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This is my last President's letter to all of you. We have achieved so much this past year and without the support and volunteerism of all of you, many of the accomplishments would not have happened. This is a good club and I am sure the new Board will work hard to make it an even better club. Keep volunteering. Remember, it is your club. You make it what it is.

I want to congratulate the two DOCOF teams. We had two very strong teams this year and everyone did their best and I hope all of you had fun.

In mid November I will begin to look for stewards for our January obedience/rally show. Please consider helping and keep in mind that you will earn reward points which can be used to pay for half of a 7-week class.

Regina Compton - President

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS ARE DUE

OCTOBER 1

RENEWAL FORM ENCLOSED



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Training Sessions Continue
New Session begins Oct 31
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Canine Good Citizen Testing

October 24 6:30 PM
MADTA Training Building

Election Meeting

Tuesday, September 20
7:45 PM

UKC Conformation Show

SE Livestock Pavilion -- Yellow Building
September 24/25, 2011
All Breeds and Altereds,
Except Belgium Shepherd Dogs
Puppies (3-6 months)
Check the website & MADTAails for details

Novice Obedience / Rally Seminar November 27, 2011

Moderators: Sally Hensen & Sharon Simon
MADTA Training Building
10 Working spots - Unlimited audit
Check the website & MADTAails for details

UKC Rally Extravaganza

3-days of UKC Rally ONLY
December 9-11, 2011

Pure-bred and mixed breed dogs may compete in AKC and UKC events. Dogs must be registered with the AKC www.akc.org or UKC www.ukcdogs.com registries. Go to either or both websites for details.



BRAGS

DOCOF was held on September 4. We had two really good teams this year. Team 1 came in 5th and Team 2 came in 17th out of 39 teams.

Rachel Flatley and Wisp on Team 1 took first place in Novice and high in trial with a 197-1/2. Lee Saputo and Mystique on Team 1 took first place in Utility with a 197 and first place overall in Utility. Aline Brisendine and Gabe on Team 1 contributed the high Open score with a 193. That combination won the High Tri-Combined Award which is given to the team with the highest utility, open and novice combined scores. Congratulations to the 3 of you and to the two teams.

Every one of the team members tried so hard and we hope all of you had fun.

Regina and Carol



Wisp and I want to thank all 18+ of our MADTA teammates for a super DOCOF weekend. What a neat group we had in attendance. I believe Wisp was the greenhorn in our group at 2. I know we had 2 senior dogs, one of which was over 12. It was very nice to be part of a team of people who understand that,

as they say, there is no "I" in "team". Everyone contributed and there was a great sense of friendship and camaraderie. Thanks to Joan Stewart, whom I had just met for the first time earlier that day. Even though everyone was tired and wanted to go home, Joan stayed on to help me load the table I had brought down for our buffet lunch. Thank you, Joan!

Wisp scored 197.5 and won the Novice class. We were very excited, but were even more excited to learn that we, along with two of our MADTA teammates (you'll have to read their brags to see who) won the High Tri-Combined Team award as well. What a great surprise that was! The "cherry on top" was winning High In Trial with Wisp. A year ago Wisp wouldn't have been able to function in that environment and this year she was top dog in a show with 325 entered. The message? Believe in yourself and your dog. If you are patient, clear and fun in your training, anything is possible..so get out there and go for it!

Rachel Flatley



Friday, my bouncy Beardie, earned the final leg on her CD on August 21 at a trial in St. Pete, making her Kirriemuir's Legend at Bedlam BN, RA, CD.

Alice Bixler



At the Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg trials held 8/27-8/28 Standard Schnauzer, **Brinks**, CH Shana's Bbonded-n-Insured UDX VER RA placed 4th in utility B and second in open B (with a 195). He also earned 2 UDX legs toward his UDX2.

Linda Hubbard



Dog Training Club of St. Pete. Aug 28

Pogo, Lowchen, earned his 1st obedience Novice Leg. Pogo is owned and handled by Melanie.

Takoda, Golden Retriever, earned his 5th RAE Rally Leg

Bear, Aussie, earned his Rally Novice title, 3rd Place.

