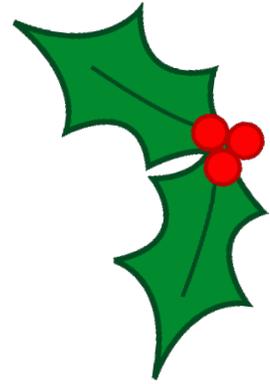




BARKS & BYTES NEWSLETTER

December 2024



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Welcome to the Allentown Dog Training Club **December issue of BARKS & BYTES.**

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OF YOU!! What a year it has been! We had two successful points shows, rally trials, more classes and hopefully enough for everyone to be a part of. We hope you read the addendum to the November newsletter. **It does not take just a few people doing all this work but all of us together making ADTC work well.** Please remember to say YES when asked to volunteer. And as I said in the last newsletter, please make it a point to attend our meetings. The Board needs input from members to know how to proceed with various things. For those in the Open class how convenient to stay a few more minutes for our general meeting?. They rarely last over a half hour. We look forward to seeing everyone and especially our new members.

Please look for some good training information from Phyllis in this month's newsletter. She told me that she is hoping to write helpful information every so often. This is so important for you to read and then use it in your training. Because we all train so much we hope that all of you who are planning to enter your dog in trials in the future! It is so important that you do a little training each day. Our lives are all busy, but it is important for those who are interested in entering their dogs to make some time throughout the day to work on things that you have learned in class or improve on what you have learned. If you are having problems, be sure to talk to your instructor for help. Even if you can only spend 10 minutes each day (we hope that it will be a little more) it can go a longer way to entering and earning titles and awards.

Be sure to check out the collage of pictures from our November match shows and obedience/rally trials on our website and in the additional November newsletter. Many thanks to Sherry Hanley for taking all the pictures and putting them in a collage. Stacey, my wonderful co-editor, and Steve for putting it in the newsletter and online. Thank you all for doing this. **It is super great!!! And, thanks to Sherry for taking the time to set up a nice place to take pictures with a hay bale and fall items.** Looked great with such a small space to work with.

Finally...WE hope that everyone will be able to attend our annual Christmas Party. It is always a night of fellowship and fun with a Chinese auction and raffles and even a table to exchange doggie items you no longer have use for. Edie is always looking for items to donate to the auction and you can bring them that night. We usually have a few doggie games to play. Be sure to let members of the committee know if you are coming. See the flyer in this newsletter. There is no charge for members, but guests are \$15.

So, enjoy the BARKS & BYTES. – all the best, *Jacqui*

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2025 OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

All board members agreed to stay on for 2025 with the following exception. **Gail James will serve as President (formerly Vice President) and Chuck Achenzie (formerly President) will service as Vice President.** The nominees will be read at the Christmas Party with the election held on January 8, 2025, our first meeting of the year 2025.

President:	Gail James	Board Members:	Debbie Achenzie
Vice President:	Chuck Achenzie		Edie Rysdyk
Recording Secretary:	Tracy Krapf		Steve Markowitz
Treasurer:	Linda Eldon		Sherry Hanley
Correspondence Secretary:	Katie Dyer		Lilliann Sanderlin
Training Director	Terry Papineau		

ADTC committee chairs

Publicity	Jennifer Weidman
Website:	Steve Markowitz
Librarian:	Edie Rysdyk
Membership:	Debbie Achenzie
Donations:	Chris Courduff
Newsletter editor:	Jacqui Hartranft
Newsletter co-editor:	Stacey Nash
Sunshine coordinator:	Sherry Hanley



NOTE: Our general membership meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. The upcoming membership meeting will be on **December 3, 2024, at 6:00 PM**

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GROUP EMAIL

The group email is: ADTC-MembershipGroup@groups.io

DOG DAYS OF DECEMBER:

- Dec. 1: National Twin with Your Dog Day.
- Dec. 2: National Mutt Day. Also, July 31.
- Dec. 5: Celebrate Shelter Pets Day. Always the 1st Thursday after Thanksgiving.
- Dec. 9: International Day of Veterinary Medicine.
- Dec. 10: International Animal Rights Day and National Day of Animal Rights
- Dec. 11: Holiday Food Drive for Needy Animals Day.
- Dec. 31: New Year's Eve: Although the last day of the year may be cause for celebration among humans, the fireworks that come with this holiday do not make it a celebration for pets. Just like the Fourth of July, this day is a good time to make sure pets are safe indoors, wearing ID tags and distracted with soothing music or tv sounds.

