



ADTC BARKS & BYTES NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2023



By the time you get this newsletter, it will be almost time for our FIRST ANNUAL OBEDIENCE AND RALLY FALL TRIALS!! To all who entered, Rita and I wish you all good luck and are looking forward to hearing how you did. Deciding to enter a trial is not an easy thing to do but, believe it or not, it does get easier as time goes on and you gain more experience. You will learn and your dog will also. No matter how experienced you are, you usually learn something each time you go into the ring. We all make mistakes, no matter how often we have done this and that includes the top trainers as well. Same with our dogs. It is not like training, even if it is in the same building. Different picture of the dog, different dogs, new smells and not to mention stress hormones among other things. You have had wonderful trainers and both Rita and I know you will do well. Even if you NQ, there is always something good to come out of that as it is a learning experience. You also have two matches to try out right before the trial. AND BEST OF ALL YOU ALWAYS LEAVE WITH THE BEST DOG IN THE SHOW!!

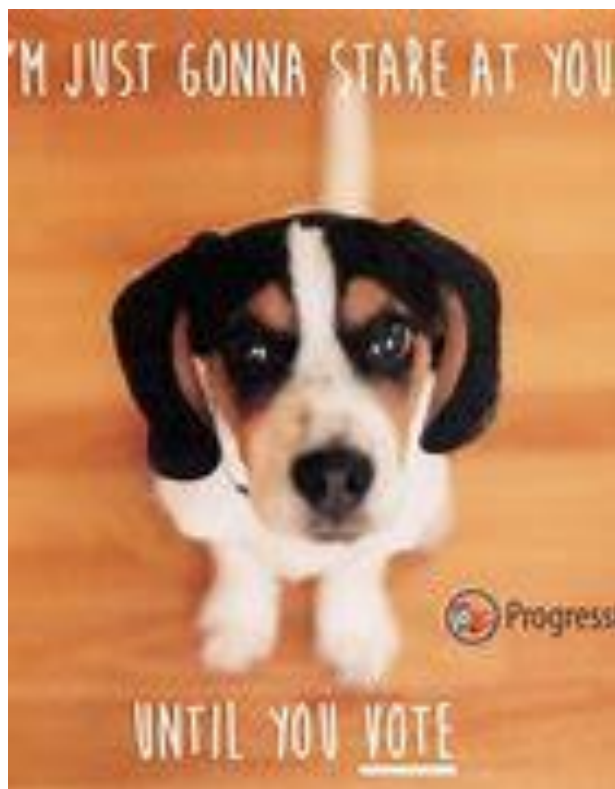
We also have our membership renewal form and our Awards Program form to fill out. You have until the end of the year to get the membership renewal to Debbie Achenzie and any AKC AWARDS you and your dog have earned in 2023 to Judy Lasso. If you have any questions as to whether you are eligible for an award recognition, please ask your trainer. You will need to send Judy a copy of your AKC certificate along with the filled-out form. We will be celebrating those receiving awards for 2023 at our Annual Picnic in June at the Park in Macungie. There will be more information coming closer to the time. If you have not gotten your AKC certificate by the time the awards are due, just send the form to Judy and then a copy of the AKC certificate when you receive it.

And while we are talking about our awards program, we now have two members who have earned their RALLY RACH TITLE. This is the first time we have had a member or members earn a RACH, that I am aware of. Be sure to scroll down to *ACHIEVEMENTS* to see who these two members are and read what they wrote briefly about their journey to a RACH. A RACH is the highest honor you can achieve in Rally. And while

we are talking about members achieving their highest honors, we just were notified that we have another member who earned his OTCH (Obedience Trial Championship). He is also listed on *ACHIEVEMENTS* and we are so happy to have another member who earned an OTCH. This is in addition to **Terry Papineau and Baci** who earned their OTCH. Be sure to Scroll down and see who these members are and be sure to congratulate them when you see them. This year Allentown Dog Training Club has had two members who earned their Rally Championship and two members who earned their Obedience Trial Championship. Congratulations to each one of you!

And we will have our Annual Christmas Party at the building in the basement. Edie Rysdyk will be accepting items for our Chinese Auction. Doggie items are much appreciated. You can get in touch with her at erysdyk@scherlinelaw.com to find out what items are needed. So, bring some of your favorite foods for all to enjoy. Look for the flyer and more information below,

November 7th



TRAINING

Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday, there will be **no training on November 22 and 23**. We wish everyone a wonderful holiday and to be so grateful for our dogs and family.

