

Any "feet"



can lay "tracks"!

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PRESIDENT'S DESK

The hot weather is coming which means it's time for "Nicolle" and I to disappear. Nicolle is a 7½ year old Alaskan Malamute and tracking flunkee. Since her CD appearance in Canada in 1978 where I first saw a Papillon I have often threatened to replace her with one. I was totally impressed with the intelligence of the little dog (Nicolle is not convinced that I am right about this statement and thinks a Papillon would look funny on a 10 mile hike with a 23lb. back pack on) and even more impressed by their accomplishments during the past year. In October when "Quilla" (a six month old Bernese Mountain Dog) earned her TD upstate New York there was a Papillon before her. The winds were high, yet this little fellow pulled his owner down that track with little or no confusion (I told Nicolle she better go talk to him and learn something) to earn his "T". Now we have heard from Dr. McClelland and her Papillon "Cory" who is the second Papillon to earn a TDX (his half sister earned the first one in 1981). Watch out Nicolle.

Nicolle weighs in at 75-80lbs., rugged, used to walking for hours, yet the little - usually though of lap dog - has acheived a rugged TDX degree. I dwell on this to show that the breed and size of a dog is not what prevents them from accomplishing the various taks set forth for them. It's you, it's me. They can't do these things without us (although "Moses" and "Quilla" sometimes would like to leave Peggy home).

Out "TID BIT" section lists the accomplishments of some of our members. I hope you enjoy reading it as much as I enjoyed typing it.

The Tracking Experience Day was again successful due to the hard work of its' Group Leaders and workers: Joanne and Ralph MacKinnon, Joanne Irwin, Fran Wilmeth, Paul Harris, Peg Forte, Edie Braginton, Mary Stuart and of course, Charlotte Schwartz. We had 35 teams and 10 spectators. We had good weather and an enthusiastic group. Two follow-up dates were scheduled and flyers sent out to members as well as TED participants. We are looking forward to working with them.

Congratulations to all the new "T's" and "TDX's". All the breeds are being represented by Lenape members from toys to hunting to working dogs. Keep up the good work.

Now on to the Picnic in August. This is your day to eat, swim and relax. This year your canine friend is not invited (the past two years have been too hot, and there may be some golden puppies), but that's no reason to stop you, besides we need you and your goodies for the Chinese Auction. There will be a brief meeting. Hope to see you then.

PRESIDENT's LETTER continued

Your club has been involved in giving presentations to various groups, Twin County KC, Sussex County KC, Morris Hills KC and plans a presentation at the Gaines Classic in November. Your participation in these events is welcomed and needed. Contact your Board members and see where you can best help.

Until the picnic, keep on tracking and keep those show results coming in.

(Even on paper I don't know when to shut-up).

Pat Paulding

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 29, 1984 - WDEF General Membership Meeting (Contact Pat Paulding for further information) Is your breed being protected against discrimination?

Sept. 23, 1984 - Jeff Loy (Second Half of Behavior Program)

Nov. 3&4, 1984 - Fall Match Show Nov. 10 & 11 Gaines Classic

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Antoinette Brouillard
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PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

Richard L. Corlies, 10 Richard Terrace, Union, N.J. - German Shepherd
Claudette G. Barber, Hollers Road, Skillman, N.J. - Belgian Sheepdog

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SCENT HURDLING

An interest has been expressed in getting a Scent Hurdle team together again. Anyone interested in participating, please contact Janet Quodomine, 201-852-7127.

A NEW TRACKING MAGAZINE

Tracking Scents, % Ruth Ivers, Editor, 32 Glen Road, Reading, MA 01867
Charter subscriptions \$5.00 yr - published quarterly.

AWARDS DINNER, MARCH 1984

Dear friends and fellow trackers, and most importantly Florence Miktus, words cannot express my thanks for being the first recipient of the John Miktus Award. Upon accepting the award, a beautiful loving cup on a marble base, elegantly engraved, I said that as far as I was concerned the entire club had earned the award for all the years of hard work that has gotten us this far. John will always be remembered by each of us, and I'm sure each track we do is being watched by and cheered by John. This award will always have an honored place in my home and will be a daily reminder to me of John and Florence's dedication to our chosen sport of tracking. Thank you again.