Gabe, Sheltie, had been out for some months due to a foot injury. He's now back and am so proud of him.

Rally, Ex-B, 100, 1st Place, Adv-B, 100, 1st Place, earning his 8th RAE Leg. Also had him entered in Open B, qualified and also had to go for a runoff for 4th Place.

We did not win the runoff but was happy with his work especially not knowing if he would ever be able to compete again.

St. Pete., SOTC, Aug 20-21

Takoda, Golden Retriever, earned his 3rd & 4th Rally RAE legs. In Wild Card Novice, 4th place, 191 ½.

Gibbet, Briard, earned her Rally Novice Title, 1st place, 99 and her 1st Beginners Novice Leg, 2nd place, 194 ½.

Thank you Melanie with Pogo and Takoda, Bear, Gabe and Gibbet for jobs well done.

Aline



Marion- Alachua Dog Training Association July 19, 2011 MADTA Annual Dinner

Announcements by President, Regina Compton
8:00 pm, Regina called the room to attention for announcements...

--We are looking for an Asst Chief Ring Steward to assume full position in 2012

--Nominations for all officer positions are open

--DOCOF teams will be announced by 7-30-2011

--DOCOF tryouts to be held 7-21-2011

--Instructors Meeting rescheduled for 8-10-2011 in the Yellow Bldg at 6:30pm. There will be pizza available.

--Conformation handling classes now being offered on Friday evenings at 7:30 until the Sept UKC show. Adults are \$3 per night, Juniors are free.

Mary Ann read a first reading for Donna Killam as a new MADTA applicant.

Regina relayed her feelings: The BOD (including Karen VanGunst) inherited a large job, met that challenge and fixed what was broken. They have been criticized and abused verbally for their efforts although they have worked very hard. It takes time to fix problems.

Regina thanked the BOD for all their work and will continue to work with the new BOD. She thanked all committee members for all their work. She thanked Bob and Judy DuMond for coordinating this annual event.

Awards presentation followed...

DeDeBruno, Recording Secretary for this meeting



MATT TWITTY SEMINAR

A great seminar is now history but the memory of all our members who attended and either worked with their dogs or watched was inspiring to me, an old time dog handler. I received so many positive comments from the people who attended that I am considering planning another seminar with Matt, on drilling and proofing, in the spring. If there are enough people who didn't go to this seminar and would like to have him come back and repeat it for them, I will also consider doing that.

Sally Shaw, Sally Hensen, Karen Van Gunst, Regina Compton, Bob DuMond and my husband Ron did the set up on Friday. Then Aline and Melanie Brisendine, Joan Stewart, Keith Sykes, Melanie Magamoll, Jan Chryst, Brenda Allison, Donna Hamm, and Gene Teany joined the Friday group to clean up. Thanks to all of you.

Carol



MADTA Membership Meeting August 16, 2011

President Regina Compton called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. There were 40+ members in attendance. Members of the Board at the meeting were: President Compton, VP Sue Ann Bailey (acting as Recording Secretary), Treasurer Carol Harrison, Secretary Donna Hamm and board members Barb Copping, Darcy Barnes, Bob Dumond and Nellie Walter. Jean Albrecht-Murphy was absent.

President's Report: President Compton reported the names of MADTA members who have been invited to the AKC December invitational at Orlando: In conformation Sharon Hatcher, Janet Barber and Michelle Holmes: in obedience Linda Hubbard and Mary Jane Kelley; and Kathy Hunt in Agility. In addition, Junior members Angelina Antonaccio and Brittany Landers were also invited in obedience for juniors. Carol Harrison explained how a person-dog team gets invited.

Treasurer's Report: Carol Harrison reported the banking totals. The Matt Twitty seminar was profitable.

Secretary's Report: The club received a thank-you note from Jessica Fowler on the plaque given her at the annual awards banquet as well as the support she has received at the conclusion of her junior membership

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Training Committee: Donna Hamm reported on this committee in the absence of Jean Murphy. The results of the training questionnaire returned by 35 respondents: Suggestions were smaller class sizes for Agility and Rally, which might be accomplished by offering each class twice on same day.

