



# ADTC BARKS AND BYTES NEWSLETTER

**AUGUST 2021 NEWSLETTER**

It is said August is the Dog Days of Summer!! However, I think that July has been “the Dog Days of Summer”! Since going outside we have had to cancel many of our Wednesday evening and Thursday morning classes because of weather. The heat and humidity has been unbearable since the last week or so in June and now into July. As I write this, I am hoping that soon some of the heat and humidity will ease up a bit and allow us to have our classes. I am sure most of you are missing the classes as well as your dogs. Especially since more and more trials are starting up. Do not forget match shows as there is no better way to prepare to enter a ring. Some clubs run match shows every month or every other month. You can find them listed on DogMatchShows.com. Most are within a reasonable drive and well worth the time you and your dog spend there. Also, the Blue Mountain Cluster will be coming up in September and there will be more on that in this newsletter.

## **\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!!!\* JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Debbie and Jacqui both hope that everyone is and has been enjoying the newsletter. The newsletter was started back up in October 2018 after an 18 month lapse. However, Debbie is finding that with membership renewals that will be due starting in October and the position of Membership Chair that keeps her quite busy, she needs to give up working as an editor of the newsletter. Compiling things throughout the month and then finding time to add everything to the newsletter has gotten to be too much for her and also for her computer. So, starting with October, she will no longer be helping Jacqui with the newsletter. Jacqui will continue writing for it but she is unable to add pictures or the many things that Debbie knew how to do. We are hoping that someone in the club would be willing to take over Debbie’s job. We need someone who is computer savvy enough to add pictures and other club related things from time to time. We always tried to get the newsletter out by the first of each month. So there will still be a newsletter but no pictures or some of the other things that Debbie was able to add. If you are interested, please get in touch with Debbie or Jacqui.



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

For August and part of September all obedience training will be on a pay weekly basis. There will be containers to deposit your training fee of \$8.00 per class per dog and a notebook to sign in. Six week sessions will resume when we go indoors in September.

There will be no training in August as follows:

August 4th & 5th - Das Awkfest Festival.

August 25th & 26th = Wheels of Time.

I know that Pocono Mt. Kennel Club; Lehigh Valley Kennel Club and Berks Kennel Club will be having their outdoor show September 16th thru the 19th. I have not heard from Amy as to whether or not we can hold indoor training. Previously (before covid), we did not hold classes as they used the indoor building. I will be contacting Amy for details.

### **WEDNESDAY:**

Phyllis Broderick's Open Class 5:00 to 6:00pm.

Phyllis' Show Ready Novice/Novice 6:15 to 7:15pm.

Carol McCarthy's Advanced Beginner/Beginner Novice 5:00 to 6:00pm

Carol's Utility Class 6:15 to 7:15pm.

### **THURSDAY:**

Dusty Springer's Novice Class 10:00 to 11:00pm

**FYI...**if the weather is questionable please check your email to see if class is canceled or contact Dusty before 9:15am to ask.

[bohooch@yahoo.com](mailto:bohooch@yahoo.com) 610-965-6671 Home or 484-515-6153 Cell

Anna's open and utility outdoor classes are suspended for the summer. Her classes will resume in September when we go indoor.

### **\*RALLY CLASSES\***

Linda is conducting a Rally Masters class currently. For more information get in touch with her.

Linda Krasley [kenlin@rcn.com](mailto:kenlin@rcn.com)

## **\*ADTC POINT SHOW\***

It was announced at the July General Meeting by Gail James, our show Chair Person that she and the show committee decided on a new location for our show in 2022. After discussing the pros and cons of keeping it in the building in Macungie and visiting the training center at Orchard Hills in Barto and the 4-H building in Leesport, it was decided that we will be holding our point show at Orchard Hills. Everything is there with plenty of room for three rings, crating and lots of parking. There is plenty of space to warm up our dogs and also plenty crating space. Several of our members participated in the Delaware Valley German Shepherd Club trial there the beginning of April and found it was a great place to have a trial. More will be announced in the near future.

### **FROM GAIL...**

While the trial went well this year all things considered the Board thought it best to investigate some other venues looking forward to next year. I reached out to Nancy Withers for the Berks site and I also visited Orchard Hills Training Center in Barto, attached is the report. The Board met and felt that if we want to continue ADTC's tradition of putting on nice shows that the Barto site would meet our needs also allowing us to add rings and classes.

