



# Blue Ridge Dog Training Club, Inc.

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**CLASS SCHEDULE BEGINNING JANUARY, 2020. Preregistration required!**

Keep this page for your own reference. // Tip: mark classes & post this on your fridge.

Classes held at Sportsplex: 221 Commonwealth Court Winchester, VA 22602

**For possible weather cancellations, call 540-662-1664. Decisions made by 4:00 PM.**

**Class Descriptions:** For details, please see page 2.

**Class Size:** Class sizes are limited & noted. Slots filled "first-come, first-served." Register early to assure your space.

**This session is seven (7) weeks long.**

## Mondays

(Starting 01-13-2020)

**5:30–7:00 pm**

**Novice Agility\***

(Limit 12) Bring dogs first class!

**7:15–8:15 pm**

**Advanced**

**Competition Agility\***

(Limit 12) Bring dogs first class!

**8:30–9:30 pm**

**Advanced**

**Beginning Agility\***

(Limit 8) Bring dogs first class!

## Tuesdays

(Starting 01-14-2020)

**2:30–3:30 pm**

**Advanced Agility Handling\***

(Limit 6) Bring dogs first class!

**6:00–6:50 p.m.**

**Foundations of Agility \***

(Limit 6) Bring dogs first class!

**7:15–8:15 pm**

**Open Agility\***

(Limit 12) Bring dogs first class!

**8:30–9:30 pm**

**Fundamentals of Agility II\***

(Limit 8) Bring dogs first class!

\* Class has prerequisite.

**Agility students should be prepared to crate dogs.**

(Some crates available in the training room.)

### Limited Class Drop-Ins:

Contact instructor to confirm availability.

### Run-Thrus & Open Ring Practice

Not every week! Check our Calendar & Facebook Page to confirm dates!

Wednesday:	7:15–8:00 pm —	Novice & Open Rally
Thursday:	10:30–1:30 pm —	Obedience (Last sign-in @ 11:30)
	8:15–9:15 pm —	Masters & Excellent Rally

## Earlier start date: Fridays (Starting 01-10-2020)

### Beginning Agility \*

7:00–8:00 pm // (Limit 6) Bring dogs first class!

## Wednesdays

(Starting 01-15-2020)

**11:00–11:50 am**

**Exploration of Dog**

**Sports/ Activities I \***

(Limit 10) Bring dogs first class!

**2:15–3:15 pm**

**Beginning Agility \***

(Limit 5) Bring dogs first class!

**6:00–6:50 pm**

**Fundamentals of Agility I\***

(Limit 6) Bring dogs first class!

**7:00–7:50 pm**

**Exploration of Dog**

**Sports/ Activities I \***

(Limit 6) Bring dogs first class!

**8:15–9:15 pm**

**Rally Class \***

(Limit 6) Bring dogs first class!

## Thursdays

(Starting 01-16-2020)

**6:00–6:50 pm**

**S.T.A.R. Puppy**

(Limit 10) No dogs first class!

**7:00–7:50 pm**

**Beginner Obedience I/II**

(Limit 10) No dogs first class!

**Competition Obedience\***

(Limit 8) Bring dogs first class!

**8:00–8:50 pm**

**Open Obedience\***

(Limit 8) Bring dogs first class!

## Fridays

(Starting 01-17-2020)

**11:00–11:50 am**

**Beginner Obedience \***

(Limit 6) No dogs first class!

### Agility Workshops with Bridget Thomas

January 2020 — Visit brdct.org for details on sign up!

**Registration Deadline: Registration form *MUST BE RECEIVED* by JANUARY 3, 2020.**

Send form, payment, & shot record to: Blue Ridge Dog Training Club, ATTN: Classes, P.O. Box 104, Boyce VA 22620.

**Fees and Discounts:** The fee for the seven (7) week session is \$100.

BRDTC offers the following discounts for classes: \$25 per class for BRDTC members — OR — \$10 discount for the first class to any dog adopted from the County Shelter or Humane Society or other recognized 501c3 rescue organization — OR — \$10 off each dog for multiple dogs from the same family — OR — \$10 discount for senior citizens (60 +). ONE discount allowed per family per session.

**Parking:** Primary parking for BRDTC students is in the lots in the front or to the right of Sportsplex building.

Head-in parking in the rear currently is primarily for instructors and handicapped. BRDTC door is last door in the rear of the building. DO NOT park in adjacent business lots or in spaces reserved for other tenants along the rear of the building. The remaining pavement in the rear of the building is a fire lane and must be kept clear.

Driving directions on website (FAQ page).

**Run-Thrus\*\*:** No advance sign-up needed, unless specified on Activities Calendar. Open all who have appropriate level of experience in that particular dog sport. Show up and pay for as many runs as you would like to do. Fees vary.

**\*\*Check the website's Activity Calendar to verify Run-Thrus! BRDTC.org**



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## Course Descriptions

### OBEDIENCE CLASSES

#### **Star Puppy Obedience:** Puppies ages 3 to 5 months.

Get off to a great start with your puppy. At the conclusion of the class, puppies will have the option to test for AKC STAR Puppy designation.

#### **Beginner I Obedience:** Dogs ages 6 months and up.

Learn positive behavior modification, attention, proper leash handling and manners, and fundamental behaviors including recall, sit, stay, wait, down, and stand.

#### **Beginner II Obedience:**

**Prerequisite—STAR Puppy or Beginner I &/or Permission of Training Director.** Strengthen basic obedience skills and develop stronger teamwork between handler and dog. Emphasis on beginning Competition Obedience skills.

#### **Exploration of Dog Sports/Activities I:**

**Prerequisite— Completion of Beginning Obedience Class. Dog should be age 7 months & up.** Refresh & expand obedience skills & work on exercises for Beginner Novice Obedience & Rally. Focus on self-control & attention. Students who complete this class may be able to move on to Exploration II or Foundations of Agility, with Instructor Permission.

#### **Exploration of Dog Sports/Activities II:**

**Prerequisite— Completion of Exploration I. Dog should be age 9 months or up.** Focus on skills essential to dog-sports. Includes introduction to Rally and foundations of agility. Students who complete this class may be able to move on to Fundamentals of Agility I, with Instructor Permission.

#### **Preparation for Performance Obedience:**

**Prerequisite— Puppy or Basic Obedience.** Class addressing ring stress due to fading food lures, lack of focus, and/or environmental factors affecting the dog's performance.

#### **Competition Obedience:**

**Prerequisite— Completion of Basic Obedience through Exploration of Dog Sports I or Obedience Title & Instructor Permission.**

For dogs/handler teams interested in working toward their CD or other competition obedience title.

#### **Open Obedience:**

**Prerequisite— Preparation for Performance Obedience or Competition Obedience or CD title and Instructor Permission.**

This class targets handler skills needed for competing in Open Obedience and for those pursuing a CDX title. Class will include the following: heeling, command discrimination, drop on recall, retrieving exercises, jumping exercises. Dog/Handler teams must have attained at least one leg toward the UKC or AKC Companion Dog title or have instructor permission.

### RALLY CLASSES

#### **Novice Rally:** Prerequisite— Exploration I.

Introduction to the sport of Rally. AKC Novice Rally signs and rules will be covered. Dogs should have basic skills in obedience necessary to complete maneuvers and short sequences on lead.

#### **Advanced Rally:** Prerequisite— Novice Rally title &/or Instructor Permission.

Dogs should have earned their RN. Exercises will focus on the AKC Intermediate/Excellent Rally signs and exercises.

### AGILITY CLASSES

#### **Foundations of Agility I:** Prerequisite— Exploration I &

**Instructor Permission. Dog should be at least age 6 months.**

*Students should have some off-leash control of their dog in order to be eligible for this class.* Introduction of self-control and focus exercises, fundamental handling skills, team-building, and groundwork essential to future agility success.

#### **Fundamentals of Agility I:** Prerequisite— Foundations of Agility &/or Instructor Permission. Dog should be at least age 10 months.

*Students must have off-leash control of their dog in order to be eligible for this class.* Introduction of lowered equipment, self-control exercises, 2x2 method of weave pole training, & fundamental skills & groundwork essential to future agility success.

#### **Fundamentals of Agility II:** Prerequisite— Fundamentals I & Instructor Permission. Dog should be at least age 12 months.

Continued development of handler skills & dog skills including reliable contact behaviors and execution of lowered equipment, continued development of 2x2 weave poles, jumping skills, etc.

**Beginning Agility:** Prerequisite— Fundamentals II & Instructor Permission. Dog should be at least age 15 months. *Dogs may be tested at the first class and should have competence on agility equipment at lowered heights.* Skills emphasized will include competency progressing toward full-sized equipment, developing handling skills including crosses, drills, and simple sequences.

**Advanced Beginning Agility:** Prerequisite— Beginning Agility & Instructor Permission. *Dogs may be tested at first class.* Preparation for competition. Emphasis on handling challenges, sequences, skills, and competency on full-size equipment.

**Novice Agility:** Prerequisite— Advanced Beginning Agility & Instructor Permission. Focusing on introductory competition handling at the AKC Novice level of course design. Dogs should be able to do all obstacles at full height.

**Open Agility:** Prerequisite— Novice Agility Title or Equivalent & Instructor Permission. Dogs should be competent at six (6) regular weaves and working to master 12 weaves. Class difficulty will be at AKC Open level.

**Advanced Agility:** Prerequisite— Open Agility Title or Equivalent & Instructor Permission. For dogs who are actively competing and are ready to move forward from Open Agility. Class difficulty will be at the AKC Excellent/Masters level.

**Advanced Competition Agility:** Prerequisite— Agility Title & Instructor Permission. Focus on today's challenging Excellent/Masters & Premier competition using actual courses from AKC trials.