TRAINING

Our annual Christmas Party will be held on a Tuesday night, December 3 rather than Wednesday night because of the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club shows. So, there will not be any training that week. Many of our members will either be entered or helping steward for the show. **The Lehigh Valley Kennel Club obedience and rally trials are on December 11th and 12th, which are Wednesday and Thursday. ***So, there will not be any training that week***.**

Remember the LV Kennel club gives us a nice donation every year for supplying stewards for all their shows. Without that and Gail James who is handling Obedience/Rally, we may not have those shows in December. Many thanks to Gail for all that she does!! **There will also be no training on December 25 and 26 and January 1 and 2.** Things will get back to normal the following week starting January 8 and 9.

The only thing to interrupt returning to training is harsh weather. So do check your emails if it looks as though the weather may be uncertain.

TRAINING BY PHYLLIS

(Phyllis is offering to write a column on training information every so often. Because December is full of Christmas and New Years holidays which are in the middle of the week, plus the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club winter shows our training time in December is limited. She sent us this column of important and helpful information to include in this month's newsletter. So, this is a suitable time to read over it and study and practice what she suggests at home. And we hope that everyone rereads their notes which they hopefully took at our April seminar put on by Phyllis and John Landis.)

I have been observing a recent trend in the open class, that students are not waiting for the instructor to give the commands. ***ALWAYS WAIT FOR THE INSTRUCTOR'S COMMANDS*** There is a definite reason for this.

Recall, Drop on Recall, Signals, Command Discrimination:

- When leaving your dog on any of the exercises, wait for the instructor's order "**Leave Your Dog**". This will clue the dog that the exercise is going to begin and that the dog should listen to the handler for directions.

After you have gotten to the other side, turn, and wait for the next command. Again, this is a clue to your dog that something is coming. If you turn and call your dog before the instructor gives you the command, the dog is not being clued in that a command is coming and you are teaching your dog to anticipate. If you do this in training, what do you think your dog is going to do in the ring?

This also applies to all retrieves - wait for the instructor's command to "**Send your dog**".

- **Finishes:** After your dog sits front and you finish your dog before the instructor's command, you are teaching your dog to anticipate. In the ring, lots of points are lost 3 to 5 points for each infraction.
- **In the ring the instructor's commands are substituted for the Judge's command.** You should be teaching your dog to clue in to another person's voice that the exercise is going to start, and the dog should be waiting for your voice/command.

Remember: What you teach in training will reflect what your dog will do in the ring.

- Every student should always have a rule book with them. It should be a part of your training equipment and in your training bag.

Remember: You cannot play the game if you do not know the rules.

- If you are unsure of how an exercise should be performed, ask me or your instructor. We will go over it and discuss it. This will benefit not only you but all your fellow students.

I am happy to answer any and all questions to the best of my ability. - Phyllis

MEMBERSHIP

Debbie Achenzie reports that there are no new members to list this month. She urges everyone to fill out and sign their membership renewal form for 2025. Those who are life members need to sign the liability form. She thanks everyone who has gotten their renewals in on time. If you wish to continue to train with us, you must be a member in good standing.

ADTC AWARDS PROGRAM

Judy Lasso reminds everyone who has earned an AKC title in 2024 to send this information to her before the end of the year. Allentown Dog Training Club, an AKC Club, can only recognize titles from AKC events. She and Pat Gombocz spend many hours going over your paperwork to be sure that everything is correct. **They will not accept any paperwork after December 31, 2024.** You must also send them a copy of your AKC title certificate. If you have not received it before the end of the year, make sure to send it in to them as soon as you receive it. If you have any questions, be sure to contact either Judy or Pat.

WEBSITE

Steve is keeping the website up to date. He has a special section for those who wish to send in pictures of their dogs and their awards. As mentioned earlier be sure to check out the collage that Sherry Hanley took during our shows and put together. Many thanks to Sherry for doing this.

Steve can be reached at: smarko1@rcn.com

CHRISTMAS PARTY

We are having it catered this year, so, there is no charge for members, but we ask that guests pay a small fee of \$15. See the flyer for more details. **Members are also asked to bring a dessert for all to enjoy!!** We all know what a magnificent event this year is for fun and fellowship. **Judy Lasso is having an exchange table for you to bring in doggie items you no longer need and exchange them for something that you can use.** We did this several years ago and it was quite successful. We will also have a beautiful Christmas tree to make it more festive.

