

ADTC BARKS & BYTES NEWSLETTER March 2023



Welcome to the March 2023 BARKS AND BYTES. Training Director Terry Papineau has worked on our training program to add some needed classes in addition to the ones we already have in place. The two new classes are ATTENTION taught by Terry and Joanne Summers and BEGINNING OBEDIENCE, taught by Joanne Summers. ATTENTION is a very important skill for dogs to learn whether you intend to compete or not. I would definitely recommend taking this class as often as necessary and then work on the skills you have learned at home and at class. Obedience and Rally are not speed learning. It takes time for both you and your dog to learn all the skills needed to compete. The BEGINNING OBEDIENCE CLASS is a great class to take before going into the Novice Ring ready class. It is great seeing some of our newer members taking advantage of these two very important foundation classes. If you have not sent in your survey to Terry, it is not too late. We want to know how the membership feels about the classes, times, schedules, etc. We only have the building Wednesday evening through Thursday night.

Linda Krasley, our Rally instructor, has changed some times in order to accommodate the new classes. Be sure to check the schedule to make sure that your times have not changed.

I would also like to add that I was at a match last month and I saw one of our newer members who was entered. Congratulations to her for doing this. Matches are a great way to get your dog ready to compete. It does not matter how far along you are in your training as at a match, you pay for your time with a "judge" and it is your time to use as you wish. Maybe you just want to work on heeling or recalls. Practice retrieves. Or maybe you just want a run through like you would get at a show. Or take vour dog totally new place to work. Be check dogmatchshows.com frequently as many of the match shows fill quickly. I wish there were a lot more then we have available to us at this point.

AND WHILE WE ARE DISCUSSING MATCH SHOWS, COUNTRY CANINE CLUB, LTD, OWNED BY CAROL WYATT IS HOLDING A RALLY MATCH SHOW ON MARCH 26. Rally match shows are few and far between. This is a wonderful opportunity no matter if you are just starting out or an experienced competitor. Country Canine is located about an hour or less easy drive from Macungie near Gilbertsville and Albrightsville. It is listed on <u>dogmatchshows.com</u> with directions. Do not wait to enter as it may fill fast. Our own Linda Krasley will be the "judge".

We are very lucky to have both Terry and Joanne added as our instructors along with Phyllis, Dusty and Debbie. Both Terry and Joanne have trained at TOP DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING SCHOOL and are bringing a lot of Top Dog methods to their classes as well as their own personal experiences in training their dogs.

The other week Phyllis had sent out an email to her students and the membership suggesting that they check out the Westminster 2022 Obedience Championship last summer. It is held in conjunction with the breed show as well as agility championships. She urged members to watch these experienced handlers, several of them top handlers in the country, to see how they enter the ring, handle their dog between exercises, set their dog up for each exercise and many of the things that go on in the ring between dog and handler, and yes even the mistakes they made. We urge everyone to watch the videos and watch them several times as each handler and dog do things differently. Search out "Westminster Obedience Championship 2022" and you will be able to watch many ring events!

You can also watch the National Obedience Championship from several years on AKCTV, including last year. The Rally National Championship is also available to watch.

Over the last two years, we have had many people and their dogs join ADTC. While not all will be interested in competing, one of our older members is offering to "sell" some of his obedience equipment for a donation to the LV Humane Society. There are also several other members who have items that they no longer have use for, either for sale or free for the taking. So do scroll down and check them out.

UPCOMING INFORMATIVE TRAINING SEMINAR

Top Dog Obedience School in Flanders, New Jersey is offering a one-day seminar, TAKING CHARGE IN THE RING, with Betsy Scapicchio and Linda Brennan on April 30 at the school. Please see the application below if you are interested. This is a great opportunity to attend a seminar put on by two great trainers.

Taking Charge in the Ring With Betsy Scapicchio and Linda Brennan

- What You Can & Can't and Should & Shouldn't Do in the Ring at a Trial
- ✓ Handling Mistakes and Using the Fix and Go
- How to Use Match Shows Effectively

Sunday, April 30, 2023 Top Dog Obedience School, Flanders, New Jersey

Betsy and Linda will explain and demonstrate how to train like you show and show like you train. They will give you the tools to take charge in the ring and help your dog to give you her best performance at trials. Learn how to compete with confidence and get most out of every time you are in the ring with your dog.

Join us to find out:

- ☆ How to planning for and use match show entries for maximum effect
- How to determine when your dog is ready to complete
- A How to warm up your dog and what to do when you are at a trial
- What you are allowed to do in the ring at a trial
- How to handle your dog for success in the ring, including how to make ring entrances and transitions work for you instead of against you
- What you can do to motivate and reward your dog in the ring at a trial
- A How to handle mistakes in the ring to help your dog be more successful next time
- When and how you should make use of the "Fix and Go"
- Using video to learn more about your performances
- If you have specific questions, please feel free to submit them in advanced.
- ✓ This is not a working seminar. However, you may bring your dog and take the opportunity to train before and during the lunch break.
- We will have breakfast items, drinks and snacks. You may bring your lunch or go out to get something.
- √The Seminar will run from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Lunch break from 12:00 to 1:30 pm.
- ✓ Registration Fee is \$145. There will be no refunds after March 15.
- ✓ For more information, contact topdogobedienceschool@gmail.com or call 973-252-3010. Visit www.topdogobedience.com to learn more about us.

Taking Charge in the Ring with Betsy Scapicchio & Linda Brennan - April 30, 2023
Send with check for \$145 payable to: Top Dog Obedience School, 124 Flanders-Netcong Road, Flanders, NJ 07836.
Name
Address
PhoneE-mail*
* Please PRINT CLEARLY, especially your email address or we will not be able to reach you!

TRAINING INFORMATION

	WEDNESDAY		
•	OPEN	4:15 PM to 5:15 PM	PHYLLIS BRODERICK, INSTRUCTOR DUSTY SPRINGER, ASSISTANT
•	BEGINNER NOVICE/ SHOW NOVICE	5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	PHYLLIS BRODERICK, INSTRUCTOR DEBBIE ACHENZIE, ASSISTANT
•	UTILITY	6:30 PM to 7:30 PM	PHYLLIS BRODERICK, INSTRUCTOR
•	RALLY	7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	LINDA KRASLEY, INSTRUCTOR
	THURSDAY		
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•	NOVICE – CLASS ONE NOVICE – CLASS TWO	10:50 AM to 11:50 AM 11:50 AM to 12:50 PM	DUSTY SPRINGER & DEBBIE ACHENZIE, INSTRUCTORS – TEACHING BOTH CLASSES
•	RALLY- EXCELLENT	1:00 PM TO 2:00 PM	LINDA KRASLEY, INSTRUCTOR
•	PUPPY CLASS BEGINNER NOVICE CLASS	5:00 PM to 6:00 PM 6:00 PM to 7:00 pm	TERRY PAPINEAU, INSTRUCTOR – TEACHING BOTH CLASSES
•	ATTENTION CLASS	7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	TERRY PAPINEAU, JOANNE SUMMERS - INSTRUCTORS
•	ADVANCED BEGINNER OBEDIENCE – GETTING READY FOR BEGINNER NOVICE/NOVICE	8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	JOANNE SUMMERS, INSTRUCTOR

Linda Krasley announced that her next Rally class will be MASTERS. It will start on March 8. Contact Linda Krasley for more information.

Phyllis sent ADTC members this lovely thank you note on the gifts and well wishes from all on her retirement as training director.

Dear Members of ADTC,

Last Wednesday was a total surprise, but a wonderful surprise. Thank you for the enlarged picture of Wings and myself, the silver engraved necklace and the large check.

The exact words of how honored I feel are hard to find.

As training director for the past 5 years, I felt I did not do anything special.

I was only doing my job which I thoroughly enjoyed. It was my job to bring you training classes where you and your dog could learn the different levels of AKC obedience.

