



BARKS & BYTES NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to the ADTC **NOVEMBER** issue of Barks & Bytes

Welcome to the NOVEMBER 2025 newsletter. Welcome to the November 2025 issue of BARKS & BYTES. This will be a very busy time for our dogs and our club. Our shows and matches will be over by the time you get this. There was just so much to do between getting ready for our Fall Trials and Matches and everything in between. We do apologize for the newsletter being late. And then there are the holidays which are fast approaching. There is usually no training during the week of Thanksgiving, and it does not look as though we will have training between Christmas and New Years as both Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve are on Wednesday. And then Christmas Day and New Year's Day on Thursday. However, for now training will continue on and the dogs will love it and spend time with YOUR DOG!!

At the suggestion of President Gail James, we decided to write some articles on things like what is a match show, what do stewards do, what class should I enter, A or B, what should I enter and more questions than I can think of right now. But I am sure that many of you have questions you would love to have answered so please do not hesitate to let us know. Quite a few years ago when Debbie Achenzie and I started the newsletter we had several new members who were new to competitive dog training and not just pet training. So, I wrote quite a few articles on what I thought most newer members might want to learn about AKC Competitive Obedience and Rally. So, we will start informative articles again on things you may want to learn about. We have great trainers, and they all hope that sooner or later members will take the plunge and enter a trial. And in fact, some of our new members did show their dogs this past weekend. Please get in touch with us with any questions you might like to see in the newsletter. Just send to me at japhart@ptd.net or Stacey at staceyhayesnash@gmail.com and let us know what questions you would like to see answered. Of course, your instructors can also help with any questions you may have. – **all the best,** *Jacqui*



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2025 OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

The 2025 board of directors and officers are listed below.

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NOTE: Our general membership meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month.

ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB GROUP EMAIL

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

TRAINING

At this point there are a few changes to our new schedule. We are off during the week of Thanksgiving. A new six-week session is here. We have the building a limited time and our instructors are trying their best to accommodate everyone. So let us be very grateful for having this building for the time that we do have it and for our great instructors. All of this at a very reasonable cost. We are also an AKC affiliated club and I think the only one in the area. With the increased demand by newer members and our older members getting new puppies or dogs, Terry was able to add another Novice class which Debbie Achenzie agreed to teach. It will be after our Thursday Open/Utility class which runs from 9:00 to 10:30. Debbie's two classes will be from 10:30 to 11:30 and 11:30 to 12:30. . There is later an Open class taught by Dusty.

After Thanksgiving, both Christmas and New Years are on Wednesday and Thursday. We will not be having any classes.

The Lehigh Valley Kennel Club and Delaware Water Gap Kennel Club will be having their for Obedience and Rally on Wednesday and Thursday. **Gail oversees getting stewards for those two days so please offer to help. Read the article below on WHAT IS A STEWARD.** It is a great way to learn what goes on at a dog show. We are sure many of you will also be considering entering as it is so close to home. AND THIS TIME THE SUPERINTENDENT IS RAU!!

OBEDIENCE CLASSES OPEN TO ALL PROVIDED DOG IS QUALIFIED		
WEDNESDAY		
Time	Class	Trainer
3:30 pm	Rally Nov/Adv.	Dusty
6 pm	Nosework	Judy
4:45 pm	Utility	Phyllis
6 pm	Open	Phyllis
7:30pm	Rally Adv/Exc	Gail
THURSDAY		
9-10:30	Open/Utility	Terry
10:30 am	Novice	Debbie
11:30 am	Novice	Debbie
12:30 pm	Open	Dusty
4 pm	Rally Exc/Masters	Carol
5 pm	Star Puppy	Maryanne B.
6 pm	Beginner	Maryanne B.
7 pm	Beginner Novice/Novice	Terry / Gail

FACEBOOK!

ADTC on Facebook

Follow the new public Facebook page:

Select "Follow"

If you do not see follow, select "..."

[Facebook Page - Allentown Dog Training Club](#); this is a screenshot of the cover photo and profile picture. This page has the yellow logo with blue border (the previous page has the yellow only logo).



