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January Membership Meeting "Must Goes"

All Christmas Goodies Must Go!
Bring any left over Christmas Goodies you would like to share!

January 15, 2017 - 7:00 pm No Dogs Please - We don't want them to get fat!

From the President

Our WCRL Rally trial November 26 - 27 was a big success, as usual. Thanks to all who helped, especially Bonnie McKeown (Trial Chair) and Pam Lewis (Trial Secretary). Both ladies put in a lot of hours before, during, and after the trial. And congratulations to all who earned new titles. The list is on page 2 of this newsletter.

We participated in the Shop and Adopt event at the Galleria on November 20. Thanks to Lisa Sbei, Rosanne Minich, and Sandy Milligan (and Avalon) for staffing our table and handing out information about KCTC.

Our annual Holiday Dinner was held Monday, December 5, at the South Park Clubhouse. The food was good, the home-made gifts were unique and very nice, and everyone had a good time. Thanks to the Holiday Committee for all their work on this event: Lucy McCloskey (Chair), Donna Latham, Lori Ritchey, and Janine Smith.

Although Thanksgiving has already passed, I would like to give thanks to all of our hard-working instructors, and also the people who work "behind the scenes" for our club. These people include Lucy McCloskey, who has quickly gotten up to speed as our new Webmaster; Deb Aheimer, who spends a lot of time on our enrollments, rosters, the newsletter and print jobs for the

club; and Pat Warnick, who does all our scheduling and comes up with innovative ideas such as the Saturday Fun Nights. And even more behind the scenes are Joe Alexander, who mows our grass; Mackenzie Jordan, who keeps us wellstocked with restroom and cleaning supplies; Caroline Chapman, who is the leader of the K9ers, Maribeth Hook, who returns calls to our answering machine. and Tom Bandi and Clint Connors, who handle many of our maintenance and fix-up items. Hope I didn't forget anyone!

Our first session of 2017 classes will begin January 2. The Class Schedule has been posted to our website. Enrollments will open at 9:00 pm on Sunday, December 18, and will close on December 28.

We will have a "Hair of the Dog" party on Sunday, January 1, from 9:00 to noon at the club. Bring any leftovers from New Years Eve, and you are welcome to bring your dogs to this social event. Ed Hanke will be in charge.

Our next membership meeting will be Sunday, January 15, at 7:00 pm. New Years' resolution: Bring your favorite snack (or leftover holiday snacks).

Doggie quote for the month: "If your dog doesn't like someone, you probably shouldn't either." -- Unknown Remember, have fun with your dogs! Dan Goldberg, President

WCRL Rally Trial

WCRL Rally Titles Earned November 26 and 27, 2016

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone who entered our trial. We are pleased to list your accomplishments.

Individual Level

Nancy Ann Whitley and Icee	. RL1
Paula Shimko and Chloe	. RL1
Clint Connors and Shadow	. RL2
Stephanie Day and Lila	. RL3

Shari Caruso and Halo RL1X1

Stephanie Day and Lila RLIX1

Nancy Cole and Bella RL1X3

Individual Level Championship Titles

Diana Squicciarinia and
Glinda RLIX4
Lucy McCloskey and
Sonny
Pam Lewis and Laika RL2X1
Lucy McCloskey and
Sonny
Tena Parker and Oswin RLPX1
Shari Caruso and Max RVX1
Lucy McCloskey and

Sonny RVX2

Combined Level Championship Titles

Shari Caruso and Haio ARCH
Lucy McCloskey and
Dallas ARCH
Joanne Schreiber and
SkyeARCHX
Carolyn Martin and
Dare ARCHMX6

Bonnie McKeown Trial Chair WCRL Rally Keystone Canine Training Club

Hair of the Dog Party January 1, 2017

Hair of the Dog, January 1 party as we have done in years past. The tentative plan is to start around 9 and finish up shortly after 1pm. All members and families are invited as well as prospective members. Participants are encouraged to bring their well-behaved dog and any "leftovers" (no booze) from the night before so that we can add to the pulled pork sandwiches that I will provide. Bringing something is not mandatory, just come out and enjoy the facility, friendly people and the fun.