The seminars arranged with top presenters were to give you more information and different methods of training to ensure success. There is no one way to train your dog, you have to pick and choose what works for you and your dog. These seminars do exactly that. If you walk away with one thing that works for you and your dog, then it was successful.

The match shows were to give you a place to show your dog as you would at AKC trials. Match shows are priceless.

I could not have done the above without your help and assistance. Your support throughout the 5 years was amazing. Thank you, you are all very special.

Thank you ADTC head and assistant trainers. You were always there to assist and teach classes. This includes Linda Krasley our rally AKC judge and instructor and Terry Papineau, incoming training director, who has been teaching the STAR puppy and beginner classes. You both have done an outstanding job.

Thank you all my students. I love that as a club, ADTC continues to grow. A special thank you to Dusty and Debbie who have been teaching and assisting. You were always there for me and I could depend on you. Thanks also to Carol McCarthy and Anna Guglielmo, who taught for years and who are no longer on the training committee. You have taught so may and because of you members earned titles with excellent scores.

Thank you once again for making me feel so special.

See you Wednesday nights.

Phyllis

RING RENTALS

Members are welcome to rent the ring/rings when there are no classes. Some times are spoken for so please contact Terry for more information as to what is available. The cost is \$25 per hour for the whole ring and \$15 for half the ring. However, PLEASE PUT EVERYTHING BACK ON THE CART IN GOOD ORDER. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT!!! If the next rental is going to use the equipment, then they are RESPONSIBLE FOR PUTTING EVERYTHING BACK IN GOOD ORDER. This is a great opportunity to be able to work with your dog indoors in the winter so let us make it easy for everyone to keep things neat and straightened up. THANK YOU!

POINT SHOW

Gail James wants to remind everyone that our Point Show will be held on May 20 at the Orchard Hills Training Center where it was held last year. The opening date is Monday, April 10 and the Berks DTC is also that date. The Superintendent for both is https://showentries.info. for more information. If you entered with show entries before, your information is there on file. If you are new you will have to register, you and your dog which is easy.

We will need many hands to help set up on Friday before the trial. We will also need stewards, as no stewards, no obedience/rally trials. So please get in touch with Gail to volunteer. We have gotten so many new members over the last year and a half. What a great opportunity to volunteer to steward and learn what happens in the ring. Not only that, you can watch some great handlers and dogs work in the ring. You can learn a lot by watching how they enter the ring, move between exercises and yes, even make mistakes and how they handle that. The judges are very nice and there are plenty of experienced people there to lend a hand. Please mark the date on your calendars and get in touch with Gail for more information. Gail can be reached at jamesgange12@verison.net or see her at training.



MEMBERSHIP AND WHO IS NEW*

Debbie Achenzie has sent out the full membership list.

Please welcome the following new members. They are both participating in our classes. Their contact information will be included on the membership list which can be found on the club website.

Wesley Morgan with a Newfoundland 4448 William Penn Drive Schnecksville, PA 18078 C 215-500-7692

Wesleyk.morgan@gmail.com

112 East Smith St.

Topton, PA 19562

C 610-216-5326

weidman@kutztown.edu

Jennifer Weidman with a Standard Poodle

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MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Mary Ann Giles is our MEMBER OF THE MONTH. Enjoy reading about her!

This month we are featuring Mary Ann Giles who is our oldest member and one of the original members of Allentown Dog Training Club. She was known for her poodles, having shown, and bred them under her kennel name of Marweg Silver Toy Poodles raising "11 Generations of Joy". She participated in all obedience competitions putting many titles on her dogs. In addition, she also participated in Rally competitions while earning many Rally titles with her poodles. Several years ago, Mary Ann helped with a video which ADTC put together to take to events to show the public what we do. She is a great source of information on the history of Allentown Dog Training Club. The following was an article which Cris Courduff found and thought we could use for the newsletter to introduce members to our oldest member. It was written in 2015 when Mary Ann "retired" from one of her positions with Allentown Dog Training Club. Mary Ann, although she is no longer active in training and showing her poodle, she still attends Club events with her little silver toy poodle. Her daughter, Kathy Stehly, is also involved in ADTC events with her Labrador Retriever. Thank you, Mary Ann for all your knowledge and years of service to our club. Enjoy reading about one of our oldest members of Allentown Dog Training Club. (1/24/2015)

