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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

KCTC Membership meetings are normally held the third Sunday of each month (except December) at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers Room at the Bethel Park Municipal Building.

**The next meeting
will be
Sunday, August 19**

DUES ARE NOW DUE

Reminder that your dues are now due. If you haven't sent in your dues yet, please send your signed renewal form, check and updated dogs records to:
ClaraMarie Schmalz,
2915 Amy Drive,
South Park, PA 15129

THANK YOU

We would like to thank Don Schweitzer for removing all the loose rocks and debris from our parking lot near the dumpster. This eliminates a potential tripping hazard, especially at night.

VOTED INTO MEMBERSHIP

Bonnie Richards and *Mariah* her White German Shepherd were voted into membership.

Kitty Lagorio and her Cardigan Corgi, *Coriander* were also voted into membership.

Also voted in was *Linda Huges* with *Skylar* her Standard Poodle.

Tracy Johnston with *Max* her Eskimo Spitz were voted into membership.

Diana Squiccarini with *Glinda* her Papillon were also voted into membership.

APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP

Laura Harwin is applying for membership. She has *Chelsea* and *Roxie*, Shepherd Mix and *Molly* a Papillon. She has taken Beyond Beginners Agility and Contacts and Weaves. Laura and her dogs are endorsed by Dan Goldberg and Lucy McCloskey.

John Oshaka and his Golden Retrievers, *Sundance* and *Kiaiah* are applying for membership. John has taken 2 and 1/2 Nose Work Classes. He is endorsed by Linette Evancic and Ed Barr.

K-9er demo list for August

Saturday, August 11 @ Mt. Vernon of South Park, with performance time 10:30 AM, Circus routine.

Saturday, August 25 @ Riverside Care Center, performance time 2:00 PM, Country Western routine.

Sunday, August 26 @ Vincentian Nursing Center, performance time, 2:00 PM, Country Western routine.

KCTC MEMBERSHIP MEETING JULY 15, 2012 SUMMARY

PET EXPO

Toni wanted to thank everyone for his or her help at the Pet Expo. Lucy and Pam did a great job on the demos with S&D.

PET EXPO WASHINGTON, PA

This event will take place on Saturday, August 25, 2012 from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm at the Washington County Fairgrounds. Representative Jesse White is sponsoring it. It is free and open to the public and there will be a variety of activities.

NEW MEMBERS

The five new members that applied for membership are: Kitty Lagorio, Bonnie Richards, Linda Hughes, Tracy Johnson and Diana Squicciarini. All were voted in unanimously.

NEW CLASS

A new class has been added to KCTC class schedule. A Clicker Class – Basic Obedience I was added on Thursday at 8:30 pm and the instructor is Paula Shimko.

HOLIDAY PARTY

Our three choices for the holiday party are:

1. Royal Place -Library Rd/Rt. 88 - Cost \$20.00 per person
2. Beach Room -Finleyville - Cost \$24.00 per person
3. Peter's Place - Bridgeville - Cost \$26.00 per person

Toni asked for a vote on the three places with a show of hands. The Royal Place received the majority of hands with the Beach Room receiving two and Peter's Place receiving four.

NEW BUSINESS

Amy said we are going to hold off on an ORT trial until fall or spring.

Lucy wanted to thank all the instructors for doing a top job this last session. She also said she would be running the APDT class consistently until after S&D has

their trial in November. She will be concentrating on Level One closer to the trial.

The Board would like to thank John Horton for rewiring the outside lights and a thank you to Don Schweitzer for cleaning up the debris in the parking lot.

The Board is presently revising some of the Club's Bylaws regarding club meetings.

The Petit Prix will be held Oct. 28, 29, & 30 at B&D Creekside. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Pam at samoyed4@verizon.net.

Terry Younkings put together a list of upcoming trials. Please mark these trials and events on your calendar:

Aug 2-5 - Dog Show at Canfield

Aug 18 & 19 -Admiral Perry Trial, Erie.

Aug 25 -Pet Expo - Washington, PA

Sept 8 & 9 APDT Rally Trials – Keystone

Sept 21 Clarion AKC Rally Trials

Sept 22 & 23 Clarion AKC Obedience Trials

Sept 28-30 Westmoreland Dog Trials

Oct 6 DogtoberFEST- CARMAA held at the Southside Works

Oct 6 & 7 Teacup Trial - Keystone

Oct 14 MGA Pooch Parade & Picnic – South Park

Oct 13 & 14 Golden Triangle Trial

Oct 20 & 21 -4 Season K9 Athletic Center APDT Rally Trials

Oct 26-28 Youngstown Trial

Oct 28, 29, 30 Petite Prix – B&D Creekside

Nov 3 & 4 Splash N Dash APDT Rally Trials

Nov. 17 Westmoreland Trial

APDT Rally Trial New for KCTC and Western PA

KCTC will be hosting the first ever APDT Rally trial in Western Pennsylvania! That's right, our club will be the first club to hold this type of event in our area. The trial will be September 8 th and 9th.

APDT Rally is similar to AKC Rally. The course is comprised of 18-22 signs that tell the handler what to perform at the sign. Most of the signs are simple obedience commands. The first level is performed with the dog on leash. If the dog and handler complete the course with a score of 170 points or higher, they earn a qualifying ribbon. Since there will be 2 trials each day, dogs could earn a title by completing 3 courses with a qualifying score.

Competing in these events is a lot of fun, as is watching them. If you'd like to try your dog's rally skills, the trial information and entry form (Premium) is on KCTC's website home page. If you'd like to come and watch there are lots of things to help with that would benefit the club (no previous experience needed...training on the spot!). Please get in touch with Bonnie McKeown (mckeownbonnie@comcast.net) if you'd like to help.

KCTC Is Offering APDT Rally Run-Thrus Friday Sept. 7, 2012 From 7:30 pm To 9:00 pm

The cost is \$5.00 for one run and \$12.00 for unlimited runs. Preregistration is not required.

Come and experience the fun and excitement of a real trial setting. This will be your last chance to practice before the first official Pittsburgh area APDT Rally trial at KCTC on Sept 8 & 9.

If you have not signed up for the APDT Rally trial, we are offering day of entry runs.

Come out and have fun with your friends.

For premium info - go to our website www.keystonecanine.com

KEYSTONE K-9 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Friday the 13th turned out to be a very lucky day at the Grand River, Madison, OH dog show.

We are so happy to announce that **Samara** aka Kelvington's Divine Design was Winner's Bitch, BOW and Best of Breed over the 2 specials today!!!! Such exciting news! That gives her another 2 points. All of her points were awarded from the Bred by Exhibitor class. We need one more point to finish her championship. Her half brother, **Saintonio** was reserve Winner's dog. (His first reserve.) And to make it even more special, Dave drove me to the show this morning and was there to see the win!

Samara is out of CH Whiteoak's Dealer's Choice II (Brett) and CH Kelvington's Elec Tri Fying. (Sony) **AND**

Today (Aug. 2) at Canfield, (Fort Stueben Kennel Club Show) **Saintonio**, aka Kelvington's Tried 'N True was Winner's Dog for his very first point. **AND Samara** aka Kelvington's Divine Design was Winner's Bitch, Best of Winners, Best of Opposite Sex to finish her championship! What an exciting day! That gives Sony, their dam, three champions to date and 3 with minor points.

Thanks for letting us brag.
Elaine

Faith and **Doree Donovan** recertified as a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) K9 US&R team on June 9, 2012 in Massachusetts. This is their third and last certification because Faith is 11 years old and will retire by 2014. Faith and Doree first certified as a FEMA K9 team in 2006 in Denver, CO. There are 255 Nationally Certified Disaster Canine Search Teams in the United

States which belong to 28 FEMA US&RTask Forces.

When a disaster event warrants national Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) support, FEMA will deploy task forces. The role of these task forces is to support state and local emergency responders' efforts to locate victims and manage recovery operations. Canine search teams play a critical role during structural collapse incidents. The canines help search teams to locate victims, using their incredible sense of smell to detect live human scent, even from a victim buried deep in the rubble. Each canine/handler team must pass rigorous national certification in urban search and rescue. Canine/handler teams must be recertified every three years in order to participate in search and rescue operations.

I'm so proud to announce that my puppy "**Jade**" who received her first two AKC titles - Novice Jumpers and Novice Standard and is very close to receiving her Open Standard title too. We're really so pleased with our baby "rat".
Rose Marie Nicotra



Keeper received her first leg in Novice Rally at the Nita-Nee Kennel Club Trial in Centre Hall Pa on July 21, she came in first place and also won \$10.

