

BARKS & BYTES NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the ADTC January issue of the Barks & Bytes

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, BOTH TWO LEGGED AND FOUR

LEGGED. We are hoping that 2025 will be a great year with many exciting opportunities for all. Our second annual Fall Obedience and Rally trials were very successful with two participants finishing two big titles, the OTCH (Obedience Trial Championship) and the RACH (Rally Championship). We hope seeing that happen gives our members the urge to give it a try to earn these two great Championship titles. Two years ago (2023) we had two members earn their OTCH and three members earn their RACH titles. They were awarded their beautiful plaques at our Awards Picnic last July. Check out the Obedience Rulebook and the Rally Rulebook to see what is required. Hopefully, it will not be too long before we will have some other members earning these awards.

REGARDING OBEDIENCE AND RALLY RULE BOOKS, please make it one of the first things to do in 2025 is to **order these rulebooks from AKC.** The cost is minimal and the information in them is so important. We hear that all the time, "it is on the AKC website" but do you know where all the information is located, and can you bring it up at a moment's notice when at a show should you have a question. I have found valuable information in the Judges section. Never go to a trial without a rulebook!!

Our training schedule will get back to normal after all the interruptions (The Lehigh Valley Kennel Club show on December 11 and 12, Christmas Holiday and New Years Day) a longer break than normal happened this year. Speaking of the Christmas holiday....my family and I had the great pleasure of attending the Carmerata Singers and Pennsylvania Sinfonia Orchestra's production of Handel's Messiah. **Our own Katie Dyer and Wilma Brucker are members of the Carmerata Singers** and what a great concert it was with great soloists and the beautiful music by Handel. If you missed it this year, you must wait till 2027 to hear it again.

We hope that all who entered the November and December shows did well. There are some shows starting up in January and February so do not wait to enter as some may have closed already. There are also quite a few match shows. You do have to enter far ahead. **Our training will be starting up January 8 and 9 so we are looking forward to seeing all of you at Memorial Hall in Macungie.**

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

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2025 OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Be sure to attend our first general meeting of 2025 on January 8 at 7:00pm. For those in the Open class we hope that you will stay and attend the meeting as the Board does need your input. We will have our 2025 election of officers at that time. See the Board members listed below who have graciously offered to give of their time to help make ADTC the great dog training club that it is. **MANY MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO VOLUNTEERED!!**

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		

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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 **January 8 at 7:00pm**

2024 DONATIONS BY ADTC

Dear Members:

At our December 2023 Christmas Party, I brought up a past policy of our Club to donate to Non-Profit Organizations on an Annual basis. Sue Sacco, Janet Mohr, and Diane Hilperts were on the committee at that time. The membership was in favor of restarting that charitable donation policy, and **we were given permission from the Board to spend \$1,000.00.**

We developed a list from various sources, ie, Newspapers, etc., & also received ideas from Club members, Mary Minnich, Sherry Hanley. We reached out to several organizations for their background information, and picked 3 Organizations that we felt were the worthiest.

Our final Organizations are as follows:

Greater Phila. Search & Rescue - \$500.00

- We are an unpaid, entirely volunteer Organization and receive no State funding.
- We cover our own Liability Ins., Uniforms, Park Fees, Radio/Communication equip, Auto Ins., Vehicle/equip.& maint, Canine gear, etc.
- Provide emergency/disaster relief in the form of search & rescue (human & K9) (No cost).
- Offer Public Education to prevent missing persons incidents.
- Offer advisory service to families navigating the legal process of reporting & searching for missing persons.
- Our dogs are owner trained family dogs, starting from 6 mos. to 2 yrs. and are taught to:
 - Air scent and find a person or "cadaver", and then come back to their handler to lead them to that find.
 - They are also taught boat and water search skills.

Tails of Valor Paws of Honor (Journey with a Purpose) - \$250.00

- Provide animal assisted therapy, rehabilitation programs resulting in service dogs able to assist with physical & psychological issues affecting our Veterans and First Responders and their families.
- All our dogs have been socialized to experience up to 100 different exposures of everyday living.
- Learn up to 30 commands & tasks that are specific to their eventual human upon completion of their training (1,500 - 2,000 hrs).
- Fully trained ADA guideline service dogs are given at no cost to our applicants.
- Our animal assisted therapies help our Veterans and Fire Responders heal from trauma stress related disorders:
 - ie: (PST) Post Traumatic Stress, (TBI) Traumatic Brain Injury.
- These services are provided at no cost.

