



ADTC BARKS AND BYTES

DECEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

Thanksgiving is over and since it came so late this year, Christmas is almost upon us. We hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving with family and friends, including our four-legged members. We hope that no one gave their dogs too much turkey as it can make them sick.

There have been several obedience and breed trials with a few more coming up before the end of the year. Unfortunately the deadlines have passed for most of them by the time you get this newsletter. However, next year will be a great time, if you feel your dog is ready to give it a try in either Rally or regular obedience. Be sure to speak to your instructor to see if she feels you are ready or need to wait and do more proofing. Now is the time to start checking out Info Dog to see what upcoming trials are listed for next year. It is so exciting to be one of the qualifiers to be called back into the ring to receive your green qualifying ribbon or if the club offers it, a lovely rosette placement or the blue, red, yellow or white placement ribbon. We are looking forward to hearing about member's achievements.

The next general meeting will be our annual Christmas party. The date is December 11 with the meeting at 7:00 in the downstairs dining area at Macungie Hall. Also do not forget to send in your club membership before the end of the year. And best of all, the Awards and Title Recognition. All this needs to be in by the end of the year. More on this in the newsletter below or check November's newsletter.

Reminder....the previous month's General Meeting Minutes will be included at the end of the newsletter, to help keep you even more informed.

TRAINING INFORMATION

WEDNESDAY EVENING TRAINING

5:45 to 6:45 Advanced Beginner/Novice I Carol McCarthy is the instructor

5:30 to 6:30 on meeting nights

6:45 to 7:45 Show Ready Novice/Novice II Phyllis is the instructor

6:30 to 7:30 on meeting nights

7:45 to 8:45 Open Phyllis is the instructor

Open class is held after the meeting on meeting nights

8:45 to 9:45 Utility Postponed Indefinitely

THURSDAY TRAINING

9:30 to 10:30 Utility Anna Guglielmo is the instructor

10:45 to 11:45 Open Anna Guglielmo is the instructor

10:30 to 11:30 Novice Club Training Dusty Springer is the instructor

THURSDAY INDOOR RING RENTAL

Whole Floor \$25. Half Floor \$15.

The following times are rented out on a permanent basis.

12:15 to 1:15 - Lunch Bunch (Sue Sacco's training buddies) - Whole Floor

1:30 to 2:30 - Liz Long and her training buddies - Whole Floor

4:00 to 5:00 - Jacqui Hartranft - Half Floor

4:30 to 5:30 - Anne Wheeler, Dave Dock and Jacqui Hartranft - Half Floor

OPEN TIMES:

2:30 to 4:30PM times are open.

If you wish to reserve ring time, please email Phyllis at phyllisbrod@comcast.net.

THURSDAY EVENING...RALLY TRAINING

Linda Krasley is conducting a Rally Masters Class at the present time. She does take drop-ins so if you are interested please get in touch with her. This is a great way to learn what the Masters class is all about.

Linda will also be having a Novice Rally class starting on December 12 which is a Thursday from 5:45 - 6:45. This will be a great opportunity for those who missed her summer Rally classes as well as newer members to take advantage of this class. You can sign up by emailing her at kenlin@rcn.com

So members, be sure to take advantage of the training opportunities available to you.

Because of the holidays which are fast approaching, there will be **no training on December 25 and 26 and also January 1 and 2**. So be sure to mark those dates on your calendar!!



AWARDS APPLICATION AND TITLE RECOGNITION

If you and your dog earned an AKC Title in 2019 while you were a member of ADTC, please fill out this application.

The Awards Application is available on the club website. www.allentowndogtrainingclub.com

Under Members tab, password ADTC1953

Directions for filling out this application:

1. Application must be filled out completely
2. Include a copy of your AKC certificate for the most recent title earned in 2019 with your application
3. Mail application to:
Judy Lasso
319 Chestnut Street
Freemansburg, PA 18017-6862.

Application must be received by the deadline of December 31, 2019

4. Any questions, please contact Judy Lasso at judylasso319@gmail.com

For Club Award eligibility requirements please refer to the ADTC Regulations section 8.

