



ADTC BARKS AND BYTES

FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

We have already started into the second month of the new year. We hope that you are working on and keeping your resolutions, especially those involving spending more time with your best friend, your dog. Have you sent in your club renewal for 2020 so you can continue to train with the club as well as get this newsletter which we try to fill with all kinds of news and information. Our awards banquet will be held in April at the Brass Rail and it is always a nice time to spend with fellow members for great fellowship and to congratulate those who have earned titles with their dogs. You do not have to have earned a title in 2019 to attend. It is just a fun event seeing what some of our members have accomplished and congratulate them. We hope that newer members will attend and perhaps next year you, too, will be recognized.

The deadline has passed for the trophy fund sponsorship for our point show in May but you can still sponsor one, so hurry as the information is needed to send to the Superintendent.

Unfortunately, with the closing of K9JYM, a lot of clubs including ours were sent scrambling for place to hold their point shows. For this year it will be at the Berks County 4H Club building in Leesport. The Berks County Dog Training Club will also be holding their trial there the next day so this is a great time to finish or start work on titles at the same place.

We also want to thank and congratulate all the members who have volunteered to serve on the board of directors for 2020. The club could not operate without your volunteering. We also want to thank retiring 2019 board members Krista Stayer, Debbie Moyer-Petrusjanz, and Barb Katz. Barb has served as treasurer for many years and we extend a special thank you for giving of your time for all those years.

The new board will be:

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, Edie Rysdyk, Anna Guglielmo and Steve Markowitz

New board members Terry Papineau, Barbara Artim and Steve Markowitz, Thank You for volunteering. Also thank you to the remaining board members for staying on for 2020.

Reminder...the previous month's General Meeting Minutes will be included at the end of the newsletter.

TRAINING INFORMATION

MATCH SHOW

Along with the training information we hope that members did not wait too long to enter the match show on February 9. All the slots were taken rather quickly so if there is another one, do not wait too long to enter. It is a great opportunity for Novice people, to get your dog used to a ring situation while at a familiar place. It can not get much better than that. You may feel that your dog is not ready, but whether he or she is or not, you can still go in the ring and do a few simple things like recalls and practice fronts and finishes. Or simply heel around on a loose lead. And Play. Show your dog that this can be a fun place if you are considering entering either obedience or rally in the future. It is your time so make good use of it. This is the best way to prepare your dog and yourself for entering the ring. There will be trainers there to help you if you have a problem. This goes for most match shows and many can be found on Dog Match Show.com. Most are in a reasonable drive to this area. Since this Match filled so quickly, perhaps another one can be scheduled in the near future. For the Open and Utility people it is a great time to practice some of the exercises or if you have an experienced dog to tweak some weak spots. **AND MOST IMPORTANT FOR ALL OUR NEW PEOPLE** this is a great time to bring a chair and sit and observe what is going on. If you have no idea what is involved in Open and Utility, what a great time to see what these levels are about. There are always people around who will answer any questions you may have.

CLUB TRAINING

WEDNESDAY EVENING CLASSES

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

Meeting nights 5:30 to 6:30

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

6:30 to 7:30 on meeting nights

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

The open class is held after the meeting on meeting nights

THURSDAY TRAINING

9:30 to 10:30 Utility	Anna Guglielmo is the instructor
10:45 to 11:45 Open	Anna Guglielmo is the instructor
9:30 to 10:30 Novice	Dusty Springer is the instructor
10:30 to 11:30 Novice	Dusty Springer is the instructor.

Effective Thursday, January 30th.

Dusty's Thursday morning class will be divided into two separate classes. For the last two weeks Dusty has had 12 in her class. The space is quite tight for such a large class. Therefore there will be a 9:30am class and a 10:30am class.

The 9:30am class is for the dogs that need extra attention and are in the earlier stages of training.

The 10:30am is for those dogs and handlers that are more experienced and are nearing the show ready stage.

If you are not sure which class is for you, please contact Dusty at bohooch@yahoo.com or her home phone 610-965-6671

She will be more than happy to help you get into the right class.

RALLY CLASSES

Linda Krasley is teaching Rally classes on Thursday night. She will be teaching all the levels of Rally. Right now she is teaching Rally Novice. Rally is a great way to start in Obedience especially for newcomers. What a thrill it is to get your first ribbon whether it is a placement ribbon or qualifying ribbon. Once the Novice class is finished, Linda is planning on offering a combined Advanced/Excellent class starting on February 13. You do not have to have a Novice title in order to participate nor do you have to take your dog off leash. It is mainly to learn the signs as well as keeping your dog with you. She will stress your footwork and getting your dog to work with his or her rear end. So, get in touch with Linda if you need more information. The class will be \$160 for the public and \$80 for members. She will take drop-ins which are \$12 but she does ask that you get in touch with her so she can be sure to have enough maps made.

UTILITY WORKSHOP

The Utility workshop went very well. Cooper and I participated in it and we both enjoyed it. There were 8 teams participating. I am sure we are all hoping that there will be another one. Thank you, Phyllis for doing this. You do need to have some knowledge of the Utility exercises. For you newer people, you do not have to have an Open or even a Novice title to start training your dog for Utility but do remember that Novice is the basis for all the other classes especially

heeling and recalls. Check the AKC Rulebook or go on line to find examples of teams doing Utility exercises. I love Catherine Zinksy's website as she explains everything in detail with videos and you can find her website just by typing in her name. Another good trainer with videos is Connie Cleveland which you also should be able to find by typing in her name.

AWARDS PROGRAM AND TITLE RECOGNITION

As you know the deadline has passed. Judy and Pat sent out the list to those members who applied for recognition by email. Please get in touch with them if you sent in your information but are not on the list. Judy Lasso and Pat Gombocz spend a lot of time checking and double checking the information. Many thanks to them for taking on this job. It looks as though there are a lot of titles earned this year CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!

AWARDS BANQUET

The Awards Banquet is the highlight of our year where we get recognition for all our hard work It is scheduled for April 17th at the Brass Rail in Allentown . **See Banquet Flyer on next page.**

MEMBERSHIP—WHO IS NEW

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

New members for January....

Irene Chan and her LabradorOtis

Mark Hanover and his Golden Retriever...Kona



SUNSHINE

Great news!! Everyone, people and dogs, are well and this is a good thing!

Shared by Barb Artim....

Some of you may remember Tom and Doris Walsh who were founding members as well as Board Members and Trainers for Allentown Dog Training for many years. Tom passed away several years ago but Doris remained in their home and was fairly active although she no longer owned a dog. Recently Doris has had to give up driving and moved to Westminster Village in an assisted-living apartment. She no longer has a computer so I thought maybe members could send her a "thinking of you" or "apartment warming" card. Her address is

Doris Walsh

Apt. 22

803 N. Wahneta Street

Allentown, PA 18109

2020 Awards Banquet

April 17, 2020

6:00 pm Appetizers

6:45 pm Dinner

LOCATION:

Brass Rail

Lehigh Street

Allentown

ADTC



Family Style Dinner

Appetizer Trays

Vegetable Soup / Caesar Salad / Rolls

Pot Roast / Chicken Marsala

Mashed Potatoes / Ziti w/Marinara Sauce

Vegetable Medley

Dessert

Soda / Coffee / Tea

Cash Bar

\$30.00 per person

RESERVATIONS DUE BY: MARCH 30, 2020

Checks payable to: ADTC, Inc. TO: Phyllis Broderick, 262 Brass Castle Rd, Oxford, NJ 07863



Name: _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Attending _____



FREE GRIEF COUNSELING

The loss of a pet is often devastating. Valley Central Veterinary, 210 Fullerton Avenue, Whitehall, PA 18052 provides support for anyone suffering through such a loss. From 6:00 to 7:00 PM on the second Monday of the month, certified grief counselor Sylvia Havlish meets with bereaved pet owners. The service is free; however, those wishing to attend a counseling session should call Valley Central Veterinary at 610-435-1553 to have their names placed on an attendance list.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION



After-hours Veterinary Care

Rush Veterinary Urgent Care is dedicated to providing pets quality, compassionate and affordable medical and surgical healthcare. Examples of reasons to visit RVUC: *Bite wounds/lacerations *Eye infections *Vomiting, diarrhea *Limping, torn nail or paw pad *Toxin ingestion *Difficulty urinating or defecating *Out-Patient hospice care, Quality of life assessment. You may call ahead or walk in.

They are only open from 6pm to midnight, 7 days a week.
This might be closer to some members in an emergency.