Bethlehem Police Department - \$250.00

- Their "K9 Wish Fund" receives donations to support dogs Training, Protection Equipment, food, etc.

Submitted by:

Cris Courduff, Susan Sacco, Janet Mohr, Diane Hilperts.

ADTC CLUB AND TROPHY FUND

Dear members:

Our Club has been in existence since 1953 and has a big following at our Obedience & Rally Trials. That is because of the support that our members have afforded through all these years! We have just one more month, to **January 31st**, to support our Club Trophy Fund for May, to cover the many Ribbons, Trophies, and Cash offerings we give at our Trials each year.

Now that Christmas is behind us, please look ahead to remember to support our Club Trophies again this year. The Form is in our Newsletter to send to me:

Cris Courduff

Trophy Chair

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GROUP EMAIL

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

TRAINING

Our present training session will continue until around the end of January if there are no weather cancellations. Then a new session will start. The notices have gone out, so do not hesitate to enter the classes you want. We only have the building a brief time from Wednesday afternoon through Thursday evening and because of the limited time there are quite a few classes to get in and they fill quickly. Some classes will take drop-ins and others will not, so read the applications carefully.

Please remember to check our group email if the weather is projected to be “iffy” as classes may be cancelled. Members come from all over the Lehigh Valley and beyond so the weather may be fine in one area but icy or snowy in another part, especially the northern areas.

*Make a New Years Resolution to spend more time training
& having fun with your dog!*

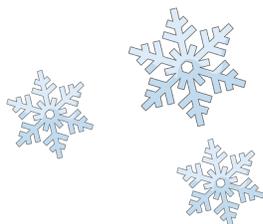
....and to come to classes regularly. We hope to see all of you at one or both training days!



MEMBERSHIP

Debbie Achenzie urges everyone to get their membership annual fee and signed a release to her as soon as possible. You cannot participate in training if you are not a paid-up member. Life members are urged to sign the release and get that to her as well. If you have any questions, please contact her.

Let us welcome the following new member.



Steve Baier
220 Cherokee Street,
Emmaus, PA 18049
C 610-739-4472 or 610-965-6308
Havanese



ADTC AWARDS PROGRAM

As of January 1, 2025, Judy Lasso and Pat Gombocz will no longer take any more applications for our awards picnic in July. This is a celebration of our members and their dogs for all their ACHIEVEMENTS AND HARD WORK during the year 2023!! We also thank our wonderful TRAINERS for helping all of us attain our goals! ADTC awards beautiful wooden plaques and certificates to all those who have earned AKC titles in 2024. We are an AKC affiliated club and only accept titles earned from AKC events. If you have not received your AKC title certificate yet, please mail it to Judy after you receive it. If you have any questions, please contact Judy or Pat.

WEBSITE

Steve is keeping the website updated. He is also looking for any pictures you would like him to put on the website. This shows the public that our members enjoy doing things with their dogs and hopefully urge others to check us out. Everyone loves a well-trained dog... and this does not happen overnight. Photos do not have to be show or awards pictures.

We love to see members having fun with their dogs!

Steve can be reached at: smarko1@rcn.com

A NOTE OF THANKS

A huge thank you to all the Allentown Dog Training Members Who Stewarded for me at the Lehigh Valley Kennel Club Obedience and Rally Trials on December 11 and 12. You made the event run smoothly, and I received many compliments. As you know these events cannot happen without the Stewards and I appreciate all the hard work!

Thank You! -*Gail James Obedience and Rally Chair for Lehigh Valley Kennel Club.*

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Many thanks to Bill Springer and Chuck Achenzie (and we suspect Dusty and Debbie had a hand in it) for a super Christmas Party. And Bill and Chuck would also like to thank all who helped set up and tear down, brought auction items and bid on some and many other things. ...All the things that make the Christmas party a success. Amy and Barry and their crew cooked a great dinner, and members supplied so many desserts to satisfy any sweet tooth! There were lots of doggie things on the Chinese auction table, a container of dog biscuits to guess the number and win it!! Many thanks to Edie Rysdyk even though she is recovering from surgery, brought a bunch of great prizes to try for. Even Judy Lasso's table filled with doggie items members to trade was amazing. She donated whatever was left over to Last Chance Ranch. It was definitely a great success!! And our beautiful Christmas tree added a festive feel.



We hope that everyone had a great time and that everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

MEMBER OF THE MONTH

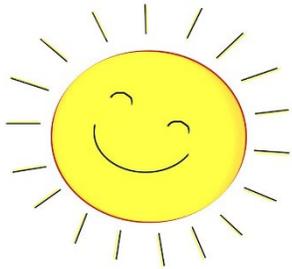
A little bit about myself and my pups.... meet Jennifer Colligas!

I am a lifelong resident of the Lehigh Valley. I have always had a love for all animals and my childhood aspiration was to become a veterinarian but that never happened! Regardless, my biggest passion has always been for dogs, particularly the bully breed. Currently, I am the proud owner of an 8-yr old American Bulldog (Otis); a 2-yr old French Bulldog, (Ivan); and a 4-yr old American Staffie Mix (Mazie).

The bond between a dog and its owner/trainer has always amazed me. And to me, the joy and unconditional love they bring is a true gift from God. I love doing back yard training with my pups and teaching them tricks and fun things. Watching them get so excited as I praise them for learning a new task or trick brings equal joy and excitement to me! It was not until I got my French Bulldog Ivan in March of 2023, that I had considered doing more than fun work in the backyard. It all started with Terry's puppy training class in the park. I signed up because I initially had a goal of training for therapy dog work and taking our show on the road. After we did the first class, we signed up for the next. Ivan advanced on to receive his CGC with TKN. I really enjoyed the classes, watching Ivan (and myself) continue to learn new things so I decided to become a member of ADTC where we continue to take Obedience classes, and we are now working at learning Rally. Being a Member of ADTC has benefited me in many ways that I never even counted on! I have met so many great people and I have truly challenged myself and my dog in so many rewarding ways. Attached is a photo of my current little pack.



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.

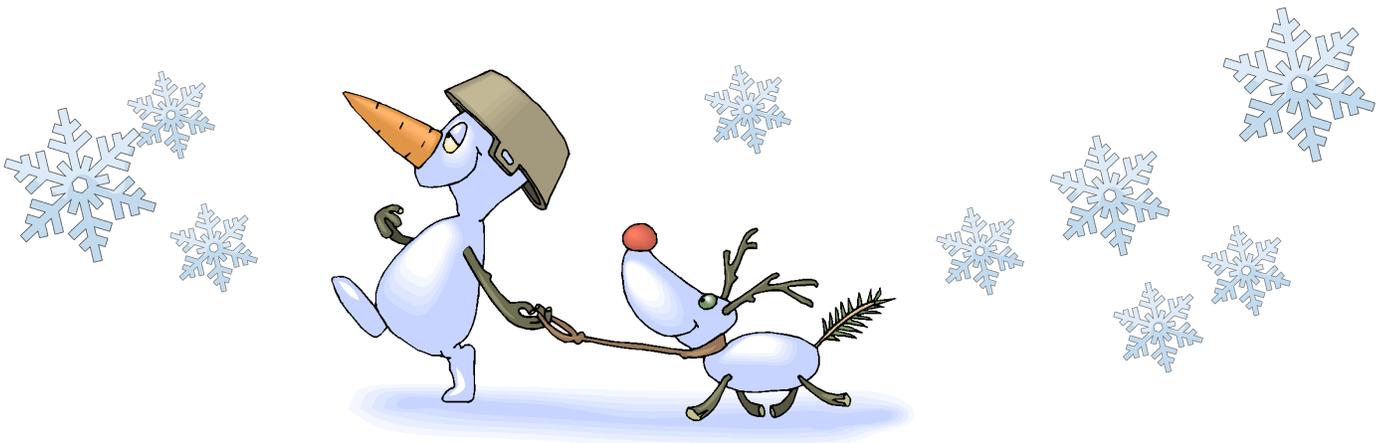
A PLACE TO TRAIN

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.

...This is the column for you. It is good to send a good explanation of the item and pictures are always good.



ACHIEVEMENTS

There are quite a few **ACHIEVEMENTS THIS MONTH!! GREAT BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!** All of us at ADTC are proud of all of you. So here they are in no special order.

AT THE FETCH TRIAL ON NOVEMBER 30 AT COUNTRY K9 IN ALBRIGHTSVILLE, QUITE A FEW MEMBERS TOOK PART ON A VERY WINDY AND COLD COLD DAY!!! So, we will start with that.

LINDA KREPAK REPORTED THAT NYXIE earned her Novice and Intermediate Fetch titles. Her other dog Bask also earned his Fetch Novice title at the same trial.



IRWIN LINKER BETTER KNOWN AS LINK AND SIBERIAN CASEY also gave Fetch a try by earning Casey's Novice and Intermediate titles.

TERRY PAPINEAU AND BACI decided to give Fetch a try and earned her Novice title.

BEA BOCKOWSKI AND HER BEARDED COLLIE WERE ALSO SEEN THERE. I AM NOT SURE WHAT TITLES THEY EARNED BUT I AM SURE THEY EARNED AT LEAST ONE!!

JACQUI HARTRANFT AND HER LABS ABBEY AND COOPER both passed Fetch Novice and Fetch Intermediate. Both love retrieving bumpers.



I hope that I did not miss anyone who was there. It was extremely cold and windy, and I felt so sorry for the poor judges who stood there and judged our dogs. Many many thanks to both. Also, to Carol Wyatt at Country K9 for holding it. I am sure she will be holding other FETCH trials this year 2025.

ADDITIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

TRACY KRAFT AND MONTE THE THERAPY DOG earned the ACE Award which aired on ESPN on December 15. Read down what Tracy wrote about the Award in which Monte was one of the Runner-ups and to find out more about it. **BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO TRACY AND MONTE THE THERAPY DOG!!**

"Monty The Therapy Dog and Tracy Krapf are excited to announce the air date for "The 2024 AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence" (ACE Award) **Airing December 15th on ESPN 2 at 6PM ET.**

Monty was nominated and became a finalist but did not win...they are still going to include him on the special TV program though! Even though we did not win, this is a huge honor! Especially for Scottish Terriers everywhere! Read more about the ACE awards here: <https://www.akc.org/about/awards-and-honors/akc-humane-fund-awards-canine-excellence-ace/>. Maybe you know a dog to nominate next year!" - Tracy

IRWIN (LINK) LINKER AND KARMA reported that Karma was not to be outdone by her big brother Casey. She earned her CGC title on December 2 and then several days later on December 5 she also earned her Novice Trick Dog title (TKN). **BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO LINK AND KARMA!!** Casey had better watch out or she will outdo him!! Karma not all that long ago came to live with Casey and at the age of 9 has started competing in obedience. You cannot hold these seniors down!!

JUDY SKORUP AND HOMER WERE QUITE BUSY IN 2024! ...BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO JUDY AND HOMER!! Now on to Excellent!!.

"Good evening all, Today Homer competed in two Rally Advanced trials and earned his Rally Advanced title. He scored an 83/100 (after refusing to jump) and earned 2nd place for his second "leg". Then he earned 93/100 in the afternoon for his third "leg" and first place plus his Rally title. The judge commented that it was nice to see an unusual breed in the rally ring! On to Rally Excellent!
But, for tonight, Homer is one tired Pyr. He is horizontal and sound asleep.

Homer joined the Skorup family on Dec. 11th, 2023. We were very happy to welcome him into our home; Emma is happy to have a housemate/playmate and Homer is happy to do a variety of activities, classes and make new friends, both people and canines.



"We all wish you a very happy holiday season with your canines!" - Judy

BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO **ANNA GUGLIELMO AND SHELTYE TIMMY** FOR EARNING A GREAT OPEN (CDX) SCORE OF 197 UNDER JUDGE JOSEPH CAPUTO and was tied for fourth place. Great job to the both of you.

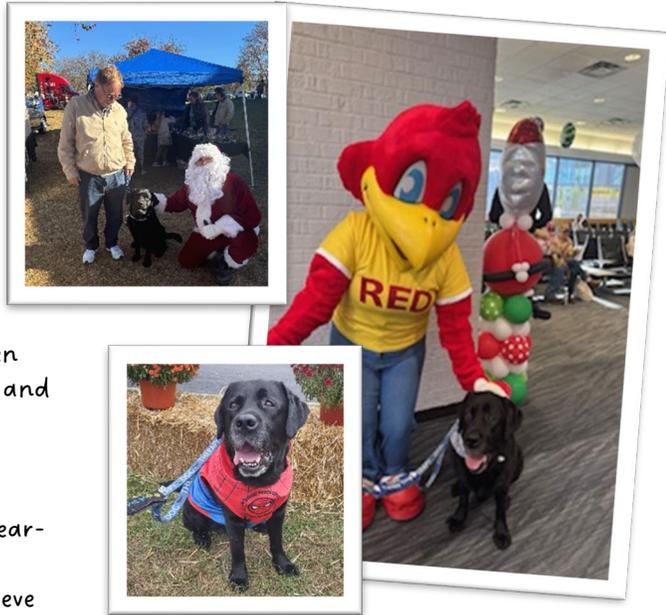
AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST IS **SHERRY HANLEY AND LEGEND** ON ALL THEIR SUCCESSES AT OUR SHOW IN NOVEMBER AND AT OAKS IN DECEMBER. Do check out the pictures and what Sherry wrote. BIG BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH. Thanks for the beautiful write up!

MEMBERS & THEIR DOGS WORKING OR HAVING FUN

STEVE MARKOWITZ sent us pictures of Barkly and Cody at their job of being great therapy dogs. Enjoy seeing them participating in holiday doings.

"Barkley is a COPE Dog allowing him to do Therapy Dog work at the Lehigh Valley International Airport. On December 14 he worked at the airport at the Miracle League of the Lehigh Valley 15 with lucky families taking a flight of a lifetime on the North Pole Express at Lehigh Valley International Airport. Children were greeted at the airport by Santa and Mrs. Claus and other characters.

The Miracle League of the Lehigh is provides sports and social activities year-round for hundreds of children and young adults with special needs." - Steve



AND FINALLY, STACEY AND JACQUI WANT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO SENT US THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS, PICTURES & ARTICLES IN 2024.

We love hearing from some of our newer members in MEMBER OF THE MONTH as well as when they and their dogs do well in a trial. Have a wonderful 2025 and enjoy everything you and your dog are learning together.

HAVE A HAPPY & SUCCESSFUL 2025!



Super Stewards

Words by Sandi Atkinson, after Super Trouper by ABBA

Super Stewards volunteered to help out in the Rally ring,
Ready for everything—whatever the dogs and handlers bring!

A quiet time at home you love the most; but they needed your skills at the dog show.
All you gotta do is help the judge; and hand out armbands like an old pro.

The judge depends on you to make things move along, pulling signs and checking scores.
You really make a difference—let's make sure you aren't ignored!

Today the Super Stewards are on their toes, there's no doubt;
Without you, the ring can't run (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards);
Helping everyone (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards); judge knows you are number one!
Today the Super Stewards volunteered to help out in the Rally ring (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards),
Ready for everything (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards)—whatever the dogs and handlers bring!

Solving twenty problems for your friends—for information they're so greedy.
Handlers' questions never seem to end! How can these people be so needy?
There are moments when you think you're going crazy, checking placements and the scores.
You really make a difference—let's make sure you aren't ignored!

Today the Super Stewards are on their toes, there's no doubt;
Without you, the ring can't run (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards);
Helping everyone (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards); judge knows you are number one!
Today the Super Stewards volunteered to help out in the Rally ring (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards),
Ready for everything (Sup-p-per Stew-w-wards)—whatever the dogs and handlers bring!

Award time comes when judging ends: In each class, handlers stand beside their ringside
friends,
You give the judge the fancy ribbons, almost done—
They'll get the prizes, but YOU'RE number one!

Today the Super Stewards are on their toes, there's no doubt;
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the dogs and handlers bring!





Legend finished out the year at the Winter Blast in Oaks with some nice wins and his Beginner Novice (B) title. He earned his first leg at our ADTC trial with a 1st placement. At the Oaks show on December 5th Legend placed 4th and the next day he earned his title with a 1st placement. On the same days at Oaks we had two days of Specialties where Legend was awarded Select Dog & Best of Breed Owner Handler. It was his first time back in the conformation ring in 3 years since finishing his Championship. Legend is now CH Celebre Legendary Frozen J RN RI BN CGC TKN.
 ~Sherry Hanley



ALLEN TOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.

General Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2024

Macungie Park

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**ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
Date: December 3, 2024
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 6:12PM by President Chuck Achenzie, who noted that there were 50+ members in attendance.

Minutes:

The membership had before it for approval the minutes of the general meeting held on November 13, 2024 which are posted on the website. No corrections or additions were noted. Katie Dyer moved to accept the November 13, 2024 minutes. The motion was seconded by Wilma Brucker Krause . The motions passed by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report - Linda Eldon:

(see attached page 5)

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

Correspondence – Kathryn Dyer:

A letter from AKC was received. Our fall trial has been approved and set.

Federation – Edie Rysdyk:

No Report

Membership Report – Debbie Achenzie:

The following Membership information will be presented at the General Meeting on 12/3/2024

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

Johanna Townsend absent
3318 Route 309
Orefield, PA 19069
Gordon Setter
C: 610-703-9894
jmtownsend2806@gmail.com

Newsletter – Jacqui Hartranft & Stacey Nash:

Jacqui Hartranft announced the deadline for the next newsletter is due December 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

Sunshine committee Sherry Hanley

No report

Nominations - Katie Dyer

Slate for 2025 Board of Directors will be read and nominations for all Board positions will be accepted from the membership. (2025 Nominations page 7)

A motion to close the nominations was made by Mary Minnich. Wilma Brucker Krause seconded the motion and the motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Christmas Party - Chuck Achenzie and Bill Springer:

Thank you to Bill and Dusty Springer and Debbie Achenzie for organizing this year's Christmas Party. Also thank you all members who arrived early and helped setup for party and those that stayed and helped to clean up.

Awards and Recognition - Judy Lasso and Pat Gombocz

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. If you earned a title and have not yet received the certificate, you can still include that on your form, just remember to send a copy of the certificate when you get it.

Trophies - Cris Courduff

Cris is working on all the trophy donations for next year's shows. Form for donating towards the trophy fund can be found in the newsletter, and there are paper copies in the training area upstairs in Macungie Park building. Please consider donating. The club needs to purchase new OTCH and RACH ribbons.

There was a 50/50 drawing held at the Christmas party to raise money for the Trophies fund.

Point Show – Gail James

The dates have been approved and set for the fall shows. Judge panel for the Spring show are also set.

We have enough stewards for the LV shows December 11 & 12, thank you to everyone that volunteered.

Old Business:

Cris Courduff read a yearly recap on behalf of the Donations Committee. She explained how the committee decided on the organizations and how the money was distributed among the three deserving organizations. Thank you letters from both Bethlehem Police Department and Tails of Valor were read during the meeting by Sue Sacco.

President Chuck Achenzie thanked the Donations Committee for all their work this year.

New Business:

A card and donation of thanks was given to Amy Hilligas for all she does for ADTC.

Amy Hilligas thanked ADTC for always respecting Macungie Park building and its outside grounds.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- The next Board meeting will be held on January 26, 2025 at 6:00PM. in Macungie Hall.
- The next General Meeting will be held on January 8, 2025, at 7:00 PM Inside at Macungie Park
- Don't forget our Staples number is 610-439-2800

Braggs:

4 Members shared brags. Congratulations to everyone that shared their achievements.

Adjournment:

There being no further business before the general membership Sue Sacco moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Pat McAnally.

The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President, Chuck Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 6:36PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy Krapf, Recording Secretary

ADTC GENERAL MEETING TREASURER'S REPORT
Income/Expense by Category - December 03, 2024

11/13/2024 through 12/03/2024

		11/13/2024
Category		21/03//2024
INCOME		
Dues	\$	590.00
Investments	\$	143.25
Trophy Point Show May 2025	\$	30.00
Training Income	\$	2,448.00
Xmas Party	\$	165.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$	3,376.25
EXPENSES		
Insurance - Club Liability	\$	(828.00)
Misc. Expenses	\$	(242.09)
Point Show - November 2024 Expenses	\$	(775.08)
Rent & Expenses	\$	(1,652.18)
Telephone	\$	(63.11)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	(3,560.46)
OVERALL TOTAL - PROFIT		-\$184.21

Training Director's Report November 13, 2024

Class will be held this week, December 4 & 5

No classes December 11 & 12 for Star of Bethlehem Dog shows at Ag Hall

No classes December 25 & 26 for Christmas holiday

No classes January 1 & 2 for New Year's holiday

The current class schedule will now end on January 23rd.

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



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 _____