

# ADTC BARKS AND BYTES

February 2021 Newsletter

Welcome to our February 2021 Newsletter. The second month of the New Year that we hope will be much better than last year, although, it will be a while until things get back to normal. Training on Wednesday and Thursday has started again. Shows and matches seem to be starting up again although some are still on hold or cancelled. It is best to check the various sites listing trials, like Jim Rau, Info Dog (which you can do by state) or the AKC. Then be sure not to wait until the last minute to enter because trials seem to be filling quickly.

The January newsletter had some great information from the mini seminar we had in December. We hope that everyone had a chance to go over the information, especially newer members who are getting ready to enter your dog in a trial, but as a reminder for some of our older members as well. Steve has been putting the newsletters on our website so it is a good idea to go back to some of the older issues and review things that are in them. Thank you, Steve, for doing this, as we frequently go back to prior issues.

The new board of directors was voted in at the General Meeting last month so be sure to give them your support. When volunteers are needed, please remember to volunteer when asked. The Club, nor any club, can run by itself. It takes many hands to keep everything running smoothly. And the same people cannot be expected to take it on all the time. We need newer people who may have newer ideas. SO, PLEASE, VOLUNTEER WHEN ASKED!!

And while we are on this subject of volunteering, has everyone sent in their dues? We have had the reminder and information where to get the form from the website in the last four newsletters—which are also on line in the member's only section of the website. We have many members who have still not renewed. We realize that perhaps some are no longer interested in keeping up their memberships and that is fine, but many have been members for some time. This makes the job of membership chair, Debbie Achenzie, more difficult. If we can make a suggestion, so this is not forgotten next year, please if you want to renew your membership, get it out to the membership chairperson before the end of the year. Should you change your mind and decide that you should have renewed it, the cost will be a lot more than \$35 as you will have to join as a new member. The membership Chairperson, who also volunteers her time, would greatly appreciate it. As a reminder, send in your 2022 dues and application as soon as it comes due later this year. Then it will not be forgotten. Thanks.

There should be more information coming out regarding the Rally Virtual Program and also the Beginner Novice and Companion Dog Program. Please be aware that anyone who gets a title in the

VBN and VCD program is NOT eligible to enter regular Open classes. You must have a regular CD in order to enter a trial for your CDX.

According to the AKC Rally website, virtual scores and qualifications earned after December 1, 2020 and thereafter, are NOT eligible for entry qualifications to the Championship RNC event in 2022. The Rally Virtual program will end at midnight December 31, 2021. For more information go to the AKC Rally website and that should answer any questions you may have.

### **\*TRAINING INFORMATION\***

#### **Pre-Entry Classes on Wednesday Evening....**

Phyllis Broderick's Open Class 5:15 to 6:15pm.

Phyllis' Show Ready Novice/Novice 6:30 to 7:30pm.

Carol McCarthy's Advanced Beginner/Novice 7:30 to 8:30pm

Carol's Beginner Utility Class 8:30 to 9:30pm.

#### **Pre-Entry Classes on Thursday...**

Dusty Springer's Novice Class 12:00 to 1:00pm

Anna Guglielmo – Utility 9:30 to 10:30am

Open 10:45 to 11:45am

#### **From Phyllis...**

At the General and Board meetings, I discussed holding a Match Show, which was open to the public for March 4th from 9 to 5pm. Due to some scheduling changes the Match Show will NOT be held. The match show will be rescheduled at the conclusion of the next 6 week session.

Anna will not be completing her Open and Utility classes until March 4th and Rally Masters ends February 25th.

Club training Wednesday and Thursday Novice finishes February 17th. I am leaving February 24th open as a snow date.

The new 6 week session for Open, Show Ready Novice, Advanced Beginner/Novice and Beginner Utility classes will start March 3rd and 4th. Again class sizes are limited to 10 in each class based on first received basis.

I will have the next 6 week session signup applications available at training. \*Or See Form Below

Ring rentals are still available on Thursday afternoon. What a great opportunity for you to practice inside during the winter weather. You can rent the entire room for \$25 or half for \$15 and can split the cost with others. All the equipment is there to use. Contact Phyllis to see what times are available.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB

2021 INDOOR REGISTRATION FORM

THE INDOOR SESSION WITH PHYLLIS & CAROL WILL START MARCH 3RD

DUSTY'S NOVICE CLASS STARTS MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup>.

