

ADTC BARKS AND BYTES NEWSLETTER MARCH 2022



We are all hoping that Spring is on its way, but there is a lot of weather to come. We never know what the month of March has in store for us. Some of our largest snowstorms have come in March. But fortunately, we have the Macungie Memorial Hall to hold our training classes no matter what the weather outside is doing. That is unless we need to cancel because of ice and snow. It is always good to check emails if it looks as though there may be bad weather on training nights.

Training has changed just a bit for the next training session which will be for seven weeks rather than the usual six weeks. By the time that session ends, it will be getting close to our going outside. But again, it does depend on what the weather has in store for us. Be sure to read through the training information.

TRAINING

Here are the training times for the new sessions. They will be starting on March 2nd and March 3rd. Nothing has changed except to extend the sessions from six weeks to seven weeks. Also remember that the General Membership meetings will start at 6:30 pm right after the SHOW READY NOVICE/NOVICE/BEGINNER NOVICE classes. The meetings are the second Wednesday of the month and this month it will be on March 9. We are hoping that members will be able to stay for these important meetings and have a say in your club.

We hope that all Beginner Novice and Novice people attended the Mini Beginner Novice and Novice Seminar which had been rescheduled to February 23 from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM. There is so much to learn about starting to show your dog in either Rally or Obedience, and it was a wonderful opportunity to take advantage of this help. I am on some obedience/rally websites and there are many, many questions from beginners as to what to do and not do—almost anything you can think of. Many of these questions can be answered in the AKC Rulebook which can be bought for a nominal fee from the AKC. And I strongly suggest buying one if you are planning to compete. There is one on Obedience rules and one on Rally rules. Phyllis, who is an AKC judge, is also available to answer questions.

WEDNESDAY TRAINING SESSIONS

4:30 PM TO 5:30 PM	OPEN	PHYLLIS BRODERICK INSTRUCTOR
		DUSTY SPRINGER ASSISTANT
5:30 PM TO 6:30 PM	NOVICE	PHYLLIS BODERICK INSTRUCTOR
		DEBBIE ACHENZIE ASSISTANT
6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM	UTILITY	PHYLLIS BRODERICK INSTRUCTOR
THURSDAY		
9:30 AM TO 10:30 AM	UTILITY	ANNA GUGLIEMO INSTRUCTOR
10:45 AM TO 11:45 AM	OPEN	ANNA GUGLIEMO INSTRUCTOR
12:00 PM TO 1:00 PM	NOVICE	DUSTY SPRINGER INSTRUCTOR &
		DEBBIE ACHENZIE ASSISTANT
THURSDAY MARCH 17		
5:00 PM TO 6:00 PM	STAR PUPPY	TERRY PAPINEAU INSTRUCTOR
6:00 PM TO 7:00 PM	BEGINNER'S CLASS	TERRY PAPINEAU INSTRUCTOR

(See under Rally for Linda Krasley's classes and times on Thursday afternoon and evening.)

PHYLLIS'S TRAINING TIP

This is for not only beginner dogs and handlers but all handlers -

When you are teaching your dog something new, have lots of patience. You may think the dog knows exactly what you want. However, many times the dog is unsure and makes mistakes, indicating that he or she does not fully understand the exercise.

REMEMBER: Do not over correct your dog. Instead go back a few steps and start from the beginning. There may have been a missed step. By going back, you can retrace your teaching steps and will be rewarded when the "light goes on" and your dog fully understands what you want from him. As a trainer, it is our job to make training fun and rewarding.

RALLY

Linda Krasley will be teaching a Rally Novice class which starts on Thursday, March 3. It is running from 3:15 PM to 4:15 PM and a second class from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM. She will be working on dogs off lead however, if you are uncomfortable taking your dog off lead that is fine also. She will be focusing on footwork (so important) and rear end awareness and movement. This will be a 7-week course at a cost of \$56. Any questions, please contact Linda at lindakrasley@outlook.com.

RING RENTALS

If you are interested in renting either the whole ring or half the ring, please contact Phyllis to see what is available. Just remember to put everything away that you get out from the jump cart. That includes gates, jumps, cones, etc. unless the next rental tells you that they want to use them. You may share the room with others. Please call Phyllis to see what is available.