As usual those members who have earned a T with their dogs in 1983 were given their plaques. This year the following were recognized:

TDX Ayr's Mornin' Chocolate (Labrador Retreiver) & G. June Oswald
TD BUSHMILL'S LOCOMOTION TD (Labrador Retreiver) & Lisa Bush
TD BUSHMILL'S P.T. BARNUM TD (Labrador Retreiver) & Lisa Bush
TD DAMON OF NORFIELD CD TD WDX (Springer Spaniel) & Paul Harris
TD CH. HEIDT'S DIAMOND DJINN CD TD SD NRD VX (Weimaraner) & Edie Braginton
TD CH. ROCKAWAY'S BEST BET TD (Belgian Tervuren) & Randie Meyer
TD WYEMEDE'S AQUILA V. BUTIK TD (Bernese Mountain Dog) & Peg Forte

You will note that they are all Sporting and Working dogs, we know there are other breeds out there training (i.e. Norwich's) so let's see some different breeds earning their plaques next year.

After mailing the TDX plaque to June Oswald, I received a thank you from her for it. And an inquiry as to who made it. To that I plead guilty, but credit for the design must go to John Miktus (see he is with us always) for he came up with the components of the design which was very fitting as he and Gypsy were the first in our club to earn an American TDX.

One sad note at the dinner was the announcement that Randie Meyer's bitch that earned her TD in 1983 had her life cut short when a drunk driver ran into Randie's van which was parked in a driveway. Randie lost two dogs in this accident. Those at the dinner signed a sympathy card which was mailed with the plaque.

Paul Harris has offered to make the wood plaques for the awards next year, and with four dogs already passing this spring the list should be long again. So everyone, get busy and get trackin'!!!

Peg Forte

TID BITS

*"Melanie Cricket of Norfield" who lives with Paul Harris past her tracking test on Sunday, April 29th at Mt. Nittany Dog Training Club's test. Carole Crothers was the Judge along with Walter Barker.**

*Also at Mt. Nittany Dog Training Club's test was Lisa Kirkegard with "Yates of Lisnabroque" who also earned a "T" that day.**

I neglected to mention that "Melanie" is a English Springer Spaniel and Lisa's bitch is an Irish Water Spaniel. I think the Spaniels' are trying to tell us something. Good work. Continued success.

*In the TDX category we have the honor of reporting the second TDX to be earned by a Papillon - Kine-Ahora Wrong Way Corrigan, TD owned by Laurella McClelland, M.D. Cory earned his TDX on Sunday, April 22 at the Allentown DTC TDX Trial. "Corry" was the only one of five dogs entered to complete his track. According to Laurella he did a really super job, no trouble at the cross tracks, right on course to his articles, through a swampy area, through a piece of woodsy stuff, small trees and bushes and finally after another turn, down the last leg to the glove. She estimates he completed the course in 15 or 16 minutes ("Corry" had to wait for Laurella who to struggle through some of the terrain). "Corry's" half sister, Ch. Kine-Ahora Chasse holds the first Papillon TDX earned by her in Florida on November 1, 1981. She was also the first Toy breed to earn a TDX. "Corry" also had a busy year in that he also earned his CD during the period of February 19th through February 26th. Certainly a year for Laurella to be proud of. Congratulations!**

*From Kris DuFosse came the following postcard:

"Would you believe I let Lucy get tangled up in the lead and I had to free her? 3x's She wanted to go to the right at this one corner, but it didn't look like a corner to me. On the 3rd attempt I let her go and it was right. After that, I did all right and we passed. The day was perfect and the ground conditions excellent. There were 9 entries to begin, 6 showed up and 4 passed. Everyone said Lucy did very well, but I thought she went wild on 2 corners, one above. Had a wonderful time. Talked dogs all day. The club did a great job. It seems that many dogs are not passing this year.* I would say it was a great experience. Still think I may try for advanced tracking. One club member, who was the secretary tried 5 times to get her TDX before she made it. I have to get Lucy's CD this summer - better get on it. I feel grateful to Lenape for all the help I got." Kris. Congratulations to Kris and her Bearded Collie who earned her TD on Mother's Day, May 13, 1984. Nice gift.

