



ADTC BARKS & BYTES NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2023



Welcome to ADTC October newsletter. We hope that you were able to check out everything in the September BARKS & BYTES, because there was a lot of information in it. Changes in training, new classes along with the old ones and not to mention that the premium list is out for our November trial. This will be the first time we are holding a Fall trial. And we are using our building in Macungie Park where we train during the fall and winter months on up until May, depending on the weather. Get your entries in both Obedience and Rally in long before the deadline which is October 18 at 6:00PM in case the trial fills. Terry Papineau, our training director, has also scheduled two members only match shows before the "Main Events". There will be one for Rally and one for Obedience and these applications are now out. Do not wait to enter these and we are sure they will fill quickly. Our match show which is open to the public is now filled, including the Beginner Novice slots.

For you members who are new to Rally and Obedience this is a perfect opportunity to enter a trial in the place where you train. And to have a public match show and also a members only match show to prepare you for the trial does not happen often. You just cannot get better than that. It does not matter if you feel your dog is not ready to enter a real trial, this is what match shows are for. You can work on either

the full routine or just exercises you are having problems within a ring situation. And remember that no organization can run by itself. We need volunteers to help with the trials and matches. So please offer to volunteer—don't wait to be asked. And by volunteering you will learn so much. Be sure to watch the more experienced handlers work in the ring. There is so much to learn.

The Teaching Open class will be held on Thursday 4:00PM to 5:00PM taught by Joanne Summers after October 12. Up until after October 12 it will be held outside. So be sure to make note of that.

Many, many thanks to all who came to help steward for Pocono and Lehigh Valley Kennel Clubs. Berks KC does supply their own stewards. Although these are breed conformation Clubs they do offer Obedience and Rally. We have always helped Pocono with stewards as they are a very small club with few members. And thank you all who came out to help on Thursday 9/14 and Friday 9/15 to help Phyllis steward for the Pocono trial. A few years ago, when she found out they were considering dropping Obedience as they had Rally, Phyllis decided that we would not lose another obedience trial. Many thanks to Phyllis for keeping Obedience in this Club. Perhaps we can get more volunteers next year so they can offer two rally trials along with the obedience trials both days. Many thanks to Gail James for being head steward for the Lehigh Valley KC part getting stewards from Allentown Dog Training. Thank you to all who came and worked very hard. We cannot put on both Rally and Obedience trials without stewards. I did speak to the lady who is the head of the Pocono KC and she would like to see Rally back sponsored by the Pocono Club. So, let's see if we can supply Rally stewards as well!! That will give competitors four more classes to earn points, legs and titles!!

I just want to mention a few things about outdoor trials and even doing trials in places other than our building in Macungie. Outdoor trials are much harder to compete in than those indoors. But if you plan to do outdoor trials, you do need to train your dog in many different places. Macungie Park is quite large and there are lots of different places in it where you can do some training. Weather, people and dogs walking around outside the ring, other vehicles, bugs and anything else you can think of can distract your dog. But do take advantage of training outside in different locations while the weather is warm. It does not have to be Macungie Park but I am sure you can find parks in your area to do some training which would be even better.

Same thing with indoor trials, but match shows are the best way to prepare your dog to compete in a ring situation. Right now, there seems to be quite a few clubs or dog organizations offering match shows, so check Dog Match Shows.com and check back frequently as some tend to fill quickly. I have heard that Lowes in Quakertown allows dogs and people to train inside. Do take advantage of that.

Do not be disappointed if your dog did not do as well as you have hoped. I am sure there were exercises where he or she did well. Practice, Practice and Practice some more in many different places. If you are having problems talk to your trainer or one of our more experienced members. Doing Obedience and Rally are great ways to bond with your dog. And most important, remember no matter what you always leave with the best dog in the show—your dog!!!

TRAINING

At this point the training schedule has a few changes. There will be no training Wednesday, October 4 or Thursday, October 5 because of the Hatboro KC trials being held in Macungie Park. After that there should be no interruptions due to happenings at the park. Please check to make sure your class times have not been changed.