### **ADTC and Berks Trial 2022 PROS AND CONS**

**Sharing the Berks Site** I received this information from Nancy Withers:

8 Hours is \$450 they usually rent for 10 hours \$550

Set up day before is \$75 – we would need to go help Berks with set up

\$100 cleaning fee, she is not sure if we would split that or there is a fee per day

This would be 2 rings and we would not have to bring any equipment

Judges she has now Ted Walshesky-Utility; Jean Nocilly-Open, Novice, Beg. Novice, Sylvia Brownlee-Rally – we could share judges

Limits this year worked 30-Utility; 35-Open; 24- Novice, Beg. Novice combined, Rally 54

Start time 8 am till 4 pm- actually at site 7 am to 5 pm

Total for site is \$725, possible split with cleaning fee \$675

### **My concerns using the Berks Site:**

Travel to the site for our members for set up Friday, our show Saturday and return on Sunday to help Berks take down

What is required of set up and take down, will mats be in place or will we need to lay and tape

Travel for stewards

We still have left over green tape, not sure of the color of Berks mats

Cost of judges was not given at this point

No optional or non-regular classes

**Macungie Site – two day event:**

Date is open on Macungie calendar for set up Thursday, show Friday and Saturday

Macungie will set up mats like they did this year

AKC has two options for having a show over two days so this even if the COVID restrictions are changed we can still have a two day event

I did not confirm cost with Amy but this year was \$400 plus \$160 for the mats

Total of \$560 for the site

We would possibly need to get judges

We could offer the Preferred classes suggested by Phyllis

Currently thinking of one judge for both days

**Things learned from our trial this year:**

Matt the entire floor

Have lunch downstairs or if only one judge have a 1 hour lunch still on the porch

Change the entrance and exit doors

Not sure we would need holding areas could be seating

Order new jumps and Rally signs and equipment

Regulation jumps \$650.00 from Max 200

Rally signs-\$199.95, holders \$89.95, numbers \$23.99-Max 200

J&J Rally kit \$279.99-signs, holders, numbers, cones & bowls

On Thursday I spoke with two members of the Hatboro Kennel Club that will be using the Macungie site for their shows in October and they say that it is possible to set up two obedience rings in the building, they even have their judges approval for slightly smaller rings, not sure is this is possible for us or not.

**Orchard Hills Site**

45 Bella Vista Lane Barto, PA 19504 610-845-7022

Site is available for May 21, 2022

Cost of site \$750 for 10 hours any additional hours \$75 per hour

No charge for set up on Friday No deposit required

Does not have a contract but will sign one prepared by ADTC

Size: Main area 120 x 100; crating area 100 x 40 this is the New building – can fit 3 rings easily

Kitchen includes counters, receptacles, sink, refrigerator, trash cans

Lunches for judges and workers, there is Main Street Pub nearby for possible catering

Bathrooms available

Tables and chairs for both eating and for the rings

One set of ring gates is on site, there are some jumps but we may need to bring for obedience; there are other ring type gates on site that may be okay for a Rally ring. There are also Rally signs and holders available for our use on site.

Lots of Parking and areas to walk the dogs; Bev was very clear about the bathroom for dogs must not be near the buildings

Concerns for the site, something new, larger trial more members help will be needed.

**ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB Presents a Two Day Workshop with CONNIE CLEVELAND**

**Saturday & Sunday, November 20 & 21, 2021**

**Macungie Memorial Park Building, Macungie PA**

**Saturday's Topics:**

Connie will start the workshop by discussing How Dogs Learn – the dog training principles that guide us. She will then work with each working team on the exercise or problem of their choice. Novice and Open problems discussed.

**Sunday's Topics: Open and Utility**

Details:

The workshop will run from 9am to 5pm Saturday; 8:30am to 4:30pm Sunday.

Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Snacks and Beverages provided.

Working participants limited to 20 teams who must work both days.

Unlimited Auditors.

The fee is \$325 for Working Spots, 2 days only.

