

TOTAL RECALL -AUGUST 2011

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NOTES....

The next membership meeting will be on Friday, August 19 at 7:00 pm at the Bethel Park Boro Building. All future meetings will be at the Boro Building unless you are otherwise notified.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! TEACUP TRIAL OCTOBER 8-9 2011

2011-2012 MEMBERSHIP DUES

The July 2011-June 2012 dues are now due. The membership renewal form is included later in this newsletter. Please send the completed and **signed** form along with **shot records** and **dues check** made out to KCTC to: ClaraMarie Schmalz, 2915 Amy Drive, South Park, PA 15129.

For family members, please remember that ALL signatures are required on the form.

For the newer members who have joined Keystone within this last fiscal year, I will be contacting you to give you a pro-rated dues amount.

If you have any questions, you may respond to this email address or email me at richclaras@verizon.net.

SUMMARY OF MINUTES - JULY 17, 2011 MEETING

It was noted that all members/clients are responsible for cleaning up after their dogs, including in the grass and in the outdoor potty areas.

Fans in the building should be turned off when leaving the building. This could be a fire hazard if they are left running.

Toni Yurkovic will negotiate a five year lease with the landlord. She will also discuss an air conditioning unit for the back room and paving the parking lot. Pam Lewis suggested including a 60 day escape clause.

There have been problems with unlocking/relocking the front door. This will be discussed with the landlord.

Stephanie Barber and Joyce Petrow are thinking of forming an "Education Committee". Having seminars at the building was discussed.

Toni Yurkovic brought up the use of "Bonus Bones".

There will be a Teacup Trial on October 8 & 9. Amy Wustin will email members.

KEYSTONE CANINE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Saturday, August 13 @ Manor Care, Whitehall

Saturday, August 27 @ Overlook Green Assisted Living

Saturday, September 3 @Arden Courts



Monday, September 12 @ Atria of South Hills

The K-9ers also may be requested to perform a Christmas demo for St. Trinity Church in early December.

Caroline Chapman's "Sara" in her bridesmaid dress



WELCOME

New Members Voted In:

Ken Cellupics was voted in at the July meeting with his dog, Mosley. John and Nicole Elachko were voted in along with their Australian Shepherd, Sydney

John and Evan Horton along with their Rottweiler, Mia were voted in at the last meeting.

Janine Smith with her Yorkshire Terrier Diesel, was voted in at in at the July meeting.

Applying for Membership:

Ann Adamek & Shannon Wojnar are applying for membership with their Boxer, Grace. They have taken Beyond Beginners Agility twice and plan to continue training with her. Ann and Shannon are endorsed by Lucy McCloskey and Pam Lewis

BONUS BONES

A few years ago we implemented what we call Bonus Bones. At that time only the K9er's took advantage of it. Since we are now doing a lot of different events, we really need more volunteers.

The idea for the program is that for every hour that you volunteer, you will get 1 bonus bone. Each bonus bone is worth \$1.00. When you make up 25 hours you will receive a \$25.00 bonus bone, which is good for one free class. The bonus bones are good on **any** class.

Linette Evancic is going to keep a record of the volunteering. So when we have a function and you help out, there will be a volunteer sign-up sheet.

TEACUP TRIAL OCTOBER 8-9, 2011

Well KCTC Members, it's now official. Our TDAA Trial work has begun! October Trial - October 8-9 2011.



You will notice a bright board at the club with two sign- up sheets. One is for food/money donations and there is one worker signup sheet.

As I have stated in the past (probably many times), our club has an ever growing reputation for putting on solid TDAA trials. We are efficient, fun, friendly and most importantly.....we have GREAT EATS!!! Please consider helping us out again. Each trial has grown in size so I am of course looking to continue our growth. But that only comes when we gets lots of help either in time at the trial or donations of raffle items, food/drink items or money. The purple bin will be under the front table again for all raffle donations. And please remember, it doesn't just have to be for dogs. It can be for kids, ladies, men, dog, cats, horses - hey whatever. People love to see a nice variety of baskets and Paula Shimko has agreed to do her magic again this October and run the raffle. If you didn't get to our last trial, you missed a beautiful raffle table with a wonderful variety of items. Truly something for everyone. Paula has just the right touch. So clear out those closets and let Paula turn your items into beautiful baskets and help KCTC raise some extra money.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at eand.me@verizon.net
And THANK YOU in advance for all that you do.