Rush Veterinary Urgent Care

Location: 7525 Tilghman Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania, 18106

Phone: (610) 224-7874

<https://www.facebook.com/RushVeterinaryUrgentCare>

CLUB ATTIRE ORDER

Donna Barto will be placing an order for ADTC attire. If you have any questions about ordering contact Donna at dpbarto@ptd.net or 610-965-0235.

If any member has some of the clothing from past orders, it would be nice to bring them to the February meeting so others can see them and maybe try them on for an idea about sizing.

All items are available in various colors with yellow or blue embroidered or screened logos.

Totes in royal blue only with paw logo.

All are men's/unisex sizing except for vests.

ADTC CLUB ATTIRE - ORDERS DUE BY 3/11/20

VEST, POLO, T-SHIRT, CREWNECK AND FULLZIP HOODED SWEATSHIRTS, TOTE BAGS

All items are available in various colors with yellow or blue embroidered or screened logos. Totes in royal blue only with paw logo.

All are men's/unisex sizing except for vests.



JERZEE TEE SHIRTS: Long and short sleeved ... ADTC logo on front.

Long Sleeved: S-XL \$12.00 2XL-3XL \$14.00

Short Sleeved: S-XL \$9.00 2XL-3XL \$11.00

JERSEY KNIT SHORT SLEEVED POLO SHIRTS ... ADTC logo on front.

S-XL \$15.00 2XL-3XL \$17.00

CREW NECK PULL OVER SWEAT SHIRT ... ADTC logo on front

S-XL \$16.00 2XL \$18.00 3XL \$20.00

FULL ZIP HOODED SWEATSHIRT JACKET ... ADTC logo on front

S-XL \$26.00 2XL \$28.00 3XL \$30.00

COLOR CHOICES FOR ALL ABOVE: white, light grey, med. grey, red, maroon, royal blue, navy, forest green, black

UNLINED POLYESTER VEST, FRONT AND POCKETS ZIPPERED, MENS AND WOMENS ... ADTC logo on front

S-XL \$28.00 2XL \$30.00 3XL \$32.00, NOTE SEPARATE COLOR CHOICES: black, carbon, navy, red, royal

COTTON CANVAS TOTE: 10 1/2 X 14 X 5 \$10.00

See order form on next page

ADTC CLUB ATTIRE ORDER FORM - ORDERS DUE BY 3/11/20

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email address: _____

SEE FLYER FOR FULL DESCRIPTIONS

SHORT SLEEVE POLO SHIRT

Size: _____ Color: _____ Total Cost: _____

LONG SLEEVE JERZEE TEE SHIRT -

Size: _____ Color: _____ Total Cost: _____

SHORT SLEEVE JERZEE TEE SHIRT -

Size: _____ Color: _____ Total Cost: _____

CREW NECK SWEAT SHIRT

Size: _____ Color: _____ Total Cost: _____

FULL ZIP HOODED SWEAT SHIRT

Size: _____ Color: _____ Total Cost: _____

VEST

Size _____ Color: _____ Total Cost: _____

CANVAS TOTE

Quantity: _____ Total Cost: _____

TOTAL \$ ENCLOSED \$ _____

Mail Order Form and Check Payable to ADTC :

TO: Donna P. Barto 4862 Jasper Road, Emmaus, PA 18049

610-965-0235

ADTC PUBLICITY REPORT FOR 2020

For the past several years, ADTC Publicity has stressed developing a presence and name recognition in the community. Hopefully, a new member or two will volunteer to continue that trend by working with the current committee members to arrange farmers' market days, appearances at dog focused community days, etc. Anyone interested in heading one of these events should contact Dusty.

The core committee's focus this year will be to improve communication between club members. To that end, a program is being developed which will first be presented to the ADTC Board and then to the members at a general membership meeting.

Yours for better barkers,

Sara Schrum and Dusty Springer

ADTC Publicity Co-chairs

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Dusty Springer and her committee would like to start a MEMBER OF THE MONTH column in the newsletter. The committee does outreach things like the Macungie Halloween Parade, participates in pet events and things like that to publicize what we do to the public.

However, they would like to do more "publicity in house"! We have a lot of members and I am sure most of us do not know who many of them are especially the newer and also older members who may no longer be as active as they once were.

In order to get to know more of us better, the committee would like members to think about who they would like to nominate as a MEMBER OF THE MONTH. Any member can be nominated.