Once upon a time, a long time ago the Allentown Dog Training Club was the only training facility other than one other training group in the whole Lehigh Valley. Back then there was no club phone. Classes were advertised by word of mouth or by a classified ad in the Morning Call which was a lot cheaper then, than it is now.

No computer knowledge was required back then. Rosters and letters were all typed out on a manual typewriter with carbon copies. Back in those days trainers were NOT PAID. And believe it or not you could not be a trainer anywhere else, or train classes on your own, or you could not be a member of ADTC. Later it was decided that maybe paying trainers mileage would be fair. Then those living close complained they weren't getting near what some who lived very far were getting. We also eased up on the membership requirement about this time. There was a certain mile radius you had to be away from where the club was located to train elsewhere. Much later also came the decision to start paying trainers a fee.

Back in those days Macungie had it's own phone system and all calls in or out of Macungie was a toll call. All this time I had been using my own phone as the contact number listed in the classified ads to sign up for classes. Needless to say the calls between Macungie and anywhere else really added up. Then Verizon bought out the Macungie Phone company and toll calls became free.

There were now more and more commercial places offering dog training and it was deemed necessary that we have a telephone listing. This was not possible unless we had a separate account. We settled on a Relay system whereby all calls coming to the ADTC number would RELAY to any other number. It was decided this was a good idea so if I wanted to go on vacation or got sick or whatever, the number could be changed by simply notifying Verizon.

The Club now has several numbers for registering for classes on our website. Obedience-Club No., Rally-Clydette and Advanced-Anna Guglielmo, have different numbers and most calls for the obedience classes come from our website or from veterinarians referrals.

I have really enjoyed my many years doing this job and as long as I am able I am more than willing to fill in if necessary but I feel it is time to hand this job over to the next person. I feel this job requires a real enjoyment of talking with people and a great knowledge of dog behavior problems from years of experience. Even more, it requires a real team player and someone who has undivided loyalty to the Allentown Dog Training Club.

Mary Ann Giles Marweg Silver Toy Poodles 11 Generations of Joy

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 she responds to the request for information and a picture. Also, a nominee may choose to decline to participate in the program. Thank you.
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AWARDS

Judy Lasso and Pat Gombocz are working on getting certificates and plaques made. The date of the Awards Picnic on July 8 in the Oberholzer Pavilion in the Macungie Park. A caterer has been signed on and we will start at 12:00 noon with food served from 1:00PM to 3:00PM. Be sure to mark the date on your calendar.

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SUNSHINE

- Gail James is still recuperating from her shoulder surgery and Sue lobst is also recuperating from that nasty tick bite. We hope to see both of you at training soon.
- Linda Krasley's mother recently passed away. She was 100 years old!! Please send your condolences to Linda at 1146 Webster Avenue, Allentown, PA.
- Jodi Delabar's beloved Chocolate lab, Hershey, passed away recently. Personal expressions of condolence may be mailed to Jodi at Jodi Delabar, 167 E 2nd St., P.O. Box 394, Alburtis, PA 18011







ITEMS FOR SALE OR LOOKING TO BUY

Former member Mike Bobeck, 610-797-8192, has items for sale for a donation to the Lehigh Valley Humane Society. He does not have email, so you will have to call him the old-fashioned way—by telephone! Mike had a German Shepherd and sheltie when I was a new member. That should give you an idea if any of this will be of use to you.

- (1) X-Pen 28" high, five feet diameter.
- (1) LARGE CRATE 28 X 28 X 40 LONG
- (1) small crate 28 x 18 x 24 long

Set of articles for sheltie size dog

Set of 3 bar articles for large dog—Mike had German Shepherds

Spare articles for large dog—can use for training

Utility jumps—bar and high jumps four feet wide

Ex fence and center post

4 tracking flags

2 sections of rubber mats like ADTC have

- (1) dumbbell—no size given
- (1) yellow & blue tent 8x8

MARCH 20TH



Spring has sprung!



Dick Lobach, husband of Clydette Lobach is selling more of her "dog" items. Please see the following for information. Clydette was a long-time member and known for her Great Danes. She urged everyone to try Rally when it was first created and is responsible for the great Rally Program, we now have with Judge Linda Krasley.

For Sale: Grooming Table and Dog Dryer

Anyone considering purchasing a grooming table and/or a dog dryer should investigate this gently used equipment. The table height is adjustable and the arm may be conveniently placed to create a comfortable space for the groomer and dog. The dryer is a Double K and adjustable as well. Please see the pictures included with this information. The asking price is \$100 for the table and \$300 for the dryer. Interested parties may contact Dick Lobach at 610-965-2598.





PAW PRINTS ON THE CANAL—PUBLICITY REPORT



Dusty Springer has announced that Paw Prints will be held on June 11 at 1525 Canal Street in Northampton. This is a fun event which members have participated in for several years showing the public how well trained our dogs are by doing demonstrations. Dusty will be looking for members to come on out and have a fun day. So, mark this on your calendars.

Mark your calendar for a fun filled day on <u>Sunday, June 11, 2023, 11AM – 4PM to be held at, 1525 Canal St., Northampton PA 18067.</u> This is a rain or shine event. **Paw on the Canal Event** benefits the Northampton Borough Police K-9 Unit.

Featured events include a demonstration of K-9 police work by Sergeant Michael Buchanan and his canine partner Vito and a sharp dressed pet contest. Terry Stanglein, VMD & Associates will be available for rabies vaccinations and microchipping.

Come out and join us for a fun day! Bring your dog, a chair, and a picnic lunch. Let's get to know one another. This is a great opportunity to socialize your dog, old or young, and to meet other dog lovers. Go for a hike and explore the canal! Make it a family day! ADTC will have a tent set up from which we will meet visitors and promote our club. We could use your help with set up, take down, and information distribution. Puppies are always a great crowd pleaser and very welcome.

Numerous vendors will be in attendance, and dog related activities are scheduled throughout the day. We may even be giving an obedience demonstration or two!

Come out to meet, greet, and mingle with other dog lovers. Visit the rescue groups; purchase dog goodies; take part in the raffle that ends the day.

A sign-up sheet will be available at the April, May, and June ADTC general meetings, or you may contact Dusty Springer by calling 610-965-6671 or emailing bohooch@yahoo.com to indicate your intention to attend.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Tracy Krapf and Monty (Scottish Terrier)



Big, big congratulations to Tracy Kraft and Monty on their THERAPY DOG TITLE. Read down and see what inspired Tracy to get Monty's title. CONGRATULATIONS TRACY AND MONTY FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE ACHIEVED.

I wanted to report that Monty and I have passed Therapy Dog Test and have completed 3 supervised visits. January 31, 2023, we graduated and are now certified as a Therapy Dog Team! We already have our first assignment at a local daycare center! I started dog training as an outlet for my own mental health. My daughter almost died in a drug related overdose and has been in recovery for the past 3 years. She works a recovery program and as parents we have to do our own type of recovery and support. Dog training has been very therapeutic to me, and my goal is to give back to the AA/NA community. One day we hope to go to the rehab high school, Kolbe Academy, and through Therapy Dog, hope to support children with addiction problems and their families.

<u>Judy Skorup</u> has received another invitation to the 2023 Rally National Championship in Wilmington, Ohio in June. This is the sixth time she has been eligible to participate. This time it will be a two-day event rather than one day. Judy will have to decide shortly if they will attend. Please let us know if anyone else has received an invitation to apply to this prestigious event. Rally competition starts on Friday June 16 and Saturday June 17 with the National Obedience Championship on Sunday and Monday, June 18 and 19. She and Emma also competed there last year and had a great time.