IN ORDER TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE CLASSES WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS:

1. CLASSES WILL BE BY PRE ENTRY ONLY AND THE CLASS SIZE LIMIT IS 10 PARTICIPANTS TO A CLASS BY PRE PAYMENT ONLY.
2. COST: \$48 FOR THE 6 WEEK SESSION.
3. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR FACE MASKS

CLASSES: (Please check one) WEDNESDAY:

\_\_\_\_\_ Phyllis Broderick's Open Class 5:15 to 6:15pm.

\_\_\_\_\_ Phyllis' Show Ready Novice/Novice 6:30 to 7:30pm.

\_\_\_\_\_ Carol McCarthy's Advanced Beginner/Novice 7:30 to 8:30pm

\_\_\_\_\_ Carol's Utility Class 8:30 to 9:30pm.

THURSDAY:

\_\_\_\_\_ Dusty Springer's Novice Class 12:00 to 1:00pm

Make checks payable ADTC and send to:

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**\*RALLY CLASSES\***

Linda Krasley's Rally Masters class is continuing. Without any cancellations for bad weather or COVID this class should end February 25<sup>th</sup>. Keep watching the newsletters for more announcements as to when different classes will be held after this one is competed.

**\*AWARDS PROGRAM AND TITLE RECOGNITION\***

At this point there is nothing more to report. Hopefully everyone did not forget to send in their application for an award. THANK YOU to Judy Lasso and Pat Gombocz for taking on this job.

**\*AWARDS BANQUET\***

This is the highlight of our year where we get recognized for all our hard work. There will be more information coming out in future issues.

**\*UPCOMING EVENTS\***

Melanie Kerber will be running a Beginning Scent Work class the beginning of March. Mel is a certified Nose Work Instructor by the National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW) and a member of the Association of Professional Pet Dog Trainers. This is a fun dog sport and dogs love it. Any dog with a nose can do it. My Poppy even at her old age of 14 loved it as did Emmett as it was something he could do after losing his leg to cancer. She is located in Mertztown and can be reached at 610-682-4598 or by her website at [www.kerberdogtraining.com](http://www.kerberdogtraining.com).

The Delaware Valley German Shepherd Club will be holding a trial on April 10 and 11 at Barto where it was to be held last year but cancelled due to of COVID-19. Rally is not offered. Jean Nocilly is the judge.

**\*MEMBERSHIP---WHO IS NEW\***

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

No new members for January







### **Irwin Linker Reports...**

On January 9-10 Casey and I went to Mechanicsburg for a CDSP Obedience weekend with 4 trials in 2 days. Saturday we were in Novice B and Casey had a 197.5 for 4th place in the morning trial and a 190.5 for 3rd place in the afternoon. On Sunday morning Casey has a 197.5 for 1st place and his CD-C title. I moved him up to Open for the afternoon and he scored another 197.5 for 1st place his first time in Open A. Fun weekend!!



**CONGRATULATIONS!!!!**

## Debbie Petrusjanz reporting for Annie...

Hi There Annie Here, I Had A Great Weekend At Dandy Dog, January 23rd and January 24th. TNT Held A UKC Trial There. Big Thank you To TNT Canines and Dandy Dog and Of Course A Big Thank you To The Wonderful Judges, Marguerite Plank and Suzanne White . I Am Very Proud of Myself So Here It Is. Completed My UKC CDX with a Run off for First place, I Won and placed 2nd for My 3rd Leg. Mom Moved Me Up To Utility B got my 1st UD Leg And High in Trial. Rally I Had 3 Perfect Scores, High in Trial and Completed Another Title. Awesome Weekend.



## **\*PUBLICITY COMMITTEE AND MEMBER OF THE MONTH\***

As announced earlier, Dusty Springer will no longer be handling the job of Publicity. Thank You Dusty for all you have done in this position over the past few years.

We now have a new member that has volunteered to step into this position....Welcome Linda Eldon.

