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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

The Spring has been a wet one, but remember, wet fields hold scent better than parched dry ones. We had an excellent turnout at our April 24th follow-up day. It was evident that dogs and handlers had been working hard. By the time you read this, our second follow-up will be history and the date for the third will be set.

Plans for the picnic in August are being finalized. Save your items for the Chinese Auction if you are cleaning closets, basements or garage. We are also planing a Fall meeting, probably a covered dish affair.

It is wonderful to have our secretary on the mend. For those of you who didn't hear, Pat Paulding has had major surgery but is recuperating rapidly. In fact, she is back at her typewriter helping to put this newsletter together. The Board has dreamed up some other tasks to keep her from being bored until she returns to her job.

Keep the slack out of your lines and join us for a practice session.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 10th - tentative 3rd. follow-up session

*August 21st. - Annual Picnic and General Meeting at MacKinnons

*Flyer on last page of this newsletter

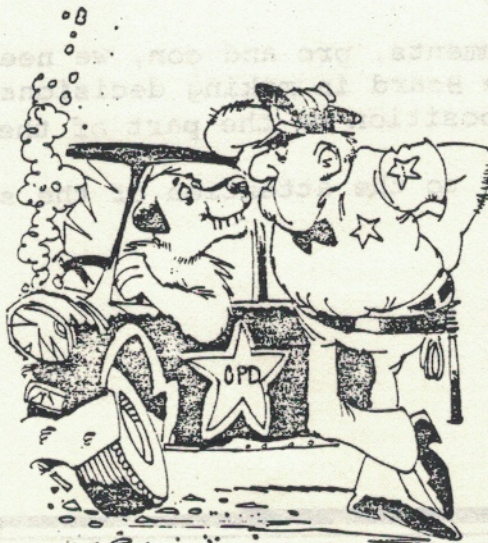
Sept. or Oct. - General Membership Meeting

Nov. 13th and 14th - Fall Certification Match

March 1983 - Annual Dinner Meeting

THUNDER STRUCK

After a police squad car in Tulsa, Okla., ran into a parked car, the officer tried to explain that, "Thunder was to blame." Not rain, wet pavement or drizzle. It was Thunder, a four-legged member of the Tulsa Police Department's K-9 patrol. The officer's report stated that, "The accident occurred when Thunder proceeded to paw his master and lick him in the face. The officer was distracted from watching the roadway."



NO STARR DRIVER

An officer in Pottstown, Pa., also had a dog problem. Patrolman Anthony Vitacco went to find out who drove his police car into a parked truck and found the culprit "sitting behind the wheel smiling with his tongue rolling out." But Vitacco reported that there were no arrests in connection with the accident. The driver was Vitacco's police dog, a poodle named Starr. The officer had left his patrol car idling while he went to write a ticket. The next thing he knew, the car was rammed up against a truck and Starr was sitting behind the wheel. Vitacco thinks the dog managed to slip the car's gears from "park" to "drive."

fyi

From the AKC



Match Regulations

The Board of Directors has approved the following amendments to the Match Regulations:

CHAPTER 7, SECTION 1 now reads: Section 1. Approval. Approval for a Sanctioned Tracking Test may be issued to any type of club eligible to hold Licensed or Member Obedience Trials or Sanctioned Obedience Matches.

Amend to read as follows: Approval for a Sanctioned Tracking Test may be issued to any type of club eligible to hold licensed or member dog shows, Obedience Trials or Sanctioned Matches, or to a club that has established its eligibility with the American Kennel Club to hold tracking tests only.

CHAPTER 7, SECTION 2 add the following paragraph: A club seeking to establish its eligibility to hold Licensed Tracking Tests only will be expected to hold a number of Sanctioned Tracking Tests at least two of which are considered "qualifying" before an application for a Licensed Tracking Test will be considered.

Obedience Regulations

The Board of Directors has approved the following amendment to the Obedience

Regulations.

Amend the first sentence of Chapter 1, Section 4, which now reads: Section 4. Tracking Tests. A club that has been approved to hold licensed or member obedience trials and that meets the requirements of The American Kennel Club, may also make application to hold a tracking test.