Edie Rysdyk oversees the Chinese auction table. However, this year she has had surgery and will need some help in bringing the items into the building. So please that night come early to help her. Members are also asked to donate items to the Chinese auction table. You never know what you will find that your dog will just love to have for Christmas. One year Cooper won a dog bed that everyone including myself thought was too small for him—Cooper had other ideas and just loves to snuggle in it and did it right from the beginning!!



MEMBER OF THE MONTH

Meet Diana Skvasik!

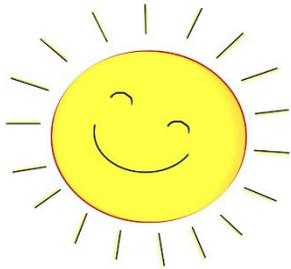
Hi, I am Diana, and I have loved dogs my whole life! I grew up watching the Westminster Kennel Club dog show learning all about the many different breeds. My favorite came to be the German Shepherd Dog (GSD). In 2002, my husband and I purchased our first GSD puppy named Jaz, a male from a show line breeder. Then 6 months later we purchased our second GSD puppy, Dixie, a female from a working line breeder. From then on we always had a pair of GSDs. Next came a third GSD male puppy, Dugan. All three dogs lived a wonderful life up to 9 years and have passed away.

Our current two GSDs are: Aleja our female is 11 years and BJ our male is 4 years. We purchased Aleja from a working line breeder at 8 weeks old. BJ is a German Shepherd mixed with Dutch Shepherd who we adopted at 4 months old from Logan's Heroes Animal Rescue. I joined the ADTC in Summer 2023 after completing the Beginner class with BJ. The club, however, is not new to me as I was a member years ago with my past dogs.

I'm proud to have trained and titled Aleja in Novice Agility, Rally, and Obedience. BJ earned his CGC and completed the club's Advanced Obedience class and Novice/Advanced/Excellent Rally class. I hope to someday enter BJ in a trial once we build our confidence. Besides training and doing an occasional trial, we enjoy going for long walks at the park and playing. Aleja loves fetching her ball and squeaky toys. BJ loves exploring on walks and sunbathing in our backyard.



SUNSHINE



One of our longest and oldest members, Mary Ann Giles broke her arm. She would appreciate cards and get well wishes which can be sent to her home at Smiley Avenue, Fountain Hill, PA 18015. Everyone at Allentown Dog Training Club wishes you “fast healing!”

Please contact Sherry her email is:

fuzzybadge38@msn.com or 610 767-4537 (H) or 484-347-6116.

A PLACE TO TRAIN

With the summer heat this year and then into Fall and Winter wouldn't it be nice to find a building where you can rent and do some training by yourself or with a friend? **Well, there is such a place near to Macungie on Dillingersville Road in Zionsville**, near to where I live. ADTC member Liz Long has a great building with super flooring (like Colmar flooring), all the equipment you will need, such as gates, jumps, etc. KanDo dog training Club does use it but there are many open dates during the day and in the evening. The rent is \$30 an hour. I rent it every Friday morning. If you are interested contact Liz Long, who is a member of ADTC at 610-967-2085 or k9langtal7@yahoo.com.

WANTED TO BUY OR SELL



This is for those members who are looking to buy or sell things like gates, jumps, articles, crates anything like that. Judy Lasso is hoping to have a table at the Christmas party for members to bring things they no longer need to trade for those things that they are looking for or can use. She did this several years ago and it was quite successful. There will be more on that later or in the next newsletter.

Also, if anyone is looking to buy training items or has some to sell, this is the column for you. It is good to send a good explanation of the item and pictures are always good.



ACHIEVEMENTS

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS TO DEBBIE ACHENZIE AND GINGER

on earning their Open (CDX) title at our trials the beginning of November.

"They say "good things come to those who wait" and finally on November 3rd my wait was over when Ginger finished her Open obedience title. It was extra special to earn it at our club trial surrounded by our friends. She now has added a CDX to her name!

The last leg of this title was proving to be very elusive, but I always knew we would earn the title. I definitely was not giving up on her! Oh boy, now it is on to her Utility Title.

It was very special for me to have Dusty, my training partner, fellow instructor, and close friend earn her title too. Standing in the ring together was more than I could have hoped for.

