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has been proof read and approved
by selected Board Members.*

Membership Meeting

May 15 @ 7:00 pm

MAY MUNCHIES

Bring Something to Share

COME AND VOTE - 5:00 to 7:00

No Dogs Please - They always have the Munchies!

From the President

Our recent Teacup and Rally trials were very successful. Thanks to all of you who volunteered and/or donated; way too many to list. But particular thanks to Trial Chairs Chris Labee and Bonnie McKeown.

Please reserve May 15 on your calendar. We will have an election to select our new Training Director from 5:00 – 7:00 pm, with our membership meeting to follow at 7:00 pm. Training Director is a very important position in our club, so I encourage you to review the two candidates' credentials at the end of this newsletter, and vote for the person you believe is better qualified. The two people running are Pat Warnick (nominated by the Nominating Committee), and Toni Yurkovic

(nominated from the floor at the March meeting).

We will also vote on Bylaw changes, and review the status of our new lease and capital improvements. I sent out a more detailed agenda late last week.

Doggie quote for the month: "No one appreciates the very special genius of your conversation as a dog does." - Christopher Morely

Our annual seminar on How to Maintain Your Dog Between Grooms will be held Sunday, June 26. A registration form is at the end of this newsletter.

Remember, have fun with your dogs!

Dan Goldberg, President



K-9er 2016 Schedule

May:

Saturday, May 7, demo @ the first building in the Country Meadows complex (Community Living Center) 3560 Washington Pike, Bridgeville, PA 15017. Performance time is 2:00 PM.

Saturday, May 14, demo @ Riverside Care Center 100 8th Street, McMeespport, PA 15132. Performance time is 2:00 PM.

Tuesday, May 17, demo for the children's group (Nature Club) that meets @ Community of Christ Church, 3492 South Park Rd Bethel Park, PA 15102. Performance time is 7:00 PM.

June:

No June practice date set as of yet.

Saturday, June 11, demo @ Manor Care Nursing Facility ,60 Highland Road, Bethel Park, PA 15102. Performance time is 2:00 PM.

Wednesday, June 22, The K-9er are scheduled to perform a "Dog Wedding" for Prime Time Adult Day Care @ 44 Highland Road, Bethel Park, PA 15102

There is a demo request from Juniper Village in Forrest Hills for a Saturday date in September. I have not been able to negotiate with their Activities contact a date and time yet.

Thank you,
Caroline

WCRL Rally Trial Titles Earned MAY 7 & 8 at KCTC

INDIVIDUAL LEVEL TITLES

- Anna Parkinson and TymerRL1
- Stephanie Day and Lila ... RL1
- Terri Chasser and Abbey .. RL1
- Terri Chasser and Saylor .. RL1
- Terri Chaser and Abbey RL1 (AOE)
- Cris Gill and Sandy.....RL2
- Lori Ritchey and Pinch RL2
- Jonathon Mc Cready and AllieRLP
- Terry Younkins and Cali ... RLP
- Lucy McCloskey and Sonny.RLV

INDIVIDUAL LEVEL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

- Pam Lewis and Laika . . .RL1X1
- Nancy Cole and Bella . .RL1X1
- Pat Warnick and Howie .RL1X2
- Anna Parkinson and PennyRL1X2

COMBINED LEVEL CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

- Pam Lewis and Laika . . . ARCH
- Joanne Matthews and Deacon ARCH
- Michelle Yackovich and Gio ARCHMX

Applying For Membership

Cherri Estep and **Toby**, her mix Border Collie/Blue Heeler, are applying for membership. They have taken Family Manners I and Agility I. Cherri is endorsed by Marian Roznowski and Amy Wustin.

Sharon Neumeyer and **Gracie Mae**, her Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, are applying for membership. Sharon has taken Beyond Beginners Agility, Teeter & Weaves. She is endorsed by Janine Smith and Chris Labee

Michael Spellman and **Brodie**, a Sheltie, and **Max**, a Border Collie, mix are applying for membership. They have taken Shy dog, Nose work, Rally and Agility. Michael is endorsed by Pat Warnick and Bonnie McKeown.