We all enjoy reading the Member of the Month articles. It is fun to read about how our members became interested in training and competing with their dogs.

Hopefully soon COVID Restrictions will be lifted and we can start to participate in public events and be able to share all the good things our club has to offer.



**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 Linda Eldon. Forms may be submitted by mailing them to Linda Eldon at 68 Bull Road, Barto, PA 19504 or by emailing them to [aeldon1980@aol.com](mailto:aeldon1980@aol.com)

First and last name of nominee:

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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.)

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Date nominated: \_\_\_\_\_

If readily available, Nominee's contact information:

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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.

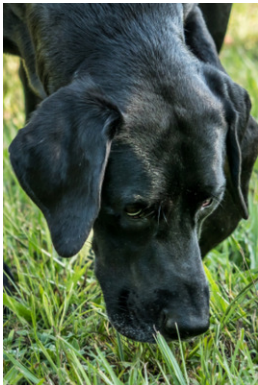
### **\*HELPFUL INFORMATION\***

In going through some of the prior newsletters we found some information which we would like to reprint this month. Last year, not only was it an awful year in a lot of ways, but many of our members have lost best friends, both dog and human. This is geared for loss of a pet which can be devastating. Valley Central Veterinary, 210 Fullerton Avenue, in Whitehall has a support group for bereaved pet owners. This service is free and you can call Valley Central at 610-435-1553 for more information.

### **\*THE QUIKY DOG PODCAST\***

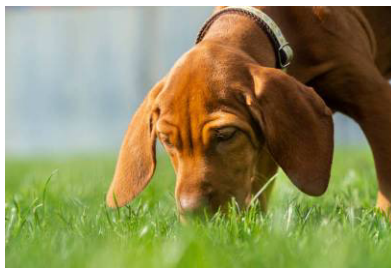
In going through some information, I write down things that I think members might be interested in, there is a podcast which you can go on to and it is free. It has many interesting subjects and guests, one of which was Petra Ford who won the National Obedience Championship with her Labrador Retriever, Zeal. But besides that it also includes topics on health, etc. If you have nothing better to do on a cold evening night, do check it out.

### **\*A FUN GAME FOR YOU AND YOUR DOG\***



Here is a game you can play with your dog in the house while the weather is cold and nasty. In fact you can play this game outside as well and dogs love it. I call it "THE FIND THE TREAT GAME" and both Abbey and Cooper know exactly what I mean. I first block the dogs in one room so they cannot see what I am doing. Then I take a small treat or a piece of kibble and hide it in various places in a room or rooms. I use my dining room and living room with the dogs locked in the kitchen. I hide three or four treats in various places, some up on things, some hidden on the floor behind something—anywhere where the dogs can sniff around and find it. They love the game and it is fun to see how they use their noses and air scent to find the treat. It also wears them out!! I usually do about

three or four sessions using the three or four treats. I did Scent Work with Emmett and Poppy and I learned some of the ways they use their noses to find odor. It is so much fun to see how each works odor to find the treat. So give it a try. Your dog will love you even more for playing this game with them and all that sniffing tires them out.



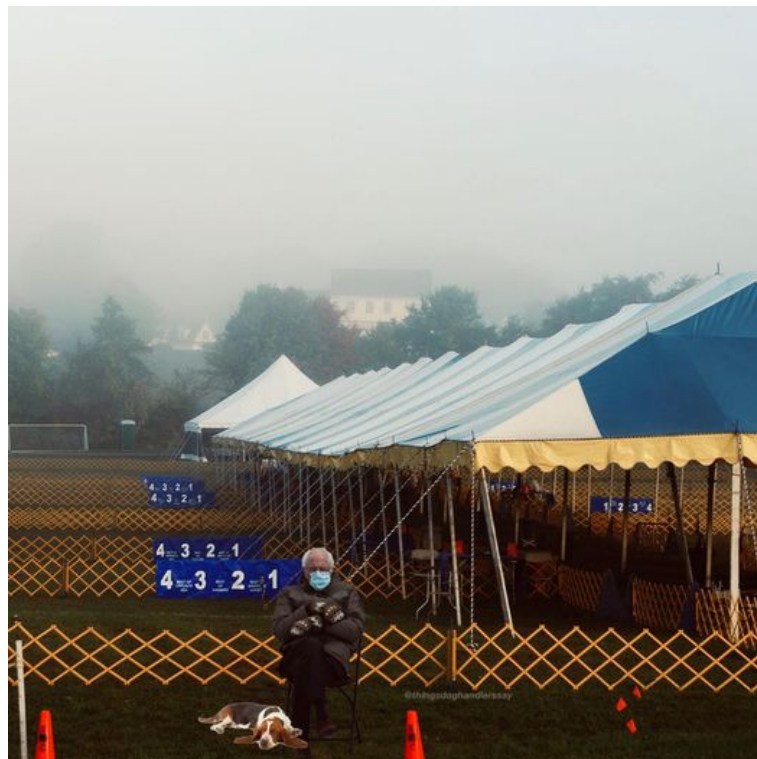
Made for Sharing!!