Thank you to everyone who has supported me in this title journey with Ginger. Along the way I have gained invaluable advice from those more experienced than I but more importantly I have gained so many wonderful friends!"

-Debbie Achenzie



BIG BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO SHERRY HANLEY AND LEGEND

for earning a first-place finish for their first leg in Novice B (CD)

AND NOT TO BE LEFT OUT,
ANNA GUGLIELMO AND HER SHELTYE TIMMY EARNED HIS SECOND OPEN (CDX) LEG WITH A SCORE OF 196.5. They did this at Dauphin Dog Training club at their trials in November.
BIG BIG CONGRATULATIONS!!!



AND MY OWN SILLY COOPER FINISHED HIS PREFERRED UTILITY DOG TITLE

"...also at the Dauphin Dog Training club trial in November. He now has a regular Utility Dog title which he earned in 2023 but now a Preferred Utility Dog title as well. He is in Preferred which allows dogs to jump at lower heights. He may soon be retired from regular obedience and join his sister Abbey in Rally."



AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST ARE SOME ACHIEVEMENTS FROM GAIL JAMES AND HER TWO RIDGEBACKS. FLETCHER AND RONNIE.

Not everything our dogs do make us happy with their performances but from time to time it sure does make us laugh (or maybe at times cry as well).

Read what Gail wrote of one of her experiences with Fletcher and Ronnie.

"My two pups, Ronnie and Fletcher provided comic relief at our Rally trial! Ronnie was up first in Excellent B and after doing about 4 or 5 signs thought the people outside were there just for her and went out of the ring to say Hi! Fletcher was up next, and he did a few more signs than Ronnie but thought our judge Laura was just the most beautiful person ever! In true Ridgeback fashion he had to greet her! And then he saw all the people outside the ring and thought they were there for him so left to say Hi!!

At our Obedience trial, Ronnie was up first and did okay could have had better attention but did qualify! When Fletcher's turn came he started off very well, on leash heeling was good, better attention than Ronnie and then came the off leash heeling and a bit of a disaster no attention and I had to give him three extra commands, so he was an NQ. Ronnie's score was 184 1/2 and First Place!"

-Gail James





2024 ADTC ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

When: Tuesday, December 3rd. at 6:00pm

Set Up at 5:00pm

Where: Macungie Park Building... Downstairs

Members are welcome to bring their dogs

Hor d'oeuvres Served during **General Meeting 6:00pm**

Dinner served immediately following meeting.

Dinner Menu...

Boneless chicken thighs in Mushroom sauce

Roast Beef in gravy

Rice, roasted potatoes, mac and cheese, mixed veggies

Green salad and dressings

Please bring a dessert to share.

Water, soft drinks, coffee and tea will be provided

ADTC members no charge. Guests charged \$15.00

Raffle items and Monetary Donations accepted, contact

Edie Rysdyk. erysdyk@scherlinelaw.com

Hope to see everyone at this year's party!



ALLEN TOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.

General Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2024

Macungie Park

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**ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
Date: November 13, 2024
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by Vice President Gail James, who noted that there were 22 members in attendance.

Minutes:

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on October 9, 2024 which are posted on the website. No corrections or additions were noted. Katie Dyer moved to accept the October 9, 2024 minutes. The motion was seconded by Phyllis Broderick . The motions passed by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report - Linda Eldon:

Absent - Gail James read report(*see attached page 6*)

No corrections or additions were noted to the Treasurer's Report. Debbie Achenzie moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mary Spatz and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Correspondence – Kathryn Dyer:

Sent 2 AKC notifications to the general membership. One was regarding the new Rally regulations.

ADTC received a note from the City of Bethlehem thanking the club for the donation.

Federation – Edie Rysdyk:

Absent - Gail James reported
A lot of bills have not gone through the senate yet. Gail suggests looking at their website for more information about the bills still outstanding.
There has been no newsletter posted for 2024 yet.

Membership Report – Debbie Achenzie:

The following Membership information will be presented at the General Meeting on 11/13/2024

First Readings ... Please mark present or not present for the minutes.

C: 610-349-3460
Lockridgebritts@aol.com

Paul Kane
2165 Beechwood Steet
Orefield, PA 18069
English Mastiff
C: 610-393-4409
Paulandkaren2443@gmail.com

Thank You for including this report in the minutes.
Debbie Achenzie
Membership

Motion by Sharon Merkel to accept the 4 new members. The motion was seconded by Mary Minnich and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Training Director's Report – Terry Papineau: report on page 7

COMMITTEES:

Website – Steve Markowitz.