*I'm not sure I can agree with that statement....so far this spring Lenape members have earned three T's and 1 TDX.**

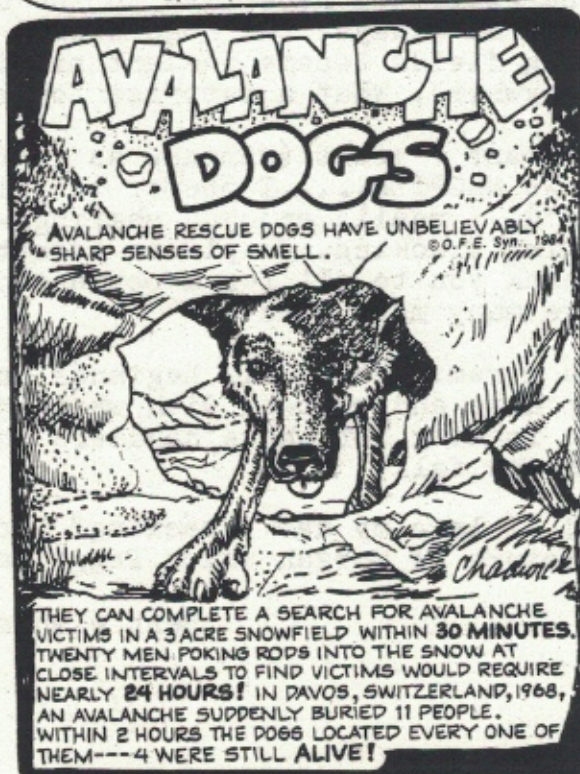
Last year Peg was sometimes seen with a shepherd puppy at the end of the leash, that was Quaker, her son Greg's puppy that he was raising through 4-H for the Seeing Eye in Morristown. They are pleased to announce that he was accepted into training and has learned his lessons well. Fran accompanied the Forte's on June 6th to see Quaker work on the streets of Morristown with his trainer. What a thrill. Fran got some beautiful photos with her telephoto lens (we must stay at least 30 yds or so away from the dog when observing him work). Just ask Fran or Peg and they'll be glad to show you the photos. Quaker will probably be matched with a blind person on Father's Day. He would have made a great Tracking dog but his path in life was to be someones eyes. We still miss him but are we proud.

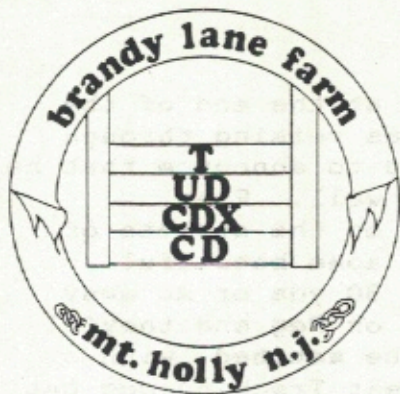
A new puppy arrived at the Forte's for Greg to raise the first week of April. This one is a black Lab bitch named Polly. She is a sweetheart (aren't all puppies).

THE COURIER-NEWS/Thursday, April 12, 1984

Our Fascinating Earth

By Philip Seff, Ph.D.





April 16, 1984

Director: CHARLOTTE SCHWARTZ

Pat Paulding, President
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Dear Pat:

It was exciting at our recent Tracking Experience Day to watch so many nice people and dogs out in the fields "doing their thing"! Even the weather held back the rain so we were able to begin all the dogs and handlers without getting soaked and I, for one, appreciated that.

I found the folks to be extremely receptive to the Johnson Method and our enthusiasm. And, as always, the dogs seemed to love the idea that their training fields became instant picnic grounds with slices of hot dogs everywhere. What a surprise for the dogs!

As it has been for the past ? years (somehow as I grow older my memory of the past grows SHORTER.....I prefer to think of tomorrow rather than yesterdays!), I really enjoyed sharing with everyone and spending a day talking tracking. So please accept this letter as my way of saying thank you to all for a perfectly wonderful experience. May we have many more like it!

I'd like to close with a reminder to all beginner handlers to come back for the Follow-Up days and proceed with what they began on April 7th. And I'll be looking for those handlers and dogs out at the tracking trials in the fall.

Thanks for everything! I love my new "Tracking" book and the gorgeous needlework picture of Morgan which Peggy made.

Best wishes,

Charlotte

PUBLIC RELATIONS or HAVE WE BEEN BUSY

Many of the members may not realize or even think about the many things this club has done over the years in the way of public relations for our club and the sport of Tracking.

Recently other clubs have been inviting us to present a program at their meetings about Tracking. The first to do so recently was Bayshore DTC where Joanne Irwin did the honors. We generally show some video tape footage of a dog tracking first so that they have some idea of what a dog looks like when it's tracking. Then we talk about equipment needed, how to start a dog via Johnson's method, and tell about our club's Experience Day held each spring.