TRAINING SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY

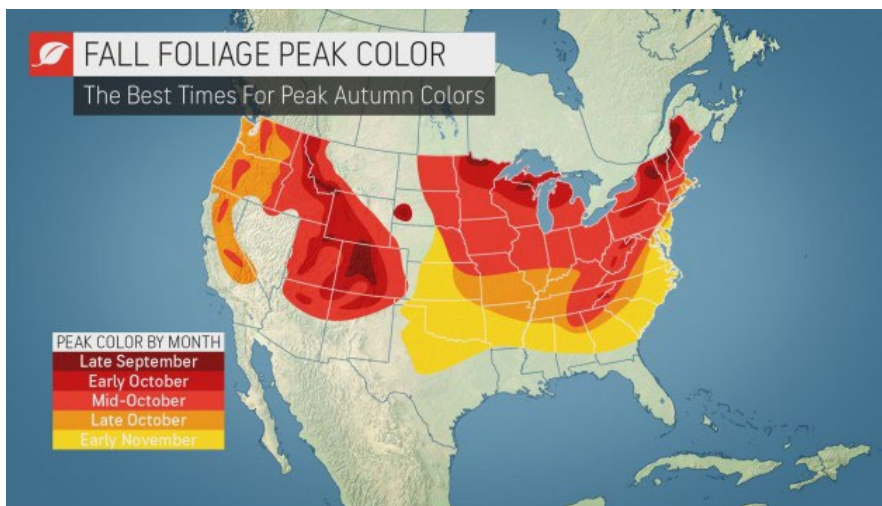
12:00PM TO 1:00PM	HALF FLOOR RENTED/THE OTHER HALF AVAILABLE
1:00PM TO 2:00PM	AVAILABLE
2:00PM TO 2:30PM	AVAILABLE
2:30PM TO 3:30PM	RALLY NOVICE/ CAROL HAHN INSTRUCTOR
3:30PM TO 4:00PM	AVAILABLE
4:00PM TO 5:00PM	OPEN/ PHYLLIS BRODERICK INSTRUCTOR
5:00PM TO 6:00PM	UTILITY/ PHYLLIS BRODERICK INSTRUCTOR
6:00PM TO 7:00PM	NOVICE/ PHYLLIS BRODERICK INSTRUCTOR
7:00PM TO 8:00PM	RALLY MASTER/EXCELLENT/ CAROL HAHN INSTRUCTOR

THURSDAY

9:00AM TO 10:30 AM	OPEN/UTILITY TERRY PAPINEAU
10:30AM TO 11:30AM	RENTED
11:30AM TO 12:30PM	NOVICE ONE/ DEBBIE ACHENZIE INSTRUCTOR
12:30PM TO 1:30PM	NOVICE TWO/ DUSTY SPRINGER INSTRUCTOR
1:30PM TO 2:00PM	RENTED
2:00PM TO 3:00PM	RALLY ADVANCED/EXCELLENT/ CAROL HAHN INSTRUCTOR
3:00PM TO 4:00PM	AVAILABLE
4:00PM TO 5:00PM	TEACHING OPEN—STARTS AFTER OCTOBER 12/ JOANNE SUMMERS INSTRUCTOR
5:00PM TO 6:00PM	PUPPY CLASS/ TERRY PAPINEAU INSTRUCTOR
6:00PM TO 7:00PM	BEGINNER CLASS/ TERRY PAPINEAU INSTRUCTOR
7:00PM TO 8:00PM	ADVANCED BEGINNER/ TERRY PAPINEAU INSTRUCTOR

TRAINING (CONTINUED)

There are several times available for you to rent the building to train your dog as there were in the beginning of the year before we went outside. You can rent for an hour or a half hour and rent the whole for or half the floor. The cost to rent the whole floor is \$25 or \$15 for half the floor. Half hour rentals are also available for \$12 for the whole floor or \$8 for half. You may share with others. **YOU MUST PUT THE EQUIPMENT AWAY IF THE NEXT PARTY DOES NOT NEED IT OR IF THERE IS A CLASS COMING IN THAT DOES NOT NEED IT.** Please get in touch with Terry if you would like to rent the available spaces that we do not need for classes right now.





ADTC MEMBERSHIP DUES

Your Allentown Dog Training Club dues are due by **January 1, 2024**. Payment of your membership dues by 1/1/24 allows you to vote at the January meeting, be eligible for awards and continue to train with the club.

All meeting minutes and membership lists will be posted on the ADTC website.

Complete the form below and **sign the WAIVER** on next page.

