

TOTAL RECALL—NOVEMBER, 2008

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## NOTES AND REMINDERS.....

NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2008 @ 7:30 PM

## **HOLIDAY PARTY**

Our Holiday Party will take place at Tambellini's in Bridgeville on Monday, December 8 at 6:30 pm. Dinner will be served at 7:30 pm.



#### **DOGGIE GIFT EXCHANGE**

There will be a "Doggie Gift Exchange" at the Holiday Party. If you are unable to attend the dinner, you may come afterwards for the gift exchange. There is a \$20.00 limit per dog.

We will exchange names at the November Members' Meeting!

The Forms for this will be provided by Marian Roznowski

We are again asking for donations to Angel's Ridge.

#### MEMBERSHIP MEETING SUMMARY 10-17-2008

(Shot Records – We are considering various ways of having current rabies and distemper shot records on file for members' dogs.

Christmas pictures – We discussed getting a photographer for doggie Christmas pictures, if the price is not too high. Joyce gave a price that seemed high, and Rod will look into an alternate. Building Repairs – Lucy had her repairperson come in and replace the outside lights. He also replaced one of the thermostats and adjusted the one on the outside wall. He is ordering another replacement one for the wall on the backside of the club. Signs will be placed next to each thermostat with operating instructions.

**KCTC Banners** – Barbara said Banksville Express would be a good place to use for banner signs. She knows the owner. Rod suggested also checking with Made in the Shade.

**New Board Member** – Mitzie Lever has been voted in as a new Board member, filling the vacant Member at Large position. In addition to putting out the newsletter, she will be responsible for scheduling events at the club and keeping that calendar of building usage up to date. Pete suggested putting a copy of the calendar in the newsletter.

**Holiday Party** – Our Holiday party will be at Tambellini's in Bridgeville on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. The social hour will begin at 6:30 pm, and dinner will be served at 7:30 pm. The cost is \$25 for adults and \$12 for children under 10. There will a dog gift exchange with a price limit of \$20. You must attend the party to participate in the gift exchange. Any titles that have been obtained from November 1, 2007 until October 31, 2008 can be submitted to Lori Ritchey for the awards. **People that** 

#### can't make the dinner can come later.

Marian suggested we collect donations for Angel Ridge again, and will put that information in the newsletter.

**New Members** – Eileen Peterson has a Goldendoodle named Goldie. Ed Hanke and Michele Manion sponsored her Margaret Colambari has a German Shepard

named Annie Paula Shimko has two Shelties and was

sponsored by Michele Manion and Dan Goldberg.

All new member candidates were voted in membership.

**KCTC Apparel** – Sweatshirts, tee shirts and hoodies are available for purchase. We are planning on ordering more in some different colors. Rod mentioned the breed shirts that he had mentioned a while back. We would like to see a sample shirt before any orders are placed.

**K-9ers** – Caroline announced that the K-9ers had four demos in the last month. They are doing their last Halloween demo on October 26.

**Fundraiser** – Rod is looking into a comedy fundraiser like the one we had last year. He will check on available dates.

**Benefits of Membership** – Rod suggested we have a sign at the club pointing out the benefits of membership. **Brags** – Pete said Cami and Dawson competed in their first USDAA trial recently. They had several qualifying scores.

Toni said Fox got his first leg in Excellent Rally & and another leg in Iron Dog.

Lucy said Toby got his Rally Advanced title and 1<sup>st</sup> leg in Excellent.

Pam said Icey took first place in Agility Jumpers 16 inch Preferred at the Samoyed Nationals and Crystal took 4<sup>th</sup> place in Novice Rally, in her first ever Rally trial.

Rod said Harley got her first leg in Novice A Obedience.

Total Recall Barbara said Sterling took first place in her first Rally trial.

## BRAGS

**From the Ritchey Family:** Ben and his dog, Frances passed their TDI. Lori along with Casey also passed their TDI.



**From Dee Farrel:** Dee Farrell is pleased to report that Pebbles earned her second leg in Novice Standard at the Clarion Canine Obedience Club AKC agility trial at Edinboro on November 2! Pebbles scored 96 and received a first place award!