Just complete the following form and send it to Dusty and she will send a form to fill out to the nominated person. The nominated person does not have to accept this honor but we hope that all who nominated will participate. It will be a great way to learn more about some of our members.

We will have a special column each month, of course, called, MEMBER OF THE MONTH. Since BARKS AND BYTES will not come out until the first part of February, perhaps we can have a MEMBER OF THE MONTH for the March newsletter.

You can contact Dusty for more information at 610-956-6671 or bohooch@yahoo.com.

ADTC Member of the Month Nomination Form

Any member of ADTC is eligible for recognition as a Member of the Month. To nominate someone please complete the following form and return it to Dusty Springer. Forms may be submitted by mailing them to Dusty Springer at 1242 W. Minor St., Emmaus, PA 18049 or by emailing them to bohooch@yahoo.com

First and last name of nominee:

Why is this ADTC Member being nominated? (For example, this person has helped me to train my dog; when I was a new member, this person made me feel welcome; this person has served ADTC in numerous capacities for many years, etc.)

Date nominated: _____

If readily available, Nominee's contact information:

Please note: The nominee will be contacted within a week after this form has been received. However, inclusion of the nominee's article in the newsletter is dependent on how quickly he or she responds to the request for information and a picture. Also, a nominee may choose to decline to participate in this program. Thank you.

ACHIEVEMENTS

If you did not give us your ACHIEVEMENTS to list in the newsletter we will still be happy to list them. It is not too late. We love to have pictures to include too.

Barbara Artim reports ... The AKC Obedience stats are out and Spencer is the top obedience Cocker Spaniel for 2019. Good Boy.



Debbie and Ginger completed their Rally Novice Title at The K-9 Obedience Training Club of Essex County in Verona, NJ. on January 12th. She had a score of 97 but more importantly she had fun in the ring!



Judy Skorup reports ... We just learned that Emma will be invited to compete at the AKC Rally National Championship which will held in Wilmington, Ohio the end of June. This is the third time she has been eligible to compete! If we can get in to the trial, she will compete in the Rally Excellent class. Entries have not yet opened so we are waiting for more details.

BEYOND AND OBEDIENCE/RALLY RING

This is your column to send in anything great, silly, embarrassing your dog has done or worse yet, things you have done while training your dog. Or even just silly things you and your dog have done.

Shared by Lydia Miller AKC Breeder of Merit

Kilkenny's Irish Setters would like to introduce our litter:

Born [August 22, 2019](#)

6 males 6 females

SIRE. BIS BISS GCHG Lunn's Exception to the Rule

DAM: Kilkenny's Miracle From Heaven (my Donovan's x Devon's daughter)



We wanted to add an addition to our family. So after much research on health, temperament and pedigrees I decided to try again to breed. Hopefully having more than 1 puppy. My record is 4 singletons.

Donovan my heart dog is the Grandfather of this litter. His daughter Faith was a miracle puppy.

GCHB CH Kilkenny's One Singular Sensation CDX BN CGCA (Donovan)

Donovan was the First Bronze Grand Champion to earn a CDX and was awarded the highest scoring dog that year to earn a CDX by The Irish Setter Club of America.

My Goal is to have his Grandkids follow in their Grandfather's footsteps.

Having 3 puppies is challenging but I am dedicated to these puppies.

My new editions from my litter:

Kilkenny's What I did for Love. (Connor)

Kilkenny's Everything's Coming up Rose's (Harley)

Kilkenny's Circle of Life (Spirit)

Look for us in the obedience ring someday. But the breed ring shortly.



AKC COMPANION EVENTS SCHOLARSHIP PRGRAM

The AKC Companion Events Department is excited to announce a new AKC Companion Events Scholarship Program. The Companion Events Scholarship Program is meant to assist those young people who have demonstrated an interest in AKC Companion sports and who seek to achieve higher education whether it be through vocational school or a two- or four-year college.

AKC is now accepting [applications for the Companion Events Scholarship Program](#) for those students who will be attending school for the 2020-2021 academic year. The deadline to apply for the AKC Companion Events Scholarship Program is: Friday, March 6, 2020.

To learn more about this new AKC Companion Events Scholarship Program and how to apply please visit www.akc.org/companion-events-scholarship.

For comments or questions, please send your email to juniors@akc.org.