1. Make checks payable to **ADTC, Inc.**

2. Return Form to:

ADTC, Inc.
c/o Debbie Achenzie
1935 Kensington Road
Bethlehem, PA 18018

- SINGLE MEMBERSHIP **\$35.00**
- EACH ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBER **\$15.00** (include all names)
- LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP **MUST SIGN THE WAIVER on next page.**
- MARK BOX IF ANY PERSONAL INFORMATION HAS CHANGED
- ADDITIONAL DONATION FOR THE 2024 TRIAL GENERAL TROPHY FUND. If you wish to donate for a specific class or prize, use the Trophy Pledge form in the Members area of the website.

Name: _____
(including additional household members)

Street: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-mail Address: _____

Breed/Breeds of dogs you own: _____

Please read and sign the WAIVER, RELEASE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ASSUMPTION OF RISK and AUTHORIZATION on next page.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.
WAIVER, RELEASE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ASSUMPTION OF RISK
AND
AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF PHOTOS & EMAIL NOTIFICATION

I understand that my attendance and participation in any Allentown Dog Training Club, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "ADTC") class or activity, including but not limited to, obedience and rally training, is not without risk to myself, my dog(s) or any family member or guest who might be present at such function. Some dogs to which I might be exposed may be difficult to control and/or aggressive towards other canines and people, and may be a cause of injury even when handled with care. I expressly assume the risk of such damage or injury while attending any training class or other activity of ADTC or while on the ADTC facilities.

In consideration of the enrollment for training, and as an inducement to my participation in ADTC classes or activities, I hereby waive, release, discharge, and covenant not to sue ADTC, its officers, members and/or agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I, my dog, or any family member may sustain, including specifically, but without limitation, any injury or damage caused by the action of another dog or by participation in the foregoing activities.

In consideration of the enrollment for training and as an inducement to my participation in ADTC classes or activities, I additionally hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the ADTC, its officers, members and agents, of and from any and all claims, causes of action, losses, damages, judgments, costs, or expenses, including attorneys' fees, which in any way arise from my or my family members or guests' acts, omissions and/or negligence, irrespective of whether the acts, omissions and/or negligence of the ADTC, its officers, members and agents, or any third party contributed to the loss.

I hereby certify that I am over the 18 years of age and I have read this paper and am fully aware that this contract constitutes a waiver and release of any and all liabilities because of injury to me, my dog, dogs or other property.

I hereby grant the Allentown Dog Training Club, Inc., including its officers, directors and members (hereafter collectively the "Club") permission to use my likeness in photographs, images and/or videos in any and all of its publications, including web space (internet site) and Facebook, and in any and all other media, whether now know or hereafter existing, controlled by the Club, in perpetuity, and for other use by the Club.

I acknowledge my participation with the Club is voluntary and I will receive no financial compensation, and I will make no monetary claim, or any other claim against the Club for the use of the photographs and/or video.

I hereby hold harmless, release and forever discharge the Club and its members, officers and directors from and against any and all actions, claims, demands, complaints, lawsuits and any other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of, or be caused by the use of any such photographs and/or video.

I authorize Allentown Dog Training Club, Inc., to send me notifications by use of email.

Signature of
Owner/Member/Participant and Parent _____
(If member is under the age of 18)

Additional Household Member _____

Date _____



ALLEN TOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB AWARDS APPLICATION & TITLE RECOGNITION

If you and your dog earned an AKC Title in 2023 while you were a member of ADTC, please fill out this application.

For Award eligibility requirements please refer to the ADTC Regulations, Section 8.

Any questions, please contact Judy at judylasso319@gmail.com

Directions for filling out application:

1. Application must be filled out completely.
2. Include with application a copy of your AKC certificate for **all titles** earned in 2023.
3. **Mail** application to Judy Lasso, 319 Chestnut Street, Freemansburg, PA 18017-6862. Application must be received by **December 31, 2023.**
4. If you have a CD plaque with empty plates, include 1 plate for each new title earned.

Member Name _____ Email: _____

Dog's Registered Name _____
(Include all title abbreviations)

Dog's Call Name _____ Breed _____

Please check one of the following:

- Dog Bitch

Please check one of the following:

- My dog has earned an AKC title, but has not yet earned a CD (Certificates will be awarded).
- My dog earned its CD during the past year (Plaque will be awarded).
- My dog earned its CD prior to becoming a member and I have earned an AKC title during the past year (I do not have a plaque).
- My dog earned its CD prior to this year and I have earned an AKC title during the past year. I have a plaque and am enclosing a blank plate for each title earned.
- I do not have any empty plates (or not enough). I need an extension to my plaque.