We all want to start the year off right and what better way than to have some quality time with friends and their dogs doing what we will be doing for the coming year.

Ed Hanke



K-9er 2017 Schedule

January:

There is Doggie Wedding scheduled for Saturday, January 28 @ Country Meadows (Independent Living Unit), Bridgeville.

The performance time is 1:30 PM. (weather permitting)

I am going to confirm Saturday, January 21 as the best date for a demo for The Greenery in Canonsburg.

Performance time will be 10:30 AM in the "Cafe West".

Thank you, and Merry Christmas from all the K-9ers Caroline



Voted Into Membership

The following were voted into membership at the November meeting.

Andrew Blair and his Australian Cattle dog, Drogo

Stephanie Day and her Golden Retriever, Lila

Ann Cloutier and Robert Shimer and their Dachshund/Jack Russell mix Sophie and Fritz their Dachshund.

Kristen and Justin Morgan and their dogs, Bichon/Shih Tzu/mix, Zuzu and Teddy Bear and Rufus their Boxer.

Jodi Tyskeiwicz and her Australian Shepherd **Sammie**.



Keystone Canine Accomplishments

Icee, Hollybush's Fire And Ice At Opal BN, RN, CGC, CL1-R, CL1-H, CL1-F, TG2 and I had two great weekends. On November 12th, Icee earned his Companion Dog (CD) Title and on November 26th, he earned his WCRL Rally Level 1A (RL1) Title. Icee and I would like to thank all of the instructors who gave me suggestions and guidance with obedience and rally over the years. A special thank you to instructors (Diana Squicciarini and Lucy McCloskey); judges (Phyllis Huber and Carolyn Martin); and my training friends (Joanne Schreiber, Miller-Gurchak, Debbie Charlene Zeleznock and Bonnie McKeown) who have taken this current journey with Icee and I. Thank you! You deserve most of the credit for our success. Nancy Ann Whitely





IcePond Shenandoah Scalawag (Cali) is having a great first year. Her latest success was to finish her novice rally title at B&D on Nov 13th. I'm so proud of how much she's accomplished this year. Looking forward to a great second year. Terry Younkins

Candie passed her Therapy Dog International test on Nov. 15, 2016 at Xcel training center. Now, she can accomplish one of her goals becoming a K-9er. With her love of people, children and other animals, I am certain she will have loads of fun visiting the centers. Thank you Phyllis Bandi for introducing this group of wonderful people to me.

Again, I want to give a special Thank you to Dan Goldberg and Donna Latham for teaching Candie and I how to take the testing involved. Both of you were excellent teachers and I am sure Candie will miss taking the class. We both learned so much.

Keep up the good work Candie, I am sure you will go far. Barbara Yarnot



At KCTC WCRL rally trials in November **Glinda** completed her RL1X4 Individual Championship title. She Qd four times out of four runs and was awarded two fifth place rosettes! All Pink! No Barking in ring! Thanks go to judges Phyllis Huber and Carolyn Martin; volunteers and supportive friends! Thanks also go to my Glinda who continues to be a wonderful teammate! Rally on! Diana Squicciarini



At 10 years of age Ellie Her Majesty Queen Alice UD GN GO RA earned her last rally leg needs for her rally excellent title on October 14, 2016 Golden Triangle Obedience Training club show. She had a score of 97 earned a first place. I'm so proud of my little Ellie girl! Lisa Paciorek





Congratulations to **Banner Aheimer**. Banner achieved both his Excellent Jumpers With Weaves Title and his Excellent Standard title. And he also earned his first double Q at the IX Center in Cleveland.

He's on his way to MACH 1!

And a big Congratulations to **Jackson Aheimer**. He earned his MACH 9 in Novmeber.

Now we are off to the AKC Invitational in Orlando, Florida.

Jackson is going as the #1 Cavalier King Charles Spaniel.

Blaze Aheimer is going as Jackson's Coach!

Deb Aheimer