2020 DUES RENEWAL

Your Allentown Dog Training Club dues are due by January 1, 2020.

Payment of your membership dues by 1/1/20 allows you to vote at the January meeting, be eligible for awards and continue to train with the club.

The Renewal Form will be available on the club website. www.allentowndogtrainingclub.com

Under Members tab, password ADTC1953

Complete the form and remember to sign the Waiver on page 2.

Make checks payable to ADTC, Inc.

Return Form to:

ADTC, Inc.

c/o Debbie Achenzie

1935 Kensington Road

Bethlehem, PA 18018

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP \$35.00

EACH ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBER \$15.00 (include all names)

TROPHIES*



2019 Obedience & Rally Trial Trophies

The Trophy Pledge Flyer is available on the club website. www.allentowndogtrainingclub.com

Trophy forms and payment must be received by January 31, 2020

Please send to:

Cris Courduff

2410 Camp

Rockhill Road

Quakertown, PA 18951

Donating in memory of or in honor of a great dog you have or have had, or in honor or memory of someone you care about is a great way to do this.

MEMBERSHIP---WHO IS NEW

This is not only for new members but also for those who have a new dog or puppy.

Jim Elias introduces his new baby, Mickey! So adorable!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

A heads up but listed in the November newsletter, about a need for stewards at the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club Obedience and Rally trials on December 13th at Ag Hall in Allentown. Yes, it is on a Friday with breed competition on Saturday and Sunday which does not involve obedience/rally. Club member Linda Krasley will be the Rally judge. If you are taking classes under her, please talk to her to make sure that you are eligible to show under her. Linda did announce at the meeting that she already has her stewards but Head Steward Gail James will be looking for obedience stewards. It is a great way to learn and watch experienced people in the ring. You will see a lot of great handlers and their dogs in participating in the Novice, Open, Utility and Rally. Contact Gail James at the jamesgang12@verizon.net or call 610-213-2920 to volunteer. The LV Kennel Club gives the ADTC a generous donation for supplying stewards.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY



**It's That Time Again.....Join us for the Allentown
Dog Training Club's Holiday Party!
FOOD, RAFFLE, and FUN**

December 11th at 7:00 p.m. following a short *General Meeting*. This year's Holiday Party will be held in the Downstairs Dining area at Macungie Hall. Members are welcome to bring your dogs. Set up at 5:30, tear down after party. All help accepted.

Main Course - Various Wraps and Subs from Subway.
Please bring a dish to share. Appetizer, side or dessert

Raffle items and Monetary Donations accepted, contact Krista Stayer or Edie Rysdyk.
Donations will be accepted night of the party.

New this year, mats will be down upstairs for training on your own, prior to the start of the 7:00 meeting. No Training after 7:00.

SUNSHINE

Lifetime Club Member, Susan Figlar, passed away in her home on Sunday December, 1st
Expressions of sympathy can be sent to her husband and family at ...

173 East Bullshead Road
Northampton, PA 18067

Linda Crane reports that she is slowly improving but still needs a walker. She is starting with another therapist soon so hopefully it will speed up her recovery. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

RAINBOW BRIDGE

With sadness, Ray and I said goodbye to our Tapper (Am GCH Am/Can CH Butterblac Time Step Am/Can RN NA OAJ NAP NJP NF NFP CGC Can CGN). We found out on Thursday that he had masses in his lungs close to his heart and despite an ultrasound not showing abdominal masses, this morning he bled into his abdomen due to a hidden hemangiosarcoma mass. He passed away with Ray and I holding him. Tapper was 9 years 7 months. He lived up to more than we ever dreamed he would since he was owner handled by Lori to his GCH in the USA and the CH in both USA and Canada. His Can CH was finished by going Best of Winners at the 2015 Flat-Coated Retriever Society Specialty, Halifax, Nova Scotia. It was a moment we will never forget. He held two legs towards his NA and NAJ in Canada-but time and life just interfered with obtaining leg 3. As our first Canadian bred dog, I aimed to have him attain as many similar titles as possible in both countries. Because of Tapper, we have many good friends and saw lovely places in both countries.