**Things Dog Handlers Say**

@thingsdoghandlersay

The human brain is an amazing thing. It functions 24/7 from the day you're born and only stops when you walk into the ring at a trial.



**YOU ARE NOT A DOG. YOU ARE MY SANITY. YOU ARE MY HAPPINESS. YOU ARE MY TEACHER. YOU ARE MY THERAPIST AND BEST FRIEND.**



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Updates from the American Kennel Club AKC Noteworthy News

Dear Friends,

2020 has taught us many invaluable lessons. We learned how to better support our clubs, many departments collaborated to pivot our events and create virtual options, offered more canine education courses, and expanded the AKC brand into new spaces. Though trying, the last year proved that the AKC is a staple in the lives of dog owners. As we journey through 2021, we renew our commitment to our growth, our sports and bettering the lives of dogs everywhere.

This is my 14th communication since the beginning of the pandemic, and I am very glad to be able to continue to share positive news with you. Even in unprecedented times, there were many accomplishments.

We ended the year with a safe and successful AKC National Championship. More than 4,000 dogs vied for the title of America's National Champion. And the competition did not stop there. We held championships in Obedience and Rally, as well as invitationals in Agility and Fast CAT. We also had our time-honored competitions in Best Bred-By-Exhibitor and National Owner Handled Series.

Our inaugural Fastest Dogs USA show premiered on ESPN 2 on December 13 and was the #1 program on the channel for the entire day! A wonderful achievement for the AKC and our competitors.

Below are some additional highlights:

Broadcasting:

AKC ON ESPN --- we expanded our brand presence with content to air on ESPN and ABC TV Networks for a number of years

AKC.tv produced new content weekly ---96 episodes of Dog Center, 26 Ask the Expert, Meet the Breeds episodes, 5 ACE Awards episodes = 1200 + minutes of original content.

AKC.tv surpassed 100k app installs, 1million plays on apps

AKC.tv and AKC live streamed 500+ hours of dog programming at ANC 2020

Canine College:

AKC Canine College relaunched six breeder courses in 2020, which were completely redesigned to incorporate the newest in online learning capabilities. There were 27,256 breeder course enrollments, an increase 422% from 2019.

AKC Education hosted 127 webinars in 2020 for 31,496 attendees. These webinars spanned a variety of topics, including breed seminars, training, breeding, and more.

AKC Public Education launched several new programs in 2020, including AKC Canine and Me, AKC Breed of the Week for Kids, the AKC Virtual Patch Program, and AKC Kids News.

The AKC PupPals Program was revamped to include adults and others in need during the COVID-19 crisis. In order to reach as many people as possible, video messages are now utilized, which brought in an additional 630 new requests and over 330 additional PupPal dogs.

#### Communications:

Effectively garnered 19,522 clips for 2020 as evaluated by outside third-party company, Cision

Managed a 96% positivity rating with 4% of clips not being so.

49 press releases distributed Nationwide.

Secured high level media placements in NY Times, Wall Street Journal, Los Angeles Times, Fox News, CNN, NBC News, MSNBC, Modern Dog, ESPN Magazine, E! News, The Today Show, ABC News, CBS News and several others.

Assisted AKC affiliates (Museum and AKC Reunite) in securing media placements around their initiatives.

Promoted virtual programs and competitions.

Created successful campaigns for Meet The Breeds and the AKC National Championship.

52 McClatchy articles distributed and published nationwide to over 600 local newspapers regarding dog care and responsible dog ownership.

Assisted the Humane Fund in distributing over \$100K in aide to shelters and organizations.

#### Government Relations:

Legislative: AKC GR tracked some 4,211 bills in 2020: This is an 83% increase over the 2,300 bills tracked in 2019. The largest category of new bills we tracked (716 total) were COVID-19 bills that could impact dog owners and ownership, dog services (such as pet food retailers or groomers), the sport, or AKC generally. Discounting for COVID- related bills, legislation on key issues such as cruelty, breeder regulation, pet sales, working dogs, animal control, etc. also increased by 51% over 2019 to 3,495 bills tracked.

COVID- related – In addition to the record amount of legislation tracked, GR provided advocacy and reporting on a number of areas that impact AKC interests including business closures, requirements for gatherings, financial relief for non-political not for profit organizations, and limits on legal liability for transmission of COVID at events held in compliance with CDC and local health requirements. AKC GR established two webpages, updated daily to help track COVID impacts on canine policy. COVID-19 resources provide information on advocating for dogs and events during the pandemic, pet related business closures, and a variety of other resources. The COVID-19 Liability Limitations page provides information on AKC advocacy to protect clubs and dog events from liability during the pandemic.

New Key Issues Resources: AKC GR created 7 new one-stop policy based key issues pages on the following topics COVID-19 Resources, COVID-19 Civil Liability Limit Legislation, Service Dogs, Pet Imports: Protecting Pet & Public Health, Detection Dogs, Dogs in Vehicles: Avoiding Unintended Consequences, Pet Choice/Pet Store Restrictions.

New Series of Comprehensive Policy Briefs: GR began development of a series of new, in-depth comprehensive public policy guides on canine issues. These guides are in keeping with maintaining and advancing AKC's place as preeminent thought leader in canine policy. The guides are designed to provide lawmakers, advocates, and the

public with in-depth analysis, case studies, statistics, and model legislative language. The first of this series, Why Breed-Specific Legislation Doesn't Work: An Analysis of Dangerous Dog Policy was introduced in late May. A second, on Consumer Protection/ Puppy Lemon Laws was released in December. Unlike legislation that seeks to limit the sources of pets, this multi-pronged consumer protection approach establishes public policy and laws that protect the public health, encourage consumer choice, promote consumer protections, and best ensure that available pets are healthy and represented accurately to consumers. The packets will be provided to legislators as a proactive alternative to commonly introduced, overly prescriptive breeder regulation and bans. The new resource is available to the public online in the AKC GR legislative action center.

AKC Anti-Breeder Harassment Taskforce launched, with a webinar, a new website with resources to help breeders prevent and respond to potential harassment or retaliation and tracking and notification of harassment "hot spots".

#### Marketing:

AKC Marketing took advantage of the "pandemic puppy" surge by working with internal and external experts to create relevant content, sharing that content through engaging social posts and collaborating with the PR department who successfully secured top tier placements and links. AKC.org user growth in December 2020 was +59% versus December 2019 and +3% versus previous record high in April of 2020.

Beginning mid-March, at the height of pandemic lockdowns, AKC social media kicked off a daily "Woof From Home" series to give quarantined dog owners fun and useful ideas for keeping their dogs (and themselves) happy and entertained. We continued this series for 77 days, contributing 5.4M organic social impressions.

AKC Dog Stars social media influencers promoted the AKC mission on their own Instagram accounts, sharing their personal experiences with acquiring, raising, and owning their purebred dogs, and competing in AKC sports. The program contributed over 2M impressions to our organic social media performance.

Successfully launched the AKC Podcast "Down and Back" building a new audience and new opportunity to communicate with dog owners.

The AKC Shop significantly overperformed versus last year.

#### Publications:

Eddie Award from FOLIO Magazine for the Best Magazine Pets, Single Issue, "Family Dog" May/June Youth Issue.