Training method questions commented on using rule books more completely in classes; more positive methods, instructors with encouragement and offering different ways to accomplish tasks, classes need should not be boring or stagnant.



OBEDIENCE, RALLY & AGILITY TRAINING

Classes are 7 weeks unless otherwise indicated.

Next session begins October 31.

OBEDIENCE / RALLY CLASSES

On Mondays beginning 8/29

@ 9:00am: **Beginner**

@ 10:00am **Rally Class – All Levels**

@ 11:00am: **Rally Run-throughs**

* @ 6:15pm: **Puppy Kindergarten Class** (under 4 mos)

@ 6:30pm: **Advanced Beginners-Bring Dogs 1st Class**

* @ 7:00pm: **Beginner** (over 4 mos)

@ 7:30pm: **Rally Beginner – 4 Weeks**

*NO DOGS 1st Night/Both Classes meet @ 7 PM 1st night

On Tuesdays beginning 9/6

@ 10:00am **Novice / Pre-Open**

@ 5:45pm: **Open Floor (2 rings until 7PM)**

@ 7:00pm: **Open Floor (1 ring)**

@ 7:00pm: **Drop-in Class (See Below)**

On Wednesdays beginning 9/7

@ 9:00/9:30am: **Open Floor**

@ 7:00pm: **Conformation Run-Thrus**

@ 6:30pm: **Utility Obedience – 4 Weeks**

@ 7:15pm: **Group Exercises – 4 Weeks**

@ 7:30pm: **Open Obedience – 4 Weeks**

On Thursdays beginning 9/8

@ 5:30pm: **Obedience Run-Thrus (Both Rings)**

(Must be out of ring by 7 PM---Classes follow)

@ 7:00pm: **Novice / Pre-Open**

@ 7:15pm: **Rally Classes**

@ 8:30pm: **Rally Run Thrus**

On Fridays beginning 9/9

@ 6:00pm: **4H Beginner**

OBEDIENCE DROP-IN CLASSES

Tuesdays from 7pm to 7:45pm

Class Limit: 8 -- \$10/per dog per night

Pre-Register with the instructor by email

Each class is offered multiple times.

Pick the date that fits your schedule.

Heeling/Attention Class

Janet Barber (Judgejanet@earthlink.net)

Sept 6, Oct 4, Nov 1 and Dec 6

Distraction Class

Keith Sykes (yk9worry@gmail.com)

Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13

Handler's Do's & Don'ts Class

Carol Harrison (noralle@embarqmail.com)

Sept 27 – Novice, Oct 25 – Open, Nov 22 – Utility

Come early the first night of class for registration. You may obtain class registration forms from the website at www.madta.org to speed up registration. Bring proof of vaccinations. Obedience / Rally is indoors on mats.

There are several new classes and new times for courses. The schedule is also available on the website.

Nominating Committee: Sue Ann Bailey reported the nomination slate. She asked for nominations from the floor for each position. Pam Primus asked to have her name added to the slate for the position of treasurer.

Membership Committee: Mary Ann Fitch reported there was one First Reading of a potential member: Fran Truett for reinstatement. Second reading for Donna Killen as proposed member. She was accepted into membership.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Rewards Program: Regina announced the new Rewards Program. She made the list of points and summary available for members. The information will be in MADTAILS and the website.

Matt Twitty Seminar: Carol Harrison reported that the Seminar was a resounding success. Comments from members who attended were positive and several indicated they would be interested in a second seminar by Matt Twitty.

NEW BUSINESS:

Applications to be included in the Ocala Christmas parade are being made available. Mary Antonaccio volunteered to organize the members and their dogs who wish to be included.

Junior Jamboree invitees Angelina Antonaccio and Brittany Landers reported on the experience and thanked the club for sponsoring their attendance.

Brags were offered by several members.

Next membership meeting will be Sept.20.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Ann Bailey, Vice President, Acting as Recording Secretary.