Amy Wustin

BRAGS

From Paula Shimko:

We all traveled to The Greater Pittsburgh Golden



Retriever Trial at Cheswick on July 23 – Mika, Shane, Blaze and I. Blaze acting as the cheerleader. I hoped to title Mika in Novice Preferred Standard and did just that with a first place win. I also hoped to title Shane in Open JJW and we did that too. He has now moved to Excellent A. I had spoken to Denise Letterman about what I could do for Shane beings that he such soft dog to speed him up and she suggested not to lead out with him, in fact, to stay right next to him. IT WORKED, He ran better than he has in a long time. Thank you Denise. Your invaluable advice was right on the money. Also that day I ran Shane in Novice Standard and I used the same technique with him that I did in JJW. He Q for the first time in Standard AND he came in 3rd place. Wow I was on the moon with that win. I was so proud of him because he did that for me not himself. Everybody who does agility with me knows how much he just loves the teeter.... NOT....Anyway it was a great weekend for us.

Peter & Yvette Grandillo Jr. are very

proud to announce that MACH 4 Suntera Cammi Grandillo MXP2 MJP2 CD CGC TDI earned her PAX and PACH title on the very same run at the Greater Pittsburgh Golden Retriever agility trial on July



22, 2011. All Cammi needed was one QQ and she earned it while coming in 1st in both jumpers and standard. With her new titles and approaching the age of ten, Cammi is now retiring to chasing the ball, or better yet, being chased with the ball in her **mouth.** It is very cute listening to Cammi bark with the ball in her mouth. At the same trial, MACH 5 Suntera Dawson Q'd 5 of 6 runs in Excellent B 20" earning a 3rd and 4th place finish. Also at the same trial, Suntera Bryce MX MXJ Q'd 4 of 6 runs in Excellent B 16" earning a 1st, 2nd, & 4th place finish. It was a very successful weekend for the three dogs. While all the dogs were exhausted from the high temperatures, long days of showing, they naturally made some room for some cool ice cream.

From Joanne Schreiber:

Midnight Skye III received her AKC Therapy Dog title in July. Skye has been a therapy dog since 2006 and has logged nearly 100 visits. Skye is a Shetland Sheepdog. Teacup Agility is her favorite hobby.

From Dee Farrell:

I am so pleased to announce that Pixie earned her first AKC agility title, in Novice Jumps With Weaves, at the Greater Pittsburgh Golden Retriever Club's trial at PISA on July 24, 2011. She is now "Princess Pixie O'Farrell, NAJ.

From Rose Nicotra:

My rat terriers, Moxie and Kit Kat went to the AKC show in Cheswick in July and ran very nicely despite the heat/air conditioning issue. Moxie made me so proud by double-"Q ing" that day, she earned a 1st place in her Excellent Standard run and ran her little legs off in the Jumpers run. Kit Kat also ran very nicely in her Jumpers run but had a little difficulty with the Standard run due to a strange set up on one of the obstacles. All in all, I'm very proud and happy with my little rats and looking forward to the day that their little sister "Jamboree Jade" can run at the shows too.

From Pam Lewis:

Crystal received her AKC Therapy Dog (THD) title. She has made about 70 visits including K9er performances, library programs, and reading to kids programs. Crystal really enjoys being a Therapy Dog!



From Lucy McCloskey:

SONNY EARNS HIS MASTER APDT RALLY TITLE

On Saturday July 30, 2011, Sonny and I

were in Columbus Ohio for an APDT Rally trial. This was the day that we have been working toward. Needless to say Sonny was as



calm and cool as always while his mom (me) was a nervous wreck. We were going for the BIG TITLE and I so did not want to ruin his chances. Sonny was better than ever. Calm,

collected, working hard and listening to me. What more can I ask for? He worked purposefully toward his goal and never looked back.

His newest tittle, is ARCHMX (APDT Rally Champion Master) He has worked very hard to make me

open my heart to him and deservers all the love that I can give him.

The Proud Mom!

OPEN OBEDIENCE CLASS



We are starting an Open Obedience class on Saturday, August 20, at 9:00 am. It will be held every-other week. Julie Agosti will be the instructor, and she will teach the skills needed for AKC Open Obedience. It is intended for handlers and dogs ready to move on to AKC Open from AKC Novice, although a Novice title is not a prerequisite to attend this class. It will be an on-going drop-in class, with a daily fee of \$10.