Please complete this section if your dog earned a Regular CD, CDX, or UD title in 2023. Scores needed to be considered for Club Challenge Award:

Title _____	Title Abbreviation _____	Date Earned _____
1 st Leg Score _____	2 nd Leg Score _____	3 rd Leg Sore _____

Title _____	Title Abbreviation _____	Date Earned _____
1 st Leg Score _____	2 nd Leg Score _____	3 rd Leg Sore _____

Please complete this section for all other AKC Obedience (including Preferred), Rally, Agility, Field, etc., titles earned in 2023. Remember to include a copy of all AKC certificates.

Title _____ Title Abbreviation _____ Date Earned _____

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Title _____ Title Abbreviation _____ Date Earned _____

If you earned a CD in 2023, please list any titles earned in previous years and include a copy of your most recent AKC certificate.

Title _____ Title Abbreviation _____ Date Earned _____

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REMINDER - To ensure accuracy send a copy of the certificate for each AKC title earned in 2023.

BLUE MOUNTAIN CLUSTER—LEHIGH VALLEY KENNEL CLUB

Gail James and Phyllis Broderick would like to thank everyone who volunteered to help stewarding at the Pocono and Lehigh Valley shows. As we have said many times before, shows cannot go on without stewards and judges!! Please remember this every time we ask for volunteers. THANK YOU ALL!!!

And with regard to volunteering, several years ago the Pocono KC not only offered Obedience, but they also offered two days of Rally trials. THAT IS FOUR TIMES YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EARN POINTS OR LEGS IN RALLY. FOUR TIMES and in our own backyard. The Pocono KC is a very small organization with few members and we have always supplied stewards for them as well as LVKC. One year we were unable to get enough members to volunteer for their Rally events and they cancelled them. Our own Phyllis Broderick refused to let them drop Obedience and she volunteered to be table steward and get other stewards for obedience. Perhaps, if we can assure them that we will be able to provide stewards, they will agree to ally again. Let Phyllis know what you think. Remember it is FOUR MORE CHANCES FOR LEGS AND POINTS.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB PUBLIC MATCH AND PRIVATE MATCH

The public match show is filled with Beginner Novice. Be sure to check out Dog Match Shows.com for other match shows in our area. Our members only match still has openings. Do not wait to send in your entries. And again, we need a lot of volunteers to make this work. For newer people what a great way for you to learn before you are ready to go in the ring with your dog.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB FALL TRIAL FOR RALLY AND OBEDIENCE

Our first Annual Fall Trial has opened on September 1. We urge you to enter asap as we suspect it will fill. People are always looking for trials within a reasonable drive to their home and our location covers a large area of people interested in obedience and rally competitions. It is a very easy process and once you are registered with Show Entries, it is just a few clicks to enter. There is a place where you can update new titles that your dog has earned since your last entry. If you have not yet entered, please be aware that the closing date is October 18. It is better to enter early so you are not put on a waiting list.

Please do not forget that we need volunteers to help. Trials do not run themselves and we will need stewards for Rally and Obedience as well as people to set up rings, tear down and all the things necessary to put on a successful trial. What a great way for our newer members to learn what happens at a dog obedience/rally trial. You can learn so much by watching especially many of the experienced handlers in the ring. And yes, they and their dogs also make mistakes!!! SAY YES WHEN ASKED! Our trials are only about four weeks away. To volunteer call or email Gail James at jamesgang12@verizon.net or 610-285-2331 or Terry Papineau mterryrapineau@gmail.com 718-614-4823. about four weeks away. To volunteer call or email Gail James at jamesgang12@verizon.net or 610-285-2331 or Terry Papineau mterryrapineau@gmail.com 718-614-4823.



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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AKC VIRTUAL TRICK DOG COMPETITION

We hope that you have checked out the TRICK DOG COMPETITION. It is great to see what competitors in that competition have done training their dogs and writing their scripts. Judy Lasso has trained her older Cocker Spaniel to the highest Trick Dog Level. I am sure she will be happy to answer any questions you might have about Trick Dog Competition.



MEMBERSHIP AND WHOSE NEW

WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS AND THEIR DOGS! WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL ENJOY TRAINING WITH US.