Auditors – Two days \$175, One day \$100

No refunds after September 30, 2020

For More Information, contact Kathy Pugh at 973-477-9895

Or email: [kwpugh@centurylink.net](mailto:kwpugh@centurylink.net)

\_\_\_\_\_ Working Spot Two Days Only

Auditors: Two Days Sat & Sun: \_\_\_\_\_ One Day: Sat: \_\_\_\_\_ Sun: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Make check payable to ADTC and send to Kathy Pugh, 454 West Hill Rd, Glen Gardner NJ 08826.  
You can also sign up on [DogMatchShows.com](http://DogMatchShows.com)



Connie is an internationally recognized dog trainer who offers training seminars to competitive dog trainers and instructors around the country and overseas. Her own experience includes: 11 Obedience Trial Champions (OTCH), 2 Field Champions (FC), 5 Amateur Field Champions (AFC), a UDT Maltese and a CDX Shih-Tzu.

As important as Connie's achievements in training her own dogs is her passion for teaching others. Connie taught classes to more than 100 students each week for over 30 years. She is the author of a DVD series, "How Dogs Learn, The Connie Cleveland Method", a book entitled "Dogs Are Problem Solvers, Handlers Should Be". Currently she coaches students online through her web site, [www.ObedienceRoad.com](http://www.ObedienceRoad.com) where all levels of instruction can be found. Connie is a regular contributor to Front & Finish and The Golden Retriever News.

**\*UPCOMING EVENT...STEWARDS NEEDED\***

The Blue Mountain Cluster is being held as it has been for many years, at the Macungie Park. It is held September 16, 17, 18 and 19. It is put on by the Pocono Kennel Club, the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club and the Berks County Kennel Club.

The Lehigh Valley Kennel Club's day is Saturday, September 18. Gail James is again the head steward and is looking for members to volunteer to be stewards on that day. Please give it consideration as no stewards, no shows. It is not a hard job and you can learn a lot by watching different handlers and dogs. It is a great way for new members to see what goes on at a rally or obedience trial. Not to mention there is a great lunch. The Obedience judges are Larry Wilson and Barbara Doering. The Rally judge is Linda Ferrullo

If you are interested in helping please give Gail a call at 610-285-2331 or 610-213-2920 [jamesgang12@verizon.net](mailto:jamesgang12@verizon.net).

**\*MEMBERSHIP—WHO IS NEW\***

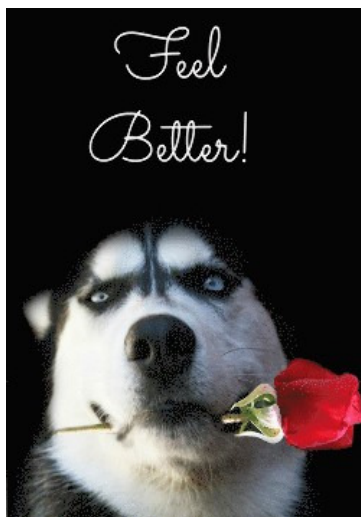
This is not only to welcome new members but also those who have a new puppy or dog.

New member for July

Stephanie Stemphoski and her Cane Corso



**\*SUNSHINE\***



Feel  
Better!

Well wishes go out to Lois Linker who is recovering from her second knee replacement surgery.

### **\*Upcoming Match Show\***

Pam Dennison is holding a match at her new facility in Washington NJ.

Saturday, August 14th

Monday, September 13th.

Cost \$10.00 per class

You must enter online with Pam [pam@positivedogs.com](mailto:pam@positivedogs.com)

The information is also on [www.dogmatchshows.com](http://www.dogmatchshows.com)

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#### Positive Dogs

275 Rt 31 N. Mansfield Lodge No. 36, F&AM

Washington, NJ (NOTE - NEW location - see website for directions:

<https://www.pamdennison.com/directions/>

Go to the LOWER level of the Mansfield Lodge No. 36, F&AM - you can GPS that address. DO NOT GO TO THE FRONT DOOR. Just drive around back and look for the wood door.

Washington, NJ (NOTE - NEW location - see website for directions:

<https://www.pamdennison.com/directions/>

Monday, September 13, 2021 Starts at 10 am

1 ring

Utility and Open. If you want to do Novice, just sign up and let me know that you want Novice. This match will be for AKC and CDSP - just tell me which one you want when you get here.

Because of the increase in new Covid cases we will be wearing masks inside.

tons of parking, no horrible noisy neighbors, no echo! The A/C is QUIET!!!!

If it's brutally hot, I will allow crating inside, but social distancing will be maintained.

Separate room for crating!

go to [www.dogmatchshows.com](http://www.dogmatchshows.com) to sign up online (only)

I do understand that there are different training styles, but shock collars, punching and kicking will not be tolerated.