Tapper loved life, girls-canine(especially Raina) and human, puppies, food-especially ice cream treats and his infamous Canadian madman runs-complete with butt tucked- around the yard. He ran agility like a kamikaze pilot. While learning agility as a growing pup, I loved to watch him trying to figure out who those long legs belonged to as he crossed the dog walk. For a boy named for tap dancing, grace was not always part of his plan.

He leaves us with a ton of memories and three younger versions of himself. Clutch - a slightly larger version of his dad. Today- I am noticing more than ever that the young nut did not really fall off of the tree. And yes-in the one photo-Clutch was actually small at one time. Timon is Tapper's size with a touch more of his Grandpa Rider's looks. And Mandy-already an AKC CH when she was 13 months old. The looks may be feminine and like dad, but the rest is a bit of a tomboy. Some of his other offspring are major pointed in Canada.

Hug all your pups closer tonight. I know across the Bridge there is one wild party going on between Tapper and his harem of Mya, Copa, Sage and Kayla.

Lori & Ray



ACHIEVEMENTS

Since there were several trials in November we are listing the great ACHIEVEMENTS those members have sent in. It is so nice to see members taking their dogs to different trials and events. It is not all about the titles and ribbons but the time spent with your dog. They do not care about those things, what they do care about it is the time that you spend with them. And remember, you always leave the show with the BEST DOG THERE—YOUR DOG!!

Barbara Katz and Alvin had a wonderful time at their National and came home with lots of rosettes and prizes and some new titles.

He started off with his first leg in Open A under Nancy Withers with a 187 and a High in Trial.



He also got 2 legs of his Rally Intermediate - both with second places and his title. He also got 2 legs towards his Rally Advanced title with a 1st and a 2nd place.

In agility, we had a double trial and he got his Novice Agility Preferred title with a 1st and a 4th place. He also got his Novice Jumpers with Weaves Preferred title with 2nd and 4th places and his Novice Fast Preferred title with 2nd and 3rd places.

In addition, Alvin obtained his trick dog intermediate title and his CGCA title.

ALVIN with some of his loot.



Jacqui Hartranft reports that FRONT AND FINISH MAGAZINE, which is a magazine for those interested in obedience, rally and tracking had a nice surprise. When she opened the November issue and saw Abbey's name listed as the AKC NUMBER 5 ALL BREED DOG IN OPEN A. It is then broken down into in Groups where she is the NUMBER 4 SPORTING DOG AND FINALLY THE NUMBER ONE LABRADOR RETRIEVER. I am so proud of my little girl who several years ago was the NUMBER SEVENTH LABRADOR IN AKC NOVICE B.

Not to be outdone, her brother Cooper got his first Beginner Novice leg with a score of 199 at the Bloomsburg shows and a 195 at the Dauphin DTC Show. One more leg and he will have his Beginner Novice title.

Deb Moyer Petrusjanz and Annie did very well at Bloomsburg. Annie completed her AKC CDX in 3 shows, 3 legs, and 3 placings. Really Good Girl Annie.



Annie also did great in Rally at Bloomsburg. She earned her 2nd AKC RAE leg and High Combined. My Sweet Hard Working Girl



Debbie Achenzie and Freddy had a fun time in the Rally ring at Bloomsburg. Freddy earned his Rally Advanced Title on Friday morning. We then moved up for the rest of the trials. Freddy went on to earn his Rally Excellent Title too.



Spencer's Great November.....submitted by Barb Artim

Spencer and I had a great November; we are trying to do both Scent Work Trials and competitive Obedience (Open B and Utility B). It is getting more difficult to find the time to train for both but we persevere.

First, the AKC scent work weekend held by Kruisin' Kanines at their training barn near New Hope was a blast. We finished both our Advanced (2nd level) Container title and our Advanced Buried title. The Advanced Container class is supposed to simulate items that might be found on an airline carousel and there are 15 items in a circle or "U" shape - Suitcases, tool boxes, paint cans, plastic boxes and tubs, briefcases, etc. There are 2 hides at this level – birch and/or anise and you must find both of them in the allotted time. You can reward your dog with a treat when he finds the correct item but you have to learn to read your dog and his indications when he finds the right item. The handler has to learn when to trust the dog and when to keep working. If you call a find and are wrong, it is all over for that class. Over the 2 days, we ran the Advanced Container class 4 times and Spencer qualified 3 times even taking a 2nd place in one class. Placements are based on the fastest times. The 4th run, he found the first item but gave me a false alert on the second item, so we failed. A false alert means he really told me he found the right item and I believed him but he was wrong.

The rules for the Advanced Buried class changed as of Oct 1st. Prior to that, the hides were in dirt or sand and that is still how they are for Novice. For the Advanced class after Oct 1st, the hides are in tubs of water!! This class is supposed to simulate detection cadaver work in water. Well we just did not have the equipment or place to train for this class so we went hoping the canine instinct would kick it. Again, there were 2 hides and Spencer had no problem putting his nose to work!! We qualified both times to finish that title.

We also did a class called Novice Handler Discrimination which is very similar to Utility Articles Scent Discrimination. There are 10 card board boxes in 2 rows. One box contains an article (cotton glove or sock) that I scented, one contains an item that the judge scented and the rest are empty. Spencer already has his title in this class so these were backup legs. Piece of Cake!! Spencer's alert signal is to paw, flip, or jump on the box giving me a very clear idea of his choice. He false alerted on the wrong box both days and I believed him so we failed. We had a mother-son talk on Sunday night on why you should not lie to your mother!

Pass or fail Spencer really has a blast doing scent work pulling me to the line like a maniac. I am very happy to have found something that he likes so much after having to give up agility after his back surgery. It makes me feel so good to see him having fun.

Second, our 2 days of obedience were also successful. We attended the Friday and Saturday trials at Dauphin DTC entering the Open B and Utility B classes. Our goal is the see if we can earn a UDX (must qualify in both open and utility at the same show 10 times) and a Master Obedience title (100 points earned in open and utility with scores of 190 or better). On Friday, we did not qualify in utility because Mr. Spencer was star gazing when I gave the hand signal for down but he did work a nice routine. In Open B, we had a very nice run with a score of 198, 3rd

place, 1 OTCH point, and 15 master points. On Sunday, we qualified in both classes earning our 1st UDX leg and 18 more master points. We also were High Scoring Dog with a Breed Championship for \$25 and High Scoring Dog with an Agility Title for \$25. Good Boy. Dauphin always holds a very nice trial.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS FOR OUR DOGS

Suburban Dog Training Club and Darrell Swank gave us permission to print this timely information in our newsletter. Darrell wrote the article and we thank him for letting us use it. It is all about keeping our dogs safe in winter weather.

Winter Safety Tip Quiz

Darrell E Swank

True or False

DOGS are descendent from grey wolves and therefore don't get cold in the winter.

FALSE. It is commonly thought that dogs are descended from grey wolves. Today however, Scientists believe dogs and wolves share a common ancestor and not direct lineage. That common ancestor being the prehistoric wolf that lived in Europe or Asia. Either way a lot of dogs get cold in the winter and need an extra coat when going outside. Some dogs are bred for working in extreme conditions. Think about what your dog was bred for and how we have made them soft with our sofas, TVs and warm fireplaces to get cozy by.

The WATER we give our dogs outside is special and won't freeze.

FALSE. The water we give our dogs outside is made of the same ingredients as that bottle of Poland Springs or Deer Park water you are drinking. Two parts Hydrogen and one-part Oxygen.

SALT is not an issue when a dog walks on it.

FALSE. Salt, as well as other melting agents can not just be painful in a dog's pads, it can be dangerous when licked off cold paws. Keeping their hair trimmed

between pads can help keep ice balls from forming. Booties can also protect our dog's feet.