Now accepting applications for 2020-21 academic year

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

A SEMINAR WITH DR. GIGLIOTTI PRESENTED BY LEHIGH VALLEY DREAM WEAVER AGILITY CLUB

February 16 from 1:00pm to 4:30pm at Faith Lutheran Church, 3355 MacArthur Road, Whitehall. \$30 for members of Dream Weavers and all others \$40.

For more information <https://www.donnagigliotti.com/Learningopportunities>

See Seminar Flyer on Next Page

Lehigh Valley Dream Weaver's proudly present

A SEMINAR WITH DR. GIGLIOTTI

Donna has completed advance certifications in the following disciplines: AVCA Certified Animal Chiropractor, Functional Neurology Advanced Certified Sacral Occipital Technique with Craniopathy SOT Chiropractic Manipulative Reflex Technique Certified Nimmo Receptor Tonus Technique ISSA Certified Personal Fitness Trainer Certified Canine Fitness Trainer Course (Univerisity of Tenn Vet School and Fit Paws)

Seminar topics include:

**** 1. Equipment Hazards:**

In this section we will talk about the inherent risks of commonly used equipment. We will learn about the amount and types of forces exerted on a dogs body as a result of jumping, landing, turning, going up steps or going up a ramp. Most importantly we will discuss what we can do in our training to help lessen the destructive forces that affect the joints and muscles.

**** 2. What is Stress:**

We will journey to better understand how our animals perceive their world. What do they perceive as stress or stressors? What signs do they display when exposed to stress? How does stress change the brains ability to form memories or recall memories? We will also explore the potential benefits of stress.

**** 3. Why Can't I Hear you?:**

What does a dog do with the air that he or she breathes into their nose? How and why is their smelling process so different than ours? How can we use this to improve the dog's body and mind?

February 16, 2020 from 1 to 4:30pm

Faith Lutheran Church, 3355 MacArthur Road, Whitehall, Pennsylvania

\$30 for LVDWAC members and \$40 for non-members

Name: _____ # of people _____

Address: _____ Phone # _____

E-mail address _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: LVDWAC and mail to:

LVDWAC c/o: Pat Wotring 3139 Seiples Station Road, Whitehall, Pa. 18052

EDITORS' NOTES

We are always looking for articles which would be of interest and also help the members of our club. I found a great website by AKC Judge John Cox and there is so much in it, you cannot learn it all in one sitting. We highly recommend that you look it up and take a pen and tablet as there is so much information in it.

Recently, I read an article by John Cox who is an AKC judge and shows Saint Bernards in both breed and obedience. As an AKC Judge, he tries to help competitors qualify. He has a website called RANDOM LITTLE TIDBITS. There are approximately 51 LITTLE TIDBITS to help you understand the exercises, how a judge might look at certain things, how to do different exercises and so on. I have found that this is a wonderful website and so much can be learned from it. John starts his TIDBITS by telling the reader that you have a 200 point account from which withdrawals can occur in the ring. He will let the reader know how they can prevent withdrawals from the various exercises. He also writes how a judge might look at an exercise so the reader will see it from the judge's viewpoint. I urge members to check out his website as you can learn so much from it and thereby prevent withdrawals from your 200 point account. He also keeps everything up to date when the AKC makes changes to the regulations. There is so much information on his website that you should check back to it every so often and even take notes. Something of great interest to me was his Random Little Tidbits on how to lose points in Novice, Open and Utility. Since everything builds on the class before it, he goes step by step on each exercise, how you can lose points and what the judge is looking for. Even what you might think is a simple exercise like the Novice Stand for Exam for example, he breaks it down and shows each part where points can be lost. So we urge everyone to check it out. Here is the way to find it <https://saintbernardarchive.com/library> . Since there is so much information in it, I suggest taking time every so often to check out topics of interest to you and take notes in a journal. In fact, it is an excellent idea to keep a journal of your progress. I do.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

WHY DO WE LOVE DOGS SO MUCH? BECAUSE THEY ARE LIVING PROOF THAT GOOD STILL EXISTS IN THE WORLD. Taken from Facebook



AND



ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Chuck Achenzie.