Thanks,
Betty Camus and Keeper



Rocky earned a 1st place qualifying score in teacup games 2 (intermediate level) on 7/29/12 at B & D Creekside.

It was the game of Quidditch and he needed 120 points in a 60 second time frame and he crushed it with 265 points in 51.64 seconds. MY little guy is working hard and I'm very a very happy Yorkie Mom. Thanks to Dee, Tom, Phyllis, Emil & Barb for their help and encouragement!



On Sunday, July 29th at B&D Creekside Activity Center our two little Yorkies had a perfect day of competition.

Amber Star had four agility runs with four qualifying scores and four first place ribbons.

Tiffany had four runs with four qualifying scores and one second place ribbon. Tiffany also earned her TAM4 (Teacup Agility Master) title and her TMAG4 (Teacup Master Agility Games) title.

Once again we are so proud of our dogs. They enjoy agility to it's fullest!

Tom and Phyllis Bandi

KEYSTONE K-9 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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Congratulations to **Blaze** and **Jackson** Aheimer.

Blaze earned his Excellent A Jumpers with Weaves title at the Tamarack Agility Trial at Conneaut Lake Bark Park.



Jackson earned his Open Standard Agility title at the same trial.

This was their first outdoor show. There were thunder storms and tornado warnings all around, but they buckled up their collars and finished their titles.

I'm so proud of my boyz!

Debbie Aheimer

Mimi Q'd in Games at B&D's teacup trial on July 28. Six more Q's to go....

Thanks, Laura Leonard

Aiden Mist owned by Bonnie McKeown got his first leg in Standard 2 Teacup Agility on Sunday, July 29, 2012 at B & D Creekside Activity Center. He placed second. He also got a qualifying score in Games 1 in Four Leaf Clover placing first.

KCTC IS NOW ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER!

We are trying to increase our presence on Facebook and Twitter in order to gain increased exposure in the social media. We have placed icons on our website that will take you to our Facebook ("f") and Twitter ("t") pages. These icons are in the left-hand column under the gold bar that contains the links to our sub-pages.

If you already have a Facebook or Twitter account, please "Like" and follow us. The attachment explains how to do this.

If you do not already have a Facebook or Twitter account, please consider establishing them. If you click on the "Guide" link under the "f" and "t" icons on the website (referred to above), you will find step-by-step directions for setting up your accounts. There is no cost to do this.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Laura Leonard, who has become a certified Teacup Dogs Agility Association (TDAA) Judge. In order to become certified, Laura had to attend a 4-day TDAA Judges Seminar, design courses, know the TDAA Rules, pass a test, and demonstrate judging ability in a trial. The seminar instructor was so impressed by her courses that he used some in a trial! Laura is the first KCTC member to become an agility judge.

APDT RALLY TRIAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming September 8 and September 9, 2012 APDT Rally trial as follows:

September 7:

Set Up Crew For Trial
Time - 6:00 p.m.

September 8:

Clean Up Crew
to Prepare Building
for Sunday's Trial
at end of event day

September 9:

Clean Up Crew
to Prepare Building
for Monday's Classes
at end of event day

Food donations will be requested after the closing of entries August 24, 2012 when the number of exhibitors can be determined. A membership e-mail will be sent at that time.

Please help with the Club's costs by sending any monetary donations prior to August 24, 2012.

***Help with any of the above
is greatly appreciated.***

Contact **Bonnie McKeown**
at 412-835-6692.