Pat Paulding and Peg Forte have gone twice to Morris Hills DTC. The first time the Video Recorder couldn't be hooked up to the TV they provided (Peg had left a part home she assumed would be on the TV) so we did our talk without the video and promised to return to another meeting with the tape. We have also been to Sussex Hills Kennel Club and Twin Brooks with our "program."

In January we were invited to an informal meeting of the West Jersey Canine Search and Rescue and DOGS-East, Maryland. There we got the opportunity to watch some video tape footage of searches and training for searches. We now have available to us a copy of some of this video and will be showing it at a future meeting.

Just this week Ken Sigel from Pleasantville, N.Y. called to ask permission to give out our name and address to interested people, at a demonstration he is doing this weekend on Tracking with his Newfoundlands. When I offered to send him some flyers about the club with the address included, he said that would be great but one copy would get there faster and he could duplicate it. He will be doing another demonstration in New England next month. Thank you Ken for spreading the word about Tracking and LTC.

We have added another Tracking Club to the list of those with which we exchange newsletters; PECATONICA TRACKING CLUB, Margaret E. Haese, 2637 9th Ave, Monroe, Wis. 53566.

In July we are scheduled to speak at a "Friends of Animals" meeting in Essex County.

Naturally all this is leading up to something...the something is this...we would welcome help giving the talks, writing the newsletter, improving our video tape on tracking, and ideas of places where we can spread the word. We need to expand and edit our tracking video, and will be doing so at various times over the next few months. If you are interested in helping with this please contact us.

Most importantly this is leading up to the fact that LENAPE TRACKING CLUB has been invited to have a booth at the GAINES CLASSIC on Nov. 10 & 11th. Two people cannot handle this one alone, we need help preparing and people to assist us on those two days with manning the booth. The tape will have the narration right on it, so it won't work saying you don't know enough, as the tape will "speak for itself."

So let us hear from you with ideas and offers of help, two or three people cannot do everything for the club. We need everyone's help.

TRACKING TESTS

- Sept. 16: NY, Great Bend NORTH COUNTRY KENNEL CLUB, INC. Knighttime Kennel., Champion Road; Jane Eckelman, Trial Sec., Rt. 18: Carthage, NY. 13619 Closes: Sept. 8, Fee: \$25 Limit: 12
- Sept. 23: PA, Quakertown ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC. Smith's Farm. Jeanne M. Smith, Trial Sec., RD 4, Box 322E, Quakertown, Pa. 18951 Closes: Sept. 14 Fee: \$25 Limit: 10
- Oct. 16: PA, Reading BERKS COUNTY DOG TRAINING CLUB. Tulpehecker Farms, Sandra K. Campbell, Trail Sec. RD 3, Box 830, Mohnton, Pa. 18540 Closes: Oct. 3 Fee: \$20. Limit: 10
- Oct 21: PA Eighty Four GOLDEN TRIANGLE OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB Mungo Creek County Park, RD1 Janet R. Pierson, Trial Sec., 390 Ambard Ave., Pittsburgh Pa 15202 Closes: Nov. 5 Fee: \$25 Limit 10
- Oct. 27: NY, New Paltz PORT CHESTER OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB, INC. Mohonk Fields, Lila Wolfman, Trial Sec, 484 Harrison Ave., Harrison, NY 10528 Closes: Oct. 17 Fee: \$25
- Nov. 3: MD, Hydes ORIOLE DOG TRAINING CLUB, K-9 Lodge, Hydes Rd. R. Harold Cash, Trial Sec., 1002 Kirkcoln Rd., Towson, Md 21204 Closes: Oct. 17 Fee: \$20 Limit 10

TRACKING TESTS EXCELLENT

- Sept. 23: NY, New Paltz TACONIC HILLS KENNEL CLUB, INC. Mohonk Fields, Brook Farm Hallie Sherck, Trial Sec., P.O. Box 97, Crompond, N.Y. 10507 Closes: Sept. 13 Fee: \$50 Limit: 5
- Oct. 14: PA, Berwyn PHILADELPHIA DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC. Mr. & Mrs. Edward Coughlin III, 1338 Argyle Rd. June G. Oswald, Trial Sec., 3 Brookside Rd., Erdenheim, Pa. 19118 Closes: Oct. 3 Fee: \$50 Limit: 5
- Nov. 4: PA Eighty Four GOLDEN TRIANGLE OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB Mungo Creek County Park, RD1 Janet R. Pierson, Trial Sec., 390 Ambard Ave., Pittsburgh Pa 15202 Closes: Oct. 17 Fee: \$50 Limit 5

****PICNIC TIME****

WHEN? