



# TOTAL RECALL—OCTOBER 2008

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## NOTES AND REMINDERS.....

NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2008 @ 7:30 pm at the Bethel Boro Building in the Council Chambers Room



## MOVIE NIGHT

Each Saturday following the Membership Meeting, we will be having “Movie Night”. For the month of October it will be October 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm at the Keystone Club Building.

We will have a repeat of the excellent video “The Language of Dogs.” Come to learn the language of your dog. The follow-up to this is “Am I sure How to Deal With the Language of Dogs?” We would like to show that video the following month in November. These videos will prove helpful to any of us who are working with our dogs as well as instructors who are dealing with dogs of clients. Our thanks to Joyce Petrow for allowing us the use of her videos.

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
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PAGE 8: AWARDS FORM FOR YOUR DOG’S TITLE

**SEPTEMBER 08  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
SUMMARY**

**(Recorded by Terri Chasser)**

- **KCC apparel for sale.** T-shirts \$10, sweatshirts \$15 and hooded sweatshirts \$25.
- **Fun match** was a great success and Toni thanked everyone that volunteered for all of their help
- The club is seeking donations of full flat sheets for use in Feisty Fido class that will be taught by Joyce Petrow starting 10/24/08. Class is for members only and cost is \$40, \$20 for instructors. Class limit is 6 dogs.
- TDI/CGC testing is scheduled for Sun., 11/23/08 from 8:00 am - 11:00 am. Michele Manion is taking registrations. Toni is working on scheduling the next CGC/TDI class.
- New members Mark and Marsha Bookman were unanimously voted in. They have a Havanese named Lucy and have attended 3 agility classes. Everyone welcomed Mark and Marsha.
- The Christmas party will be held at Tambellini's in Bridgeville on 12/8/08. Social hour begins at 6:30 pm with dinner at 7:30 pm. There will be a gift exchange again this year with a \$20 limit.
- Any dogs receiving titles between 11/1/07 – 10/31/08 will receive an award at the Christmas party. Members should send title info to Lori Richey.
- Caroline advised that the K9ers did 4 demos this month and received a few donations to the club. There was a nice article in the Observer about the K9ers.
- Mitzie Lever is doing the newsletter. Any brags should be sent to her.
- Pete Grandillo asked that instructors be reminded that dogs must be secured at all times, especially after class. Instructors should remind all students of this rule for everyone's safety.
- Toni advised that the club would be hosting a Teacup Agility trial in March 2009. The judge was been scheduled and expenses are covered. KCC will be furnishing ribbons. The judge will be bringing the equipment and Dave Wray will build any other equipment needed. KCC may have to buy the tunnels. Pete G made a suggestion on getting a worker herder to coordinate all trial activities.
- The board thanked everyone who participated in the Bethel Park community day's event. The K9ers did a demo that was also recorded for community TV. Maryann Snyder was also thanked for all of her hard work and efforts.
- Toni advised that the roof will be repaired in the next month or so and the landlord is to respond to other maintenance items.
- Pete Grandillo suggested the club consider being more active in recruiting new members and organize our efforts to increase membership. Remind folks of the benefits of membership. Consider contacting breed clubs for membership recruitment. Pete suggested reminding students at beginning of classes of membership perks. Maybe provide students with a handout that summarizes membership info. Pete also relayed that others are contacting breed clubs and telling them they can rent their building. Suggested we do the same. Need to come up with rental price.

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## **BRAGS**

### **From Dee Farrell:**

Note from Pebbles



As a follow-up to my mommy's article "Are We Having Fun Yet?" (Dee's article was in the July 08 Newsletter). I would like to comment that I was having lots of fun before a wiggly little creature named Pixie entered my life and starting jumping on my face and pulling my hair!

**What a great picture of Pebbles!**

### **From Rod Sabatini:**

**Harley** got her first show under her collar on September 14 at the German Shepherd Dog Club of Western Pennsylvania event in Delmont, PA. **She not only qualified with a 186 out of 200, but she took 1<sup>st</sup> Place.** It was a very long day for us. The German Shepherd Club did not print time schedules in their premium. We arrived at 8 am, but didn't get in the ring until 3 pm. Oh well, lesson learned - call ahead for times.

### **From Kristen Johnson:**

**Rosy Johnson** and her handler have something to howl about! We earned our Novice Agility Jumpers title at Neville Island in September. I (Rosy) was the top dog in my class and won two first place ribbons in Jumpers that weekend. Many thanks to our friends (both canine and human) and our teachers in the KCC Agility class for your support and encouragement!

### **From Lucy McCloskey:**

Toby earned his Rally Advance A Title and took Second Place.

### **From Pam Lewis:**

**Icey** took 1<sup>st</sup> place in JWW Agility at the Samoyed Nationals.

**Crystal** got her 1<sup>st</sup> leg in Novice Rally, also at the Nationals.

### **From Terri Chasser:**

**Mackenzie** recently earned her OA (open standard) agility title.

### **From Pete (Jr.) and Yvette Grandillo:**

We are proud to announce that **Cammi and Dawson** competed in their first USDAA Agility Test (not AKC) on 09-28-08. The Splash N Dash Test was held at Cheswick (PISA). Both Cammi and Dawson had three runs. Cammi and Dawson combined for two 1<sup>st</sup> Place Finishes, two 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Finishes and two 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Finishes. Equally important, puppy, **Bryce** was a very well mannered pup for his first trial where he could actually meet the other dogs at a trial!

### **From the Ritchey Family:**

**Ben Ritchey and Casey** won 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Open Dog, Winner's Dog, Best of Winners, and Best of Breed for a 3-point major at the Butler County Kennel Club show on Saturday, September 20, 2008. Ben is now halfway towards finishing his 2<sup>nd</sup> Champion. Great job, Ben!

### **From Barb and Emil Pohodich:**

**Sadie and Lexi** received their Therapy Dog titles TDIRVA.

### **From Barbara Newman:**

Sterling took First Place in her First Rally Novice event.

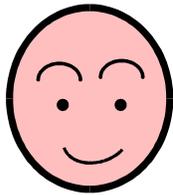
### **From Sue Wray:**

Little Bits earned her Rally Advance A Title with a First Place.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO  
ALL!**

### NOTES FROM CAROLINE AND THE K-9ERS

The K-9ers are still working, but they are taking a break after December 6. Their first demo in the New Year will be at the Baptist Home on January 10.



**New Members, Mark and Marsha Bookman** were voted in at the September meeting. They own a Havanese named Lucy.

### SAFETY FIRST

For insurance purposes it is necessary to keep our dogs under control (on leash if necessary) at all times. This is for the safety of the dogs and owners.

Although we would like to allow the dogs free play at the end of classes, we could be putting our dogs and ourselves at risk by doing so.

### NEW T-SHIRTS AND SWEATS HAVE ARRIVED!



We have received a new shipment of our cool-looking KCTC logo T-shirts (\$10). Sweatshirts (\$15), and hooded zip sweatshirts (\$25). T-shirts come in gold and gray, and the sweats are gray. You can buy one from any Board Member or contact Toni Yurkovic.

### THANK YOU

Thank you all for helping make the Fun Match a success! Everyone's hard work paid off. It was a beautiful day to be outside with our dogs!

Pam Lewis

Special thanks to Toni Yurkovic and Marian Roznowski for sorting out materials in the files and cleaning and arranging the interior of the office.

Thanks also to Betsy Shuttleworth and Marian Roznowski who did a great job of putting together the September Newsletter.

Thanks to Lucy McCloskey's friend who donated flat sheets for Joyce Petrow's Feisty Fido class.

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**WELCOME  
TERRI CHASSER – OFFICE  
MANAGER**

My husband Glenn and I live in Peters Township with our two Shelties. I first came to Keystone Canine Club 6 years ago for my first basic obedience class with my 6 year old, Maggie. I returned a few years later to attend another basic obedience class with my 3 1/2 year old, Mackenzie. At the end of each obedience class, we were introduced to a piece of agility equipment. I quickly realized that Mackenzie had an aptitude and strong interest in agility. I entered her in the beginning agility class and was convinced she had a real love for agility and definite potential. We entered the intermediate agility class and began our agility journey. The more we learned and trained, the more we both fell in love with agility. Mackenzie has already earned a number of titles, and I'm so proud of her. I recently enrolled Maggie in the beginning agility class in an effort to enhance her confidence. She's my rather shy girl and agility is helping her a lot. I'm so lucky that I have found a wonderful club and instructors that allow us to learn, grow and share fun times together. Both of my girls are also certified therapy dogs. Agility takes a lot of our time, but we hope to do more therapy visits in the future.