Eddie Award from FOLIO, Honorable Mention, for "Momma Mia and her Bald Ballerina," by Mara Bovsun

Dog Writers Association of America Award Maxwell for Best Magazine, All Breed for "Family Dog"

Dog Writers Association of America Award, Article—Health or General Care for "Hearing With Their Hearts," by Jen Reeder

Dog Writers Association of America Canine Scribbles Award for "Lean on Me," by Mara Bovsun

Participation in 2020 Meet the Breeds at Javits Center, booth selling Family Dog subscription, with interactive, fun photo ops displays for MTB attendees

Seamlessly transitioned, during NYS lockdown, from NYC office to home offices without interrupting scheduled workflow, making every deadline on time.

Increased sales of Family Dog seasonal Gift Guides ads and MTB “Meet the Clubs” ads

Registration:

Dog Registrations: +20% Better than 2019

Litter Registrations: +12% Year over Year

DNA Samples Received: +9% Year over Year

AKC Call Center Handled 723,254 customer contacts, averaging 60,000 per month.

AKC Inspectors and Breeder Development Field Reps innovated new ways to support AKC Breeders via Zoom, helping 1,000’s of breeders comply with AKC policies and improve their breeding practices.

Sports and Events:

Sports & Events 2020 accomplishments must be considered in the context of the unprecedented changes that impacted our world in terms of federal, state and local mandates due to the pandemic.

Unexpectedly shifting from an office work environment to home. Up and running in a matter of days.

Handling event cancellations and rescheduling by the thousands.

The recommendations by staff of 40+ modifications to regulations/policies to assist clubs and judges were approved by the Board, followed by their communication and implementation.

The development of “Best Practices” across sports to provide clubs guidance and confidence as they struggled to plan and hold events in this new environment.

Developed recommendations for clubs on how to handle COVID-19 cases during or after an event.

The cancelling and rescheduling of AKC Agility, Obedience and Rally National Championship events.

It is challenging to think about the future when current issues are overwhelming. I truly appreciate that the staff was able to plan and implement growth initiatives that adapted to the new environment.

Launched conformation judges education webinars (in conjunction with the Education Dept)

Implemented virtual conformation judge’s interviews

Launched “Conformation for Beginners” – 34 online micro lessons (in conjunction with the Ed. Dept)

Virtual vet school zoom meetings (modified version of Sport Services’ “lunch & learn” program)

Enhancements to the Juniors Program

Expanded scholarships to recognize juniors in Companion and Performance Events

Expanded Junior recognition across sports by awarding jackets to top juniors by sport

Planned, launched and managed virtual sport activities, in conjunction with other departments

Trick Dog classes

Rally Novice & Intermediate classes

Agility ACT classes

Water Test for Pointing Breeds

AKC Approved Fit Dog Instructor Program Level 1(Family Dog Dept)

Virtual Home Manners Program (Family Dog)

Conformation

Held the first Fast CAT Invitational in Orlando

Fast CAT is one existing sport that stands out above others. Despite being shut down for three months, 2020 entries exceeded the previous year.

Additional Virtual sport activities that are in process

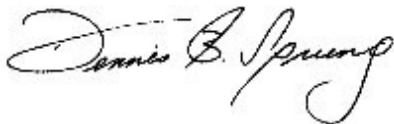
New Agility ACT Jumpers classes will launch in February

Obedience Beginner Novice & Novice classes will launch in March

Rally Advanced & Excellent class recommendations will be presented to the Board in February

It is truly a pleasure to share these highlights with you and give insight into some of the great work our dedicated staff continues to do on behalf of our dogs and our sports. Please know that staff is here and happy to assist you with anything you may need. Much gratitude to our Board of Directors for their continued support.

Until next time, stay safe and be well,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dennis B. Sprung". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dennis Sprung  
President & CEO



## **ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**January 13, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by President Chuck Achenzie. President Achenzie noted that there were 21 members in attendance and 14 via conference call.

### **Minutes**

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on December 9, 2020. No corrections or additions were noted. Terry Papineau moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. The motion was seconded by Linda Krasley and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Barbara Artim presented the Treasurer's Report

No corrections or additions were noted to the Treasurer's Report. Terry Papineau moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Debbie Achenzie and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **Correspondence Report**

Terry Papineau reported that AKC has approved the club's rally trial and obedience trials scheduled for May 2021.