MEET THE CANDIDATES

For President:

Barbara Copping

I have retired from law enforcement and enjoy training and showing both my horses and my 2 Australian Shepherds. I have been a member of MADTA for 3 years now. I started my dog Maddee in the puppy kindergarten and continued to follow the teachings of MADTA's instructors. I have earned titles in AKC Rally: RN, RA & Beginner Novice. I also have titled Maddee in UKC and ASCA.

I was elected to the MADTA Board in 2010 and volunteered to handle the clubs web site. This last year has been a trying year for the club and I hope to continue to move the club forward, with the help of the members we should do very well in the future.

This year the position of President was going to be vacant unless someone stepped up to take the "leash". I must admit I continue to learn more every day in regards to dog clubs and what it does take to have a successful club.

The new class schedule will be printed in MADTAILS.

For Vice - President: Choose 1

DeDe Bruno

Hi there. For those of you that don't know me, here's a short bio for you...

A native of California, I've called Florida home for over 30 years. I have been involved in working with dogs for most of those 30+ years. I'm currently active with my dogs in the breed ring, obedience and rally rings, as well as protection sports. The dobermann is the love of my life, but I have worked with many breeds over the years.

I am currently a Rally co-instructor here at MADTA, as well as Novice / Pre-Open instructor. I am also a CGC evaluator, an AKC Mentor and an AKC Ambassador. I enjoy teaching anyone and everyone about the joys of responsible dog ownership. I've helped to organize and run several "Show-N-Go's", CGC's and various trials/shows during my time with MADTA. I plan to continue this long into the future. Our community needs the education and experience that the membership here has to offer!

I have been the Vice President of UMDTA (the UKC side of our club) for 2 years now and want nothing more than to see our Club grow and reach out to our community to help educate.

Donna Hamm

Hi, I've been a MADTA member for more than 5 years and stepped into the newsletter editor role with Nancy Frazier as the co-editor before I barely cleared second reading. Since joining MADTA I've trained in agility, obedience and rally and earned titles in each and worked in almost all positions at our AKC and UKC trials. Many of you have offered help on our journey and my dogs are grateful you assisted. They knew I needed some guidance.

This past January, in a moment of weakness (I'd call it insanity), I volunteered for the vacated Secretary position. It is a documentation intensive role and in conjunction with the newsletter was really too much. My thanks to Sue Ann and DeDe who have helped out. Sanity has returned and I ask for your consideration to continue on the board. The VP role is much more manageable as it does not require the massive amounts of documentation that the Secretary role required. Karen VanGunst did a great job for many years and I'm sure Mary Antonaccio will do an equally good job as Secretary and I'll give her all the help she wants. I did my best.

You continue to keep our club active and strong in its role as a community resource and as a great place to work and train our dogs. My hat is off to all of you who willingly and enthusiastically answer the calls for assistance. MADTA is so much more than a dog club. I've made some very strong, long lasting friendships here. Good Friends, Good Dogs, Good Times. Does it get any better than that?

For Secretary:

Mary Konyha Antonaccio

I have been a member of MADTA since June 2010. I participated in training classes about 6 months prior to

that. I would like to run for the position of Secretary. I have a BA in social work and I have been told that I have effective communication skills both orally and written. I feel confident that my writing abilities and computer skills provide me the expertise required to fulfill the responsibilities of the position. I know that I do lack knowledge about certain aspects of dog training and certainly of dog showing but I am learning with the help of MADTA and the members. My goal is to get more involved with the group. What better way to learn more, then from the ground up.

My daughter has enjoyed classes at MADTA and plans on continuing classes and growing as a handler and possibly a trainer someday. I feel it is very important for parents to get involved and stay involved in their children's lives. I would love to see MADTA continue to reach out to the youth in our community, possibly even developing a JR Board to plan and assist with some community activities. This would encourage responsible dog ownership now and in the future.

I would also like to see some effort at corporate sponsorship. By this I mean negotiating with local business for possible membership discounts of some kind. This would provide members a tangible benefit to their membership thereby encouraging membership which could increase revenue.

I know that if given the opportunity, I can be an asset to this Board. I am dependable, responsible and articulate. I can and would dedicate my time and effort to ensure that the tasks at hand were complete and concise to the best of my ability.