*You do not need to have a Facebook account to view the page, but you do need to have an account and be logged in to follow and/or interact with the page.

PRIVATE MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK GROUP!

ADTC on Facebook (members only) too!

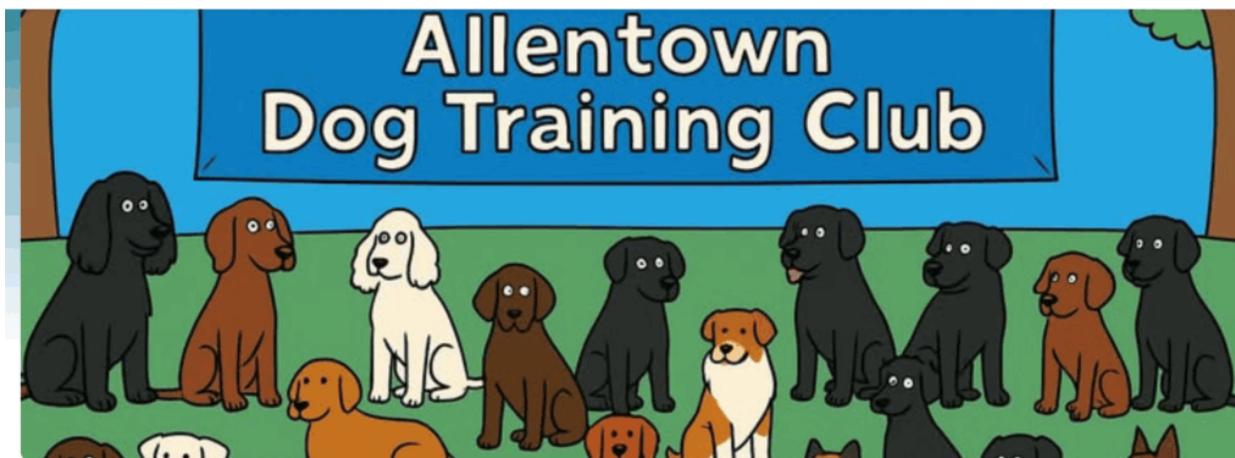
And join the new private members-only Facebook group:

Select "Join group"

Help keep our group members only - select "Answer Questions"

Please enter your name in the field below "Please confirm your first and last name as it appears on the Allentown Dog Training Club Membership List". Then select "Submit". This question is optional, but recommended especially if your Facebook name does not match your name as it appears on the membership list. Thank you!

[Facebook Group - Allentown Dog Training Club - Members Only](#); this is a screenshot of the group cover photo, it is a cartoon image of the group photo from the main page and website.



Allentown Dog Training Club - Members Only

Private group · 2 members

[Join group](#)



*You must have a Facebook account and be logged in to join the group. Since the group is private, you will not be able to view any posts on the group page without joining the group.

We encourage you to interact with the private group as you would with the email list serve. Please also share photos and videos of your dogs, especially training and at events. Thank you!

WHAT ARE STEWARDS AND WHAT DO THEY DO

We will use Training to write about some things in COMPETITIVE OBEDIENCE. We just had our THIRD ANNUAL FALL OBEDIENCE/RALLY TRIALS and several matches, we thought this might be a good time to explain the job of being a STEWARD.

I always wrote that NO STEWARDS NO SHOWS. This is so true. Along with the judges, stewards help keep everything running as smoothly as possible.

- There are head stewards and gate stewards.
 - The head steward is an important job and helps the judge keep track of the competitors and their scores so at the end it makes it easier for the judge to award the first four placements.
 - The gate steward makes sure that the next dog is “on deck” and ready to go into the ring. The gate stewards also help set up the proper jumps heights and help competitors who may have to change their place due to being in another class and things like that. This steward would bring it to the attention of the judge who must approve any changes. And check in is with the head steward so adjustments can be made in the book and also on the board outside the ring. This board tells everyone who has entered and finished and how many dogs have yet to go, etc.