### OTHER CLASSES

**CGC/Therapy Dog Prep:** Prerequisite— Exploration I or Instructor Permission. For students pursuing the Canine Good Citizenship certificate and/or test to have a registered therapy dog. Focus on exercises from CGC and several national Therapy Dog tests.

**Novice Tricks:** Prerequisite— Beginner Obedience or Instructor Permission. Class will focus on Novice level AKC/DMWYD (Do More With Your Dog) Tricks Training and titling. Instructor will offer testing each week for those interested in pursuing titles, as well as offering testing dates following course completion.

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**REGISTRATION FOR CLASS SESSION BEGINNING JANUARY, 2020! Please Print Legibly – MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 3, 2020.**

Be sure to enclose completed form, copies of dog's shot records (if not on file), and payment. Mail to: BRDTC, ATTN: Classes, P.O. Box 104, Boyce VA 22620

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ • E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ • Work phone: \_\_\_\_\_ • Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Age: \_\_\_ Mos. or \_\_\_ Yrs. • Age acquired: \_\_\_\_\_ • Gender:  Male  Female • Spayed Neutered Intact

Vet's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ • Vet's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**If this dog has attended classes, please indicate type, level, dates attended, and training venue.**

\_\_\_ Obedience—Class/ Level: \_\_\_\_\_ // Date/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Rally—Class/ Level: \_\_\_\_\_ // Date/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Scentwork— Class/ Level: \_\_\_\_\_ // Date/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Agility— Class/ Level: \_\_\_\_\_ // Date/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are currently having any issues, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**Info for this dog is on file:  Yes  No — If no, complete the information below in full & attach shot records! (If you have taken classes at BRDTC with this dog in the last six months and all info is up-to-date, you may skip this section.)**

Have you owned a dog before?  Yes  No // If yes, other breed(s) owned? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you trained a dog before?  Yes  No // Using what method? \_\_\_\_\_

Dog is from:  Private breeder/kennel  Pet shop  Shelter/SPCA  Other source: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check each phrase that applies to your dog: \_\_\_ Has bitten owner \_\_\_ Has bitten family member

\_\_\_ Dislikes strangers \_\_\_ Shows fear of strangers \_\_\_ Is friendly with strangers \_\_\_ Has bitten stranger

\_\_\_ Can relax in a crate \_\_\_ Is afraid of noises \_\_\_ Needs space around other dogs \_\_\_ Fights with other dogs

**Please mark the class(es) that you want to take & calculate fees for them:**

\*(Please note pre-requisites on class description page or on BRDTC.org & remember to get instructor initials!)

Day	Time/Class		Fee(s)	Instructor Initials*
<b>Monday</b> (Begin January 13)	<input type="checkbox"/> 5:30 pm	Novice Agility *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 12.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:15 pm	Advanced Competition Agility *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 12.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 pm	Advanced Beginning Agility *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 8.)	\$100	_____*
<b>Tuesday</b> (Begin January 14)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:30 pm	Advanced Agility Handling *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 6.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 6:00 pm	Foundations of Agility * — bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 6.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:15 pm	Open Agility *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 12.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:30 pm	Fundamentals of Agility II *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 8.)	\$100	_____*
<b>Wednesday</b> (Begin January 15)	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:00 am	Exploration of Dog Sport I * — bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 10.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2:15 pm	Beginning Agility * — bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 5.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 6:00 pm	Fundamentals of Agility I *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 6.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 pm	Exploration of Dog Sport I *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 6.)	\$100	_____*
<b>Thursday</b> (Begin January 16)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:15 pm	Rally *— bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 6.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 6:00 pm	STAR Puppy — NO dogs 1st class. (Limit 10.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 pm	Competition Obedience * — bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 8.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 pm	Beginner Obedience I/II — NO dogs 1st class. (Limit 10.)	\$100	_____*
<b>Friday</b> (Begin January 10) (Begin January 17)	<input type="checkbox"/> 8:00 pm	Open Obedience * — bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 8.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 7:00 pm	Beginning Agility * — bring dogs 1st class. (Limit 6.)	\$100	_____*
	<input type="checkbox"/> 11:00 am	Beginner Obedience — NO dogs 1st class. (Limit 6.)	\$100	_____*

**Total Fees enclosed, less discount taken [limit one discount per dog per session; mark below]: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

\$25 BRDTC Member Per-Class Discount/  \$10 First Class Rescue Discount /  \$10 Multi-Dog Family Discount/  \$10 Senior Handler Discount(60+)

**Release:** In joining this group for the purpose of receiving instruction in dog training, I hereby assume all risks of and responsibility for accidents and/or damage, either to myself, to my property, or to others resulting from the actions of me and/or my dog, and I expressly agree that no instructor or other member of said group or any person or persons of the group shall be held liable personally or collectively under any circumstances, for injury and/or damage, to my person or for loss or injury to my property whether due to uncontrolled dogs or negligence of any member of or instructor of said group or any other cause or causes. (Release must be signed & dated)

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_