POINT SHOW

Remember the date is May 21 and it will be in Barto at the Orchard Hill Training Center. Easy to find and plenty of parking and room. We always need volunteers to help make the show run smoothly and mark the date on your calendar. If you are not planning to enter, please volunteer to help out. For new people what a great opportunity to see how a show works and to also watch some great dogs and handlers in action.

The judges are Ted Walchesky for BN, N, O and PO; Jean Nocilly for U, PU, PN, Veteran; and Joni McAuliffle for Rally.

RAFFLE: There are plans for raffle baskets to help offset the costs of the trial. So...we are looking for any dog items that are new, gift certificates, bottles of wine (always a hit), dog treats, etc. Rita Brian has already offered to make items for the raffle. If you also would like to donate items for the Raffle, please contact Edie Rysdyk at erysdyk@scherlinelaw.com

NATIONAL PET POISON PREVENTION MONTH MONTH

SAVE THE DATE – ADTC POINT SHOW – Saturday May 21, 2022!!

New Site – Orchard Hills Training Center in Barto, offers ample parking and indoor bathroom facilities.

Besides our beautiful 1st thru 4th place Rosettes, Cris has also found great trophies for the four placings. AND Karen Belmont has again agreed to make hand-made Tug Toys along with our other toys for all qualifiers.

Judges – Ted Walshesky – BN, N, O, PO

Jean Nocilly - U, PU, PN, Veteran

Josie McAuliffe – AM & PM Rally Trials

Trophy donations should be into Cris by January 31, 2022, and will be listed in the premium if you wish. As we get closer to the show, we will need volunteers for set up, judges' hospitality, food donations and of course stewards.

We will keep the membership updated monthly, and please feel free to reach out with questions.

Gail James – New Show Chair



CONNIE CLEVELAND SEMINAR

Connie Cleveland will be coming back for another seminar on October 29 and 30. It will again be held in the building in Macungie. Kathy Pugh will be taking reservations for 20 working spots. You can get in touch with her at kwpuch@centurylink.net. Connie puts on one of the best seminars I have ever been to. She works individually with 20 trainers to help work out any problems they may have. Her Obedience Road website has so much information and I am learning so much from it. If you want one of the working spots, do not hesitate to send in your reservation! There are unlimited auditing spots available. Working spots are limited to 20 teams.



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 where all levels of instruction can be found. Connie is a regular contributor to Front & Finish and The Golden Retriever News.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB Presents a Two-Day Workshop With CONNIE CLEVELAND

Saturday & Sunday, October 29 & 30, 2022 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 August 30, 2022

For More Information, contact Kathy Pugh kwpugh@centurylink.net

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Working Spot - Two Day	ys Only				
Auditors: Two Days Sat & Sun:	One Day: S	at: S	un:	_	
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 after June 1st

MEMBERSHIP

New members for February -

- Marianne Hyatt and her Golden Retriever
- Deborah Knappenberger and her Chocolate Lab
- Pat McAnally and her Cardigan Welsh Corgi
- Alison Shields and her Stabyhoun

UPDATED MEMBERSHIP LIST

The membership list has been updated and includes our newest February members. Debbie has already emailed the updated list to all members. Remember our membership list is no longer posted on the ADTC website due to security issues and will be updated on a regular basis as we get new club members. The date has been added to the top of each page to track the most recent list being sent out --- so delete any previous version(s) you may have saved to avoid confusion.

WHO IS NEW

Mary Minnich has welcomed a new sister for her German Shepherd, Vayl. She is Sweet Bryar Guardian of Dreams Haus Juris and will be known by her call name as Aslyn. She was born December 11, 2021, and is from Haus Juris German Shepherds in Virginia. She is already getting used to coming to Club meetings and training as she made her debut at our February 9 general meeting. She is also related to her sister, Vayl. Mary is looking forward to lots of fun with this baby.







MEMBER OF THE MONTH

ADTC New Member of the Month

Introducing: Andrea Scott and her Novia Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Jemstone's Nundawao Flame, call name "Zuko."



Up to this point I have had no experience as a dog owner, competitor, or trainer! However, I have been riding since I was little and I have owned a horse, but Zuko is my first dog. I started training with him at ADTC when I brought him home at 10 weeks of age because I needed the training as much as he did! His breeder gave him a wonderful start, and I wanted to continue in a positive and correct way. I am over the moon that I have found this club because of all the wonderful friendships (both human and canine) we have made.