Just a note to the membership that no ACHIEVEMENT is too small to be listed. Achievements do have to be sent to either Rita or myself to go into the newsletter even though you are welcome to announce your BRAGS AT THE MEETINGS as well You do not need a picture. Just let us know what you and your dog has accomplished.

WHEN IT IS TOO COLD FOR YOUR DOG???



Even though we have only had a few days of extreme cold weather so far this winter, this chart is a good guideline to know when it is too cold for your dog. Of course, a lot does depend on breed and coat but it is still helpful information to keep in mind for those extremely cold snaps.

MEMORIES

This is an article on one of our long-time members who is no longer living, Ruth Brader. It was written as an article on Ruth's retirement as an AKC judge. (8/24/2008) Pictured here is our own AKC Judge John Landis receiving an award from Ruth after placing with his golden retriever, Chippy, known as Farm Fresh Out of the Blue UD UDX. Enjoy reading about one of our gone but not forgotten members.

A TRIBUTE to RUTH BRADER

Allentown Dog Training Club would like to recognize one of our long standing members, Ruth Brader.

Ruth has retired from judging after 33 years. By her own records, she has judged 12,244 dogs, and was never bitten, (attesting to her fairness.)

Ruth's favorite companion has been her black Standard Poodles of which she has titled many, including CGC, Utility, Tracking and Agility.

We are very proud to acknowledge her long and dedicated service to our Club, as one of our first members since joining in 1960. She was instrumental in helping our club get started, supporting various fund raisers, of which she kept many supplies in her garage, was a past President, and taught many Beginner Classes.

We are also proud of her dedication to the AKC for her tireless contributions to the world of Obedience Showing.

She has traveled from Pa. to Nevada and Montana, to Main, Virginia, New Jersey, and to many shows in Pennsylvania.

Most everyone who has shown over the years has been in the ring with Ruth at one time or another, and will tell you that she was always fair and conscientious.

Thanks, Ruth Your friends at Allentown Dog Training Club



RUTH BRADER GIVING 1ST PLACE TO JOHN LANDIS & HIS GOLDEN - PHOTO 4/23/2008



ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.

General Meeting Minutes February 8, 2023 Macungie Park

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ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING

Date: February 8, 2023 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:31pm by President Chuck Achenzie. President Achenzie noted that there were 24 members in attendance.

Minutes:

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on January II, 2023, which are posted on the website and in the newsletter. No corrections or additions were noted. Katie Dyer moved to accept the January 8, 2023, minutes. The motion was seconded by Linda Eldon and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report - Linda Eldon:

Linda Eldon read the treasurer's report (see attached page 4).

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

Correspondence – Kathryn Dyer:

Kathryn Dyer read the Thank You letter from Phyllis that was sent to the club.

Federation - Edie Rysdyk:

No Report

<u>Membership Report - Debbie Achenzie:</u>

Debbie Achenzie presented the Membership Report.

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Jennifer Weidman
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Standard Poodle
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Second Readings.... vote into membership Cindy Attinello 520 Lynda Road Phillipsburg, NJ 08865 Chow

C: 908-246-3087

PansieChows@gmail.com

Terry Papineau made a motion to accept Cindy Attinello into the membership. Cris Courduff seconded the motion. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Training Director's Report - Terry Papineau:

Training Director Terry Papineau read her report (see attached page 5).

Committees:

Website	Steve	Markowitz
	No Rep	ort

Publicity – Dusty Springer

We do not have an ADTC Member of the Month for the February newsletter. However, we have received and submitted our entry for this year's Paw Prints on the Canal event. Save the date of Sunday, June 11 to spend a day with your ADTC pals and pooches promoting obedience training. During last year's event we not only met attendees, but we also provided an obedience demonstration. More information will be forthcoming as it is received.