To read as follows: Section 4. Tracking Tests. A club that has been approved to hold licensed or member dog shows or obedience trials and that meets the requirements of The American Kennel Club, may make application to hold a tracking test. A club which as established its eligibility with the American Kennel Club to hold tracking tests only, May also make application to hold a tracking test.

AKC new regulations apparently mean that clubs like Lenape will be able to hold Tracking Tests, but not be recognized by the AKC as a club.

What do you think?

We invite your comments, pro and con, we need the membership input to guide the Board in making decisions concerning this sudden change of position on the part of the AKC.

Send your comments to the attention of the secretary of Lenape.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

TRACKING IN TROUBLE

Isn't it terrible when success makes big problems?

Take the case of tracking. Not too long ago only a hardy few of us were involved in tracking and then with only moderate success. Tracking titles were few and far between. Hundreds of disgruntled handlers left the fields never to return. It couldn't be done.

Back then tracking tests were begging for entries. No More — All that has changed!

A recent check of clubs holding late summer and fall tests revealed a shattering fact: There is no room. In our own case, we wrote for Premium Lists early (as soon as we learned of the tests) and were informed that the tests (TD and TDX) were full and had a waiting list! This, in some cases, even before the list was published. What a shock.

I guess we're just going to have to camp on the test Secretary's front porch with check and entry form in hand.

What has happened? Tracking training is now well organized, fun, rewarding and successful. All over this country and Canada small dedicated tracking groups have sprung up. Most are using Glen Johnsons' approach or at least portions of it. Even the lone trainer with no experience is successful because he/she can now read a comprehensive book and attend a tracking seminar or two. We know of dozens who didn't know a thing and had no direct instruction but got their T's by reading the book.

What now?

With all the new demand and little supply, we need: 1) More tests

and/or; 2) Fewer entries; A few suggestions: 1) To make tracking tests financially feasible, clubs could charge \$50 entry fee and it would still be the cheapest title around. 2) Tracking tests should cover the weekend. Entry fees for twice as many tracks would help to better cover judges expenses. 3) Judges should be more demanding when certifying dogs for T. Why let a marginal dog and handler waste everyone's time and money and take up space? 4) Dogs and handlers should be certified for T.D.X. Possession of a T does not a T.D.X. make.

The time has come. Tracking has arrived and needs improved management. Tracking is no longer "guess and by golly" and handlers and judges must realize it.

Don

The above editorial from the June 1982 "Off-Lead" magazine written by Don Arner, points out another problem facing tracking.

We invite your comments on this editorial.

MORE TID BITS

*Bit O'Skye's Pipe Major earned his first leg at Allentown (187) and his second leg at Berks County (192½).

Bit O'Skye's Bonnie Piper CDX TD WC took Winners Bitch at Penn Treaty for 2 Points.

Piper's son, Major's brother, Bit O'Skye's Rusty Summers TD finished his CD at Philadelphia.

Keep up the good work Bit O'Skye.*

Fran Wilmeth's "Molly Brown" received the River Bend trophy, offered by the National Norwich/Norfolk Terrier Club, for 6th highest scoring Norwich in obedience for 1981.

Pet lovers rise up as

Sunday, June 6, 1982

Philadelphia Inquirer

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puppy mills move in

By Deborah Lawson
Special to The Inquirer

Nothing in the last 30 years has inflamed Pennsylvania and New Jersey dog breeders like the movement of huge puppy mills into the area. Yet many of those who buy pet dogs know little about the situation and care less.

If the dogs in puppy mills are not beaten, have sanitary quarters and are well fed, mass-breeding seems merely the accepted American way of doing business. "Small hobby breeders who oppose them must be motivated by fear of competition," one reader told me.

First, many dog-breeding factories are not sanitary, nor are dogs well cared for. In many of them, canines live and breed in their own excrement, given just enough food to keep them producing.

"How does all this affect me?" the

Dogs

consumer asks. Answer: through the sale of overpriced puppies with doubtful ancestry, inherited ailments, unstable temperaments and questionable registration papers.