I thank you in advance for your support in this endeavor and I hope that you can see your way clear of electing me as your next Secretary

For Treasurer: Choose 1

Carol Harrison

I have been a club member since 1994. Since October 2001, I have been your treasurer. I have put on two judging seminars, a couple of obedience seminars, put together several sho and gos and have taught classes and been a "go fer". Also since about 1998 Ron and I have been in charge of the AKC Obedience trial. At the beginning of MADTA agility we were trial chair and secretary and continued in that capacity for several years. I have been organizing DOCOF as well. I was instrumental in instituting the annual dinner apart from the Christmas party.

Most importantly, being your treasurer, I have attended to all bills and have been instrumental in safeguarding all funds from the original approximately \$5000 to what the treasury holds currently. I have seen that every bill has been paid as soon as possible after it was received and I have sought guidance whenever I thought it might be wise.

I would be pleased to be your treasurer for another year.

Pam Primus

Personal: SWF. Mother of two humans (Michael & Katie), two canines (Aaron & Haylee), two turtles (Gary & Charlie), and several other adopted critters.

Professional: BA language and Slavic history, BS nursing, MS education. Currently working at Shands at the University of Florida, Quality Department, patient safety. I have extensive critical care nursing experience (30 plus years), with burns, pediatrics, Life Flight, and trauma. I have started departments, taught nursing and been a Neuroscience Nursing Director at several Hospitals.

Treasurer Qualifications: I have been treasurer in the past for both a local and District PTA in Arizona. I maintain books for some elders. I have been bonded and am honest in my words with people (even if you don't like what is said).

MADTA: I have been a member several years and have volunteered every year for a variety of needs. I believe this club belongs to each of us and it is only as good as what we put into it. Even if you can only help a little-**YOU DO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

Why I want to become treasurer? I know I can commit to the time required. I believe no one should hold any position more than two terms. Transparency is not just a word- you should know where every penny comes and goes.

"the problems that exist in the world today cannot be solved by the same level of thinking that created them."
Albert Einstein

For Training Director:

Janet Barber

-Member of MADTA along with husband Dale for over 25 years

-DOCOF High Score Dog with "Flash" Ch. Etched in Silver UD, AXP,OA,OAJ

DOCOF 3rd Place Novice with "Bryan" Ch. Jandale I'll Take the Stars CDX,RA,OA,OAJ

-One OTCH, multiple UDX's and UD's in Obedience

-Trained dogs to MX, MXJ in Agility

-Invited to 2011 AKC/Eukanuba Invitational with Ch.

Jandale Mind If I Stay NA,NAJ from the Bred-By class

-Breeder /Owner/Handler of Champion Shetland Sheepdogs under the Jandale Kennel name

-Professionally a Trainer of National Champion Arabians, Morgans, Saddlebreds and National Show Horses, as well as Equitation Riders

-United States Equestrian Federation Horse Show Judge – 8 Breeds – 15 National Breed Finals , as well as International Judging in England,Australia,Amsterdam and Canada

For Board of Director:

(2-year term – Choose 2)

Alice Bixler

My intro to obedience came in 1958 when my Dad bought an Irish Setter pup for me. Unfortunately, Dad didn't know the dog world considers a dog a puppy till the age of a year and when I opened my pup's crate, out

bounded a seven-month-old, 70 lb. hooligan who had never been on a lead. First stop - obedience class. Encouraged by my instructor, I eventually entered my Irish in trials where I learned the meaning of humility, not to mention true embarrassment. My face matched his coat color. In the late 1960s, I acquired my first Beardie. I had moved from Miami to Canada (culture shock) and happened to meet another Beardie owner (Carol Gold) which was surprising considering there were only five of the breed in the country. We joined forces to start the Bearded Collie Club of Canada and work toward recognition of the breed. Carol encouraged me to join her club, the North York Obedience Club and we became part of the group's demonstration drill team. One of my early Beardies earned her CD in Canada and when the AKC welcomed the breed into Miscellaneous, she crossed the border and earned a CD in the U.S., becoming the first of the breed to hold obedience titles in two countries. When I added Briards to the family, they too underwent obedience training. In addition to the North York club, I also trained with Can Do Obedience School in Toronto and in time I first assisted with their classes and then taught Beginners and Advanced Beginner classes for about eight years until I moved back to Florida. Over the years, I've put conformation championships on many of my dogs plus dogs owned by others.