Hannah and Elaine Gonzaloz are applying for membership with, **Pierre and Claire** their Papillons and **Frey**, a terrier mix. They have taken CGC and Family Manners I. They are endorsed by Pat Warnick and Bonnie McKeown.



HONORING OUR SOLDIERS & K9'S EVERY DAY IS MEMORIAL DAY

KCTC Accomplishments

On April 3, 2016, **Addie**, Dad & I traveled to Kent Island, MD for Oriole Dog Training Club's nosework trial. Despite the heavy wind conditions, Addie successfully sniffed her way to her NW2 title. Way to go, my hard-working little dog!
Laura Leonard



Flurry was a busy little bee these last couple weeks. She earned her AKC open jumpers and open FAST titles at B&D, took a little vacation, then came back strong to earn her 2nd TDAA Champion title at the KCTC trial. Woo hoo, TACH2!
Stacy Podplesky

Laika earned her ARCH title and qualified in (almost) all her runs (whoops, broke that stay!) at the Keystone Canine Training Club WCRL Rally Trial in May. Way to go Laika!
Pam Lewis



At KCTC WCRL rally trials early in May, **Glinda** Qd three times in RL1 (one fourth place) and earned her second RL2 leg with a second place finish. Woo-Hoo!!!
So proud of my girl for being more attentive/less barky in the ring.
Thank you judges Phyllis Huber and Carolyn Martin.
Your team mate,
Diana Squicciarini

TDAA TeaCup Agility and WCRL Rally Trials

Dear Teacup Agility and WCRL Rally Trial Volunteers:

The jobs were done excellently and you all went that extra mile.

These 4 days with back to back trials took time, energy and sacrifice on your part including set up for the trials and the tear down to prepare for the classes.

The food donations and monetary donations were so appreciated.

Our food managers were kept busy and produced a fine selection of breakfast and lunch choices. We watched as they carried in the pre-cooked entrees and felt the joy of such dedicated people.

We got some very nice compliments from the exhibitors.

The baskets were amazing..... what great donations went into them. I saw a lot of happy winning smiles.

What an extraordinary membership we have!

We hope you can feel the appreciation in the words.....

THANK YOU!

Chris Labee
Trial Chair of Teacup Agility and

Bonnie McKeown
Trial Chair of WCRL Rally



PAT WARNICK

My name is Pat Warnick and I have been nominated for Training Director at KCTC. I look forward to the challenge. My dog training journey began in 1992. I had purchased a thirteen month old Yorkie that had spent his entire life in a crate. I took him to an obedience class and after one class we were both hooked. Within a year, I began assisting in classes and then teaching. Later we tried agility, however he had back issues and we did not go far. We did attend one of the first TDAA trials ever held. I taught at both Dogs R Us and Golden Triangle, where I was also involved with the enrollment process. Fast forward to Keystone in about 2010. My first class at our club was at the old building with a Shih Tzu named Joe. Howie came into my life in December 2011 and we attended our first class in January 2012; I joined as soon as we met the requirements. Like most rescues, he had/has issues. My philosophy on dog training is we keep at it as long as we are both having fun. It was hard to find something he liked, where he was having fun, but we kept trying and finally discovered that he likes Rally! We have attended classes in every discipline that is taught at KCTC: Obedience, CGC/TDI, Agility, Scent Work, Tricks, WCRL Rally and AKC Rally. He earned his CGC and TDI, a Novice and Intermediate Tricks titles, and most recently an ARCH in WCRL. We also enjoy doing Tail Waggin' Tutors at our local elementary school.

I think I started teaching at KCTC shortly after I became a member. I have taught Family Manners I and Family Manners II, Novice/Beginner Novice Obedience, WCRL Beginners Rally, and Obedience Reinforcement. I am currently teaching Family Manners I, Obedience Reinforcement, and Beginners Rally.

In my opinion, when a person chooses to join a club, there are responsibilities that go with that decision. It is important that I, as a member, volunteer my time and talents for the success of that club. I agreed to return calls to people that phone the club with questions. What an education that has been! It gives me a great perspective on the classes the public is looking for. In order to answer calls, I needed to have some knowledge of everything we teach. I had to learn the right people to call with questions, and of course I had to learn our Policies and Procedures. I love talking with the people, I am able to help them decide what class is best for their dogs and sometime offer them suggestions about problems they are having. They appreciate having something they can work on until their class begins.

