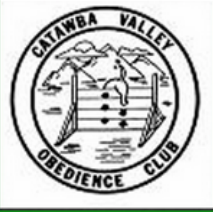




Catawba Valley Obedience Club

Serving the Catawba Valley Area, Hickory NC



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

2024 Class Schedule

Family Dog Basics

This introductory class is designed to get new dog owners and puppy/young dogs off to a good start. It covers tips on how to communicate with your dog by learning commands and general care of your dog.



Covers the Following:

- Sit
- Down
- Stay
- Coming when called
- Walking politely on a leash
- Grooming
- Housetraining & Crate Training
- Physical and Mental Exercise
- Basics of Behavior
- Training Equipment

Class Dates This Class is offered twice in 2024.

- January 11 - February 1, 2024
(Registration opens Dec. 11, 2023)

- July 11 - August 1
(Registration opens June 15, 2024)

Beginning Obedience

This is a continuation of our Family Dog Basics Class. Handlers and dogs will learn steps to become a more reliable dog and better companion.



Covers the Following:

- Leave it
- Sit/Stay
- Loose leash walking
- Heeling
- Off
- Recalls/Come when called
- Ignoring other dogs
- Greeting people
- Being petted/groomed by stranger
- Back

Class Dates This Class is offered twice in 2024.

- February 15 - March 21, 2024
(Registration opens January 15, 20)

- August 15 - September 19, 2024
(Registration opens July 15, 2024)

AKC Canine Good Citizen (CGC)

This course is designed to walk dog/handler teams through all of the tests required for CGC dog certification in a group environment. This class is designed to master 10 key skills.



Key Skills Covered:

- Accepting a friendly stranger
- Sitting politely for petting
- Appearance and grooming
- Out for a walk
- Walking through a crowd
- Sit and down on cue/Staying in place
- Coming when called
- Reacting to another dog
- Reacting to distractions
- Supervised separation

Class Dates This Class is only offered ONCE in 2024.

- April 4 - April 18, 2024
(Registration opens March 4, 2024)

Therapy Dog Prep

The Therapy Dog Prep class is for those teams (handler and dog) who are interested in taking the Therapy Dog International (TDI) examination to become a certified therapy dog.



For more information about Therapy Dog international, go to www.tdi-dog.org

Class Dates This Class is offered twice in 2024.

- May 9 - May 23 with mock test May 30, 2024
(Registration opens April 8, 2024)

- October 10 - October 24 with mock test November 7, 2024
November 9th Class is a Mock Test
(Registration opens September 9, 2024)

AKC Community CanineSM Class

AKC Community CanineSM is an advanced level of the Canine Good Citizen Program. In AKC Community Canine, dogs can earn the CGCA (Advanced CGC) title.

The goal of AKC Community Canine is to test the dog's skills in a natural setting. For example, rather than the dog being tested in a ring, in AKC Community Canine, the "walks through a crowd" text item will involve the dog walking through a real crowd at a dog show, on a busy sidewalks, at a training club or in a local park.



Class Dates

- November 21, 2024 and December 5, 2024
(Registration opens October 7, 2024)

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