Observers reasonably wonder why informed insiders, the people who breed and show quality dogs, now are up in arms about mass-breeding operations in Lancaster County and South Jersey when they have known for years that terrible conditions and inferior, mistreated dogs are factory-farmed in the Midwest. But it's like knowing that dope is sold on the streets and that it destroys children's lives and then discovering that a dope-peddler has moved next door.

Now, dog buffs are banding together to fight this scourge. They are

asking, for the first time in years, why the American Kennel Club registers dogs from puppy mills. They are recognizing the value of the Pennsylvania Federation of Dog Clubs (PFDC), a group of 10,000 participants. Most important, it is expected that the state House Agriculture Committee will move this week to consider new laws that serious dog fanciers have sought for 15 years.

Charlene Barber of Gulph Mills, PFDC past president, says she has never seen Pennsylvania dog fanciers so up in arms. "Unfortunately, they aren't giving us the money we need to fight this battle," she says. "Our opponents have enormous resources. We don't."

Marianne Ham of Huntingdon Valley, a cairn terrier fancier, suggests a political action committee to hire legal counsel to ascertain whether commercial breeders are within the

DO SOMETHING COMMITTEE

is from the Suburban Dog Training Club in Pennsylvania. Contact Linda Knouse for further information: 215-659-3331, 1801 Lukens Avenue, Willow Grove, Pa. 19090.

law, to engage lobbyists for Harrisburg and to donate to campaign funds of sympathetic legislators. Most important, the committee would conduct an advertising campaign to inform the public about the difference between qualified breeders and puppy mills.

The Humane Society of South Jersey deplores plans to get farmers there into puppy-mill operations. "Farmers are being offered broodstock dogs and help in moving the puppy 'product' from the farm to wholesalers and pet shops," said society spokesman G. Donald Siemer. ["The society] feels indiscriminate breeding for profit will flood an already saturated market with excess puppies."

This story began in November when the Lancaster Kennel Club sent several members to an enthusiastic gathering of prospective mass

breeders on a farm in eastern Lancaster County. The meeting was conducted by a Midwest dealer who said he sold more than 120,000 dogs last year. He told the farmers how they could get breeding stock, how the dogs would be shipped from farm to wholesaler to pet shops. The representative of a drug company explained how to inoculate animals.

A principal participant was Donald Stample of the registration department of the American Kennel Club, who described how the puppy-mill operators could register their products. A state dog-law officer received more than 10 kennel-license applications after the meeting.

According to Gail Hilliard of the Lancaster Kennel Club, "you can visit farmers markets in the area now and see litters in cardboard boxes. They are bought by wholesalers and then resold to pet shops."

HOT UNDER THE COLLAR?!

WANT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT PUPPY MILLS?!!!!!!!

Join The "DO SOMETHING" Committee

Sign up and be on the Suburban "DO SOMETHING" committee. That's right.....
DO SOMETHING! The cry has been, "why can't somebody DO something!" That somebody is you and me....and the time is now! Your ideas are needed and your enthusiasm is needed. Call Louise Alkus or Linda Knouse, get on the list and you'll be notified of the first meeting!

T I O

B I T S

Fran Wilmeth's Skipperkee "Della" has earned her C.D. Fran and "Della" also have a new member to their household by the name of "Brokk" (she's a happy Dob puppy who likes to chase "Della" under the bed).

Charlotte Yurasek has finally put a U.D. on "Girl". I say finally because Charlotte has been working awhile with "Girl" and "Girl" earned her U.D. the day before her anal gland surgery. Congratulations on your U.D. and successful surgery "Girl".

Speaking of surgery, our secretary Pat Paulding was operated on in May. She is also doing well and wishes to thank the members of Lenape for the lovely flowers she received while in the hospital and the many cards and good wishes of the members.

Wendy Cole's Tervuren "Frostfires Pandora" has finished her CDX in only 5 shows.

Peg's "Peke" Anecdote

Another story of mistaken Identity has occurred. On the way home from the Bernese Mountain Dog Specialty Peg Forte stopped for gas and a pit stop for her two Bernese. When the gas station attendant spotted the dogs he asked if they were "Pekingese" Peg responded no,

they were "Bernese Mountain Dogs". He asked if they were nice dogs and was assured they were. Then he went on to add that he had a friend who had "Pekingese", those large all white dogs - - then the bulb lit and Peg knew he meant "Great Pyrennes".

The results of the Allentown TDX trial is that no one passed. Hang in there members, two have done it, the rest of you can too.

*For the second year tracking was included as part of the Bernese Mountain Dog National Specialty (May 29-31, 1982). All three entries did super tracks under ideal weather conditions and had the forty-two observers cheering and enthusiastic about starting their dogs in tracking.

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HELP, we need ideas, and/or drawings for our newsletter covers - - editors desparate. PLEASE HELP!

FIRST FOLLOW-UP

The first follow-up to the Tracking Experience Day was another success. We had a good turn-out with 12 people and dogs showing the same enthusiasm they had on the Experience Day. The dogs were anxious to continue. All were shown how to do turns and those who actually worked them did quite well.

Remember, though we set-up a schedule to follow, it is not necessary to be at that point to come to a follow-up. We work with dogs at all stages as long as an interest is shown by handler and dog.

If you are not on the mailing list for the follow-up dates and wish to be, send your name and address to Pat Paulding, P. O. Box 76, Gladstone, New Jersey 07934.

PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS:

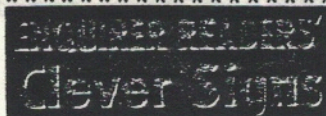
Pat Loch, R.D. #2 Box 293, Califon, New Jersey 07830
(201-638-6556) Border Collie
Marion Rapp, 8 Canfield Road, Convent Station, N.J. 07961
(201-538-4142) Pembroke Welsh Corgi

These two applications plus three published in the last issue (Warren & Louise Alkus, Dennis & Lilian Ostermiller and Lilian Zentgraf) will be voted on at our Annual Picnic on August 21, 1982 at the MacKinnon's home.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES:

Change of address - Janet Osoliniec, 516 East Blancke St.,
Linden, New Jersey 07036 201-925-0835

Add to Membership List (Oversight) - Nancy Withers, 157 West Charles St., Wernersville, Pa. 19565



We'll pay \$10 for each clever sign printed.
Send your entry to: Signs, NATIONAL ENQUIRER, Lantana, Fla. 33464.

Sign in veterinarian's office:

The next time you call your dog a dumb animal, just remember who he's got working to support him.

— Greta G. Riedley,
Westminster, Calif.

TRACKING HARNESS

Have you reached a point where you need a tracking harness and don't know where to go? Listed below are two sources:

THE DOG'S OUTFITTER, INC., P.O. Box 509, Glen Cove, N.Y. 11542

Non-Restrictive Nylon Harness (Adjustable)

#7262	Small	16" - 21"	\$9.95 + shpg.
#4264	Medium	24" - 31"	10.95 " "
#4266	Large	30" - 40"	11.95 " "

MARION HAYCOOK, 25 Morley Drive, West Paterson, N.J. 07424

These harnesses are made to fit your dog. Information required is as follows:

Breed and weight of dog
Neck - measure top of withers to breast bone ($\frac{1}{2}$)
Breast to forearms
Top - below forearms

If you have any questions about measurements please call Marion at 201-256-0834 after 6 p.m.

UP-COMING TRACKING TESTS

September 1982

North County K.C. (9/19) - Jane E. Eckelman, RD 2 Box 145,
Carthage, N.Y. 13619

Allentown DTC Inc. (9/26) - Carole Crothers, View Dr. E., Walnutport,
Pa. 18088

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Berks County DTC (10/17) - Mrs. Joanne P, RD 1491 Club Rd.,
Bethel, Pa. 19507

Suffolk Obedience TC, Inc. (10/18) - Pat Knight, 115 South Bay Ave.,
Islip, N.Y. 11751

Concord Dog Training Club (10/23) - Lynnbrook Farm, Roanne Center,
13 Aberdeen Rd., W. Chelmsford, Ma.