For the last two years I have been helping Lucy, the current Training Director, with developing the calendar and schedules. Dan asked me to develop the Short Session. I did that for two years. Shortly after the online Enrollment system was developed, I began working with Deb by monitoring the system for classes that are full. I also troubleshoot things like non-members that register as members and duplicate registrations. Ironically, I spent thirty-nine years working at the University of Pittsburgh processing tuition payments and making certain that students were enrolled properly.

Working with the schedules, calendar, and enrollment is a big help in answering the calls. I can let people know what classes are full and which ones only have a spot or two left. I believe this same knowledge will carry through and be a good foundation if I am elected as your Training Director.

I think it is important that the Training Director work well with others and as part of a team. I believe my work for the club during the last three years demonstrates my ability to do both.

I hope to keep our classes growing and changing. We need to continue to examine our programs all the time. The day that we stop changing is the day we stop growing as a club. That will require an open mind and a willingness to change. I can't do it alone but with your help, we will succeed. I would appreciate your support.

Hello friends of Keystone,

My name is Toni Yurkovic and I am running for Training Director. I have been with Keystone at least 20 years and have been instructing for at least 15 years. Within all those years I was president for 5 years. I was instrumental in bringing Keystone forward in finding this building and moving here. Now we can have 2 classes in each room a day which has helped us to grow even larger. When I was president I helped in bringing in Teacup Agility, WCRL Rally and Nosework. This club does mean a lot to me, I would like to see it keep growing as much as possible. I really enjoy teaching and helping others. Just like other members at Keystone who really enjoy teaching, I also teach at other places. With the help of Sally Tress we have improved the curriculum for Basic 1, 2, and 3. I was the first instructor to start teaching AKC rally when it first came out. I did get titles on my Westies Buffy CD RE JE and CH Penngyll's White Fox RE EE.

***Junior Earthdog**

***Endurance Earthdog**

Moving forward I have some great ideas to help everyone continue their education in training and in instructing. I have been continuing my education by going to seminars for a long time. Some of the Trainers I have gone to are: Ian Dunbar, Victoria Stillwell, Denise Fenzi and Nicole Wilde just to name a few. I enjoy keeping updated on all the new techniques of dog training and want to help you be the best trainer you can be for your dog.

Thank you for your consideration for the position of Training Director.

Toni Yurkovic



KCTC'S FIFTH ANNUAL SEMINAR
HOW TO MAINTAIN YOUR DOG BETWEEN GROOMS
SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2016

This Seminar is designed to assist the dog owner to keep his/her dog looking good year round.
 Your dog will have a healthier and happier life.



This Seminar will show you how to have a well groomed dog:

Items of importance that will be covered are:

1. Proper equipment needed for your specific breed.
2. How to properly comb, rake, and/or brush your specific breed.
3. How to properly clean your dogs' ears, eyes, and teeth.
4. How to cut/grind your dogs' nails.
5. Other general maintenance secrets between grooms.



Seminar Size and Duration: Maximum of 10 students with **one dog** per individual. The class will be a 3 hour session.



Each Student Needs to Bring: All the grooming equipment that they have for their dog. Pad and Pencil for note taking.



Date: Sunday, June 26, 2016 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Cost: \$25 for KCTC members; \$30 for non-members; \$20 for KCTC instructors



Instructor:

DeAnne D. Orive
 412-221-5081
 Owner of Grand Slam Grooming Inc., Scott Township PA
 Certified IPG Master Groomer
 Certified Dog Obedience Trainer/Instructor, Penn Foster Career School

HOW TO MAINTAIN YOUR DOG BETWEEN GROOMS SEMINAR

Owner's Name _____ Phone Number _____

Email: _____ Dogs Call Name _____ Breed _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ KCTC Member Non-Member Instructor

Mail To: Keystone Canine Training Club, P. O. Box 921, Bethel Park, PA 15102
 Attn: Dog Grooming Seminar