Steve said there has been a lot of information on phishing schemes on the internet lately. He wants to remind the members that our club will not request personal information.

Publicity – Jennifer Weidman

absent - no report

Newsletter – Jacqui Hartranft & Stacey Nash:

Jacqui Hartranft announced the deadline for the next newsletter is due November 25th. Jacqui requested that members send their brags and pictures to be published in the Newsletter. Please send information and pictures to Stacey Nash: staceyhayesnash@gmail.com or Jacqui Hartranft: japhart@ptd.net

A newsletter addendum will be sent out mid to late November with photos and brags from the shows. Please send your photos in asap or they will be published in the December newsletter.

Sunshine committee Sherry Hanley

A get well card was sent to Kathy Pugh. She fell and needed a partial hip replacement. She is in rehab and if you wish to send a card, please send to her home.

Nominations - Katie Dyer

Corresponding Secretary, Katie Dyer, announced the slate for the 2025 Board of Directors. Katie also announced that nominations for any Board position will be accepted at the December General meeting. 2025 Nominations page 8

Christmas Party - Chuck Achenzie and Bill Springer:

absent - Dusty Springer read report

Reminder, the date for this year's Christmas party and December General Meeting is Tuesday, December 3rd, starting at 6:00pm. Party will follow the general meeting. Hors d'oeuvres will be served during the general meeting and dinner to be served shortly after meeting. This year's dinner is being catered so we need a headcount for caterer. Please RSVP to Debbie Achenzie or Dusty Springer by November 25th. Members are free and guests are \$15.00 and can be given to Debbie on Training days or at party. Edie Rysdyk will once again be in charge of the raffle table. Donation of items can be given to Edie the night of the party. This year there will also be an exchange table where you can bring dog items you no longer need and take any items that you may find useful. Hope to see everyone there.

We need 10 volunteers to help set up at 5pm and 10 volunteers to stay after the party to help clean up. Please contact Dusty Springer if you are able to help.

A request was made for the handicap ramp to be accessible for the party goers. Someone will need to notify Amy at Macungie Park that we will need to use that entrance on December 3rd.

Awards and Recognition - Judy Lasso and Pat Gombocz

absent - Gail James read report

Deadline for submitting your request for an award earned during 2024 is December 31st. Form can be found in the newsletter and on the website.

Point Show – Gail James

Match shows and Rally / Obedience Trials went very well. Big thank you to all the stewards and helpers for all the shows. We received a very nice thank you from judge, Laura Rixom.

Reminder that the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club shows are December 11 through 15th at AG Hall in Allentown. Gail will need stewards for both December 11 and 12. If you are able to help, please contact Gail James.

Old Business:

New Business:

GENERAL BUSINESS

- The next Board meeting will be held on November 24, 2024 at 6:00PM. in Macungie Hall. Open to the membership.
- The next General Meeting will be held on December 3, 2024, at 6:00 PM Inside at Macungie Park
- Don't forget our Staples number is 610-439-2800

Brags:

There were 14 members with brags! Congratulations to everyone that shared their achievements.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the general membership Mary Spatz moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Katie Dyer.

The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Vice President, Gail James adjourned the meeting at 7:28PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Krapf, Recording Secretary

ADTC GENERAL MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT
Income/Expense by Category - November 13, 2024

10/09/2024 through 11/13/2024

	10/9/2024	11/13/2024
Category		
INCOME		
Dues	\$ 1,285.00	
Investments	\$ 19.26	
Match Show Income	\$ 500.00	
Point Show - November 2024	\$ 3,709.72	
Trophy Point Show May 2025	\$ 70.00	
Training Income	\$ 6,123.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 11,706.98	
EXPENSES		
Donations	\$ (1,000.00)	
Insurance - Club Liability	\$ (815.00)	
Match Show Expenses	\$ (375.00)	
Point Show - November 2024 Expenses	\$ (1,547.20)	
Rent & Expenses	\$ (2,562.18)	
Trainers Salaries	\$ (4,480.00)	
Storage Unit	\$ (416.00)	
Telephone	\$ (106.54)	
Website	\$ (161.88)	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (11,463.80)	
OVERALL TOTAL - PROFIT		\$243.18

Training Director's Report November 13, 2024

This is our first week of classes. All classes are full! There will be no classes the week of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Our shows were a big success and we received many compliments. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped with the show.