**From Thomas Bandi:** Ginger received her Therapy Dog title TDIAOV (Therapy Dog International Active Outstanding Volunteer)



Here is a recent picture of "Miami" who belongs to members, Gina Luisi and Joe Campisi. This was taken at Lake Erie where she learned to swim. Miami with her owners took an Obedience Class with Mitzie Lever. She has mastered the command "Place" which makes life a lot easier for them. She is a great dog!

Our "**thanks**" go out to Joe Campisi who cleans the clubhouse. **He is doing a** great job!

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Margaret Colombari, who has a German Shepherd named Annie. Margaret has taken Annie through Obedience classes and Agility. Michele Manion and Rod Sabatini endorsed Margaret for membership.

**Eileen Peterson** who has taken her Goldendoodle, Goldie, through two Obedience classes and was endorsed for membership by Michele Manion and Ed Hanke.

**Paula Shimko**, who has 2 Shelties -Mika and Shane. Paula has taken two Obedience classes and was endorsed by Michele Manion and Dan Goldberg.

#### **PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS**

Sandy Holifield who has taken Beginning Agility and Basic Obedience. She has four Papillons – Luna, Minnie, Ellie and Pepper. Pam Lewis and Dan Goldberg endorsed Sandy.

**Dawn Whitney** has taken her Pit Bull, Capone, through two Basic Obedience classes. Toni Yurkovic and Ed Hanke endorsed her.

**Shelley Wolf** has taken two classes with her two Border Collies, Ruby and Spencer. Pam Lewis and Dan Goldberg endorsed her.

### FUND RAISER - PERFECT STOCKING STUFFERS!

Something for your favorite "pet lover" – a sheet of six "PAW MAGNETS or the EURO PAW". They are \$3.00 each.



For more information you may contact Pam Lewis at <u>samoyed4@verizon.net</u>

She will be presenting these at the November Meeting on the  $21^{st}$ .

### KCC'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH REPORT

**November 21** – Pathfinder School – Steelers theme

**November 22** – Country Meadows Independent Living – Christmas theme

**December 6** – Senior Care Retirement – Christmas theme

**January 10** – Baptist Home – Doo Wop theme

## Notes from Caroline

The K-9ers are winding down for the year 2008.

Our Halloween doggie dress up for Country Meadows Nursing Center was a lot of fun. The K-9ers and their dogs visited the residents dressed in costume. We received a lot of good doggie treats.

By the way, the Prime Time Adult Day Care in Washington County gave the K-9ers a huge container of homemade doggie biscuits. We shared some of them with Sally Tress's Monday class. The dogs really liked them! The recipe is printed below.

#### **Dog Biscuit Recipe**

2-1/2 cups of whole-wheat flour
½ tsp. Of garlic power
1 egg beaten
½ cup of ice water
½ cup of powdered milk
6 tbsp. Of shortening or meat drippings
(bacon drippings work really well.)
1 tsp. Brown sugar

Preheat oven to 350 degrees Combine flour, dry milk, garlic powder and sugar Cut in shortening or drippings until mixture resembles cornmeal. Mix in egg Add enough water so that mixture forms a ball. Pat out dough ½ inch thick with your fingers on a lightly oiled cookie sheet. Cut out with cookie cutters and remove scraps. Pat out scraps and proceed as before. Bake 25 to 30 minutes. Cool on a cake rack then serve. It is a good idea to double the recipe. The dogs really love

these biscuits!



Teaching your dog obedience cues s is essential in having a communicative and understanding relationship. Thus, you should avoid names that sound like obedience cues or commands that you will use with your dog in everyday life. For example, "Tidbit" sounds similar to "sit," "Kay" can be confused with "stay," and "Bo" sounds too close to "no."

> Steer clear of names that are the same as people in your household. Your dog will surely be perplexed if he thinks he's being told to "take out the trash" or "drop off the car at the auto mechanic's shop."

Shorter names (one or two syllables) will be easier for your pup to recognize and respond to. A canine's name should be simple and easily recognizable.

Hard consonants (b, k, d, t) and vowels (y,  $\bar{a}$ ,  $\bar{e}$ ,  $\bar{1}$ ) are easier to hear and distinguish than soft consonants (f, s, m, n) and vowels ( $\check{1}$ ,  $\check{e}$ ,  $\check{u}$ ). Thus, "Tito" or "Buddy" will be much easier for a dog to recognize than a name like "Fern."

Choose a name that you won't mind saying out loud in public.

## IF YOUR DOG GETS AWAY

#### An ounce of Prevention

There is no foolproof way to assure that your dog will never get lost. Even indoor dogs can slip out, either through an open door or window, or from the car when taking a trip. Make certain that you dog ALWAYS wears some form of identification, such as a tag, microchip or tattoo.

- Post signs on your street, schools and vet clinics. Keep info short and easy to read
- Spread the word to neighborhood children. They are often willing to hunt for missing pets. Be sure to warn them if your dog is shy or distrustful of strangers.
- Visit shelters in the area
- Run a "lost" ad in the local and regional paper. Many papers offer this as a free service.
- If your dog has a microchip or other ID, you have a much higher chance of finding your dog or having him/her returned to you.

#### Total Recall

#### KEYSTONE CANINE TRAINING CLUB'S HOLIDAY DINNER

Location: Tambellini's Bridgeville Date: Monday December 8<sup>th</sup> Social Hour will be at 6:30 pm Dinner will be served at 7:30 pm

The cost will be \$25.00 per adult and kids under 10 are \$ 12.00

We will also be having the annual Dog Gift Exchange. The forms will be passed out at the next Membership Meeting on November 21<sup>st</sup>. The gift limit is \$20.00 Those who wish to participate, but cannot attend the meeting; please notify Lucy McCloskey beforehand so that your gift exchange selections can be made. There will be additional forms available for you at the club.

We will be giving out the awards for the year at the Holiday Dinner. So if your dog has earned any new awards or titles from November 1, 2007 thru October 31, 2008, please forward that information to Lori Ritchey, by November 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### Please return the Form and money for the Holiday Dinner no later than November 30, 2008 to Lucy McCloskey , 1514 Melia Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15234 And return the Form for the Awards no later than November 15, 2008 to Lori Ritchey

The Adult menu will be: A buffet and unlimited non-alcoholic drinks Fresh Salad, Rolls w/ Butter, Boston Scrod Barsac, Chicken Calabrese Ziti with Meat Sauce, Broccoli/Cauliflower

Kid's Menu: (choice of) comes with fries and a pop

Chicken Nuggets, Hamburger, Cheeseburger, Fish Sandwich or Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

#### **KEYSTONE CANINE TRAINING CLUB HOLIDAY DINNER 2008**

Name(s):\_\_\_\_\_

Adults attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Kids attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to KCC

RETURN FORM AND CHECK TO LUCY MCCLOSKEY BY NOVEMBER 30, 2008

THANK YOU

### AWARDS FORM

Time Period: November 1, 2007 thru October 31, 2008

Dog's name and past titles (as you wish it to appear on the award)

Titles and Awards received during the above time period:

#### FYI

I will be taking care of scheduling events at the Keystone Club Building. In order to avoid confusion the first person/persons to call will be given their chosen time slot. I will not be able to make any exceptions.

To reach me you may email, phone or mail your requests to:

Email: Mitzie-123@hotmail.com

**Telephone**: 724-942-2593.

Address: 1079 Saddleclub Drive, McMurray, PA 15317

This schedule will be included in the newsletter

### **KEYSTONE CANINE CLUB SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

November 11	Donna Rohaus (Daytime)
November 25	Donna Rohaus (Daytime)
December 4	Agility run-thrus (7:30 pm) \$5.00 per dog
December 11	Donna Rohaus (Daytime and Group Session
	At 7:30 pm
December 18	Agility run-thrus (7:30 pm) \$5.00 per dog
December 30	Donna Rohaus (Daytime and Group Session
	At 7:30 pm

(There are no regular agility classes in December)