodness!)*

MARCH

Sat - Sun **Mar 11-12 - Tidelands Poodle Club Agility Trial** with Pam Johnson. Opens January 23, closes February 25. Get your premium list [here](#). Contact: Linda Walker kelevtova@gmail.com 757 268-7360.

Sat **Mar 18 - Obedience/Rally and Conformation run-throughs –**

Obedience/Rally run-through registration 8:30 to 10 AM - showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open Classes. Unless posted on this website by 11 March, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on Judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 11 March, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117.

Conformation is being offered on a trial basis at the March & April 2017 Run-throughs. Changes in times and rules may be made based on lessons learned at the February Run-through. Check later to see if there are changes and to see if Conformation will be offered at future run-throughs.

Conformation run-through registration 11 AM to 1 PM (No Conformation Registration is allowed before 11 AM). Conformation showing starts at 1 PM (there will be no Conformation Showing before 1 PM and starting conformation showing is subject to completion of Obedience/Rally). Each conformation run is \$5 per run. A conformation Run will consist of individual examination of the dog then participation in a small "group" (size of group depending on entry).

The following rules apply to Conformation.

1. *Handlers may leave at end of their individual run if choosing not to participate in the group simulation.*
2. *Handlers may sign up for multiple runs.*
3. *No grooming in the building is allowed (other than light brushing – no stripping, blow dryers, etc.)*
4. *No chalking or powdered dogs.*
5. *ALL Non-member Crating of Conformation dogs must be in the "Building 17 or*

“Annex” portion of the facility.

6. *All dogs entering the facility are required to have shots as recommended by their veterinary based on the age of the dog. Since Judges will be handling the dog’s mouths, please be prepared to show evidence (tags or certificate) of Rabies inoculation.*

7. *All dogs must be at least 4 months old.*

8. *Absolutely NO bitches in season are allowed to be shown or on the MDTC premises, inside or outside the buildings. Any violation of this will result in the offender being asked to leave the premises immediately. Contact Cat*

Vines cgmvinest@charter.net (757) 582-3728 or Joyce Britt jbgrammy@aol.com (757) 784-5432 for information about ring procedures.

APRIL

Sun **Apr 2 - Agility run-through.** Registration starts at 8:30 AM, runs start at 9 AM. \$7 for first run, \$5 for each additional same dog. FMI Linda Walker kelevtova@gmail.com 757 268-7360.

Sat-Sun **Apr 9-10 - Agility Trials** with John Defilippi. Opens January 25, closes March 25. Contact: Linda Walker kelevtova@gmail.com 757 268-7360.

Mon **Apr 17- Session 2 classes end** except for possible make-up classes listed [here](#).

Fri **Apr 21 - 1PM - 6 PM - Puppy Foundation: Skills and Games Workshop for Dog Sports given by Elizabeth Staley.** [Click here](#) to see the flyer. FMI Elizabeth Staley beaglebostonberner@yahoo.com.

Sun **Apr 23 - Obedience/Rally and Conformation run-throughs – Obedience/Rally** run-through registration 8:30 to 10 AM - showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open Classes. Unless posted on this website by 15 April, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on Judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 15 April, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117.

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MAY

Sat May 13 - Obedience/Rally run-thrus - Registration 8:30 to 10 AM, showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open classes. Unless posted on this website by 6 May, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 6 May, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117. Check back later to see if Conformation will still be offered.

JUNE

Sun Jun 4 - Obedience/Rally run-thrus - Registration 8:30 to 10 AM, showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open classes. Unless posted on this website by 28 May, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 28 May, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117. Check back later to see if Conformation will still be offered.

Sat-Sun Jun 10-11 - Barn Hunt Trials - More info later.

Mon June 12 - Session 3 classes end except for possible make-up classes listed [here](#).

Fri PM, Sat-Sun June 16-18 - Obedience/Rally Trials. Friday - 1 Rally trial; Saturday - 2 Rally trials & 1 Obedience trial; Sunday - 2 Obedience trials.

Obedience judges will be Jim Ham and Fred Buroff. Rally judges will be Friday Joanie Brobst, Saturday MaryAnn Mullen. Premium list is coming soon. Trial Secretary: Linda Walker kelevtova@gmail.com
Trial Chairman: Mary Sweany

JULY

Sat Jul 8 - Obedience/Rally run-thrus - Registration 8:30 to 10 AM, showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open classes. Unless posted on this website by 1 July, Utility will be available but start of

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Sat - Sun Jul 15-16 - Tideland's Poodle Club Barn Hunt trials. More info later.

AUGUST

Sun Aug 13 - Obedience/Rally run-thrus - Registration 8:30 to 10 AM, showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open classes. Unless posted on this website by 5 August, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 5 August, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117. Check back later to see if Conformation will still be offered.

Tue August 15 - Session 4 classes end except for possible make-up classes listed [here](#).

SEPTEMBER

Sat Sep 16 - Obedience/Rally run-thrus - Registration 8:30 to 10 AM, showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open classes. Unless posted on this website by 9 September, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 9 September, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117. Check back later to see if Conformation will still be offered.

OCTOBER

Sun Oct 15 - Obedience/Rally run-thrus - Registration 8:30 to 10 AM, showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open classes. Unless posted on this website by 7 October, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 7 October, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117. Check back later to see if Conformation will still be offered.

Mon Oct 16 - Session 5 classes end except for possible make-up classes listed [here](#).

NOVEMBER

Sat-Sun **Nov 11-12 - Barn Hunt Trials** - More info later.

Sat **Nov 18 - Obedience/Rally run-thrus** - Registration 8:30 to 10 AM, showing starts at 9 AM. Obedience runs \$8, \$7, \$5 SAME dog; Rally runs \$5 each. BN/Novice and Open classes. Unless posted on this website by 11 November, Utility will be available but start of showing may be delayed until completion of Novice or Open depending on judge availability (refunds will be issued to anyone who cannot wait until utility showing starts). Unless posted on this website by 11 November, Rally will be available. Anyone wishing to receive additional information or e-mail updates on run-thrus, contact Jim Swimme vestra@verizon.net (757) 488-7117. Check back later to see if Conformation will still be offered.