Being a steward is not hard. It is essential to make sure everything is running smoothly for the judge and the competitors. Judges are always so appreciative of stewards and go out of their way to thank them for volunteering. Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions. I hope that this answers any questions you may have but if not be sure to ask any of our more experienced trainers.

I ALSO WANT TO ADD ONE MORE THING!! **Request an AKC rule book.** THEY ARE NOT EXPENSIVE AND CAN SAVE YOU A LOT OF TIME AND TROUBLE TO HAVE IT HANDY TO LOOK UP. I know you can find the information on the AKC website BUT some of the information is valuable in your hand. Having and READING the book may save you from making a mistake and costing you points or worse, an NQ.

MEMBERSHIP

Debbie Achenzie has announced that we have a new member.

Please welcome Lauren Gerlof to Allentown Dog Training Club.

Lauren has a German Shepherd Dog. I will add that Lauren participated in our show!!

And as you all are aware the MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL was sent out in the October newsletter and will be in this website also. Be aware that for many years Debbie and ADTC have been very generous in letting people wait until the end of January or later to renew their membership. THIS WILL NO LONGER BE THE CASE! Anyone who does not renew their membership by January 15, 2026 (hard to believe 2026!!!) They will have to rejoin as a new member. I am sure that most of you do not want to do that. So please be sure to get your renewal **before JANUARY 15, 2026!!** We want to make things easier for our committee members like Debbie to have your membership on time.

WEBSITE

Steve Markowitz welcomes and urges anyone who has taken some great pictures of your dogs, especially dogs doing things. Be sure to send Steve pictures. He would love to have anything you and your dog have done whether getting a title or placement or just having a great time. He and Amanda Greene, our new recording secretary are working together to get more things out to the public and to put on Facebook.

He has the Trophy/Ribbon form for our May trial, the membership form renewal for 2026, and Christmas Party flyer listed. Be sure to check it out on our website.

Contact him to add anything of interest for members to the website. And do check the website every so often.

Steve can be reached at: smarko1@rcn.com

THIRD ANNUAL FALL RALLY & OBEDIENCE POINT SHOW

WOW WHAT A GREAT WEEK AND WEEKEND!!! FIRST, MANY THANKS TO GAIL JAMES AND TERRY PAPINEAU FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK IN GETTING EVERYTHING TOGETHER. Club members were impressive in volunteering for FIVE DAYS of match shows and Rally/Obedience trials as well as setting up and tearing down.. None of this could have been accomplished without the help of the members who did an awesome job!! And we also thank so many of our members, some of them new members, who took the plunge and decided to enter their dogs. No matter how things turned out (and remember they are dogs and we are people who also make mistakes) whether for the good or bad, it is always a learning experience. We hope that all left the building on Sunday night happy for how the days went, whether in Rally or Obedience.

We do not wish to name members who put so much time and effort for fear we will miss someone. **MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO CAME TO VOLUNTEER!!** We have a wonderful club with supporting members who are willing to help those with training issues with their dogs. We also have people who did not enter or work but brought wonderful goodies to sustain us throughout the five days.

And as Co-Editor with Stacey Nash, I would like to make a comment. I have been doing this crazy but fun sport for about 20 years or more. Over the years I have seen quite a few changes to the sport of Obedience/Rally and for a while it looked as though fewer new people were getting involved in it. Very few entries on the Novice levels especially at the A level in both Obedience and Rally. I often check on the AKC website Results and Upcoming Events while keeping our local shows in mind. It has been a long time since I saw a Novice B entry like we had. It was great to see such a large entry!! Yes, the A entry was low, but we had 3 dogs entered and at most shows none or one or two at the most!!! So, I am hoping that more people will start entering and continuing forward to get their Companion Dog Title and more. Yes, it is a lot of demanding work and not an easy thing to do but it is special time working and bonding with your dog like nothing else!!

There will be more information on the results as things get tabulated and double checked. So, stay tuned for more information and be sure to put it on your calendar for next year once we get the dates. **OUR ANNUAL SPRING POINT SHOW WILL BE HELD NEXT YEAR IN MAY IN BARTO.** So, keep it in mind when you get your new 2026 calendars.

SUNSHINE



- **Sara Schrum reports that she is feeling much better and hopes to be back to training soon.** She thanks everyone for their cards and kind thoughts.

I unexpectedly and heartbrokenly lost my Ruger this past week. It's been hard to wrap my head around it, it was too early and unexpected. On Friday, Nov. 8th, my faithful and loving companion Ruger.

...unexpectedly succumbed to Cancer in his Spleen. He showed no signs of distress until that night around 8pm. The preceding Sunday, we did a nice TDX Trial in N. J. but missed the end. On Tuesday, he ran agility courses at practice in Barto with ease. Friday morning, he jogged on our regular trip to the Barn to mingle with the chickens and check the nests for eggs.

On Friday night he indicated something wasn't right and I took him to Quakertown Vet. The MRI showed fluid in his Spleen. The needle extraction had blood. When they went in to remove his spleen, there were multiple tumors which were cancerous. As they were telling me this, his heart stopped and I did not want him to resuscitate. Everyday does not get easier.

We were supposed to grow old together. He kept me moving.

Heartbroken, *Cris*

EZBROOKS HOT SHOT RUGER

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Star Puppy / Temp.Cert. / CGC / BN / UD / RE, RAE, RM \ RAT-O

Agility - 24" - STD - N, O, Ex / JWW - N, O. / FAST - N, O, Ex.

Agility - 20"p - STD - N, O, Ex. / JWW - N, O, Ex. / FAST - N, O



TROPHY FUND

For us to attract Obedience and Rally competitors to our point shows, we need members to donate to our TROPHY FUND. We also offer cash prizes which fewer clubs do today along with placement rosettes. Please consider donating to this fund. Cris Courduff oversees the trophies. We need to offer beautiful rosettes. Check out the form on our website and as well as below to make your donation. The entry fees from the competitors help cover the expenses of putting on their trials. Just like needing judges and stewards we need money for prizes to attract competitors. I have been lucky enough to win a few High In Trial rosettes and love them. Of course, getting a new title is also the BEST ALONG WITH A PLACEMENT ROSETTE! And best of all are the cash awards which are hardly ever offered today.

ANNUAL AWARDS PROGRAM AND PICNIC

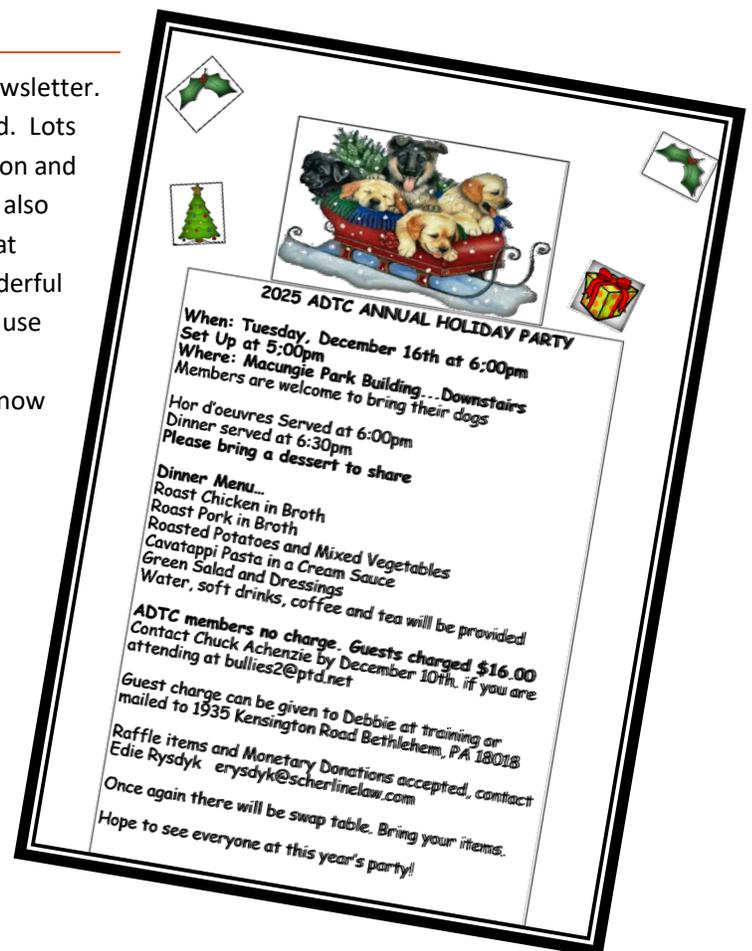
At year-end, renew your membership and review your and your dog's 2025 achievements to see if you qualify for ADTC's plaques or certificates. Judy Lasso and Pat Gombocz have done this for many years. So read the information carefully and if you have any questions, be sure to contact them. Since this is an AKC affiliated club, we can only recognize achievements from AKC events. The forms are on the ADTC website, and you can fill them out there. However, we do recognize achievements from other organizations in this newsletter. Be sure to send your information to Judy and Pat if you are eligible for one of these many awards. This will be done at our picnic in the Park in June. THE FORM TO FILL OUT IS ON THE CLUB WEBSITE.