DEHYDRATION can only happen in the summer.

FALSE. Just as in warm weather, dogs can become dehydrated in the winter. Make sure they have plenty of fresh water. In the frigid temperatures, dogs can use more calories, even if they seem less active.

WE all care about our dogs and don't want anything to happen to them.

TRUE. That is why we always want to learn more ways to keep them healthy.



Nishi Jadczyk's Mica

SOME THOUGHTS FROM THE EDITOR

It is with great sadness that we will no longer have the K9Jym not only to rent for trials whether obedience, agility or weight pulling and other dog sports but for almost anything involving our dogs. This place was created by Debb Kirschner and developed into what she and her husband Roy built it to be one of the nicest facilities in the area for dog sports. Sadly, family problems have now led to its being closed. This place will be missed by many, many people, from the instructors and their students, like Anne Paul in obedience and the others in agility and the many other dog sports held there, to people like me who rented it on Open Jym on Tuesdays and Saturdays. There were the three AKC obedience clubs who planned to hold their trials there, to the other obedience, rally and agility venues who ran trials frequently. This is not to forget the students who took their dogs to the various instructors. Where are these people going to go to continue learning about the many things you can do with your dog? Then there are the unseen people who kept the place clean, and it was clean!! K9JYM also held obedience match shows every other month which were almost always filled and run by Hilltown Dog Training Club for K9JYM. All of this within a reasonable drive from our area and south of Colmar. The closing of this wonderful facility will have an effect on the local sport dog community for a long time, including the three AKC dog training clubs who planned to hold their point shows there in 2020. We can only hope and pray that the people who were interested in taking it over can find another building to offer the same things that K9Jym did for all those years.

The closing has affected me personally, and I am sure many others. Not only for the Tuesday and Saturday Open Jym (which was also open for agility as well) but also for the every other month match shows that were held there. At this point Hilltown Dog Training Club, among many others, are looking for another building to rent and hold their classes. Let us, as the Allentown Dog Training Club, offer their members a place where they can train after joining which will not be a bad thing for our club. I know that some of Hilltown's members are already members of ADTC but many are not. It was mentioned that it would be too far for some of them to go. If you are really interested in training your dog whether in obedience, rally, agility or whatever, you will go where you have to go to train. Except for our building in Macungie, Colmar was the closest for me which is a 40 minute drive and I need to do that in order to train my dogs. It has great equipment and flooring. This is the way it is. It has been very hard for the three dog training clubs who planned to hold trials there next year. The ones previously held there were very successful with great entries in spite of the parking issue.

I am sure that I have missed others who are great affected by this closing. I am hoping and praying that someone will be able to find a building which will replace in some way with what is being lost with the closing of the K9JYM. K9JYM there are no words to say how much you will be missed.

Jacqui Hartranft

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

November 13, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by President Chuck Achenzie.

Minutes

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on October 9, 2019. No corrections or additions were noted. Linda Krasley moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. The motion was seconded by Debra Petrusjanz and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Barbara Katz presented the Treasurer's Report

No corrections or additions were noted. Phyllis Broderick moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Lois Linker and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Membership Report

Debbie Achenzie presented the Membership Report. There was one first reading:

Irene Chan, Labrador - (Not Present)

Training Director's Report

Phyllis Broderick presented her Training Director's Report

Phyllis also informed the membership that Gail James is the head steward for the upcoming Lehigh Valley Kennel Club show and is in need of volunteers to steward for the show. Linda Krasley noted that she already has the stewards she will need for her rally classes.

Phyllis noted that the club has purchased a new lockbox and that she will email the combination to the trainers who open and close the building.

Committees

Publicity

Dusty Springer presented the Publicity Report for November 2019

Saturday, October 26th was the Macungie Halloween Parade. Sixteen ADTC club members and spouses participated in the parade. With the exception of about 5 bags that broke in the distribution bags or baskets, all 450 goodie bags were passed out to parade spectators who own dogs. The bags were packed by six hard working club volunteers on Friday, October 18. Each kibble filled bag was sealed with a label depicting the ADTC business card.

In addition to expanding our name recognition in the local community, the group earned 2nd prize in the parade's blue division. Thank you to everyone who provided support for this event.

Newsletter

Jacqui Hartranft reported that the deadline for the upcoming newsletter will be a little bit before Thanksgiving Day.

Jacqui also informed the membership that Dr. Donna Gigliotti will be writing an article for an upcoming issue of ADTC Barks and Bytes and may write an article for each newsletter.

By-Laws

Edie Rysdyk noted that the By-Laws committee is finishing up on one or two more changes and she will then get the proposals to the Board of Directors.

Sunshine

President Achenzie reported that he received a card from the club on the recent loss of his sister in Tennessee. President Achenzie thanked the membership for the card.

Nominating Committee

Corresponding Secretary Edie Rysdyk presented the 2020 proposed slate of officers

President:	Chuck Achenzie
Vice President:	Lois Linker
Recording Secretary:	Carol McCarthy
Corresponding Secretary:	Terry Papineau
Treasurer:	Barbara Artim
Training Director:	Phyllis Broderick
Board Members:	Cris Courduff
	Barbara Grotzinger
	Anna Guglielmo
	Steve Markowitz
	Edie Rysdyk

Christmas Party

Bill Springer reported that the Christmas Party will be held downstairs this year where there are tables already setup. Dogs are allowed to be in this room. Setup will begin at 5:30. The club meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Subway will provide trays of subs. Members can bring

salads and hot hors d'oeuvres. Bill noted that the flooring of this room is linoleum and may be slippery for the dogs.

Krista Stayer and Edie Rysdyk are working on raffle baskets for the party. Krista asked for members to bring items that can be set on the tables.

Awards Banquet

President Achenzie announced that Phyllis Broderick, Barbara Grotzinger and Anna Guglielmo will chair the Awards Banquet committee. Phyllis inquired of Donna Barto if the date has to stay in April or if it can be moved to another date. Donna said there is no rule for when it has to be and in has been on that general April date as it fit good considering dates of AKC point shows in the area.

Judy Lasso asked Phyllis to let her know if the date is going to be moved.

Lois Linker reported that there is an application for awards for titles a dog has won in 2019 on the website. It can be printed, filled out and mailed to Judy Lasso. President Achenzie informed the membership that the application must reach Judy Lasso by December 31, 2019.

Point Show

Lois Linker informed the membership that the K9JYM is closing as of December 31, 2019, and they are going to sell all of their equipment. Lois reported she has spoken with Roy and was assured that the deposit the club had put down for the May point show will be returned.

Lois reported she has been looking for an alternative site as are several other clubs. The Board of Directors is holding an emergency meeting on November 17, 2019, at Wegmans in Allentown at 7:00 p.m. If anybody has an idea for an alternate site contact Lois or any board member.

Old Business

President Achenzie reported that Paula Hradkowsky was the winner of the name the club newsletter contest and will receive vouchers for two training classes. The winning name is:

ADTC Barks and Bytes

New Business

President Achenzie reported that there has been good response to doing another order for club clothing. Donna Barto said that the club has previously ordered hoodies, T-shirts, warm jackets, and zip up sweatshirt jackets. Donna also said that the club colors of royal blue and yellow is what has traditionally be ordered but wanted to know if any members were interested in other colors. Donna will be receiving a catalog shortly and she can then get pricing information together. Lois Linker said she had a flyer from previous orders and she can update that with new information. Members should contact Donna Barto to let her know what your interests are.

Braggs

Several members stepped forward to announce their latest brags.

General Business

There will be an emergency board meeting on November 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at Wegmans on Tilghman Street in Allentown. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on November 24, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at Wegmans on Stoke Park Road in Bethlehem and is open to the membership. The next general meeting will be held on December 11, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. inside the training building at Macungie Park.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the general membership, Debra Petrusjanz moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Wilma Brucker and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McCarthy

Recording Secretary

Happy Holidays