EQUIPMENT UPGRADE

- 1. The club has purchased two new sets of red numbered cones, one for the front room and one for the back room.
- 2. We have resurfaced the A-frame and the large pause table with a state-of-the-art rubberized surface. The rubberized surface is much more dog-friendly than the sanded surface that we previously had, and should prevent any injuries to our dog's pads (particularly large or fast dogs). Thanks to Pete Grandillo Jr., Sharon Hareza, Amy Wustin, Lucy McCloskey, and Pam Lewis, who did all the work and/or contributed the paint.
- 3. The club has purchased a new state-of-the-art aluminum-frame rubberized teeter. It too is more dog-friendly than our current teeter, is easier to move around, and is quieter!

- 4. The club has also purchased 8 new sandbags to hold tunnels and to weigh down the contact equipment.
- 5. Sharon and Amy have built a full-size AKC regulation length dogwalk from scratch, at no cost to the club. It has five supports for stability, compared to two under our older shorter dogwalk.
- 6. Sharon is taking the lead to build new jumps. Many members have donated money to purchase jump cup strips. Laura Leonard, in particular, made a very generous donation.
- 7. We have purchased a dolly to move the Teacup A-frame (because it is heavy and does not have wheels), and a measuring wheel for use at our Teacup trials.

As you can see, both the club and the individuals mentioned above have donated a lot of time and/or money to ensure that we have state-of-the-art equipment, and to ensure that our agility program remains very strong.



Keystone Canine Club

Membership Renewal Form July 2011 – June 2012

Name(s)					
Address:					
Home Phone: _	Cell Phone:				
Email Address:					
Dog's Name:	Breed:				
Dog's Name:	Breed:				
(Please	attach a separate sheet for additional dogs, if necessary.)				
How would you	like to help out at the Club?				

I/we agree to abide by the Constitution and By-laws of the Keystone Canine Club. Also, I/we agree with the Liability Waiver below.

LIABILITY WAIVER

I hereby certify that the Keystone Canine Training Club (KCTC), its events, and its staff, and any location or referring organization, and/or other participants, will not be liable for any damage or loss resulting from failure of my dog to respond to any signals. commands, or cues taught during the course of instruction or resulting from counseling, instruction, or advice supplied to me. My dog's behavior now and in the future is solely my responsibility. Should any behavior of my dog now or in the future result in damage to property, owner, or persons of some third party, I agree to assume full responsibility and liability to such third party for any and all such damage, and to indemnify and hold harmless KCTC and its staff from all obligations to pay such damage to some third party. All dogs are trained by KCTC without any liability whatsoever on KCTC for loss or damage from disease, death, running away, theft, fire, injury to persons, other dogs, other animals, or property by said dog, or other unavoidable causes. In consideration of KCTC permitting us to participate in KCTC classes and events, and for other goods and valuable consideration, I hereby release, indemnify and forever hold harmless KCTC from any liabilities, losses, costs, expenses, and damages or injuries whatsoever, which my dog or I may incur or sustain in connection with a KCTC class or event. I also agree that any damage caused by my dog shall be my responsibility and not the responsibility of KCTC.

_____(Please sign here)

Please mail this form, along with your **check** (\$70 for first member plus \$35 for a family membership if there are two or more names above, unless pro-rated) and a **copy of your dog's vaccination records** to: ClaraMarie Schmalz, 2915 Amy Dr., South Park, PA 15129 prior to August 31, 2011. Thank you

MORE REWARDING

By Mardi Richmond, MA, CPDT-KA

Food treats are an easy and effective reward for a dog when training. But food rewards are only one way to build strong behavior. There may be times when you do not want to or cannot use food, and there may be times when the best reinforcement is something other than a hot dog! Here are some ways to reward your dog when you don't want to reach for the treat pouch.

- 1. Play with your dog! Anyone who has trained for an active sport like agility or fly ball knows the value of using toys; games and play don't apply only to the sports-minded. Playing with your dog can be a powerful relationship-building tool, as well as a potent reward. Tugging and retrieving may be the most obvious play reward, but playing games with your dog is limited only by your (and your dog's) imagination.
- things that your dog enjoys in his daily life, such as going for a walk, running in the backyard, or splashing in a sprinkler-and they can be harnessed by using the Premack Principle. This principle says a "low-probability behavior" (one that the dog or other subject is less likely to perform, such as waiting calmly at the door can be reinforced by a "higher probability behavior" (one that the dog prefers, such as getting to race happily around

the yard). For example, to strengthen your dog's sit, ask him to sit before giving him access to any of the things he really enjoys – running with his pals, swimming in the pond, or cuddling next to you on the couch. This type of reward is easy to integrate into your daily life, and can be especially helpful for dogs that need assistance with self-control.

