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NOTES AND REMINDERS.....

The next membership meeting will be on Sunday, March 18, 2012 at the Bethel Park Municipal Building.

We will be discussing having Members' Meetings every other month. Please plan on attending to discuss the pros and cons of this idea.

NEXT TEACUP TRIAL

Our next Teacup trial will be held April 28 - 29. More details to come. Mark your calendars!



THANK YOU

We wish to thank Sue and Don Schweitzer and Barb Newman for all they did to keep our club spic' n span. As of March 6th we will be having a cleaning company come in and clean the building.

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KCTC Members,

There is a sign-up sheet for our upcoming TDAA Teacup Trial posted at the building as well as a sign-up for food donations. Remember when you filled out your KCTC application and you checked off "Help at function" or something like that. Well, now is that time. These Teacup Trials we do bi-annually are truly our biggest fundraisers and as such, it takes a lot of manpower to make them a success. Each and every trial has had a higher attendance than the one before it. We need to keep our momentum and to do that...we need YOU. If you don't have the actual time, please consider donating food, raffle items or money to help with our trial.

Also, I am looking for 2-3 people to run the Teacup Run-Thrus on Friday, April 27th from 6-8pm. We will not be able to have the run-thrus if we don't have a staff to work it.

Thank you in advance for your support of our club.

If you have any questions or suggestions please feel free to email me - eand.me@verizon.net

Regards,
Amy Wustin
TDAA Teacup Trial Chair

Members voted in at the January Meeting

- Shawnda Smoker and her Bouvier, Deeogey
- Fiona Stewart and Quin her Border Collie
- Barbara Cord and her German Shepherd, King

Members voted in at the February Meeting

- Dana Skorupski and her two Rottweilers, Nittany and Dahlila

APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP

- Donna, Jackie and Kyra Walker are applying for membership with their dogs, Addy and Zeus-Min. Pins and Garcon a Berger Picard. They have taken Puppy Agility, Beyond Beginners Agility and Nosework. They are endorsed by Pam Lewis and Lucy McCloskey.
- Virginia Weida and her Dachshund, Heidi are applying for membership. They have taken Puppy Obedience and Puppy Agility. Virginia is endorsed by Amy Wustin and Sharon Hareza.
- Barth and Chris Olds with their Goldendoodle, Buddy are applying for membership. They have taken Puppy Kindergarten and Puppy Basic. They are endorsed by Sally Tress and Pauline Kitchen.
- Karen Maple and Cathy Schmider are applying for membership with their Golden retriever, Nikki , a Border Collie, Lexie and their Blue Heeler named Maggie. They have taken Puppy Kindergarten and Basic Obedience so far. They have been endorsed by Joyce Petrow and Barbara Newman.

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SUMMARY OF MEMBERSHIP MEETING

February 21, 2012

BOARD CHANGES – Mike Kulhman has resigned as Recording Secretary, and will be replaced by Linette Evancic.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Toni stated that we should have a Nominating Committee for positions that will be opening up on the Board. The following positions will be open for nominations: Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary/Membership Chair, training Director and Director at Large. Nominations may be made from the floor in April.

AIR CONDITIONING – Toni reported that the air conditioner would be installed March 12th & 13th.

APDT RALLY- Lucy McCloskey will be holding an APDT (Association of Pet Dog Trainers) seminar on Thursday, March 15th at 7:30. She will also be instructing APDT Rally classes on Saturday evenings at 7:00 PM. Lucy and her border collie, Sonny, have earned every title that APDT Rally has to offer, including two Masters Titles. Sonny is ranked 4th in the nation on the APDT Rally 2011 list. Lucy is very knowledgeable regarding AKC and APDT Rally rules and will be teaching them from the ground up. Please check the website for specific dates. Additionally, our building has been approved to host APDT Rally Trials; we are the only club in Western Pennsylvania that has been approved and hopefully we can hold our first Rally Trial in August or September.

C-WAGS – Toni joined the C-Wags (Canine – Work And Games) organization and is presently talking to them about holding Obedience Trials at our facility.

BUILDING – Rod will be putting up 2 feet of continuous mirrors in the backroom. He plans on putting the mirrors up in the next two weeks.

TEACUP TRIAL - Amy will be putting up a volunteer sign-up sheet for the teacup trials. She stated that we need large baskets for our

raffle as well as donations for the baskets. The donations don't necessarily need to be dog items.

JUMP STANDARDS – Sharon Hareza has placed oval stickers on the jump standards with the names of the individuals that donated to this cause.

OUTSIDE SIGN ON BUILDING – We are currently looking for weatherproof material and prefer our signs to be rectangular in shape. Additionally, we are making inquiries regarding permits and if there is a regulation for the number of signs we may put outside.



DEMOS

K-9ERS

**Featured: Sara, Caroline and Phil
Chapman's therapy dog**

Saturday, March 10 @ 2:00 pm - Riverside
Care Center
McKeesport, PA - St. Patrick's Day theme

Saturday, March 17 @ 10:00 am - Cedars of
Monroeville, Monroeville, PA - St. Patrick's
Day theme

Saturday, March 24 @ 1:00 pm – Bethel
Park Manor Care, Bethel Park, PA – Spring
Theme

Demo **Saturday, May 5 @ 1:30 pm** –
Woodcliff Manor, Bethel Park, PA – Doggie
Wedding Theme

Monday, June 4 @ 11:00 am - Prime Time,
Bethel Park, PA – Doggie Wedding Theme

HOSPICE THERAPY DOGS

Once again my Golden Retriever therapy dog, Heidi, and I were called to service as speakers for Bethany Hospice. Each spring and fall we speak at the Community College South about our knowledge and experiences of hospice volunteering with the hope of recruiting volunteers for pet hospice work. We have many stories to tell about the good that therapy dogs do to calm the patient and to make them smile with happiness as they pet the soft coat of a friendly, obedient and calm dog. There was much interest from the students in attendance shown by all of the smiles and questions that they asked of us. At the conclusion of the class and interaction, we were invited to eat lunch with the group. The representative of Bethany Hospice gave such a compliment to Heidi stating that she knew from past experience that Heidi was very good around food -- not demanding a share -- but sitting or lying down while the people ate. I was so proud to hear that compliment and Heidi proved it to be true.



My Australian Shepherd, Colby, also does hospice therapy with Heidi. We three visit eight nursing homes, five of which have hospice patients at this time. We also visit private homes on request. To receive a request for home therapy dog visits is always a good visit because you definitely

know that the patient loves dogs. With that love we are assured that our visit will be appreciated and the patient will have a good medical and mental stimulation for as long as they want to visit with us. I can see when they are tiring and we excuse ourselves and leave them to rest.



Hospice pet therapy is very rewarding to all involved. There is a great need for volunteers, so maybe you TDI handlers and your wonderful dogs would like to have your hearts fill with the knowledge that you have contributed such happiness to those people in their last stages of life The patient and their family members will thank you for providing such a loving act of kindness. This, to me, is the ultimate praise and reward knowing that another job was WELL DONE, by Heidi and Colby.

Betty Jean Maier

Heidi; 500 TDI visits
Colby; 225 TDI visits

BRAGS

Peter & Peggy Grandillo Sr. are proud to announce that... Suntera Molly Ann Grandillo competed at the B & D Creekside Activity Center TDAA (teacup) agility trial on Jan. 14 & 15, 2012. Molly earned 3 qualifying runs in standard, all three were 3rd place finishes. Molly also had 1 qualifying run in the game Power & Speed. It was a successful week end. We are all very proud of Molly.

Pete & Yvette Grandillo Jr. are VERY proud to announce that... Bryce and Dawson had a very good weekend competing at the Altoona Area Kennel Club AKC agility trial over the weekend of January 21st & 22nd. Dawson qualified in 3 of 4 runs in Exc B 20 inch, including a 3rd and 1st place finish in



standard. Bryce qualified in 4 of 4 runs in Exc B 16 inch, including one 2nd place finish (standard) and three 1st place finishes (jww & standard).

From Emil and Barbara Pohodich:

On February 11th and 12th, 2012 at the Splash 'N Dash K9 Sports Teacup Agility Trial - Sadie placed 1st in seven runs and received her Superior Teacup Agility Title.

At the same trial, Lexi received two 1st places, three 2nd places, and one 3rd place.

February 25th, 2012 at the B & D Creekside AKC Agility Trial, Sadie placed 1st in "Fast", and also placed 1st in "Jumpers and Weaves".

At the same trial, Lexi received two legs in Excellent B "Jumpers and Weaves".

We are very proud of their accomplishments.



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From Lucy McCloskey:

‘Sonny Gets National Recognition’

The Association of Pet Dog Trainers (APDT) has posted the National Rankings of the Top 20 Rally Dogs Overall for 2011. Hamilton’s Mystic Lord of the Dance – aka Sonny -- was ranked 4th in the nation.



Sonny was also ranked 4th in the APDT Rally Master Champion (ARCHMX) National Rankings by Title Category for 2011.

I am so grateful to have such a wonderful friend and companion in Sonny.

From Joanne Schreiber:

Skye Schreiber earned her Teacup Intermediate Agility Dog title at Splash and Dash in February. She also earned her first Q in Games 3. Later in February, she earned two Qs at Washingtonville, her second one in Games 3 and her first one in Teacup Superior.

Keystone Nosework Students



Doree Donovan with Faith, Lynda Kuzbel with Logan and Amy Wustin with Belle

On February 25, Keystone Canine Club “Nosework” students had three team members that went down to Falling Waters West Virginia for an ORT (Odor Recognition Test) that you have to pass before you can compete.

All three team members: Doree Donovan with Faith, Lynda Kuzbel with Logan and Amy Wustin with Belle all passed both the Birch and Anise scent tests.

We look forward to representing the Keystone Canine Club and competing in this sport of K9 Nosework.

From Pam Lewis:

Crystal earned her RAE Rally Obedience title at the Detroit Kennel Club trial on March 4. I am very proud of my wonderful and versatile companion! She now has high-level titles in Rally, Agility, and TDI.

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NEWLY CERTIFIED THERAPY DOGS

Five KCTC handler/dog teams passed the Therapy Dogs International (TDI) test on February 29 at KCTC:

Dee Farrell and Pixie

Chris Keeton and Dexter

Mary Phifer and Simon

Betty Camus and Keeper

Doree Donovan and Faith

These dogs have demonstrated that they are well-behaved, calm, and under control in many situations encountered in daily life and therapy situations.

Congratulations to all!

Hello Everyone,

I recently read an article about dogs getting along with other dogs that I'd like to share with you. -- see the link at the end of my rant --

"Playing Well With Others"

Many dog owners one day realize their pet no longer seems interested in being with other canines. Their formerly social dog has grown standoffish when other dogs are around.

I can recall when Harley was a few years younger and was "playing well with others". Then one day things changed. If another dog, (especially females), got a bit too close, my girl would raise a lip and growl. Recognizing her need for space I am more careful at how I let her interact with other dogs. My goal when I started training my rottie was to have a well behaved dog that I could present anywhere without incident.

dog that is liked by everyone. Perhaps in the back of my mind I was hoping she would be an ambassador for the breed. We are still working towards that goal. After reading the article it all makes more sense and I would like everyone to become more aware, especially our instructors.

It is actually more "normal" for a mature dog to NOT be able to "play nice" with strange dogs in a dog park than it is for the dog to be able to do it! Dogs in the wild are not "social" in the sense of making friends with every dog they meet. This is a human idea, and currently a big fad among people with dogs. It's causing a lot of serious problems.

As you all know I have two Rottweiler's, and Rotties, along with Pit Bulls, German Shepherds, Dobermans and other breeds sometimes come with a bad reputation. I don't want that reputation to continue for my breed or any other breed. My opinion is that people should not feel intimidated by any breed. As members of an outstanding club, we should become as educated as possible so that we can educate other pet owners who cross our path.

In closing; it has been some time since Harley has had any other dog to play with besides her live-in partner, (Loco), and that's OK. But I do want to apologize to anyone who has ever felt intimidated when their dog may have been a bit too close to mine. I just ask that we are all aware of "personal space".

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/dr-karen-becker/pet-health_b_1205441.html?icid=maing-grid1

**Rod,
Harley Darlin CGC, CD, &
Loco For Love (a work in progress)**

KEYSTONE CANINE TRAINING CLUB
Schedule of Classes - Session II – 2012 Classes start Mar. 16
Classes are for Seven Weeks Unless Noted

NO CLASSES WILL BE HELD ON - April 6 – 8 (Easter Break) and April 27– 29 (Teacup Trial Dates)

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 | Mar. 16 | Joyce Petrow, Barbara Newman, Lynda Kuzbel, Sue Schweitzer |
| Feisty Fido | Friday | 8:30 PM | Mar. 16 | Joyce Petrow, Lori Caruso, Barbara Newman, Sue Schweitzer |
| Intro to Odor (6 Week Class) | Friday | 4:00 PM | Mar. 16 | Doree Donovan & Linette Evanic |
| Intro to Odor (6 Week Class) | Saturday | 12:30 PM | Mar. 24 | Doree Donovan & Ed Barr |
| Continuing Nose Work (Trial Preparation) | Saturday | 1:30 PM | Mar. 24 | Doree Donovan & Ed Barr |
| Continuing Nose Work (Trial Preparation) | Tuesday | 8:30 PM | Mar. 20 | Lynda Kuzbel |
| TDI/CGC (4 Week Class) | Wednesday | 6:30 PM | Mar. 21 | 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 | Mar. 21 | Clara Marie Schmaltz |
| K9er's | Sunday | 6:00 PM | Ongoing | Caroline Chapman |

Obedience Classes - Rear Training Room

| Class | Day | Time | Start | Instructors |
|--|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|
| Open Obedience – Drop-In (See website homepage for specific dates) | Saturday | 9:00 AM | See Website | Julie Agosti |
| Novice Obedience | Saturday | 10:00 AM | Mar. 17 | Rod Sabatini |
| Basic Obedience | Saturday Sunday | 11:00 AM 11:00 AM | Mar. 17 Mar. 18 | Rod Sabatini Marian Roznowski (Maryann Snyder) |
| APDT Rally (See website homepage for specific dates) | Saturday | 7:00 PM | See Website | Lucy McCloskey |
| Puppy Basic Obedience (Puppies 6 months up to one year) | Monday | 6:30 PM | Mar. 19 | Toni Yurkovic (Pauline Kitchen) |
| Basic Obedience II | Monday | 7:30 PM | Mar. 19 | Sally Tress (Toni Yurkovic) |
| Advance Rally | Monday | 8:30 PM | Mar. 19 | Barbara Newman & Lori Ritchey |
| Rally Obedience | Tuesday | 6:30 PM | Mar. 20 | Sue Wray & Clara Marie Schmalz & Toni Yurkovic |
| Basic Obedience II | Tuesday | 7:30 PM | Mar. 20 | Toni Yurkovic |
| Puppy & Basic Obedience (Any Age) | Wednesday | 10:00 AM | Mar. 21 | Ed Hanke |
| Puppy & Basic Obedience (Any Age) | Thursday | 6:30 PM | Mar. 22 | Ed Hanke (Linette Evanic) |
| Basic Obedience 101.5 | Thursday | 7:30 PM | Mar. 22 | Ed Hanke (Linette Evanic) |

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

| Class | Day | Time | Start | Instructors |
|---|-----------|--------------------|---------|--|
| Puppy Foundation Agility | Monday | 7:15 PM | Mar. 19 | Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza |
| Beginner's Foundation Agility | Monday | 8:15 PM | Mar. 19 | Amy Wustin & Sharon Hareza |
| Teacup Agility (Daytime Class) | Monday | 4:00 PM | Mar. 19 | Tom Bandi & Phyllis Bandi |
| Advanced Agility I & II | Tuesday | 7:00 PM 8:00 PM | Mar. 20 | Amy Wustin, Emil Pohodich, Terri Chasser (Pete Grandillo, Sr.) |
| Handling Skills | Wednesday | 7:30 PM | Mar. 21 | Dan Goldberg & Pam Lewis |
| Teacup Agility (Drop-ins Welcome) | Wednesday | 7:30 PM | Mar. 21 | Emil & Barbara Pohodich |
| Intermediate Agility | Wednesday | 8:30 PM | Mar. 21 | Lucy McCloskey, Paula Shimko, Joanne Kerfonta |
| Beginners Contacts & Weaves | Thursday | 7:30 PM | Mar. 22 | Pam Lewis, Dan Goldberg, Lucy McCloskey, & Lynda Kuzbel |
| Beyond Beginner's Agility | Thursday | 8:30 PM | Mar. 22 | Pam Lewis & Lucy McCloskey |
| Barrel Racing or Agility Games (Drop-ins Welcome) | Friday | 7:30 PM | Mar. 23 | Lucy McCloskey & Guest Instructor |
| Beyond Beginner's Agility | Saturday | 5:00 PM | Mar. 24 | Pam Lewis & Lucy McCloskey |