KEYSTONE CANINE TRAINING CLUB

Schedule of Classes - Session IV – 2012 Classes start Friday Aug. 3, 2012

Classes are for Seven Weeks Unless Noted

**NO CLASSES WILL BE HELD ON – Aug 31 thru Sept 3 (Labor Day Break) and
Sept 7 thru Sept 9 (APDT Rally Trial)**

Specialty Classes - Rear Training Room

| Class | Day | Time | Start | Instructors |
|--|-----------|---------|---------|---|
| Puppy Kindergarten (Class is open to puppies up to & including 6 months of age). | Friday | 7:00 PM | Aug 3 | Joyce Petrow, Lori Caruso, Barbara Newman, Lynda Kuzbel, Sue Schweitzer |
| Shy Dog (4 Weeks) | Friday | 8:30 PM | Aug 3 | Lori Caruso, Joyce Petrow, Barbara Newman, Sue Schweitzer |
| Continuing Odor-Exteriors & Vehicles-Birch | Friday | 4:00 PM | Aug 3 | Linette Evancic & Ed Barr |
| Continuing Nose Work (Trial Preparation) | Tuesday | 8:30 PM | Aug 7 | Lynda Kuzbel (Mary Benedetti) |
| TDI/CGC (4 Week Class) | Wednesday | 6:30 PM | Aug 8 | Dan Goldberg (Mitzie Lever) |
| Conformation – Drop-in Class | Wednesday | 8:30 PM | Ongoing | Bill Colbert, Clara Marie Schmaltz |
| Introduction To Conformation | Wednesday | 8:30 PM | Aug 8 | Clara Marie Schmaltz |
| K9er's | Sunday | 6:00 PM | Ongoing | Caroline Chapman |

Obedience Classes - Rear Training Room

| Class | Day | Time | Start | Instructors |
|---|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|---|
| AKC Open Obedience – Drop-In (See website for specific dates) | Saturday | 9:00 AM | See Website | Julie Agosti |
| Novice Obedience - (Drop-ins Welcome) | Saturday | 10:00 AM | Aug 4 | Rod Sabatini |
| Basic Obedience | Saturday Sunday | 11:00 AM 11:00 AM | Aug 4 Aug 5 | Rod Sabatini (Ken Cellupics) Marian Roznowski (Maryann Snyder) |
| APDT Rally (See website for specific dates) | Saturday | 7:00 PM | | Lucy McCloskey |
| Puppy Basic Obedience (6 months to 1 year) | Monday | 6:30 PM | Aug 6 | Toni Yurkovic (Pauline Kitchen) |
| Basic Obedience II | Monday Tuesday | 7:30 PM 7:30 PM | Aug 6 Aug 7 | Sally Tress (Toni Yurkovic) Toni Yurkovic |
| Rally Obedience | Tuesday | 6:30 PM | Aug 7 | Sue Wray & Clara Marie Schmalz & Toni Yurkovic |
| Puppy & Basic Obedience (over 6 months) | Wednesday | 10:00 AM | Aug 8 | Ed Hanke |
| Puppy & Basic Obedience (over 6 months) | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Aug 9 | Ed Hanke (Linette Evanic) |
| Clicker Class – Basic Obedience I | Thursday | 7:30 PM | Aug 9 | Paula Shimko |
| Clicker Class – Basic Obedience I | Thursday | 8:30 PM | Aug 9 | Paula Shimko |

Standard Agility Classes - Front Training Room; Teacup Agility - Rear Training Room

| Class | Day | Time | Start | Instructors |
|---|-----------|---------|--------|---|
| Puppy Foundation Agility | Monday | 7:15 PM | Aug 6 | Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza |
| Beginner's Foundation Agility | Monday | 8:15 PM | Aug 6 | Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza |
| Teacup Agility (Daytime Class) | Monday | 4:00 PM | Aug 6 | Tom Bandi & Phyllis Bandi |
| Advance Agility | Tuesday | 7:30 PM | Aug 7 | Emil Pohodich (Pete Grandilo, Sr.) |
| Advanced Agility | Tuesday | 8:30 PM | Aug 7 | Terri Chasser (Pete Grandillo, Sr.) |
| Intermediate Agility | Wednesday | 7:30 PM | Aug 8 | Pam Lewis/ Lucy McCloskey/Dan Goldberg/ |
| Teacup Agility (Drop-ins Welcome) | Wednesday | 7:30 PM | Aug 8 | Emil & Barbara Pohodich |
| Intermediate Agility | Wednesday | 8:30 PM | Aug 8 | Pam Lewis/Lucy McCloskey/Dan Goldberg/ Janine Smith |
| Contacts & Weaves & Handling Skills | Thursday | 7:30 PM | Aug 9 | Pam Lewis, Dan Goldberg, Lucy McCloskey, & Joanne Kerfoanta |
| Beyond Beginner's Agility | Thursday | 8:30 PM | Aug 9 | Pam Lewis & Lucy McCloskey & Rosanne Minich |
| Agility Games, Barrel Racing and/or Other Fun Things (Drop-ins Welcome) | Friday | 7:30 PM | Aug 3 | Lucy McCloskey & ? |
| Beyond Beginner's Agility | Saturday | 5:00 PM | Aug 11 | Pam Lewis & Lucy McCloskey |