3. Touch him where he likes it.

Touch can be a wonderful reward for some dogs, but it is also a tricky reward to use. Before using petting, rubs, or massage as a reward, first consider two things: What types of touch does my dog enjoy? And when does he enjoy being touched? Pay attention to what your dog does when you touch him; if he ducks away or does not engage with you, it probably is not rewarding. If he engages, comes toward you, or asks for more, then it probably is rewarding.

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KEYSTONE CANINE TRAINING CLUB Schedule of Classes - Session V – 2011 Classes are for Seven Weeks Unless Noted

Specialty Classes - Rear Training Room						
Class	Day	Time	Start	Instructors		
Puppy Kindergarten (Class is open to puppies up to and including 6 months of age).	Friday	7:00 PM	Sept 23	Joyce Petrow, (Lori Caruso, Barbara Newman, Lynda Kuzbel)		
Feisty Fido	Friday	8:30 PM	Sept 23	Joyce Petrow (Lori Caruso, Barbara Newman)		
TDI/CGC (4 Week Class) (Week 5- Testing)	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Sept 14	Dan Goldberg (DeAnne Orive)		
Conformation	Wednesday	8:30 PM	Ongoing	Bill Colbert, Clara Marie Schmaltz		
Introduction To Conformation	Wednesday	8:30 PM	Sept 14	Clara Marie Schmaltz		
Nose Work Level 2(6 Week Class) Continuing Nose Work (6 Week Class)	Tuesday Tuesday	6:30 PM 8:30 PM	Sept 13 Sept 13	Doree Donovan (Toni Yurkovick) Ddoree Donovan (Sue Schweitzer)		
Continuing Treibball	Tuesdayy	7:30 PM	Sept 13	Doree Donovan (Toni Yurkovick)		
Open Obedience (Drop in Class, Bi Weekly, Ongoing)	Saturday	9:00 AM	Aug. 20	Julie Agosti		
K9er's	Sunday	6:00 PM	Ongoing	Caroline Chapman		
Obedience Classes - Rear Training Room						
Class	Day	Time	Start	Instructors		
Puppy Basic Obedience (Puppies 6 months up to one year)	Monday Wednesday	6:30 PM 10:00 AM	Sept 12 Sept 14	Toni Yurkovic & Pauline Kitchen Ed Hanke		
Puppy & Basic Obedience (No age restrictions)	Thursday	7:30 PM	Sept 15	Ed Hanke (Linette Evanic)		
Basic Obedience	Saturday Sunday	11:00 AM 11:00 AM	Sept 10 Sept 11	Rod Sabatini & Paula Shimko Marian Roznowski (Maryann Snyder)		
Basic Obedience II Basic Obedience II (Clicker Training Emphasized)	Monday Thursday	7:30 PM 8:30 PM	Sept 12 Sept 15	Sally Tress & Toni Yurkovic Ed Hanke (Linette Evanic)		
Novice Obedience (7 weeks)	Saturday	10:00 AM	Sept 10	Rod Sabatini & Paula Shimko		
Rally Obedience	Thursday	6:30 PM	Sept 15	Sue Wray & Clara Marie Schmalz		
Advance Rally	Monday	8:30 PM	Sept. 12	Barbara Newman		
Standard Agility Classes - Front Training Room; Teacup Agility - Rear Training Room						
Class	Day	Time	Start	Instructors		
Foundation Agility (for young dogs & first-time agility dogs)	Monday	7:15 PM	Sept 12	Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza		
Beginners Contacts & Weaves	Thursday	7:15 PM	Sept 15	Pam Lewis, Dan Goldberg & Lucy McCloskey & Lynda Kuzbel		
Agility Games (6 Week Class) Drop-ins Welcome	Friday	7:30 PM	Aug. 26	Sharon Hareza (Lucy McCloskey & Paula Shimko)		
Beginner's Agility	Monday	8:15 PM	Sept 12	Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza		
Beyond Beginner's Agility	Thursday Saturday	8:30 PM 4:30 PM	Sept 15 Sept 10	Pam Lewis & Lucy McCloskey		
Intermediate Agility	Wednesday	7:30 PM 8:30 PM	Sept 14 Sept 14	Pam Lewis & Lucy McCloskey Lucy McCloskey & Paula Shimko		
Advanced Agility I & II	Tuesday	7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Sept 13	Pete Grandillo, Jr. & Amy Wustin (Pete Grandillo, Sr.)		
Teacup Agility (Drop-ins Welcome)	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Sept 14	Emil Pohodich & Barbara Pohodich		
Teacup Agility (Daytime Class)	Monday	4:00 PM	Sept 12	Tom Bandi & Phyllis Bandi		