

Howie Warnick sits pretty for a photo shoot at the club.

October 2018

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A Message from the President

Our fall Teacup trial went very well, and we ended up with more entries than we anticipated. Thanks to all who volunteered to help, and who donated to our raffle baskets. And special thanks to Chris Labee (Trial Chair), Rosanne Minich (Trial Secretary), and Emil Pohodich (Judge). Our next two major events will be our WCRL Rally trial, November 24 – 25, and our C-Wags Scentwork trial, December 1 – 2.

KCTC participated in the Peters Township Library Animal Fair on September 29. Thanks to Rosanne Minich (Community Events Chair) and our other volunteers: Jan McWilliams, Kristin Stayer, Terri Chasser, Antoinette Young, Laura Leonard, and Christy Harbaugh.

I was recently a bar setter in the Novice ring of the agility trial at the Samoyed Nationals in St. Louis. It was great to watch the beginner dogs run the course. Some dogs were well-prepared and other dogs struggled. But it was great to see that all the handlers were encouraging, positive, cheerful, and obviously having fun with their dogs. And their dogs were having fun too!

Don't forget to send your doggie photos for the back room wall to Emil Pohodich. The deadline for submittal is November 15.

Doggie quote for the month: "Without my dog, my wallet would be full, my house would be clean, but my heart would be empty." ~Unknown

Remember, have fun with your dogs!

Dan Goldberg, President

Upcoming Events

October 18 - Donna Rohaus Agility Lessons

International agility competitor Donna Rohaus gives private lessons at KCTC. For more information or to reserve a spot, contact Dan Goldberg at dangoldberg444@gmail.com.

October 21 - Beyond Basic Obedience Workshop (Rescheduled)

Please note that all working slots for this event are currently filled, however, audit spots are still available. Contact Pat Warnick (patpaints@gmail.com) for more information or to register.

November 3 - Agility Practice

Beginner's agility practice is for dogs and handlers who are just beginning in agility and are planning to compete in the future. You must be a member and have taken or be currently enrolled in Foundations of Agility II, Teeters and Weaves, Sequences, Beginner's Agility, or Teacup Agility in order to participate. The cost is \$5 per dog per session, and you can contact Sharon Hareza at crazyrabbit1977@yahoo.com for more information or to sign up.

November 10 - Agility Practice

(see November 3 listing for details)

November 13 - Doggie Gym

Get your pup some exercise and have yourself a good time at Doggie Gym Night! Contact Virginia Weida at www.weida@comcast.net to sign up.

November 17 - Agility Practice (see November 3 listing for details)

November 17 - Donna Rohaus Agility Lessons (see October 18 listing for details)

November 18, 7pm - KCTC Membership Meeting

Join your fellow members to learn more about what's going on at the club!

November 18 - Holiday Photos with Cindy Sumner

Cindy Sumner, owner of Seeing Spotz Photography, will be offering holiday photo sessions for you and your pup again this year. You can contact her at 724-255-7921 to reserve a slot.

November 24-25 - WCRL Rally Trial

The KCTC Rally Trial is quickly approaching! Entries must be received no later than November 15, 2018. Open to all dogs of any breed and any ability – including mixed breeds and disabled dogs. Go to www.rallydogs.com to view the Official Rules & Regulations or contact Trial Chair Bonnie McKeown at mckeownbonnie@comcast.net or 412-835-6692.

December 1-2 - C-WAGS Scentwork Trial

More details coming soon!

Wags and Brags



Heidi earned her TaCH2 at the KCTC Teacup Agility show in September! The judge was none other than our own Emil Pohodich, who builds fabulous, flowing courses for us. Heidi also earned her TMAG3 title the same weekend, and her AKC NFP and NJP titles September 1! She has come a long way from her epic puppy zoomies!

~Virginia Weida

Jordi finished her Beginner Clover and Beginner Straight Line titles at the Rodeo Dog Trial on September 15th. She was the first dog to earn titles in this new venue! Not too shabby for a 3-legged dog!

~Jen Heid

Pam Lewis & Dan Goldberg attended the Samoyed Club of America National Specialty at the Purina Farms facility in Missouri in September. Laika competed in agility, getting second place in Master Jumpers with Weaves and Teddy & Laika both competed in rally. It was Teddy's first National & he did very well. Laika also won the Samoyed Club of America Top Rally Dog award for 2017.

~Pam Lewis and Dan Goldberg











Lokshn and I are lucky enough to have been invited to the AKC Agility Invitational 2018 in Orlando, FI in December. Since there are so few pulik in the country, and fewer doing performance sports, we are #7 on AKC's list.

