



## ADTC BARKS & BYTES NEWSLETTER MAY 2023



Here it is, our May Allentown Dog Training Club BARKS AND BYTES. Our indoor Training sessions have ended, and we will now be training outdoors in the Park for the next several months until sometime in September when we will go indoors. Be sure to check the training schedule as there are a few changes. Also, our Point Show is coming up on May 20 and last year the Rally class was quite large so do not wait too long to enter. The closing date is May 3. Terry is now working on having another Obedience trial on Sunday, November 5. and it has been approved by the AKC. She is also having a Rally Trial on Thursday, November 2, which has also been approved by the AKC. She will need lots of help so mark your calendars to keep these days open when they are announced. We always need stewards and remember, NO STEWARDS, NO OBEDIENCE/RALLY TRIALS.

Since we are now training outside, as in the winter, (and how lucky we were this winter) we are weather dependent. If it is going to be extremely hot or rainy or thunderstorms, please check your email to make sure that classes have not been cancelled. Just because it is clear and sunny in your area, does not mean it is in Macungie and vice versa. Also remember to bring water for yourself and your dog and bug spray for both. Looking forward to seeing everyone at our outdoor training. And it is so important that you keep up training whether here at the park or at home.

**\*TRAINING\***

For those of you in the Beginning Novice classes and Novice classes as well as the Open and Utility classes, should have noticed that Terry and Joanne are using training aids. Terry purchased these items at Top Dog Training School. For those who have trained at Top Dog and have used these training aids here, know how helpful they can be. If anyone is interested in ordering their own training aids/equipment, please get in touch with Terry. She will be glad to order them for you. You must pay for them in advance. I cannot stress what great aids they are, and you can use your own at home when practicing what you learned in class or bring them to class. Please use an address label to mark your own equipment.

**\*TRAINING SCHEDULE\***

Please be sure to read over the outdoor training schedule as there have been a few changes. You should have also received from Deb Achenzie applications to sign up for the new classes. There will be a Beginning Open class which you need to sign up for the next 7 weeks. Because this is a class for learning about the Open exercises, which include dumbbells, dumbbell retrieves, jumping and drop on recall and learning to work with your dog off lead, there will be no drop-ins. The other new class is Beginning Novice. Drop-ins are welcome for this class but please contact Joanne, so she knows that you are coming. Both taught by Joanne Summers.



**\*TRAINING INFORMATION\* OUTSIDE TRAINING**

<b><u>WEDNESDAY –</u></b> <b><u>(starting May 3<sup>rd</sup>)</u></b>		
• OPEN	4:15 PM to 5:15 PM	<i>PHYLLIS BRODERICK, INSTRUCTOR</i>
• UTILITY	5:20 PM to 6:20 PM	<i>PHYLLIS BRODERICK, INSTRUCTOR</i>
• NOVICE	6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM	<i>PHYLLIS BRODERICK, INSTRUCTOR</i> <i>DEBBIE ACHENZIE, ASSISTANT</i>
<b><u>WEDNESDAY –</u></b> <b><u>(starting May 3<sup>rd</sup>)</u></b>		
• BEGINNER OPEN	5:30 PM to 6:30 PM	<i>JOANNE SUMMERS, INSTRUCTOR</i>
• ADVANCED BEGINNER	6:30 PM to 7:30 PM	<i>JOANNE SUMMERS, INSTRUCTOR</i>
<b><u>THURSDAY</u></b> <b><u>(STARTING May 4<sup>th</sup>)</u></b>		
• NOVICE	10:50 AM to 11:50 AM	<i>DUSTY SPRINGER, INSTRUCTOR</i>
• NOVICE	11:50 AM to 12:50 PM	<i>DEBBIE ACHENZIE, INSTRUCTOR</i>

If you have any questions as to which class you should be entered in, please talk to your instructor. The new BEGINNING OPEN class is for those who want to learn the Open exercises which one can do along with taking the Novice class. The Advanced Beginner class is for those just coming out of the first Beginner Class, but not yet ready for the Novice class.

DROP-INS: FEE FOR DROP-INS IS \$10. Please contact the instructor for the class in which you want to do a drop-in. However, since the BEGINNING OPEN CLASS is a learning class for those who want to learn the Open exercises, there are no drop-ins permitted in this class.

**\*RALLY\***

The Masters session will end on May 4. Linda Krasley will be offering two times for classes. At this point Linda is still not well enough to come back to teaching Rally. Carol Hahn will be teaching Linda's classes until she is able to return. She will accept drop-ins, but you must let her know in advance. Additional class times to be determined.



WE LOVE YOU  
SO MUCH

Happy  
Mother's  
Day!