And if you did not get to the picnic in June, Steve has many pictures which he took on the website. So be sure to check them out and see how many members you recognize!!

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Please find the flyer for the Christmas Party in the newsletter. There are always great companionship and good food. Lots of things on the Chinese Auction table for you to bid on and guess the number of biscuits jar. And Judy Lasso will also have a table of dog things which are still good but that members have no need for. Last year, I got this wonderful small leather leash there that I just love—so great to use for heeling. Thanks to the person who donated it!! Members are also asked to bring a dessert, and we know there will be plenty of them!!

(full sized flyer is at the end!)



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



When I was little and people would ask what do I want to do when I grow up my answer was “be a Mom and have My Dogs” . Check & Check!

At age 11 my smooth collie pulled me under a parked car while chasing a squirrel. My father’s reaction was not to ‘get rid of the dog’ as I feared, but to take Casey and I to the local training club obedience classes! I was hooked! Casey, not so much. All future dogs were obedience trained. I can say, we are kinder, softer trainers now than we were then!

I worked summers at a family friend’s very busy grooming salon and learned to groom. The owner bred toy poodles and the image of taking a fluff of fur and making a poodle out of it with a clipper has never left me!

And that’s who I am today, I’m a Mom to three great men, a Grandma to a 16 year old whom I adore, and I have always had ‘my dogs’! I train and groom, petsit and dog walk I am certified in canine massage and am a reiki master/teacher and have been doing dog massage and reiki for pets and their people since 2003. Reiki lets me know what the animal needs, even when I don’t have any history. It’s been a passion of mine and I love to teach people how to offer reiki to their family, including the pets. Dogs have always been at the center of my life. I own and operate Kaynine Solutions, a business devoted to the care and training of – you guessed it.

I’ve had many breeds, but always wanted a poodle. As we approached our 25 th wedding anniversary my husband and I were talking, and he said what would you do if you were widowed, I said I’d get a poodle. (I already had 4 Chinese Cresteds at the time). In my anniversary card there were ‘poodle bucks’ he said ‘don’t wait till I die, get your poodle!’ And so Violet came into my life! She is so much fun! I’ve learned so much at her side!! She’s a very willing partner in anything I ask her to do and she does it with JOY! She is everything I’ve ever wanted in a dog and more!

I’m very lucky in the husband department! Jim married into 3 pre-teen boys and a few dogs and a bunch of caged birds. We were a handful, he jumped in with both feet and is amazing. On our wedding day he gifted me an African Grey parrot chick, Kito is now 30 years old and has raised all our dogs to be respectful of her! Jim is a self employed, second generation piano technician, so we both run service-based businesses, not for the faint of heart. But we have a good time! Our answering machine used to say Sorry we missed you, while we were Tunin’ and Groomin’!

I’ve been blessed to have great family, great dogs and great trainers. I love learning with a favorite friend at my side!

Thanks for asking.. – by Kay Sivel

ACHIEVEMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our members have been very busy the last few months and we have quite a few ACHIEVEMENTS to list. If I have missed anyone, please let me know and it will be in the December newsletter.