I became a member a few years ago and was recently elected office manager. I'm happy that I can contribute to the club. I recently became an assistant agility instructor working with Pam Lewis, Dan Goldberg, Pete Grandillo and Lucy McCloskey. I truly enjoy spreading the agility bug to others. In the past year, we have had a number of agility students begin to compete, and they have earned qualifying legs and

titles. Their success is a result of our fantastic instructors' efforts and their commitment to the club, its members and our dogs.

I look forward to contributing to the club in my new role, and I welcome questions, comments and suggestions.



**WHO KNEW THIS?**

(Received in an email)

Have you ever rented or borrowed a car and when arriving at the gas station wondered...mmm, which side is the gas filler cap? My normal solution was to stick my head out the window, strain my neck and look, try to see in the side mirrors or even get out of the car! Well, folks, here's a little secret (**for those of us who didn't know**). If you look at your gas gauge, you will see a small icon of a gas pump? The handle of the gas pump will extend out on either the left or right side of the gas pump? If your tank is on the left, the handle will be on the left? If your tank is on the right, the handle will be on the right. It's that simple!

**FROM THE EDITOR  
PLEASE NOTE MY NEW  
EMAIL ADDRESS**

Because of ongoing glitches with my email server, it has been necessary for me to (**AGAIN**) change my email address. It is [Mitzie-123@hotmail.com](mailto:Mitzie-123@hotmail.com) I welcome any articles and pictures pertaining to you, your dogs and families for the newsletter. Also articles that you feel would be of interest to your fellow KCC members.



## TICK REMOVAL

(This is an article repeated from the July Issue, but one I felt worth repeating)

This is some good information since most of us encounter ticks now and then and especially with summer weather coming up.

A School Nurse has written the info below -- good enough to share -- And it really works!!

I had a pediatrician tell me what she believes is the best way to remove a tick. This is great, because it works in those places where it's sometimes difficult to get to with tweezers: between toes, in the middle of a head full of dark hair, etc.

Apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball. Cover the tick with the soap-soaked cotton ball and let it stay on the repulsive insect for a few seconds (15-20), after which the tick will come out on it's own and be stuck to the cotton ball when you lift it away. This technique has worked every time I've used it (and that was frequently), and it's much less traumatic for the patient and easier for me. Unless someone is allergic to soap, I can't see that this would be damaging in any way. I even had my doctor's wife call me for advice because she had one stuck to her back and she couldn't reach it with tweezers.

She used this method and immediately called me back to say, "It worked!"

**Thanks to Michele Manion for emailing this article.**

## ROBIN MOORE – ANIMAL PHYSIOTHERAPIST

I have been taking my twelve-year-old Cocker Spaniel, Zach to Robin Moore C.C.E.A, from the Healthy Pet and Wellness Center. Robin is a certified animal physiotherapist and certified animal chiropractitioner. I have been very happy with the results. Zach, who was becoming stiff in his back legs, is definitely showing signs of being more comfortable!

Even dogs with no apparent problems can benefit from Robin's evaluation and therapy. Our dogs cannot tell us if they are stiff or sore, but you can sure tell by their stance and gait.

Robin will first evaluate your dog to determine if and where they are having problems, what treatment or therapy would be best. She performs heat massages, hot and cold treatments, infrared for better circulation, ultrasound for better joint mobility, manual massages, and weight training on a doggie treadmill for endurance. She also does chiropractic adjustments, but needs an e-mail from a vet to allow her to do so.

**For more information on Robin, you may contact Mitzie Lever at [Mitzie-123@hotmail.com](mailto:Mitzie-123@hotmail.com) or phone 724-942-2593**

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**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 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**Please return the Form and money for the Holiday Dinner no later than November 30, 2008 to Lucy McCloskey  
And return the Form for the Awards no later than November 11, 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): \_\_\_\_\_  
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Adults attending: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Make checks payable to KCC

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

THANK YOU

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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)

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Titles and Awards received during the above time period:

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