### **Membership Report**

Debbie Achenzie presented her Membership Report

There was one first reading.

Matthew W. Joseph, Rhodesian Ridgeback - (Not Present)

There were three second readings:

Julie Leboutitz, Golden Retriever

Holly Huff, Wirehaired Dachshund

Rosanna Ruffing, Doberman

Edie Rysdyk moved to accept the above-stated three applicants as members. Sharon Merkel seconded the motion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **Training Director's Report**

Phyllis Broderick presented her Training Director's Report

**\*See report below**

She also noted that Morris Hills Dog Training Club will hold their show on February 28, 2021, at Top Dog in New Jersey. Entries will open on February 18, 2021, at 12:00 Noon. You can enter this trial online at [showentries.info](http://showentries.info).

## **Committees**

### **Elections**

President Achenzie thanked all the outgoing Board members for their service.

Corresponding Secretary Terry Papineau cast one unanimous vote to elect the 2021 Board of Directors.

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

President: Chuck Achenzie

Vice President: Steve Markowitz

Recording Secretary: Carol McCarthy

Corresponding Secretary: Terry Papineau

Treasurer: Barbara Artim

Training Director: Phyllis Broderick

Board Members:

Debbie Achenzie

Linda Eldon

Anna Guglielmo

Gail James

Eddie Rysdyk

### **Publicity**

President Achenzie noted the club is still looking for a member to head the Publicity Committee and that anyone interested should contact him.

### **Newsletter**

Jacqui Hartranft noted the deadline for the newsletter will be 5 days before the end of the month.

### **Sunshine**

A card was sent to Marta Beckstead on the passing of her beloved Border Terrier, Barley.

### **Awards and Certificates**

President Achenzie announced July Lasso received approximately 18-19 applications for awards. She will send out an email detailing what she received.

### **Banquet Committee**

Phyllis Broderick reported the date for the Awards Banquet is Friday, April 17, 2021. She will wait until February before making the decision to reserve the room at The Brass Rail.

### **Point Show**

President Achenzie reported there have been no changes regarding the May trial from what was reported last month. Gail James noted the premium is being worked on and will be finished soon.

### **Old Business**

President Achenzie reminded the membership to wear masks in the training building and to practice social distancing.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **General Business**

The next board meeting will be held on January 24, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. at Macungie Park. The meeting is open to the membership.

The next general meeting will be held on February 10, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. in Macungie Hall.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

### **Adjournment**

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

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McCarthy

Recording Secretary

## Allentown Dog Training Club Training Director Report

January 10, 2021

Club training resumes this week with a new 6 week session for Wednesday classes and Thursday Novice class and Rally.

Anna has one more week to complete her current open and utility classes. She will start her next 6 week session Thursday morning, January 21st.

Linda's rally class this session is Masters.

Carol's beginner class is in its 3rd week.

A new STAR Puppy class starts Thursday, January 21st from 5:00 to 5:45pm, taught by Terry Papineau. This changes Thursday's schedule slightly as follows:

5:00 to 5:45pm – STAR Puppy Class

6:00 TO 7:00 - Beginner Class

7:15 to 8:15pm - Master's Rally Class

Ring rental is available Thursdays from 1:00pm to 4:45pm. Contact Phyllis to reserve a space. Half Ring \$15.00; Full Ring \$25.00.

Connie Cleveland seminar has been rescheduled for Saturday and Sunday, November 20th and 21st. Kathy Pugh has been getting numerous inquiries from people that were signed up for the cancelled seminar. Kathy and I decided that the people who signed up, both members and public, will be given 30 days to sign up before opening the seminar to other members and the general public. We will take entries as well as Dog Match Show.

Match Show:

At the conclusion of this 6 week session, a match show will be offered to members and the public.

The date will be Wednesday and Thursday, March 3rd and 4th.

Times: Wednesday, March 3rd from 4:00 to 7:30pm.

Thursday, March 4th from 12:00 to 4:30pm.

Dog Match will take entries.

Classes offered: Utility, Open, Novice and Beginner Novice.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Broderick