This ecard was sent with love. Proceeds go towards Paw Prints in the Sand Animal Rescue and its mission to help animals in need



**\*ATTENTION BY PHYLLIS\***

Phyllis has written a great article regarding things you can do as a trainer to help keep your dog's attention. Be sure to take the time and read it carefully and do go back to it from time to time.

**BUILDING ATTENTION HABITS BY PHYLLS BRODERICK**

To get attention you have to give your dog your 100% attention.

The way a dog learns to pay attention is for you to do something every time the dog looks away or is distracted. If you are not paying attention to your dog and it looks away and you miss it, there is nothing you can do if you don't see it. You have missed an opportunity for attention.

When training never take your eyes off your dog.

Organize your training sessions.

Have a plan, whether it is for 5 minutes or longer. You must have a start and finish. Plan your training session. It will be helpful if you have a written lesson plan.

Consider crating your dog before training. Put your dog in its crate or in a quiet part of the room on a mat.

Set up your ring. Have your treats, training equipment, a bowl of water before you start your training session.

Start your training session with your dog coming out of the crate or you go to the place you put your dog, pick up the leash and start your training session.

Avoid interruptions during your training session. If someone interrupts you, you put your dog into a sit or a down, take care of the interruption. Then go back to your dog and restart your training session. Never speak to someone during your training session and let the dog look off, sniff or wander.

With some dogs, multiple short sessions are better than a long one.

Train for 10 minutes, take a break, put the dog in the crate or mat.

You rest or sit down for 5 or 10 minutes, then resume training.

Never command or signal a dog that isn't paying attention.

Never continue an exercise when you do not have your dog's attention.

Never reward a dog that isn't paying attention.

Decide what your goals are. Work toward that goal

Happy Heeling,

Phyllis

**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](mailto:bohooch@yahoo.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

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If readily available, Nominee's contact information:

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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.

ADTC/rab  
Dec-28-2021

**\*POINT SHOW\***



It will be just a few weeks until the Point Show on May 20. We hope everyone who wants to have entered has as the deadline is May 3. We have not listed the judges for a while so here they are: Karen Schroeder for Rally; Betsy Humer and Marilou McCloskey will be the judges for Obedience.

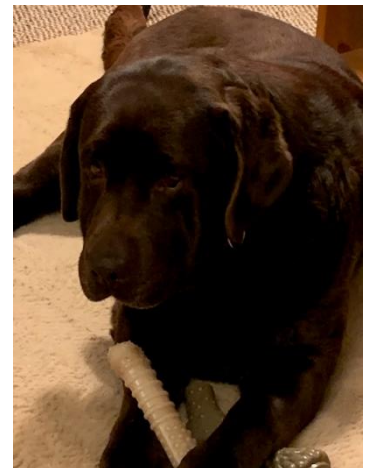
ATTENTION!! HELP NEEDED TO SET UP FOR THE SHOW ON FRIDAY MAY 19. We will start setting up around 3:00pm—yet to be determined.

PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH GAIL TO VOLUNTEER at [jamesgang12@verizon.net](mailto:jamesgang12@verizon.net). We will need a lot of help to set up the rings the day before and also clean up after the trial is over.

During the trial, we always need stewards. I cannot repeat this enough—NO STEWARDS, NO RALLY/OBEDIENCE TRIALS!!! There is no better way to learn what goes on at an obedience/rally trial. Not only that, if anyone was at the Delaware Valley German Shepherd Club trial, there was a large entry with many of the area’s top trainers participating. What a great way to learn by watching these trainers entering the ring and how they set their dogs up for the various exercises and everything in between. PLEASE - PLEASE - PLEASE - PLEASE - VOLUNTEER TO BE A STEWARD — WE NEED YOU!

**\*MEMBERSHIP AND WHO IS NEW\***

Donna Barto welcomed a new member to her family last month. She is a lovely chocolate Labrador Retriever named Dawn. Here are some pictures of Donna, Dawn, and a friend along with what Donna says about her. Donna says that ... Dawn loves to sleep ... and loves to sleep ... and is a wonderful companion. Congratulations to Donna and Dawn for finding each other. We hope to see Donna and Dawn at meetings and maybe some training classes. DAWN, WELCOME TO ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB!!