Pamela Dennison, CWRI, CDDBC

Website: <https://www.pamdennison.com>

Email: [pam@positivedogs.com](mailto:pam@positivedogs.com)



**\*OTHER SHOW INFORMATION\* From Jacqui**

**RALLY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AND OBEDIENCE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

Did anyone get a chance to watch either the Rally National Championship on July 9 and the National Obedience Championship on July 10 and 11. It was on AKC.TV and fortunately they are still showing the videos which were LIVE streamed during the competition. I could not take much time to watch either one because of prior commitments. So, I have spent a few nights watching the Rally competition which was Excellent on my little Pad. I only have watched the one ring so far—I understand that two rings were shown. I was also able to watch the Top 20 Finalists in the obedience competition. It is definitely worth taking some time to watch great working dogs and handlers in action.

The Allentown Dog Training Club is so lucky to have Linda Krasley to teach and judge Rally. Most of the dogs I saw, with the exception of a few were not qualified to be in a Championship event like that. Linda and I were there several years ago to watch it and even though we were not competing, we could see how difficult the venue is. For both Rally and Obedience, dog and handler perform in 2 to 8 rings depending on what venue you are in. Most of the scores in Rally were either very low or NQ in the video that I watched so far. One woman was practically laying on the floor trying to get her dog, (I shall not mention the breed), to do some of the exercises. This was in Rally Excellent!!! Even though this is a tough venue, the dog's performance and the handler's makes one wonder how they got to Excellent to begin with. The judge did the handler a favor (?) by qualifying the team, barely. However after that she start to NQ others who did not perform up to standards—most much better than that first dog.

Another thing I noticed, there were a fair number of handlers who I do not believe they knew that they are competing in a national event that is being live streamed to a large audience. The judges that I saw were nicely dressed befitting the importance of their role as judge in a national competition. I saw things ranging from short shorts and shorts and everything in between, to the legging type pants and to just plain sloppy appearances. It certainly distracts from your dog's performance although probably does not affect the dog's score nor should it. But the over all effect can turn off some people who might be interested in Rally to learn more about it.

Rally is quite lovely when properly performed by the dog and handler working as a team. I do not know if most of those who I saw had very little ring experience but whatever it was in my humble opinion, the AKC needs to make the standards to apply for this event higher.

**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.

**\*MEMBER OF THE MONTH...GAIL JAMES\***

*Note: Many of our club members have interesting stories to tell about themselves and how their canine friends came into their lives be they purebred or mixed breed. We are looking for the “Human/Dog Interest Story”. We are in awe of our members with extensive titles as they set an example for the rest of us but we also love to look behind the scenes of members who do so much for the club and work with breeds that you don’t normally see in the Obedience/Rally ring. Thank you Gail for sharing your story.*

My breed of choice is the Rhodesian Ridgeback which I have owned since 1987! I was active in conformation, lure coursing and breeding Ridgebacks pretty much from the beginning. Obedience and Rally came later. I started Obedience and Rally in 2007 and have been training ever since! Not always as successful as I hoped but we keep trying.

As for my love of RR's. I have always loved dogs; my mom was terrified of them partly because she grew up in northern Michigan and my grandfather had large hunting dogs. When I was 8 my parents got me a toy poodle for Christmas, I am allergic to dogs so the poodle was conditional in case my allergies were affected. My grandfather was not impressed with the poodle so one day I was looking through my AKC book of dogs for a hound that my grandfather would like and found the Ridgeback I figured he would think that was an awesome dog as it hunted lions, I was 12 at the time. My grandfather passed away that year but I always said I would get a Ridgeback someday! Someday came almost 20 years later but now I have Ridgebacks!!