Jennifer Colligas 133 South Fairview Street, Macungie, PA 18062 C 484-347-9181 French Bulldog butterfly171302@gmail.com
Ann Brinckman 6825 Woodlawn Drive, Zionsville, PA 18092 610-349-6603 Labrador Retriever abrinckman@capital-planning.com
Angela Tully 693 Windmill Lane Breinigsville, PA 18031 732-687-0396 Portuguese Water Dog atully@groupspi.com

Robin Abbott
171 Lotus Drive
Orefield, PA 18069 610-360-9900
Samoyed

robina1711@gmail.com

Mary Sodaitis
37 Maple Road
Mertztown PA 19539 610-392-2638
Golden Retriever

marsod@windstream.net

Kim Mickley
189 Hummels Hill Road
Kutztown, PA 19530 515-450-0430
Mini Aussie Doodle (All American)

kkmickley@msn.com

Louise Brong
4098 Windy Hill Road
Orefield, PA 18069 610-392-5023
Golden Retriever

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Susan Hoffman
283 Niantic Road
Barto, PA 19504 c 610-310-8516
Vizsla

Rockliffe32@comcat.net

MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Susan Van Ocker is our October Member of the Month. Enjoy reading about one of our newer members.

I live in Perkasio, PA with my husband Bill and our 4 Bernese Mountain Dogs: "Schooner" age 5, "Halley" age 4, "Bridget" age 3.5, and "Olive" age 1.5. We got our first dog (a Bernese Mountain Dog) in 1992. At that time, we lived in Lower Bucks County and our neighbor was an active member of the Old York Dog Training Club. He convinced me that I should take our new puppy to Puppy K and basic obedience training.



I started Puppy classes with my puppy in 1992. It was the best decision; I loved dog training.

I occasionally breed Bernese Mountain Dogs under the kennel name "Wintergreen." I am an AKC Breeder of Merit and consider myself a "Preservation Breeder." I bred my first litter in 2008. Since then, all of our dogs have been from my breeding.

I am active in AKC conformation and BMDCA Drafting with my Berners. The Bernese Mountain Dog Club of America (BMDCA) offers a "Versatility Dog" award for a BMD that has a Championship title, Draft title and a Working title similar to Obedience. My goal for all my Berners is for them to be BMDCA Versatility Dogs. To date, 5 of my Berners (over 2 generations of Wintergreen BMDs) have earned this special award. Hence, I aspire to earn a Companion Dog title for all of my Berners. Now that I am retired (since 2019), I would like to pursue more advanced obedience titles. Someday soon I will have my CDX Berner!

My favorite dog activity is Drafting (i.e., Carting). I love to draft and have been drafting with my Berners for 25 years. During this time, I have earned 23 Draft titles with my different Berners. I'm proud that I had a BMDCA Grand Master Draft Dog. The GMDD title represents achieving 8 Draft titles (single and brace) totaling 20 qualifying performances. (This is the OTCH of the Draft world.) I'm currently pursuing this title with Schooner; he has 5 of the 8 Draft titles and hopefully we will achieve the requirements in 2024.

In 2018, I became a BMDCA Draft Judge. As a Draft Judge, I love to introduce new teams to the sport of Draft and occasionally organize workshops as part of our breed club activities. I am slowly pursuing the requirements to become an AKC Breeder Conformation Judge. I also own two horses (Gully, 29 years young and a retired Thoroughbred and Mick a 5-year-old Quarter Horse). In my spare time, I enjoy training and showing my young horse.

My biggest training challenge has been good time management. My best advice to new handlers is to invest in a good planner and be diligent about documenting your goals, training plans and progress!

PUBLICITY AND MACUNGIE PARADE

Dusty Springer has the following information on the Macungie Halloween Parade. We have participated as a Club for quite a few years. It is a fun time for all including the dogs.

We do not have a Member of the Month for September, but we have received information on the Macungie Halloween Parade. The parade begins in the Eyer Middle School and Shoemaker Elementary School parking lots on Sunday, September 29th. Marchers should report by 6:30. We need at least 8 people to march and everyone is welcome, with or without dogs. We need approximate numbers because the parade registration form must be submitted by October 20th.

If anyone has a small truck that on which we can hang our banner, please contact Dusty Springer. Also, at some point we will be stuffing bags with dog treats and our business cards to distribute to dog owning spectators.