SO.... BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!

I am a subscriber to **FRONT AND FINISH**, an online magazine dedicated to dog performance sports, mainly **obedience and rally**. Each month, dogs are recognized by breed and group for top national placement in categories such as Rally A, Open B, Utility, and OTCH. This month they recognized all the top dogs competing nationally by breed and group in OPEN A. We have several members who are recognized and they are listed below.

BIG CONGRATULATIONS (from Front and Finish publication)!!

- Judy Lasso and Rocky listed Number THREE Cocker Spaniel IN OPEN A
- Greg Shoemaker and Boomer listed Number ONE American Staffordshire Terrier and overall, in the TERRIER CATEGORY NUMBER 6 IN OPEN A
- Dusty Springer and Tess listed tied for EIGHTH place ALL AMERICAN DOGS IN OPEN A.

Allentown Dog Training Club Trials and Matches.

It is wonderful seeing so many of our members entered and doing so well. Many thanks to our great trainers and to the hard work of our handlers and their dogs.

- **DUSTY SPRINGER AND TESS** earned a wonderful **RALLY TRIPLE HIGH COMBINED** in the Allentown Dog Training Club trial in Macungie on Thursday October 30. Tess earned the highest score total in Rally Advanced, Rally Excellent and Rally Masters. They went home with a beautiful rosette! Big Congratulations for a great job. So glad it was earned at our show!



- **GAIL JAMES AND RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK RONNIE** finished their Novice B title on November 2 at the Allentown Dog Training Club Trial in Macungie. Big Congratulations to that hard-working team!!

“Hi Ladies! Yes I have a big Brag!! The Princess did it! Finished her CD title! I need to Thank All of my Friends from Allentown Dog Training Club, and of Course my Trainers! This also qualifies Ronnie for a VC (Versatility Certificate) from the Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the US (RRCUS).” – *Gail*

- **JACQUI HARTRANFT AND ABBEY** finished their AKC Rally RAE title on October 30 at the Allentown Dog Training Club Rally Trial. Abbey and Jacqui are pictured below with their new title rosette from Judge Nancy Withers. Abbey **JACQUI HARTRANFT AND ABBEY** is now retired from Rally. She loves Obedience so we will continue to go to Utility classes and NACSW Nosework and give AKC Nosework a try.



- **STACEY AND MILO** earned their first Novice A leg! **STACEY AND SCARLET** earned their second leg in Beginner Novice. We even had a run off for 4th place! Both dogs were great!
- **ANNA GUGLIELMO AND TIMMY** earned their first UDX Leg at the Allentown Dog Training Club Trial in Macungie on November 3. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH!!



- **SHERRY HANLEY AND LEGEND** earned their second Novice B leg with a great score of 190 ½ at the Allentown Dog Training Club trial in Macungie on November 3. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH!!

- **PAT MCANALLY AND CJ** finished their Rally Excellent title at the Allentown Dog Training Club Trial in Macungie on October 30. CJ also earned two Master Legs the same day! He is now known as Cosmopolitan And So It Goes RE HSA CGC TKN BCAT VC. He also earned a Versatility Title from the Cardigan Welsh Corgi Club of America. He will soon be herding sheep!! BIG CONGRATULATIONS FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK!!





• **DIANA SKVASIK AND BJ** earned their Rally Novice B title with great scores of 99 and 100 on October 30 at the Allentown Dog Training Club Rally trial on October 30. Then on Sunday, November 2 also at Allentown DTC they earned their first leg in Novice B with a score of 188. Big Congratulations!!!

- **LAUREN GERLOFF AND MEREDITH** earned their Rally Intermediate title and a first leg in Rally Advanced on October 30 at Macungie. They also moved on to compete in Novice B on November 2 to earn a first leg! Big Big Congratulations for this busy team Meredith is also known as GCH Gable Hill's Meredith Grey v Woodside.