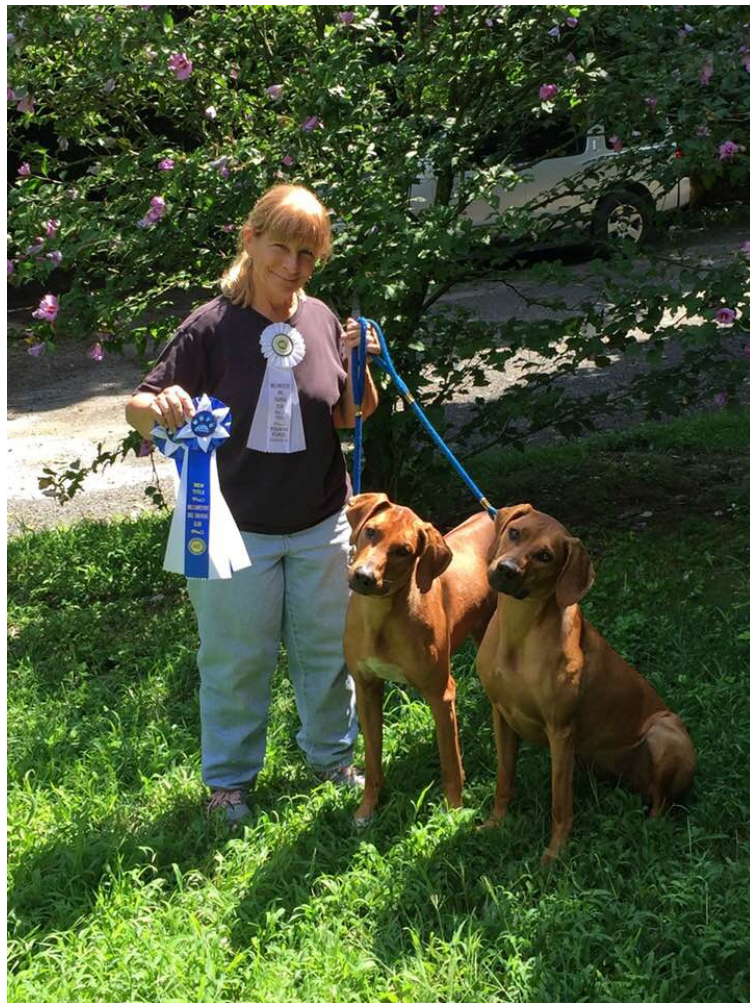


My Current RR's are Charlie-10 years old, Deacon-7 years old, Lane - 6 years old, Brees -5 years old, Tedy- 3 years old and Crush- 2 years old. Charlie and Deacon have both earned

CD's as well as RN and RA; Laney and Brees have their RN's and working on Novice obedience; Tedy will possibly be bred this year so she hasn't done much but Puppy K. Crush is being shown in conformation at this time. I currently have a litter of 8 puppies out of Russet by Deacon. All are spoken for and I have a waiting list of four for our next litter.

Charlie is retired! Deacon is working on his Open (CDX) title and Brees is working toward her CD and RI and Laney is working toward her RI and CD. Our biggest training challenge to date is getting Deacon to take the dumbbell and then retrieve the dumbbell over the high jump. Deacon is up to 24 inches but must jump 28 because of his height.

I have worked with Phyllis, Dusty, Terry and Joanne Summers as an assistant trainer. This is the first year I was on the Show Committee and next year I will chair the Show Committee. In the past I have stewarded. I have also been on the Board and Training Committee.



**Brees and Laney getting their Rally Novice titles!**

A funny story about showing in obedience with one of my RR's, was at the Bloomsburg show quite a few years ago, the judge was Mr. Mertz, a very nice judge! The dog was my male Payton. We were showing in Open A. We were doing the retrieve on the flat exercise and I threw the dumbbell. Payton went out picked it up and brought it back to the judge!! Of course, the judge wouldn't take it, I could see his clip board shaking a little so I assumed he was laughing a little as he turned slightly figuring Payton would bring it back to me and of course Payton did a perfect pivot in front of the judge again only this time he started to stretch his head up further as if to say to the judge "Please take this so she doesn't throw it again" Needless to say Payton and I never did receive his CDX, actually he never even qualified! However, as we all know we are taking the best dog home with us at the end of the day!!

My advice to new handles is: just keep trying, understand what you and your dog are capable of and by that, I mean not every handler and dog are OTCH material!

**\*ITEMS FOR SALE OR FREE TO A GOOD HOME\***

We want to remind members that we have this column for those of us who have multiple dog items which they no longer need or use. This is your column. We need a good description and contact information. Pictures are the best way to get the word out about what you have. Just let Debbie or Jacqui know and we will be happy to list items for you.

Jacqui Hartranft has two soft portable crates that she no longer needs. They are GO PET CLUB CRATES, green with a white top. Sizes are 30" high, 36" long and 26/27" wide. Has zippered screen front door and windows on each side and back that are also screened with covers you can roll up for more ventilation. They come with a case which can also be used as a floor covering as some trial requires a floor covering for your crate. They are free if someone can use them. If interested, call Jacqui at 610 966-4636 or email at [japhart@ptd.net](mailto:japhart@ptd.net). She is usually at Wednesday night club training.



**\*SUMMER FUN\***

As announced in the July newsletter, this column is not only for obedience and rally but anything fun that you and your dog have learned or done. Maybe it is fun time on a family vacation just jumping in a lake to retrieve a stick, or learning a new skill or trick. Anything about you and your dog having SUMMER FUN!!! So send us what you and your dogs have been doing.

**Steve Markowitz reports...**



Four year old Barkley completed requirements to become part of the COPE (Canines Offering Passengers Encouragement) program at the Lehigh Valley International Airport. As part of the Program, Barkley will be providing stress relief and comfort to airport passengers. Barkley's temperament makes him well-suited for this work.

**CONGRATULATIONS STEVE and BARKLEY**

**\*ACHIEVEMENTS\***

**Jacqui Hartranft Reports...**

Abbey and Cooper had a few very exciting and successful weeks. Starting on June 25 and 26 Abbey earned two more Utility Dog Excellent legs. Only two more to go!! She also earned more Obedience Master Points and another OTCH point. I was super proud of her as she was in the Open class runoff on June 26 for second place with a score of 199!! We did lose the runoff to a wonderfully heeling golden but I did not care as I was just so thrilled with her score.



On July 3 Abbey and Cooper played in CDSP at Golden Rule in New Jersey. Abbey took High In Trial in Utility with a score of 199. We had to go in a runoff which fortunately we won!! She also earned her CDSP Utility Dog A title.



Not to be out done by his sister. Cooper won both his Open A classes with a first place and a 198 and 193 (because he decided to go over the jump after retrieving the dumbbell on the flat. It did bounce very close to the jump so it is something to work on. Cost us 5 points!! He also earned his Open A title. He is such a good boy and tries very hard to please. Because he finished his Open title, he now has to go into either Open C or Utility. Since he is not yet ready for Utility we will continue in CDSP Open.



**CONGRATULATION JACQUI, ABBEY and COOPER**

### **Kathy Stehly Reports...**

Raisin earned her CDX in May. We entered 3 shows and she qualified in all three. We showed at the Delaware Valley German Shepherd shows in April and got 2 Fourth places. She took second place at the Philadelphia Dog Training club show in May. She is such a fun dog to train. Our club show was our backup show for fun but she didn't qualify.



**CONGRATULATIONS KATHY and RAISIN**



### Debbie Achenzie reports...

Bloomsburg was good to us in the rally rings.

Freddy picked up two more Master Legs giving him a total of 6 out of the 10 needed for his title. Both days he had scores of 97.

Ginger had a 96 on Friday and on Sunday after some nervousness outside the ring; she settled down and had a great run. She scored a perfect 100 and took a second place on time. SO now Ginger has earned her **Advanced Rally Title** with 3 nice qualifying scores of 100, 96 and 100.



**Ginger is just super proud of her new stuffed puppy she won!!!!!!**

**CONGRATULATIONS DEBBIE, GINGER and FREDDY**

**Dusty Springer reports...**

On June 17<sup>th</sup> the following club members and their dogs completed the AKC Star Puppy and Novice Trick Dog Titles. A fun time was had by everyone.



**DUSTY AND TESS**



**DEBBIE AND TIMMY**



**HEIDI AND DENVER**

**CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR NEW TITLES**

**Rachel and Lindsey Bockman report...**

Fallon had a great 8th birthday weekend in July! She got 2 Rally Excellent Qs with a 97 and 99 to finish her title with Lindsay! The next day she moved up to masters and Q'ed again with only a morning of practicing the Master signs. She also got her first Graduate Novice leg with a 187 and 1st place with Rachel.



**GRADUATE NOVICE**



**RALLY EXCELLENT TITLE**

P!nk got her last 2 legs in Rally Intermediate with a 95/3rd place and 97/1st place to finish her title! She also got her last Beginner Novice leg with a 191 to finish that title as well. She then followed that up with her first Novice leg and a score of 188!



**RALLY INTERMEDIATE TITLE**



**BEGINNER NOVICE TITLE**

Storm tried out Rally Novice and Q'ed 3 for 3 to get her title! With scores of 95, 97, and due to a 10 point handler error 88 respectively. The next day she showed in conformation and got another point towards her championship!