**\*MEMBERSHIP AND WHO IS NEW\* (continued)**

Please welcome the following new members:

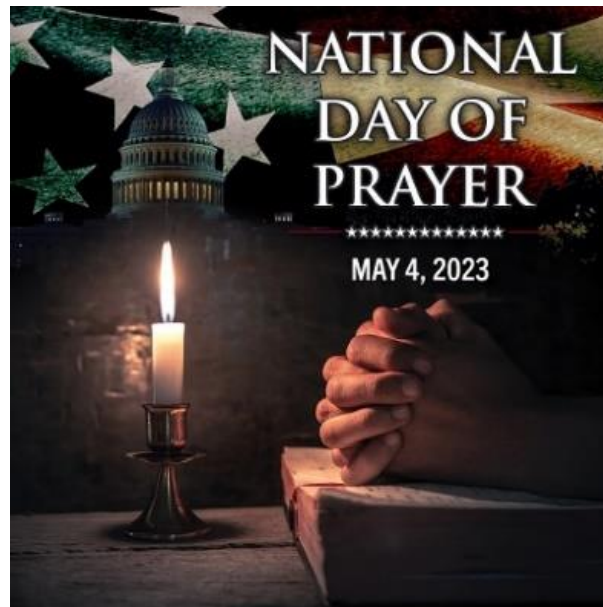
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**\*SUNSHINE\***

Condolences were sent to Steve and Ann Marie Markowitz on the loss their yellow Labrador Retriever, Zachary, who passed away at the age of 13. It is always so sad to lose a beloved dog and members may send Steve and Ann Marie cards.

Please keep Linda Krasley in your thoughts and prayers as she recovers from medical issues. We are all hoping she will be back shortly. Cards may be sent to her home and will be greatly appreciated.



**\*PICNIC AND ANNUAL AWARDS PROGRAM\***

The ADTC Picnic and ANNUAL AWARDS PROGRAM will be held on July 8 at Macungie Park. This will be a catered event for members and their families. See the enclosed flyer for information. We urge everyone to attend for fun and fellowship as well to congratulate those members and their dogs who worked hard to receive these special honors. So be sure to write this on your calendar for a day of fun, fellowship and awards recognition to members and their dogs.



## ADTC AWARDS PICNIC

**This picnic is for all members and guests!**

**DATE:** July 8, 2023 **TIME:** 12:00 PM

**RAIN OR SHINE!!!**

**FOOD SERVED FROM 1:00 TO 3:00 PM**

**LOCATION:** Oberholzer Pavilion  
Macungie Memorial Park

### MENU

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Oven Roasted Chicken Pieces, Roasted Red Skin Potatoes,  
Pasta Salad with Vegetables, Creamed Cabbage and Baked Beans, Iced Tea,  
Lemonade. Soda and Water will be available.

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**ATTENDEES ARE ASKED TO BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE!**

Four-legged Family Members Welcome Free of Charge

Please Return Completed Form Below to Debbie or Chuck Achenzie  
By 6/25/2023 Make Checks Payable to ADTC.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

# ATTENDING \_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 EA.

TOTAL DUE: \_\_\_\_\_

Completed form and check can be returned to Chuck or Debbie  
Achenzie on training nights or Mail to 1935 Kensington Road,  
Bethlehem PA 18018

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### **\*PAW PRINTS ON THE CANAL\***

Dusty Springer is looking for members to help with this event—volunteers are needed. She has been told that we have been asked to do another obedience demonstration. It was quite successful last year. Additional information can be found below.



*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. This is a rain or shine event. **Paw Prints 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](mailto:bohooch@yahoo.com) to indicate your intention to attend.

**\*OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST\***

- **May 7 - Paws at the Park** - Allentown dog training club has been invited to have a table/booth at **Paws at the Park** held on May 7th from 12:00 to 3:00 PM. The event will be at Grange park, Allentown. It is held for the benefit of Sanctuary at Haafsville. Steve Markowitz has volunteered to be Committee Chair for this event. Please let Steve know if you're willing to volunteer to help with this event. It would be good for publicity for the Club. Contact Steve at [smarco1@rcn.com](mailto:smarco1@rcn.com).



Paws at the Park  
Come out for a 'tail-wagging' good time at the Western Lehigh Chamber's third annual Paws in the Park!

- **May 20-21 - Bark Around the Park –**

Lehigh Valley Kennel Club is once again having **Bark around the Park.**



This is an event similar to the Canine Learning but outside. It's a fun event with booths of other clubs and vendors. It would be nice to have ADTC represented. It is May 20-21. (May 20<sup>th</sup> is our club's Obedience and Rally Trial)

If anyone is interested in chairing this event, please contact Janet Mohr at [janapuli@ptd.net](mailto:janapuli@ptd.net) for more information.

Save the dates....May 20 & 21st, 2023.



Just in... Back-to-back AKC Match Shows, Health Clinic, Meet the breeds.