With an avid interest in rare breeds, I've done many articles, judged dozens of rare breed shows and for several years I've authored a monthly rare breed spotlight in Dog World magazine. I'm a life member of the Bearded Collie Club of Canada, the Canadian Kennel Club and the Briard Club of America. I was one of the people who helped get AKC recognition for the Lowchen and was LCA president a few years ago. I'm an AKC conformation judge and a Breeder of Merit. I'm not sure of the exact date I joined MADTA but I think it was about six or seven years ago. Just for the record, I believe we all joined MADTA because of our dogs; to understand them, bond with them, have fun with them and train them in a kind and positive manner. We run classes as a service to the community so others can learn to appreciate their dogs and their potential as well. That's a large and meaningful endeavour and we need a healthy team spirit to carry it out. Frankly, I don't care much for politics but I've come to realize if you don't take part, you have only yourself to blame for what transpires.

Warren Landers

Even though I have only been a member of MADTA for a year, I have been involved in MADTA related activities for the past 4 years, through my daughter, Brittany. MADTA trainers have helped her in obedience, agility, rally and confirmation and I feel that with this board position, I can pay back some of what has been given to us. I feel that I can help MADTA because I have a strong support system from home, I have the time it takes to help out with different MADTA events, and I can bring new ideas to the group. I also enjoy volunteering and feel I am very dependable. Since I have spent a lot of time over the past 4 years at the dog classes and

events, I have learned a lot, but through this position I know I can learn a lot more. I feel that although MADTA offers many classes, a lot of the community are not aware of what we offer. I would like to see a little more outreach to the community to not only make them more responsible dog owners, but also add potential members thus generating more revenue for the club. Thank you for considering me for this position.

Robin Stewart

For those of you who don't know me I'd like to share a little about myself.

I grew up in Illinois farm country. Animals of all kinds have been a major part of my life as long as I can remember. We moved to the Florida Keys where I finished high school and earned a BA in Christian Education. I went on to teach school for many years. I now work as a certified medical assistant for a local surgeon.

In 1990, after moving to Ocala, I became involved in showing my Appaloosa horse. I thought nothing could equal training and showing horses but I was wrong! I became a MADTA member about five years ago and have since become completely addicted to training my dogs. My papillon, Ezri, and I recently earned our MACH and I am working with my young sheltie.

For the past couple of years I have taught our club's Introduction to Agility class with Donna Hamm and have assisted Michelle Barnes with the rest of our agility classes. I love seeing my students learn to enjoy the sport that I have come to love. I enjoy working with MADTA's agility trial and am looking forward to stewarding at more of our obedience trials. I would like to learn to compete in Rally with my sheltie, Chakotay.

I have good organizational skills and am willing to work hard to make this club the best it can be. I am excited about helping MADTA continue to become even more of an asset to our community and its pets.

Nellie Walter

A native of Florida, I grew up here and in the San Fernando Valley of California. Currently I have my own tax and accounting business in Orange Springs, where I have lived for 28 years.

About 19 years ago I became fascinated with Dobermans because of their loyalty, intelligence and willingness to work. My Dobermans introduced me to the world of dog training and showing. I have bred, trained and titled all of my dogs personally in AKC, UKC, Schutzhund and personal protection sports. I am active with my dogs in conformation, obedience and rally.

Since becoming a member of MADTA/UMDTA I have volunteered as steward for our AKC trials and have been Trial Chairman for our last 2 UKC trials. I have also represented MADTA and been a steward for the DCOF trials. In addition I have organized Show-N-Go's, have helped as an AKC CGC evaluator and currently instruct the Monday day time Rally classes and assist with the Friday evening Junior Show Handling class.