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

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB FALL OBEDIENCE AND RALLY TRIALS



As mentioned earlier, we do need members to volunteer to help. We hope that everyone who wanted to enter has. We will need volunteers as stewards, helpers to set up the ring and tear down, among other things. Many hands make light work for all!! We have a rally match for

members only on Wednesday November 1. On Thursday, November 2, is our first annual AKC Rally trial. On Friday, November 3 is a members only obedience match. Saturday, November 4, we have the match show which was open to members as well as the public. This has been filled for many weeks. And finally, on Sunday, November 5, is our first Annual Fall Obedience Trial. So, we will need many volunteers to step up and help. Let us make this a success so we can have many years of ADTC fall trials. AND MOST OF ALL BEST OF LUCK TO ALL OF OUR ENTRANTS!! Please call or email Terry at 718 614 4823 mterry@pineau@gmail.com or Gail James at 610 285 2331 at jamesgang12@verizon.net.

For those who are not entered, especially your newer trainers, be sure to spend some time watching both obedience and rally. There is a lot you can learn just by watching as well as seeing some of the things done by entrants that your trainer is teaching you. And of course, we always need helpers. MOST IMPORTANT WE NEED STEWARDS AND HELPERS. Coming to our show and helping, better yet watching, will be a very useful time spent in learning what to do and how things work in an obedience/rally trial.

PUBLICITY AND HALLOWEEN PARADE

There will be more information on Publicity in the December newsletter. Also, the Halloween parade was cancelled due to rain this past Sunday.

MEMBERSHIP

MEMBER OF THE MONTH – THERE IS NO MEMBER OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER.

WHOSE NEW – THERE ARE NO NEW MEMBERS OR NEW DOGS ADDED FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER.

MEMBERSHIP REMINDER – DEBBIE ACHENZIE REMINDS ALL MEMBERS TO FILL OUT THE RENEWAL FORM AND SEND IT TO HER BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.





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 _____

September 2023

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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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❖ Please keep Rita’s husband Ken in your thoughts and prayers. He is scheduled for surgery on December 4. I know they will appreciate “thinking-of-you cards” and your thoughts and prayers. Rita has been such a wonderful help with the newsletter which it would not be as good as it is without her. Thanks to all who offered to help with the October newsletter, but I may need help for January 2024—just to let everyone know. Keep Ken in your prayers.

❖ Also keep one of our trainers, Joanne Summers in your thoughts and prayers also. She is having some medical issues and we are hoping that these will be resolved in the near future.

ITEMS FOR SALE OR LOOKING FOR

Katie Dyer, teamfur@ptd.net, has a pet ramp so your dog can get on and off the bed all by themselves. This ramp protects their joints and makes it easier for an older or arthritic pet to get moving and improves their quality time together with you. If you have a larger dog, even he or she has no problem getting on the bed. It is free for the asking. Photo shown below.



Thank You Letter from Lehigh Valley Kennel Club

We received a very nice thank you letter from the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club (LVKC), which we included in the newsletter on the next page. They also rewarded us with a very generous contribution amount of \$900 for stewarding their 2022 shows (for both the September and December point shows). We had a great group of volunteers working with our wonderful judges. It was a fun educational day for all of us and we were also served a great lunch. It was nice to be appreciated and help out our fellow club.



4338 Clear Way
Allentown, PA 18103
September 25, 2023

Allentown Dog Training Club
Linda Eldon
68 Bull Rd.
Barto, PA 19504

Dear Linda,

The Lehigh Valley Kennel Club apologizes for the delay in showing our appreciation to the Allentown Dog Training Club for the fine job you have done stewarding our obedience and rally events at the September Point Show, and the December Point Shows. Please accept the enclosed check as our way of saying "Thank You" for stewarding our 2022 shows. Stewards are very hard to get and if it wasn't for the dedication of your club members, we would be forced to stop offering obedience and rally at our shows.

Please use the money in any way you see fit to help your club in their training endeavors. Thank you again to all of the members who have continued to offer their services at our events.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Dunkling".

Barbara E. Dunkling
Corresponding Secretary

AWARDS

Judy Lasso wants to remind everyone who has earned an AKC title in 2023, to fill out the form and get it to her before the end of the year. Judy is very strict about this. She and Pat Gombocz spent many hours compiling the information and making sure that it is correct. If you have any questions as to whether you are eligible for an AKC award please get in touch with her or ask your trainer. These awards are for AKC titles only because this is an AKC sponsored club. The form can be found on our website.

However, we do recognize other venues in our ACHIEVEMENTS section of BARKS & BYTES, so be sure to send us your ACHIEVEMENTS as we love to publish them for the membership. And your trainer will love to see how well you are doing.

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Awards Application and Title Recognition Information

Dear members,

My friend Pat and I are getting old. Do you know how we can tell? We don't see as well as we used to! Steve Markowitz had a solution to help us with our eyesight!

He made it so that members applying for an award could type the information right on the form!! It would be GREAT if you could use this handy new way to fill out your application. The fillable form is attached to this email and also is posted on the club's website. **TO USE THIS APPLICATION PLEASE USE THE FILLABLE FORM POSTED ON THE CLUB'S WEBSITE.**

We would also appreciate full size copies of your AKC certificates. Thank you for making our job a little easier!! Pat and I greatly appreciate it.

Direct questions or concerns to.....

Judy Lasso judylasso319@gmail.com

Pat Gombocz pgombocz@ptd.net



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 _____
1st Leg Score _____ 2nd Leg Score _____ 3rd Leg Score _____

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

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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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.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Most of the information about our annual Christmas party is on the flyer below. Members are asked to bring a covered dish or dessert and we have always had great dishes to taste. We all look forward to great food and fellowship so plan to attend. Well behaved dogs are welcome to attend. We will also need raffle items for the Chinese auction. Edie Rysdyk is in charge of that.



**This year is the club's 70th Anniversary.
We encourage all members and significant others to
attend our Holiday Party!
FOOD, RAFFLE, and FUN**

When: Tuesday, December 12th at 6:30 p.m.
following a short General Meeting.

This year's Holiday Party will be held downstairs in
Macungie Hall.
Members are welcome to bring your dogs.

Set up at 5:00, tear down after party. All help accepted.

Please bring a dish to share.
Entrée, Appetizer, Side or Dessert
Water, soft drinks, coffee and tea will be provided

Raffle items and Monetary Donations accepted, contact
Edie Rysdyk. erysdyk@scherlinelaw.com

Hope to see everyone at this year's party!

REMEMBER TO SHOP FOR YOUR GOOD DOGGIE



GET YOUR DOGGIE BAG!!!



Don't forget to order your packaged dinner on November 4 which is right after the match ends. Steve and Barkley want to invite members and others to take advantage of the LV Therapy Dog annual spaghetti dinner. You can get a great spaghetti dinner which you can take home after the match without much cooking. Everything is included. Barkley says he tested it and it is delicious!! Barkley says read the flyer with all the information. Again, Barkley reminds those interested to read the flyer with all the information.

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Proud Sponsor

Lehigh Valley Therapy Dogs

"PAW-STA" DINNER FUNDRAISER
all proceeds to benefit therapy dogs!

4:00 - 8:00pm

all orders are **TO-GO!**

November 4th, 2023 Lehigh Lodge, 2120 Rt. 100, Macungie

Lehigh Valley Therapy Dogs 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

ACHIEVEMENTS

Jacqui Hartranft reported that **Abbey** went High in Trial at the Companion Dog Sports Program (CDSP) trial on October 14 at Let's Speak Dog. I am very proud of her.



And not to be outdone by his sister Abbey, **Cooper** earned his CDSP Utility Dog title with a first-place score of 196.



My brag/achievement for Freddy and Ginger by Debbie Achenzie.

Debbie Achenzie is happy to report that her little black boy, **Freddy**, earned his CDSP Versatility title at Let's Speak Dog on October 14. Looks like quite a few of Allentown Dog Training Club members did quite well. This is what Debbie had to say about how proud she is of **Freddy** and check out his picture with his ribbons. One which is longer than he is tall!

- On October 14th a dreary rainy Saturday I went to the CDSP Trials at Let's Speak Dog. Inside the atmosphere was perfect being spent with other exhibitors and friends.
- **Freddy** was entered in Versatility which is a combination of exercises from the 3 levels of Obedience....Novice, Open and Utility. There also are 3 different orders for the exercises used and you do not know which one will be used till the day of the Trial.
- **Freddy** did a nice job in Trial 1 and he earned his Versatility Title with a decent score and a First Place.
- Trial 2 **Freddy** did not work as well and we did not qualify. Really did not matter since he had earned his title.
- **Ginger** was entered in Open C mostly to get her more ring exposure. This is a class for those of us who have our Open Title and want to continue on to earn a Championship which is 10 qualifying score in the C class.
- I was very happy we qualified under a stressful environment for **Ginger**. She is getting better!!!!
- All in all, I left the show feeling great about my day and getting to spend it with my two little rescues!!!

Freddy earned his CDSP Versatility title at Let's Speak Dog!



Freddy finds obedience hard work!



As I said earlier, we also have two more ACHIEVEMENTS TO ANNOUNCE. These two members, **Linda Eldon** and her Bernese Mountain Dog, **Mollie**; and **Judy Skorup** and her Great Pyrenees Mountain Dog, **Emma**, have worked extremely hard with two non-traditional breeds to achieve this honor and they both will tell you that it was not easy. The RACH is the highest honor one can earn in Rally. So please read what each has written about their journey. And not only that, but both of them were also only one of a few in their respective breeds to earn this honor. AND THEY ARE THE FIRST TWO MEMBERS OF ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB WHO HAVE BEEN AWARDED A RACH. WE HOPE THERE WILL BE MANY MORE TO FOLLOW.

And we are very happy to announce that **John Landis** and his **Puli Kaylee** earned their OTCH (Obedience Trial Championship) at the Burlington Obedience Training Club in Vermont. In addition, they earned their OTCH by being awarded High Combined in that trial and also earned their Obedience Master title. BIG BIG CONGRATULATIONS JOHN AND KAYLEE!!

This is what **Linda Eldon** had to say about **Mollie** earning her Rally RACH title and what a big Accomplishment it is for a non-traditional breed. Big Congratulations to Linda and Mollie for this BIG ACCOMPLISHMENT.

Mollie has been a very busy girl.



Mollie Malone and I achieved our RACH (Rally Champion) title at the York Rally Show August 20th under judge Silvia Brownlee. The RACH requires 150 Master points and 20 triples (master, excellent & advance classes) all with qualifying scores. She is the fourth Bernese Mountain Dogs to achieve this title.

At the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of Watchung Show in October **Mollie**, in Rally, was High Double and High in Trial in both Open divisions and Bernese Divisions. Lots of lovely ribbons and prizes.

At the CDSP trial at Let's Speak Dog in Easton, **Mollie** achieved her CDSP Utility A title with a score of 195.5 under judge Renee Hall.

Our ADTC trainers made this all possible. They have taken a "untraditional obedience dog" and made her into a Champion!

Judy Skorup and Emma also earned their RACH title. This is another HUGE ACCOMPLISHMENT for another non-traditional breed. **Judy and Emma** worked so hard to do this, I believe harder than most people would do. Read what Judy had to say about her and Emma's BIG ACCOMPLISHMENT. Another Big Congratulations to Judy and Emma. [Look for Judy's well written article about her journey with Emma towards this title in the December issue of BARKS & BYTES.](#) It is well worth taking the time to read.



A 2,749-pound gourd sets world record at Super Bowl of competitive pumpkin-growing.

Travis Gienger reacts Monday after his 2,749-pound pumpkin wins the 50th World Championship Pumpkin Weigh-off in Half Moon Bay, Calif., considered the Super Bowl of competitive pumpkin-growing.



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This has been quite a year, 70th Anniversary for Allentown Dog Training Club. Not only do we have two members, **Linda Eldon and Mollie** and **Judy Skorup and Emma** earn their RACH, the first two members to do so since AKC started the RACH title, but we also have two members who have also earned their Obedience Trial Championship (OTCH) this year. **Terry Papineau and Baci** and we just heard that **John Landis and Kaylee** also earned their OTCHs as well. BIG BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU FOR JOBS WELL DONE.

DOGS AT WORK

Well, this might not quite be the correct wording for **Kylee** but it sure is funny. Looks like she might be taking a nap after helping **Sharon** clean the bathroom floor. We hope that she does not have any problem getting out of the bathroom!! Silly girl!





Daylight saving time ends on Sunday, November 5th, 2023, and will begin on Sunday, March 10th, 2023. We are approaching local standard time on November 5.



*Happy
Thanksgiving!*