Finally, those owning club clothing are requested to wear it for the parade. The sign-up sheet has again been made available at the general meeting. Members may also contact Dusty at bohooch@yahoo.com to sign up. Those who have not signed in but decide to come on the spur of the moment are also welcome. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Dusty Springer, ADTC Publicity





P.O. Box 193, Macungie, PA 18062-0193
 (610) 966-4289 www.macungiepark.com



2023 Macungie Halloween Parade

With Halloween rapidly approaching, Macungie Memorial Park and the East Penn Chamber of Commerce cordially invite your group to participate in the Macungie Halloween Parade. This year's parade will be held **Sunday, October 29th (This year there will be NO RAIN DATE)**. The parade will begin forming at **6:00 PM** at the Eyer Middle School Parking Lot (5616 Buckeye Rd Macungie, PA) and Shoemaker School parking lot (4068 N. Fairview Street Macungie, PA). The parade will end at the Eyer Middle School and Shoemaker School parking lots.

The parade will kick off at 7:15pm

Rules and Regulations

No Bicycles	No Silly String	No Roller Blades	
No Skateboards	No Open Fires	No Corn Throwing	NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Note: 4 Wheelers are allowed ONLY if they are being pulled or on a float.

THROWING CANDY IS ALLOWED! However, please assure the pieces are thrown completely to the sidewalks for the safety of children.

Breakdown of Parade Categories to be judged

- Marching Groups - Organizations of 8 or more people
- Senior Floats - Motorized or pulled by a vehicle
- Junior Floats - Pulled by hand
- Senior Dress - Adults or Family Groups in costume
- Junior Dress - Children (Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, School Groups, etc.)

Note: In order to be eligible for a prize, ALL entries MUST be received before Monday, October 23rd. NO entries will be entertained after this date.

The Macungie Parade has grown over the years and with your help this year's parade will be bigger and better. We appreciate your support and hope to see you at the parade.

If you are receiving this letter and you are no longer responsible for the organization shown, we would very much appreciate you forwarding to the proper person. If your group is no longer able to participate or you are aware of other groups that might be interested and have not been notified, please feel free to pass on our invitation.

Regards,
Margaret Young, MaryKate Messler, and Morgan Martin
 Macungie Memorial Park Volunteers

Please direct questions to the following email: macungiememorialparkevents@gmail.com

2023 Macungie Halloween Parade

Please complete and email to: macungiememorialparkevents@gmail.com

Please print clearly and fill in all lines:

Name of Group:

Contact Cell Number:

Name of Group's Representative:

Theme of Entry:

Do You Have Music Playing On The Float:

Mailing Address:

Email Address:

Note: Please include your email address so we can contact division winners in the following days after the event.

Group Category: (Mark with X)

- Marching Groups - Organizations of 8 or more people
- Senior Floats - Motorized or pulled by a vehicle
(Trailers should not exceed 16 feet in order to make all turns)
- Junior Floats - Pulled by hand
- Senior Dress - Adults or Family Groups
- Junior Dress - Children (Scouts, School Groups, etc.)

A LETTER FROM GAIL JAMES

First: I want to Thank All of the ADTC Members who volunteered to Steward at the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club Show on September 16!! I received compliments from both the Obedience and Rally Judge on how well the stewards helped!! THANK YOU!!!

Second: The November shows are on schedule. We do have a new Rally Judge, Laura Rixham; she was the Rally Judge at the Lehigh Valley show. She has also increased the number of entries to 100!! Terry will send around a volunteer steward sheet at the next general meeting. The entries close on October 18.

Third: Pennsylvania Federation of Dog Clubs, I did attend the Annual meeting, it was very interesting. The Federation is working hard with the AKC to keep us informed on all the anti-dog legislation that is happening around the country. They ask that we contact our Senators and Legislators to give them our opinions on certain Bills. On the AKC site there are letters that we can copy and send. These two bills need urgent action, The Puppy Protection Act (H.R. 1624) and Goldie's Act (HR1788) these bills sound like they would be beneficial to dogs there are many hidden items in the bill. The PA Federation website has been improved and is much easier to use.

Thank You,

Gail James

SUNSHINE



- Mary Ann Giles, an ADTC lifetime member, fell and broke her leg while putting her dog out. She had surgery on September 13, and it will be a long recovery process. Mary Ann is currently doing rehab. Please send all cards to her home and her daughter, Kathy, will see that Mary Ann gets them.

- Please keep my co-editor Rita Brian and her husband Ken in your thoughts and prayers as they are both facing some serious health issues. But I know that Rita will still be working on BARKS & BYTES and we thank her so much for what she does with our beautiful newsletter. I am sure she would appreciate notes and emails from all letting her know how much you appreciate what she does.

ITEMS FOR SALE

There are no items that members are selling this month.