I have served MADTA/UMDTA as a board member for the last 2 years. The current board has faced and overcome a lot of difficulties but still has a way to go. I

am proud to have been part of this board and would like to be able to assist in the future of our club.

I feel it is very important that MADTA/UMDTA continue to educate the public in the joys of responsible dog ownership and provide the opportunity to all dogs in the area to earn titles and recognition through our affiliation with the AKC and the UKC.

For Board of Director: (1-year term – Choose 1)

Regina Compton

I am running for a one-year Board position to help the new Board with a smooth transition as most of the current Board will be gone.

My dog Raynor and I earned an OTCH in 2007. I have been doing obedience since 1976, both here in Ocala and in West Palm Beach where I was treasurer of the West Palm dog club before moving from West Palm in 1997.

I have been a member of Madta for 13-1/2 years, have served as a Board member and for the past 6 or more years as vice president and this past year as president. I have been chief ring steward for the past 6 years and have helped at the agility trials and assisted at many of Madta's activities and have taught obedience classes in Novice and Open.

I taught obedience to the 4-H group who are dear to my heart for many years and this year will assist Jeff Kern who will be the lead instructor for the 4-H group.

Sally Shaw

I have been involved with horses for the past 40 years, training and giving riding instructions. I have run my own business for the past 20 years and have trained and competed up thru National levels. During this time I was President of a local club and have been on the board of two clubs.

I have been a member of MADTA for the past 3 years. I started classes with my dog Connie in puppy kindergarten and have not stopped training and learning since. I have earned 16 titles from Rally, Obedience and Agility. I am competing in AKC, UKC, SDA and ASCA. I have also received 4 high in trials, 1 with my neighbors dog. I have been helping out at MADTA's events and have been instructing the advanced beginner class this past year.

I look forward to being on the board so I can help MADTA grow and become a stronger and more successful club

ELECTION DAY TUESDAY, SEPT 20 7:45 PM





AGILITY CLASSES -- 7 Week Classes

On Mondays – Coming in October

@ 6:30pm: **TBD**

On Tuesdays beginning 9/6

@ 6:30pm: **Introduction to Agility**

@ 7:30pm: **Open Field**

On Wednesdays beginning 9/7

@ 6:00pm: **4H Agility**

On Thursdays beginning 9/8

@6:30pm: **Agility Run-throughs**

Come early the first night of class for registration. You may obtain class registration forms from the website at www.madta.org to speed up registration. Bring proof of vaccinations. Agility is outdoors on grass and fenced.

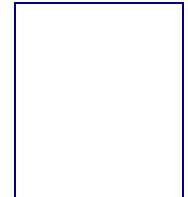
Bring lots of yummy treats for your dog. Also bring a crate or exercise pen to secure your dog while handlers are working with the agility instructor without the dog.

DOCOF Teams

T e a m 1	Novice		5 th P L A C E
	Mary Anne Fitch	Rhett (Poodle)	
	Jim Stewart	Samantha (Aussie)	
	Rachel Flatley	Wisp (Border Collie)	
	Open		
	Aline Brisendine	Gabe (Sheltie)	
	Regina Compton	Tuxedo (Sheltie)	
	Carol Harrison	Gidget (Miniature Poodle)	
	Utility		
	Linda Hubbard	Brinks (Stand Schnauzer)	
Dick Mansell	Hop (Border Collie)		
Lee Saputo	Mystique (Sheltie)		
T e a m 2	Novice		1 7 th P L A C E
	Alice Bixler	Friday (Bearded Collie)	
	Melanie Brisendine	Pogo (Lowchen)	
	Brenda Allison	Knickers (Aussie)	
	Open		
	Joan Stewart	Taylor (Aussie)	
	Bob Saputo	Star (Sheltie)	
	Pat Ferguson	Sunny (Keeshond)	
	Utility		
	Reggie Cobb	Nina (Bouvier)	
Nancy Fitts	Ali (Border Collie)		
Fran D'Amico	Springer (Keeshond)		

**37 members attending a meeting constitute a quorum.
Please attend and participate in your club's business.**

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