We have started to compete in junior showmanship (Zuko and my 13-year-old son, Drew), the breed ring, obedience, and rally. Zuko loves coming to work (Dutch Springs) with my husband and me where he gets to drive around in his favorite golf cart, greet customers, swim in the lake and patrol for geese!

ZUKO

My long-term goals are to keep Zuko obedient, engaged, and happy! He gets excited and makes happy squeaks when we enter the parking lot in Macungie, and I will keep doing things that he thinks are fun ③. This year, my goals are for Zuko to get his CH, RA, and CDX titles. We will keep training so he will keep learning and progressing through the levels of obedience and rally. We are looking forward to starting hunt training, water work and maybe some agility this summer.

Although I cannot think of any specific "Zuko stories," he is always ready and willing to join us on all our adventures. He has hiked with us in Vermont, joined us fishing on the beach, and paddle boarded with us at Dutch Springs, kayaked with us in Virginia. He also loves to eat fruit and veggies from our garden.







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 the form has been received However, inclusion of the nominee's article in the newsletter is dependent on how quickly he or

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to participate in the program. Thank you.

she responds to the request for information and a picture. Also, a nominee may choose to decline

AWARDS

It was decided we will hold our annual "Club" picnic at the "Park" this year, which will also include our awards celebration. There will be more information coming as soon as details are worked out.

ACHIEVEMENTS

This is a good time to mention that achievements do not mean what you and your dog have done at trials. It could be finally getting your dog to do a sit-stay, walk nicely on a leash, sit when greeting people, and learning a new trick. Anything that you are proud of what you both have accomplished.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

I found this on one of the emails I get from time to time. It is so true and hits home especially for those of us who have older dogs reaching the end of their careers and time.

ONE LAST GREAT TRUTH

THE TIME WILL COME MUCH TOO QUICKLY WHEN YOU WOULD GLADLY GIVE BACK EVERY QUALIFICATION, PLACEMENT AND EVERY TITLE AND RIBBON, JUST TO TAKE YOUR DOG INTO THE RING ONE MORE TIME. (AND MUCH MUCH MORE, I WILL ADD.)

ENJOY THE RIDE AND APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNER.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

I had mentioned several times before that I am a member of Obedience and Rally Facebook sites. This last week there was a handler who was extremely new and had no idea what to do when entering a trial. She had no idea what time she should be there, nor what she could and could not do with her dog and I think broke some of the rules of participating in a trial. Sadly, for her, she had gotten poor advice from a trainer who might not have ever entered a trial. One of her problems was that there was an error in the judging program, which was not her fault and which the club should have caught. She started blaming obedience itself and the show committee. Yes, there was the error, but she never bothered to read the AKC rulebook or even check it out online. She decided that obedience was not for her, and she would try other venues. However, no matter what you try, YOU NEED TO KNOW WHAT THE RULES ARE AND WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO AS WELL AS WHAT THE JUDGES WILL OR WILL NOT ALLOW. Many of the Facebook members urged her to give it another try and told her where her mistakes were. Fortunately, she did give it another try and was very happy when she qualified after two NQs. There is also a lot of information and videos from the AKC online. The reason I mention this is that we are so lucky to have great trainers and members who are willing to help anyone having problems. Do take advantage of what ADTC has to offer. We are so grateful to have a Club in our area who can help us. AND MANY THANKS TO PHYLLIS FOR HAVING THE MINI SEMINAR LAST MONTH.



ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.

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ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB

GENERAL MEETING

Date: February 9, 2022
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by President Chuck Achenzie. President Achenzie noted that there were 32 members in attendance.

Minutes:

The membership had before it for approval of the minutes for the general meeting held on January 12, 2022, which are posted on the website and in the newsletter. No corrections or additions were noted. Joanne Stock moved to accept the January 2022 minutes. The motion was seconded by Berdell Koch and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report - Barb Artim:

Barb Artim presented the Treasurer's Report. (See attached page 4).

No corrections or additions were noted to the Treasurer's Report. Berdell Koch moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Barb Katz and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Correspondence:

Correspondence Secretary Terry Papineau reported that AKC thanked the club for the update of the current membership and officers. Thank you to Terry Papineau and Debbie Achenzie.

