



Catawba Valley Obedience Club

Serving the Catawba Valley Area, Hickory NC



Training Certifications & AKC Canine Good Citizenship • Family Dog Basics • Rally • Therapy Dog International • AKC Tricks

2019 Class Schedule

All classes are from 7:15 - 8:15 pm on Thursdays of each month. Classes are held at the Neill W. Clark, Jr. Recreation Park in Hickory, NC unless otherwise stated.

Class	Date	Public Fee	Hickory Fee*	Members
Family Dog Basics Class This is an introductory class for dogs and owners to learn basic obedience to make your dog a better behaved dog thus making owner and dog happier. We teach using a positive method with lots of treats. Subjects covered in this four week class include: potty training, general care for a dog, healing (walking your dog beside you on a leash), sit, down, sit/stay, heeling past other dog and people, being around children, dog sitting for exam, grooming your dog, recall (sit or down your dog, walking a short distance from dog, calling dog to come to owner), and socialization. Instructors: Revonda & Peggy Seitz	January 10 - January 31	\$45.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
Beginning Obedience Class Beginning Obedience is a carry through of our Family Dog Basics class. In six weeks - we will continue to learn *sit, down, stand, wait/stay, recalls, leave it petting or grooming by friendly stranger, ignoring other dogs, working under distraction, polite entry behavior. By the end of the class, many of the canine & handler teams will be ready for entry level obedience, rally obedience, FDC or CGC. Instructor: Sharii Hunt	February 14 - March 21	\$85.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Class The AKC's Canine Good Citizen program is the gold standard of behavior for dogs in our communities. Almost one million dogs, both purebred and mixed breed, have participated in the program since it began in 1989. Canine Good Citizen provides a great foundation for getting started in dog sports. The CGC award is a prerequisite for many therapy dog groups. Some homeowner's insurance companies encourage CGC testing, and an increasing number of apartments and condos require that resident dogs pass the CGC test. . Instructor: Suzanne Hefner	April 4 - April 18	\$35.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Test Evaluator: Suzanne Hefner	April 25	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$10.00

Spring Picnic - April 27, 2019 - Bring Picnic Food 11:30 - 2:00

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Rally Obedience Class Rally is fun! Rally is a class that emphasizes teamwork between the dog and handler. Multiple cues, both verbal and non-verbal, can be used. The first two levels are performed with the dog on lead. There are three higher levels performed with the dog off lead. Basic obedience exercises such as sit, down, stay, heel and come are used in various combinations to allow the dog/handler teams to show how they work together. Instructor: Barbara Busch	July 11 - August 1	\$45.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
Beginning Obedience Class This is an introduction in to formal obedience drawing from the basic skills, such as: - Attention - Sit/Down - Stay - Come - Controlled walking on leash - Good manners/behavior issues Instructor: Lori Hawkins	August 8 - September 12	\$85.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
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AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Test Evaluator: Suzanne Hefner	October 10	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$10.00
Therapy Dog International (TDI) Prep Class This course walks teams through all of the tests required for certification through TDI International. It is highly recommended that the Beginning Obedience Class be taken before enrolling in TDI prep. Dogs should be able to heel on the left side, sit, stay at a 20 ft. distance and be open to being petted by humans, not easily started and comfortable in the general vicinity of other dogs, etc. before taking TDI prep. This class is intended to train people how to show that they are in control of their dogs. The dogs should be already trained. Instructors: Kathy Lyday, Barbara Busch, Diane McGinnis	October 17 - November 14	\$45.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
Therapy Dog International (TDI) Test Certified Evaluator: To Be Announced	October 21 Participation will be limited	\$15.00	\$5.00	\$20.00
Beginner Clicker Training Instructors: Group	December 5 - December 19	To Come	\$5.00	To Come

Christmas Party - December 8, 2019 - Covered Dish