- **June 3 - A Farm Dog Test sponsored by the Mid-Jersey Labrador Retriever Club and Keystone Labrador Retriever Club** will be held on June 3 at 8120 Dietz Lane, Coopersburg. There will be 2 trials held that day. In order to get the Farm Dog Title, you must pass the test under two different judges. There will be two different judges there. For more information, please contact either the Mid-Jersey Labrador Retriever Club or the Keystone Labrador Retriever Club.
- **June 25 - POODLE CLUB OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY** is holding an eye clinic with Dr. Aguirre in the Macungie Park on June 25, 2023. It is from 8:30am to 4:00pm. Registration deadline is May 15. For an appointment, call Joy Nachmias at 717-725-6390. For more information, check out the website at [www.poodleclubofthelehighvalley.com](http://www.poodleclubofthelehighvalley.com)

Dr. Donna Gigliotti will be presenting a seminar at Country K9 Country Club in Kunkletown, PA. She added another time for more working spots. See flyer below for more information. Dr. Donna is a chiropractic doctor specializing in dogs. Many of us take our dogs to her.

# YOUR DOG IS TRAINED BUT ARE THEY FIT?

Presented by  
**Dr. Donna L. Gigliotti DC**  
AVCA Certified Animal Chiropractor  
Certified Canine Fitness Trainer (CCFT)

## SEMINAR – INTERACTIVE LECTURE plus HANDS-ON

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- How to actively watch and evaluate movements of the dogs, learning to identify potential weak areas
- How to use the nervous system to improve muscle, ligament and joint function

**June 11, 2023**  
9 am – 1 pm

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**Country K9 Club Ltd**  
307 Pony Pl  
Kunkletown PA 18058

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<b>Members:</b> \$100 Working Spot \$75 Audit	<b>Non-Members:</b> \$120 Working Spot \$85 Audit
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*Contact Carol Wyatt at [countryk9club@gmail.com](mailto:countryk9club@gmail.com) or 908-510-3602*

**\*ACHIEVEMENTS\***



Kim Folander has several announcements of things that her Boxer, Charlie, accomplished. Charlie was the Top Scoring Boxer at the AKC CLASSIC which was held in December 2022. This was the second year in a row that he won this honor. He is also being listed in the May 2023 issue of FRONT AND FINISH for the FRONT AND FINISH RALLY GOLD AWARD for his Rally Intermediate obedience title. His scores had to be above 95 in order to be recognized for this award by FRONT AND FINISH. Kim is planning on taking him to the 2023 Rally National Championship in Ohio in July. He will be entered in the Masters Class. The picture of him jumping is from the December Classic. Congratulations on your ACHIEVEMENTS!

Kim and Charlie will be joining Judy Skorup and Emma at the Rally National Championship, both in the Masters Class in Wilmington, Ohio!! We are just wondering if anyone else from ADTC will be heading to Ohio in July for either two days of Rally or two days of Obedience or both. The Obedience is by invitation only. Be sure to let us know. It will be televised on AKC TV. We wish you all good luck!



And we want to congratulate Cris Courduff and German Shepherd dog, Ruger, for earning their utility dog title at the Delaware Valley German Shepherd Dog Club trial on April 9. Utility is not an easy class, and we will leave it to Cris to tell you how she earned it. But we all know how proud she is to finally earn that title!!! BIG BIG congratulations to Cris and Ruger!

“This was not an easy title for Ruger and me when one of us did well, the other messed up. But with perseverance we finally earned our Utility A Title. We want to thank our training and many members of Allentown Dog Training Club for all your encouragement and support over the years.

Cris Courduff and Ruger

Linda Eldon reported that Mollie, her Bernese Mountain Dog, earned their Graduate Open title at the Delaware Valley German Shepherd Club trial in Barto on April 9. Linda and Mollie had a first-place finish!! CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH OF YOU. Now on to Utility! Mollie is also listed as the Fourth Top Bernese Mountain Dog in the FRONT AND FINISH 2022 COMBINED RALLY AWARDS



We are always looking for members to send us notice of their ACCOMPLISHMENTS with their dogs. No ACCOMPLISHMENTS ARE TOO SMALL. We all love seeing how everyone is doing and we are sure our teachers love it also. Just send ACCOMPLISHMENTS to me at [japhart@ptd.net](mailto:japhart@ptd.net) and Rita at [rabkab@comcast.net](mailto:rabkab@comcast.net).



# National Rescue Dog Day

National Rescue Dog Day falls on May 20<sup>th</sup> every year and is a day that was created to encourage people to adopt a dog from their local pet shelter. Every year, approximately 3.3 million dogs enter animal shelters nationwide and are in dire need of being adopted. This holiday reminds everyone that these are quality companion animals that are truly worthy of a home. A home that someone participating on this day can provide. **Can I count on you to give me that “forever” home?**