Respectfully submitted, Dusty Springer, ADTC Publicity

<u>Newsletter – Jacqui Hartranft & Rita Brian:</u>

Jacqui Hartranft announced the deadline for the next newsletter is due February 25th. Jacqui requested that members send their brags and pictures to be published in the Newsletter. Please send information and pictures to Rita Brian: rabkab@comcast.net or Jacqui Hartranft: japhart@ptd.net

Sunshine committee Debbie & Chuck Achenzie
No Report
<u>Audit Committee</u>
Report presented by Steve Markowitz
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Trophies - Chris Courduff

Trophy chairperson Cris reported that all trophies have been sponsored.

<u>Point Show – Gail James</u>
I am still not cleared to drive, will not be at the meeting. Here is a quick recap of when
we are with our show. Dusty has contacted Melody with the Boy Scouts and they will be able
to do the food. Cris has completed the trophy drive and our membership has stepped up again and all prizes are covered. I have the COI to give to Bev and will do that in the future. I will be working on the premium and have that ready for review soon. Our Chief Rally and Obedience
Stewards are working on getting stewards, everything is going as planned. Any questions let m know.
Thank you, Gail James

<u>Mat Coordinator – Cris Courduff</u>

_____Terry Papineau is taking over the mat scheduling.

<u>Awards and Title Recognition</u> – Judy Lasso & Pat Gombocz

Everyone has turned in their paperwork so far except one person.

Old Business

None

New Business:

- * The board of Directors has been updated with AKC
- * Phyllis received an email from Pocono Mtn KC that we need to provide stewards.

The next Board meeting will be held on February 26, 2023, at 6:00pm in Macungie Memorial Hall. The Board meeting is open to the membership.

The next general meeting will be held on March 8, 2023, at 6:30pm inside Macungie Hall.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

Brags:

Several members announced brags.

Adjournment:

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

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Bockman, Recording Secretary

Income/Expense by Category - Feb 2023 1/22/2023 through 2/23/2023

	1/22/2023
Category	2/22/2023
NCOME	
Dues	\$280.00
Misc. Income - Insurance	\$100.00
Point Show - Trophy	\$879.00
Training - Specialty	\$1,175.00
Training - Obed.	\$5,618.00
Training - Rally	\$1,562.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$9,614.00
EXPENSES	
Point Show - Hospitality	\$ (200.00)
Insurance	\$ (325.00)
Telephone	\$ (35.87)
Training Exp	\$ (1,495.00)
Training Exp-Rally	\$ (86.00)
Traing Exp-Specialty	\$ (664.08)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (2,805.95)
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ 6,808.05

Account Balances - As of 2/23/2023 (Includes unrealized gains)

	2/22/2023 Balance		
Account			
Bank Accounts			
Checking	\$31,698.88		
Savings	\$	-	
TOTAL Bank Accounts	\$31,698.88		
Cash Accounts			
Cash Account	\$	-	
TOTAL Cash Accounts	\$	-	
Investment Accounts			
ING CD	\$	-	
Vanguard	\$ 58,	\$ 58,693.05	
TOTAL Investment Accounts	\$58,693.05		
OVERALL TOTAL	\$90,	391.93	

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB -

Training Director's Report February 8, 2023

New session started with Thursday daytime classes being a week ahead of the other classes starting January 26. Wednesday evening and Thursday classes started last week February 1 and 2. Rally's session started on January 12.

All classes filled up nicely. We have 13 people in the attention class with a wait list for the next session. If interested in the next attention class, please put your name on that list. We also have a new advanced beginner class which is the class I would recommend for those not yet ready for novice.

I have reviewed the survey and the biggest complaint from the membership is the size of the classes, with too much down time. I am going to try to revamp some classes for the next session in accordance with your suggestions. Other suggestions were a tricks class, look into holding our May show in an air-conditioned facility as Barto was too hot and possibly holding a one ring trial indoors at Macungie in the fall (which I will look into).

There is still ring rental available if anyone is interested in renting \$15 for half the floor and \$25 for the whole floor.

Respectfully submitted.

Terry Papineau