<u>Training Director's Report - Phyllis Broderick:</u>

Training Director Phyllis Broderick presented her Training Director's Report (see attached page 5).

If there are no cancelations in the upcoming training session, we hope to have Rally match shows the evenings of April 20th and 27th in addition to Obedience match shows April 21st and 28th. The board will discuss the possibility of having open match shows at their next meeting.

Membership Report - Debbie Achenzie:

Debbie Achenzie presented the Membership Report.

The following Membership information was presented at the General Meeting on 2/9/2022.

First Readings... *All the persons listed below were present.*

Marianne Hyatt 47 Back County Road Barto, PA 19504 Golden Retriever C: 484-794-4839

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Deborah Knappenberger 726 East Main Street Macungie, PA 18062 Chocolate Labrador C: 484-553-0909

tobychasevern@yahoo.com

Pat McAnally 1407 Three Mile Run Road Perkasie, PA 18944 Cardigan Welsh Corgi

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PatMcAnally@verizon.net

Alison Shields 1035 West Macada Road Bethlehem, PA 18017 Stabyhoun

C: 484-239-2594

Alison.shields@yahoo.com

Second Readings.... vote into membership

Thank You, Debbie Achenzie Membership

To date Debbie Achenzie reported that we have 144 members.

Committees:

Newsletter – Jacqui Hartranft & Rita Brian:

Jacqui Hartranft announced the deadline for the next newsletter is due February 25th.

Awards and Certificates – Judy Lasso

Chair Judy Lasso reported that all is going well, and the committee is in the process of printing the certificates.

Publicity - Dusty Springer

Dusty Springer read her report (see attached, page 7).

Dusty received the entry for Paws Prints on the Canal. She encouraged all members to participate with their dogs. Help will be needed with setting up, taking down and manning our booth. Members who participated last year reported that it was a fun day for both members and their dogs.

<u>Point Show – Gail James</u>

Gail James read her report (see attached, page 7).

Volunteers are needed for set-up, take down, stewards and other committees. Contact Gail James at jamesgans I 2@verizon.net

The date for the Point Show will be May 21st, 2022, at Orchard Hills, Barto, Pa.

Old Business:

President Achenzie reminded everyone attending any club training, classes or meetings to wear a mask and maintain social distancing. This includes floor rental and Thursday classes.

New Business:

The Board of Directors has decided due to ongoing COVID concerns, instead of a banquet we will be holding an outdoor awards ceremony in conjunction with the Annual Banquet sometime in the month of June outdoors at Macungie Park. More information will be announced at our March General Meeting. Anyone interested in being on the picnic committee, please contact Chuck or Phyllis. The date of the awards presentation will be decided at the next board meeting.

The Audit Committee this year consists of Steve Markowitz, Debbie Achenzie and John Landis. The committee has met and will present their findings to the Board of Directors at our upcoming Board Meeting this month.

The next board meeting will be held on February 27, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in Macungie Hall. The meeting is open to the membership.

The next general meeting will be held on March 9, 2022, at 6:30 in Macungie Hall.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

Brags:

Several members announced brags.

Adjournment:

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

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Eldon, Recording Secretary

Income Expense by Category – January 2022 1/1/2022 through 1/31/2022

Dues Point Show In	1,290.00 514.00
Point Snow in Training	2,407.00
Training-Rally	8.00
Training-Specialty	1,200.00
TOTAL INCOME	5,419.00
Expenses	
Miscellaneous Expense	10.60
Seminar Exp	275.00
Telephone	34.27
Training Exp	3,070.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,389.87

Account Balances - As of 2/8/2022

(Includes unrealized gains)

	2/8/2022
Account	Balance
Bank Accounts	
Checking	17,556.61
Savings	0.00
TOTAL Bank Accounts	17,556.61
Cash Accounts	
Cash Account	0.00
TOTAL Cash Accounts	0.00
Investment Accounts	
Ing CD	0.00
Vanguard	57,823.13
TOTAL Investment Accounts	57,823.13
OVERALL TOTAL	75,379.74

TRAINING DIRECTOR REPORT

General Meeting — February 9, 2022

Wednesday's classes are in the 5th week session as well as Dusty's Thursday novice class and Linda's day and evening Master rally classes. Anna is in the 4th week of her open and utility classes.