UPCOMING EVENTS

GET YOUR DOGGIE BAG!!!



Mary Minnick sent us the following information. The Lehigh Valley therapy dogs are having a pasta dinner on November 4th which you can order to take home. Please see the flyer and the order form to fill out. If you have any questions, please see Mary Minnick at training or call her at 610-435-1747.



Annual "Paw-sta" Dinner

Sat Nov 4, 2023

Lehigh Lodge, Rt 100 Macungie PA



Support your local Lehigh Valley Therapy Dogs by picking up a tasty \$9 meal. All orders will be "TO GO" ie "DOGGIE BAGS"

- Orders must be received by Oct 28, 2023
- Email order form to lvtd@lvtherapydogs.org or
- Mail to 4027 W Chew St Allentown PA 18104 or
- Return order form to LVTD member
- Pay by check (made out to LVTD) or cash in advance or at pickup
- Select pick up time below and enter time on forms

(circle your pickup time so you remember)

4:15 4:30 4:45 5:00 5:15 5:30 5:45
6:00 6:15 6:30 6:45 7:00 7:15

Name _____

Phone _____

Pick Up Time

Pasta with sauce
or
 Pasta no sauce

Meatballs
or
 No meatballs

Salad Italian or Ranch or No dressing

Choc Chip Cookies or Brownie or Oatmeal Cookies

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Joanne Summers was at a seminar on a Disaster Relief program as it relates to our dogs. As she gets more information, she will put it in the newsletter.

DISASTER RELIEF PROGRAM

PENNSYLVANIA ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM

* The PENNSYLVANIA STATE ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM (PASART) was created through a private-public partnership to serve as a unifying network of organizations, business, federal, federal, state, county and local government agencies, and individuals that supports the prevention, preparedness response and recovery for emergencies affecting animals. Because disaster response needs to happen at a local level, PASART builds County Animal Response Teams (CARTs) across the state. County coordinators are selected to lead the development of county teams consisting of volunteers who will respond to emergencies at the local level.

* IF YOU HAVE A DOMESTIC ANIMAL EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 919 TO ASK FOR THE "CART" TO BE DEPLOYED.

- PASART DOES NOT RESPOND TO WILDLIFE ISSUES. PLEASE DIRECT THOSE CALLS TO THE PA GAME COMMISSION.
- AMBUVET PET AMBULANCE – TRI-STATE AREA (ROUTINE OR EMERGENCY)-
[HTTPS://WWW.AMBUVET.COM/INDEX.HTML](https://www.ambuvet.com/index.html)

LOOK FOR MORE INFO IN THE UP COMING NEWSLETTERS.

ACHIEVEMENTS

I (**Jacqui Hartranft**) am a subscriber to FRONT AND FINISH MAGAZINE and almost every month they will list AKC statistics for various competitions in Obedience and Rally. In the September 2023 issue they listed the Top AKC dogs in the country competing in Open A. I am very proud to say that **Cooper**, my silly boy, is the Number One Labrador Retriever in the Country in Open A. In addition, he was also named Number Five in the Sporting Group in Open A. I am very proud of him and all that he has accomplished. He is my rescue dog who decided he wanted to participate in Obedience like his sister. The picture is from one of his High In Trials at Golden Rule in May last year at Golden Rule.



DOGS WORKING

I would like to start a new column. Mainly this will be for our dogs doing therapy dog work, search and rescue work, anything like that, not related to Obedience and Rally or other dog sports although they all need obedience training to do these things. I know we have several members whose dogs do therapy dog work like reading to kids, helping people who are stressed by flying and things like that. This can cover a lot of things but most of all you need a dog who is well trained enough to perform any of these things working with people and children. I would like to keep the ACHIEVEMENTS for new titles and accomplishments, etc. in dog sport events. But I know that we have lots of dogs who are working to help people and children, so let us also honor them.

Here is the first dog in DOGS WORKING. We hope we will get many more.



PRESS PHOTOS BY LOU WHEELAND
Catherine Golab, 4, with help from mom, Phuong Le, of Fogelsville, reads to Barkley, a 6-year-old Black Labrador retriever, owned by Ann Marie Markovitz, at Read to the Pups Aug. 1 at Parkland Community Library, South Whitehall.

Steve and Ann Marie Markovitz's dog Barkley, who spends some of his time having children read to him when he is not training for hunt tests and Utility titles. Barkley is a regular at Utility training every week. What a good boy he is and very versatile.

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