2025 Nominations for Board of Directors

President – Gail James

Vice President – Chuck Achenzie

Recording Secretary – Tracy Krapf

Corresponding Secretary – Katie Dyer

Treasurer – Linda Eldon

Training Director – Terry Papineau

Directors –

Debbie Achenzie

Edie Rysdyk

Steve Markowitz

Sherry Hanley

Lili Sanderlin

Joan Garofalo is interested in a Board seat.

Additional nominations will accepted from the membership at the December General Meeting.



ADTC MEMBERSHIP DUES

Your Allentown Dog Training Club dues are due by **January 1, 2025**. Payment of your membership dues by January 1, 2025 allows you to vote at the January meeting, be eligible for awards and continue to train with the club.

All meeting minutes and membership lists will be posted on the ADTC website.

Complete the form below and **sign the WAIVER** on next page.

1. Make checks payable to **ADTC, Inc.**

2. Return Form to:

ADTC, Inc.
c/o Debbie Achenzie
1935 Kensington Road
Bethlehem, PA 18018

- SINGLE MEMBERSHIP **\$35.00**
- EACH ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD MEMBER **\$15.00** (include all names)
- LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP **MUST SIGN THE WAIVER on next page.**
- MARK BOX IF ANY PERSONAL INFORMATION HAS CHANGED
- ADDITIONAL DONATION FOR THE 2025 TRIAL GENERAL TROPHY FUND.
If you wish to donate for a specific class or prize, use the Trophy Pledge form in the Members area of the website.

Name: _____
(including additional household members)

Street: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-mail Address: _____

Breed/Breeds of dogs you own: _____

Please read and sign the WAIVER, RELEASE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ASSUMPTION OF RISK and AUTHORIZATION on next page.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.
WAIVER, RELEASE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ASSUMPTION OF RISK
AND
AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF PHOTOS & EMAIL NOTIFICATION

I understand that my attendance and participation in any Allentown Dog Training Club, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "ADTC") class or activity, including but not limited to, obedience and rally training, is not without risk to myself, my dog(s) or any family member or guest who might be present at such function. Some dogs to which I might be exposed may be difficult to control and/or aggressive towards other canines and people, and may be a cause of injury even when handled with care. I expressly assume the risk of such damage or injury while attending any training class or other activity of ADTC or while on the ADTC facilities.

In consideration of the enrollment for training, and as an inducement to my participation in ADTC classes or activities, I hereby waive, release, discharge, and covenant not to sue ADTC, its officers, members and/or agents from any and all liability of any nature, for injury or damage which I, my dog, or any family member may sustain, including specifically, but without limitation, any injury or damage caused by the action of another dog or by participation in the foregoing activities.

In consideration of the enrollment for training and as an inducement to my participation in ADTC classes or activities, I additionally hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless the ADTC, its officers, members and agents, of and from any and all claims, causes of action, losses, damages, judgments, costs, or expenses, including attorneys' fees, which in any way arise from my or my family members or guests' acts, omissions and/or negligence, irrespective of whether the acts, omissions and/or negligence of the ADTC, its officers, members and agents, or any third party contributed to the loss.

I hereby certify that I am over the 18 years of age and I have read this paper and am fully aware that this contract constitutes a waiver and release of any and all liabilities because of injury to me, my dog, dogs or other property.

I hereby grant the Allentown Dog Training Club, Inc., including its officers, directors and members (hereafter collectively the "Club") permission to use my likeness in photographs, images and/or videos in any and all of its publications, including web space (internet site) and Facebook, and in any and all other media, whether now know or hereafter existing, controlled by the Club, in perpetuity, and for other use by the Club.

I acknowledge my participation with the Club is voluntary and I will receive no financial compensation, and I will make no monetary claim, or any other claim against the Club for the use of the photographs and/or video.

I hereby hold harmless, release and forever discharge the Club and its members, officers and directors from and against any and all actions, claims, demands, complaints, lawsuits and any other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of, or be caused by the use of any such photographs and/or video.

I Authorize Allentown Dog Training Club, Inc., to send me notifications by use of email.

Signature of

Owner/Member/Participant and Parent _____
(If member is under the age of 18)

Additional Household Member _____

Date _____