The Star puppy class will graduate Thursday, February 24th.

A Star puppy and Beginner session is scheduled to start Thursday, March 17th.

Our indoor training ends April 28th.

The new sessions will start March 2nd and 3rd. This will include all classes both obedience and rally. These sessions will run for 7 weeks instead of 6 at a cost of \$56.00 for 7 weeks. This leaves the last two weeks in April open. If there are no cancellations, then I would like to have more open ring rentals and a match show for the membership April 20th and 21st, and April 27th as follows: Rally match shows the evenings of the 20th and 27th in addition to Obedience match shows the 21st and 28th.

The Mini Beginner Novice and Novice seminar will be held Wednesday, February 23rd from 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

Thursday February 24th - Anna finishes up her current session at 11:45 am.

Ring rental will be available from 12 Noon until 5:00 pm.

At 5:00 pm Terry will graduate the STAR Puppy Class.

March 2^{nd} : - The start of the new 7-week session - Open, Novice and Utility classes as previously scheduled.

March 3rd Anna's open and utility classes and Dusty's novice class start the new session as previously scheduled.

Linda will start her new rally session March 3rd, both day and evening times as previously scheduled.

MINI SEMINAR: Wednesday, February 23rd 5:30 to 8:30 pm.

I will be going over all aspects of entering and showing in Beginner Novice and Novice and Preferred Novice classes. Going over the rules and scoring each exercise. There will be some handouts. Demonstrations where needed. There is no charge for this seminar, but I will need to know how many wish to attend. I have a sign-up sheet that is going around. If you are planning on attending, please sign the sheet. Bring comfortable chairs. Bring pens and paper to take notes. All questions encouraged and will be answered to the best of my ability.

CONNIE CLEVELAND SEMINAR - October 22nd and 23rd 2022

There are 20 working slots. Unlimited auditing available.

Members have until June 1st to sign up for working slots. After June 1st, the available slots left will be offered to the public. To sign up for a working slot, please contact Kathy Pugh.

Phyllis Broderick

Publicity Committee Report for February 2022

Several requests were sent to new members for information for an ADTC new member article to be included in the monthly newsletter. I have received a few responses. Follow up phone calls are planned.

Member Sally Campbell has been featured as the ADTC Member of the Month in the February newsletter. Another member has been contacted for the March newsletter. As a reminder, nominations for ADTC Member of the Month are always welcome. The form is included in each month's newsletter. Forms should be given to Dusty Springer.

Thank you to Linda Eldon for sharing information on the upcoming Paw Prints on the Canal event scheduled for Sunday, June 12, 2022. A hard copy of the information will be given to the ADTC President to submit to the board for approval at the next board meeting along with a request that several board members provide a show of support by committing to attend the event. (All dogs are welcome.)

Respectfully submitted,
Dusty Springer, ADTC Publicity

SHOW COMMITTEE – REPORT FEBRUARY 9, 2022

Now that the Trophy Donation drive has ended, I will be working on the premium and have to meet with Phyllis before the end of February for review. It will be sent to Chris Brooks of <u>Show Entries</u> by the first week of March. Chris Brooks has asked that our entries open as of April 11, 2022, at 8:00 am. That has been added to the AKC site and he will have that on the <u>Show Entry</u> site as well.

Cris Courduff has said all the trophies and ribbons have been covered by our members generous donations. Karen Belmont is working on the tug toys to add to our toy chest and Rita Brian has also offered to make toys too.

Eddie Rysdyk is going to oversee the Raffle again this year, so reach out to her if you have a donation or basket.

Carol McCarthy will be our Chief Steward and will be helped by Linda Krasley. Please reach out to Carol if you want to volunteer to steward; we will have 3 rings, 2 obedience and 1 rally. We will need stewards, please think of volunteering.

Chuck Achenzie and John Landis have volunteered to help set up on Friday night and help with parking on Saturday. We will need more volunteers for both set up and take down, please reach out to me at iamesgang12@verizon.net.

As for food, the Show Committee will be talking about that, at this time we are not sure if we want to have food brought in like last year's show or Connie Cleveland event or supply some of the food and have members bring food. I am open to suggestions so reach out.

Thank you!! Gail James