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on December 11, 2019. No corrections or additions were noted. Donna Barto moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. The motion was seconded by Barbara Grotzinger and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report

Barbara Katz presented the Treasurer's Report

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

Elections

President Achenzie thanked all the outgoing Board members for their service. He then presented Barbara Katz with a gift certificate to show the club's appreciation of the many years she served on the Board of Directors as Treasurer

President Achenzie introduced the new Board of Directors, as follows:

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

Edie Rysdyk then moved to accept the 2020 slate of officers. Barbara Katz seconded the motion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Membership Report

Debbie Achenzie presented the Membership Report

There were two first readings:

Irene Chan, Labrador Retriever - (Present)

Mark Hanover, Golden Retriever - (Present)

There was one second reading:

Miretta Wadopian, Dachshund

Cris Courduff moved to accept Miretta Wadopian as a member. Wilma Brucker seconded the motion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Debbie Achenzie also reported that approximately 40 members have not yet renewed.

Corresponding Secretary

Edie Rysdyk reported that AKC has approved the new location for the May point show.

Federation Report

Edie Rysdyk reported that she attended the Federation board meeting via telephone. The annual meeting will be held in September and everyone is welcome to attend.

Training Director's Report

Phyllis Broderick presented her training report.

All regular Club training Wednesday and Thursday 2020 are resuming this week.

The puppy class is in its 5th week and pending no cancellations will graduate January 16th.

The beginner class is in its 4th week and hopefully will graduate January 30th.

Linda is teaching a rally novice session and its in its 3rd week. Her next session will be advanced/excellent.

New puppy kindergarten and Beginner classes are scheduled to start Thursday, February 6th.

I will be offering a 2 week utility workshop. This will be held Thursday, January 23" and 30th. It will run from 7pm to 8:30pm and will be limited to 6 teams at a cost of \$25. This is by pre entry only based upon the first 6 people signing up. To sign up, please contact me either by email or by telephone and prepayment is necessary to secure your spot.

MATCH SHOW:

Dogmatch is taking entries for the match scheduled for Sunday, February 9th. This show runs from 9 to 5pm. As of Noon today there are 37 prepaid entries. 15 Utility; 16 Open, 3 Novice, 3 Beginner Novice.

Anna has volunteered to judge in the morning and Carol McCarthy in the afternoon. Lois Glass, Cris Courduff, Bill and Dusty Springer, Carolyn Zimmerman and Jacqui Hartranft have volunteered to steward.

SEMINAR:

Linda and Betsy are having so many workshops at Top Dog that I thought it best if we have someone else do a seminar. I will be contacting Connie Cleveland to see if she is available. Am thinking of October for the seminar.

Respectfully submitted, Phyllis Broderick

Committees

Newsletter

Jacqui Hartranft announced the deadline for the February newsletter is January 25, 2020.

Website

President Achenzie reported that the website is up to date.

By-Laws

Edie Rysdyk reported that the By-Laws committee will present their report at the next Board of Directors meeting.

Christmas Party

Bill Springer thanked everybody who helped at the Christmas party with setting up and cleaning. Some thought will be given to having members provide all the food for the next Christmas party. Subway has offered to provide subs for one of the club's functions at no cost since they did not fulfill the order for the Christmas party. Some discussion was had about when to use this offer and it was suggested that the club's next seminar would be a good place to use the free food.

Club Clothing

Donna Barto reported she now has the catalog and will be getting an order form printed shortly. There will be sweatshirts, T-shirts, winter jackets, etc., and all will be available in a variety of colors. Let Donna know what you are looking for and she will help you.

Awards Banquet

Phyllis Broderick reported that she, Anna Guglielmo and Barbara Grotzinger are meeting with the owner and manager of the Brass Rail on January 9, 2020, to discuss the menu for the Awards Banquet which is scheduled for April 17, 2020.

Publicity

Dusty Springer presented the publicity report

Trophies

Cris Courduff announced she has trophy donation forms available and that the club could use some more donations from the membership for the May point show.

Point Show

President Achenzie reported that everything is going as planned. The judges are all approved. Jacqui Hartranft questioned the use of the club's mats at the show. President Achenzie responded that the club will need to provide some mats for the two shows. He will be present when our mats are loaded and delivered to the show site and again when they are loaded and delivered from the show site back to Macungie. More information will be available closer to the show date.

General Business

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on January 26, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. at Wegmans on Tilghman Street in Allentown and is open to the membership. The next general meeting will be held on February 12, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. inside the training building at Macungie Park.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

Brag

Several members stepped forward to announce their latest brags.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the general membership, Terry Papineau moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Linda Krasley and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McCarthy

Recording Secretary