Town and Country DTC, Inc. (10/23) - John Drzewieri, 33 Nottingham
Way, Millington, N.J. 07946

Port Chester OTC, Inc. (10/30) - Mrs. Richard Wilson, 9 Turner Dr.
Chappaqua, N.Y. 10514

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UP-COMING TRACKING TESTS continued

Oriole DTC, K-9 Lodge, (11/6) - L. Wilson Davis, K-9 Lodge,
Hyde, Maryland 21082
Hyattsville DTC (12/12) - Communications Satellite Corp.
Hazel Moselay, 2604 Kenway Lane, Bowie, MD 20715

TDX TRIALS

Sept. 19 - Taconic Hills K.C., Inc., Ms. Janine Floritto,
175 Colabaugh Pond Rd., Croton on Hudson, N.Y. 10520
Oct. 24 - Concord Dog Training Club, Lynbrook Farm,
Roanne Center, 13 Aberdeen Rd., W. Chelmsford,
Ma.. 01863
Dec. 5 - Southern Maryland DTC of Forestville, Doris P.
Baster, 7012 Wells Parkway, Hyattsville, Md. 20782

MAY BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Treasurer's Report \$668.39, plus \$300 in Glen Johnson books
on hand.

Membership - 52 paid members, 7 pending.

Tracking Experience Day follow-ups are going nicely, next date
is June 12th.

1982 Fall Match is scheduled for November 14th., Judge William
Hutchins. Tracks to be plotted on November 13th. Headquarters
will again be at the Lebanon Township Municipal Bldg., Hill Road,
Lebanon Township, New Jersey. Joanne Irwin is the Chairperson,
with Janet Osoliniec as Co-Chairperson.

Ideas for a fall (Sept. or Oct.) General Membership Meeting were
discussed, no decision mad at this time.

Tracking Experience Day 1983 set tentatively for April 9th with
Pat Paulding as Chairperson. She needs HELP! an ASSISTANT!

Constitution changes - some changes have long been needed in our
constitution. Joanne Irwin and Pat Paulding will get this
organized.

We are going to work towards making a Tracking Training Film.
More on this soon.

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PICNIC TIME

WHEN: Saturday, August 21, 1982 TIME: 1 p.m.
WHERE: THE MAC KINNON'S (directions below)
WHAT? FUN! bring your bathing suit....and your dogs...
and your articles for the Chinese Auction.

CHINESE AUCTION - One of the highlights of the picnic each year will be repeated. It's success depends on your bringing some GREAT items for the auction and your participation....Remember - one man's trash is another man's treasure!

SPECIAL EVENTS - for the dogs of course....SCENT HURDLES...bring your dumbbells (dogs too) and give scent hurdling a try... plus other fun CANINE EVENTS!

FOOD - the hot dogs, hamburgers and soft drinks will be provided by the club via your reservation fee of \$3.00 per person... see form below. You are welcome to bring your own beer or liquor. Please send in your reservation by August 14th so that the food can be gotten in ample amounts.

SALADS, DESSERTS - we are asking each Family to bring a salad or a dessert to help with the cost of the picnic. Please indicate on your reservation slip what you intend to bring so that if we get all potato salads we can contact some of you to change your minds.

BRIEF GENERAL MEETING - approval of new members (see last newsletter); approval of Nominating Committee.

DIRECTIONS - take Clinton-Pittstown Exit #15 from Route 78; go south towards Pittstown on Route 513 for approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and make a left turn onto Route 617 (Sidney-Cherryville Road) and proceed approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to MacKinnon's on the right. Sign "Bit O' Skye" denotes driveway. MacKinnon's phone number is 201-735-7793.

PICNIC RESERVATION FORM

Mail to Ralph R. MacKinnon , BOX 197 RD 1, Pittstown, N.J. 08867
Mail by AUGUST 14th with your payment of \$3.00 per person.

I plan to attend the picnic _____ Name _____
The following people will be attending with me _____

I will bring _____ salad _____ dessert _____
(please indicate kind you are bringing)

Total number attending _____ x \$3.00 = _____
Make checks payable to LENAPE TRACKING CLUB, INC.