Raegan has, in 5 conformation shows, earned 17 points including 3 majors, 3 wins over CH competition, and 3 Best Of Breed wins towards her Grand Championship!

Baby Teagan was Winners at 3 out of 4 shows and Best of Winners twice her first time in the ring for her first 5 Championship points!



**RALLY NOVICE TITLE**



**RAEGAN AND TEAGAN**

**WOW....CONGRATULATIONS ON ALL YOUR NEW TITLES AND ACHEIVEMENTS**

**ENJOY YOUR REMAINING**



## ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

JULY 14, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by President Chuck Achenzie. President Achenzie noted that there were 18 members in attendance.

### **Minutes**

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on June 16, 2021. No corrections or additions were noted. Dusty Springer moved to accept the minutes as posted on the website. The motion was seconded by Debbie Achenzie and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **Treasurer's Report**

President Achenzie presented the Treasurer's Report in Barbara Artim's absence (see attached).

No corrections or additions were noted to the Treasurer's Report. Cris Courduff moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Gail James and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **Membership Report**

Debbie Achenzie presented the Membership Report

There was one first reading.

Stephanie Stemphoski, Cane Corso - (Present)

### **Training Director's Report \*See report below**

Phyllis Broderick presented her Training Director's Report

### **Committees**

### **Website**

Steve Markowitz reported the website is generating about one to two inquiries a day.

## **Sunshine**

President Achenzie announced a card was sent to Lois Linker following her second knee replacement.

## **Newsletter**

Debbie Achenzie announced the deadline for the next newsletter will be the end of the month. Jacqui Hartranft noted that you can send information about any of your dog activities. It doesn't have to be just obedience.

## **Point Show**

Gail James presented to the membership her report concerning where the club will hold the 2022 point show (see attached).

It was noted that the Board of Directors held an emergency meeting on July 12, 2021 and unanimously voted to hold the 2022 point show at Orchard Hills Training Center in Barto, PA.

## **Old Business**

There was no old business.

## **New Business**

President Achenzie reported that there are three sets of old wooden jumps in the club storage room. All need at least painting and possibly other repair.

President Achenzie noted the Board of Directors is seeking approval from the membership to purchase a new set of lighter weight jumps for the club to use at their point shows and matches. The set would consist of two high jumps, one bar jump and one broad jump. The cost from MAX 200 is \$695.00. Linda Krasley moved to authorize the purchase of a set of jumps from MAX 200 at the cost of \$695.00. Cris Courduff seconded the motion and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

The three jump sets that are currently in the storage room will be brought to Macungie Park for the August general meeting and will be made available for anybody interested in having the jumps. If not, President Achenzie noted that Linda Eldon will dispose of whatever remains.

It was also noted that some rally signs were found along with some stands and numbers. President Achenzie announced that the Board of Directors authorized the purchase of a complete and current set of fully laminated rally signs.

## **General Business**

The next board meeting will be held on July 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in Macungie Hall. The meeting is open to the membership.

The next general meeting will be held on August 11, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. outdoors in Macungie Park in the lawn area.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

## **Braggs**

Several members stepped forward to announce their latest braggs.

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business before the general membership, Rachel Bockman moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Edie Rysdyk and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McCarthy

Recording Secretary

## **ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB TRAINING DIRECTOR REPORT**

**July 24, 2021**

Wednesday's club training has been cancelled for 3 straight weeks, one for heat and twice for heavy rain and thunder. This week should end the 6 week session.

Dusty's Thursday novice classes have been on as scheduled.

Carol's beginner class graduates Thursday, July 15th. Dusty and I are conducting CGC testing for the graduates.

July 22nd starts a new STAR puppy class. So far there are 6 signed up for this class. I will be teaching this class with Dusty assisting.

Rally – Linda starts the new Masters session Thursday, July 22nd.

### **CONNIE CLEVELAND SEMINAR**

Kathy Pugh is contacting the people who are not club members that had previously signed up for working slots that they have until August 1st to resend their applications and checks. If not received by August 1st, available slots will be offered on a 1st entered basis.

Club members who had working slots need to fill out a new form and send it along with a check to Kathy Pugh by August 1st to reserve their slots.

Auditing is unlimited.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Broderick