"My dog Meredith (GCH Gable Hill's Meredith Grey v Woodside) earned her Rally Intermediate, a first leg in Rally Advanced, and a first leg in Beginner Novice at the club's trials this past weekend

We also earned our PT herding title last week.

I only just started training Meredith in June for performance events, however I showed her in conformation for clients since she was a puppy. A year ago I was diagnosed with breast cancer and had to undergo surgery, chemo, radiation, and hormone therapy. My clients let me have her and to do fun stuff with her after I finished treatment. Despite her being 4 years old and not even knowing a sit command, she has exceeded all my expectations. I can't thank the club enough for letting me join to continue training, and to see how far we can really go. Lessons I've learned - It's never too late to train your dog, and don't let anything hold you back "-

Lauren Gerloff



We also have a few unrelated ACHIEVEMENTS

(not from our show)

- **IRWIN LINKER reported that SIBERAN HUSKY CASEY** EARNED HIS NACSW NOSEWORK ORT TITLE and he also now has 8 legs towards his RAE title. Casey has been a busy boy. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH!
- **JUDY SKORUP AND GREAT PYRENNES EMMA AND HOMER** were busy. Homer earned his BCat on October 25 and 26 in Schwenksville. Not to be out done Emma was busy in NACSW nosework.

“In early October, Emma earned her last Interior Advanced score to receive her AKC Scent Work Advanced level title. Twelve qualifying scores are needed to earn this title: 3 Advanced Buried (under 4 inches of water) searches, 3 Advanced Container searches, 3 Advanced Exterior searches, and 3 Advanced Interior searches, all timed for 2-3 minutes with two odors hidden somewhere in the designated area. Emma is a serious searcher, slower, methodical, and focused on finding that hidden scent. She doesn't get a lot of placements ribbons but easily finds the hidden scent in the time allotted. This is an activity Emma enjoys: walk, sniff and get treats for sniffing!” - *Judy*



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- **INGRID PANZO AND HER TWO POODLES RUBY AND RUSTY** were quite busy earning several titles in October. Rusty earned his CAT title and his RAE8 along with 8 Master points. He also earned a FCAT to go with his first CAT title. Ruby also earned a DCAT and 100 scores in Rally Master and Choice. Ingrid just joined ADTC so welcome to you and your poodles. And Congratulations!

Huge Thank You to all the Volunteers, Stewards, Club Judges, Set-up
and Tear down crews and Bakers!!

THANK YOU

Without our Village of helpers, we can't hold events.





2025 ADTC ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

When: Tuesday, December 16th at 6:00pm

Set Up at 5:00pm

Where: Macungie Park Building... Downstairs

Members are welcome to bring their dogs

Hor d'oeuvres Served at 6:00pm

Dinner served at 6:30pm

Please bring a dessert to share

Dinner Menu...

Roast Chicken in Broth

Roast Pork in Broth

Roasted Potatoes and Mixed Vegetables

Cavatappi Pasta in a Cream Sauce

Green Salad and Dressings

Water, soft drinks, coffee and tea will be provided

ADTC members no charge. Guests charged \$16.00

Contact Chuck Achenzie by December 10th. if you are attending at bullies2@ptd.net

Guest charge can be given to Debbie at training or mailed to 1935 Kensington Road Bethlehem, PA 18018

Raffle items and Monetary Donations accepted, contact Edie Rysdyk erysdyk@scherlinelaw.com

Once again there will be swap table. Bring your items.

Hope to see everyone at this year's party!



ADTC MEMBERSHIP DUES

Your Allentown Dog Training Club dues are due by **January 15, 2026**. Payment of your membership dues by this date allows you to vote at the January meeting, be eligible for awards and continue to train with the club.

Dues received after January 15th will cause your membership to lapse. Please note that no grace period or extensions will be granted. You will have to go through the process to rejoin. Paying \$175.00 for a class of your choice and \$35.00 for dues to re-join the club.

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

<https://www.allentowndogtrainingclub.com/>

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 2026 TRIAL GENERAL TROPHY FUND.
If you wish to donate to 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.

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WAIVER, RELEASE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ASSUMPTION OF RISK
AND
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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 _____