

# Berkley Parks & Recreation

# Dog Obedience Classes



## Advanced Dog Obedience - Wed 7 pm

This "next step up" 6 week long class will focus on sharper obedience work with an eye toward AKC Obedience competition in the Rally and Novice Rings. Off leash heeling is introduced and fine-tuning other exercises such as the Formal Recall, Figure 8, Group Exercises & Rally signage and performance are emphasized. These are excellent preparatory classes if you are considering competition in AKC Obedience and/or Rally ring. 1<sup>st</sup>-time competitors as well as seasoned showmen are welcome to attend in preparation for earning AKC titles. **January 9**

## Therapy Dog Prep & Eval Wed 8 pm

Class will help to prepare students and their dogs to become a certified Therapy Dog team. Class will also address safety precautions, proper visiting techniques, getting around medical equipment and more. Your dog will need to work reliably and test on a flat buckle collar or non-correcting harness (leash fastens on the dog's back) with a 6-foot leather or nylon leash. Dogs need to be proficient and reliable in basic obedience commands (heel, sit, down, leave it and stay). Dogs must be 1 year old by the last day of class. An offsite Therapy Dogs International (TDI) certification test will be performed on a Saturday after class completion. There is an additional \$5 test fee. **January 9**

## Canine Good Citizen (CGC) - Wed 8 pm

This fast-paced Intermediate class is designed to help handlers and dogs master the skills necessary to earn the AKC Canine Good Citizen Award and is open to all dogs (pure bred and mixed alike). Dogs MUST have previous classroom obedience training or completed Intro to Dog Obedience (SMOTC) prior to enrolling. Students may participate in the CGC evaluation on the last night of class. Only those that successfully meet the evaluation criteria will receive the distinctive Canine Good Citizen Award from the American Kennel Club. These are great preparatory classes for dogs competing in AKC Obedience and/or Rally ring. 1<sup>st</sup>-time competitors as well as seasoned showmen are welcome to attend in preparation for pursuing American Kennel Club titles. **January 30**

## Intro to Dog Obedience - Mon 7 or 8 pm

This 7 week foundation class is for all dogs who are at least 6 months old. Learn to train your dog to heel (walk) on lead next to you, sit and down stay, come when called and stand, to become a more enjoyable member of the family and prepare for participation in obedience competition. This is a fast moving class to teach you to teach your dog basic obedience. This class will require that you work with your dog 10-20 minutes a day during the duration of the classes for best results



## AKC Star Puppy Class - Mon 7 or 8 pm

SMOTC offers this class for puppies purebred or mixed approximately 3 - 5 months of age. Help your new "Best Friend" develop the good habits it needs in order to be a valued member of your family. Socialization, introduction to obedience & problem solving are covered in the classes. AKC STAR Puppy Certification is offered. Bring puppy with buckle collar & 6' leather leash and shot records to first night of class. Limit 7 puppies per class. 6 weeks.



**Monday classes begin January 14**

**All classes \$57 except Therapy classes \$42  
(add \$5 for Non-residents)**

Classes are held at the Berkley Community Center  
2400 Robina Avenue 248-658-3470

Register online at  
[berkley.maxgalaxy.net](http://berkley.maxgalaxy.net)