As a herding dog and puli, she loves to run and jump – and we both love agility (or is it the special treats at the end of each run??). She sticks to me like glue – except when she gets to the top of the A-frame where she will take an impy break to look around.

~Carole Hodes

Even More Wags and Brags...



My sweet Mandy, at age 10, is taking a break from the utility obedience ring and ran in her first agility teacup trial. She earned 5 first places and one second place, and she received two titles: Beginners Teacup and Games One. So proud of my girl!

~Linda Cornell

The KCTC Teacup Agility Trial was held on September 22 and 23. Thanks to Emil and the many volunteers who made the weekend special for all attending. Missy and I had a great time and qualified 12 out of 12 runs and earned the TMAG3 title. I am so proud of Missy!! P.S. I also had a blast running Diamond! He did fantastic!! So proud of Diamond too!!

~Diane Valley





It was a great KCTC Teacup Trial on September 22 and 23. Emil had good courses and helped everyone with their many questions. All the volunteers did a fantastic job. Diamond surprised everyone by qualifying in four runs. He placed second in one and fourth in another. Diamond also earned his Games III title. This was a special day for us as our daughter, Diane, ran Diamond for the first time in competition. We are so proud of Diane and Diamond.

~Tom and Phyllis Bandi



My Border Terrier Nikki got her Obedience Beginner Novice Title and her Act 1 and 2 Agility Titles!

~Mary Jo Daly



Applying for Membership

Kelli Weiss and Ella Fitzgerald, her Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, are applying for membership. They have taken Family Manners II twice. Kelli is endorsed by Pat Warnick and Cris Gill.

Cali Feeney and Kathi Feeney along with Cooper, an Aussie, and Baron, a German Shepherd, are applying for membership. They have taken Family Manners I & II and Flyball. They are endorsed by Karina Palko and Clint Connors.

Stacy Monahan and Chickie Poo Poo, a Chihuahua, and Sheldon, Sydney, Foxxy and Paris, her Collies, are applying for membership. They have taken beginning and intermediate Nosework classes. Stacy is endorsed by Sharon Hareza and Clara Schmalz.

Voted into Membership

Kathleen McPaul and Bentley her German Shepherd Kristin Strayer and Riley her Shepherd/Black lab Mix

Tiny Library

est. September 2018

The Tiny Library is a printed/electronic media reference library for all things related to the care and training of our canine friends.

Please take a reference item and return it when you are done with it or keep it forever.

If you have books/media to donate, please contact Bonnie at 412-352-1755 or Jo at 412-852-9984 and we will collect your donation. If left alone in the club, the donations may get lost.

Thanks to DeAnne Orive, Clint Conners and Bonnie McKeown for founding this resource.

Thanks to the Board for their approval and support of this project.

Tiny Library, established September 2018

Use it well.



K-9ers Events



What: Halloween routine at Overlook Green Senior Living

When: Saturday, October 27 at 2:00 PM

Where: 5250 Meadowgreen Dr, Pittsburgh, PA 15236

What: Halloween routine at South Hills Rehab Wellness Center in Canonsburg

When: Saturday, November 3 at 2:00 PM

Where: 201 Village Drive, Canonsburg, PA 15317



www.AmmoTheDachshund.com

What: Christmas show at Vanadium Woods Village

When: Saturday, December 1 at 2:00 PM

Where: 50 Vanadium Rd, Bridgeville, PA 15017

Thanks to Those Who Volunteered at the Teacup Agility Trial!

If you want to surround yourself with positive people, try volunteering at a KCTC Teacup Agility Trial. The people who helped at the September 22-23 event were enthusiastic, cheerful, and generous. As a result, we had a lot of fun! More importantly, we made a difference in the community. Remember, everything you think and do creates energy. Volunteering at an agility trial is a great way to create positive energy for positive change in your life. Helen Keller once said, "Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see a shadow." Thanks again to all those who kept their faces to the sunshine by volunteering their time, making contributions, and promoting the event.



Desserts Needed for WCRL Rally Trial

As you all know, our next WCRL Rally trial is November 24 and 25, and we are in need of desserts (because who doesn't like dessert?). We're not picky, so they can be homemade or purchased from your local grocery store or bakery...All are welcome!

If you're able to contribute, please contact Trial Chair Bonnie McKeown at 412-835-6692 to let her know what you'll be bringing so she can plan (if no one is available, please leave a message with your name, phone number, and what type of dessert you plan to bring).

Thank you in advance for your generosity!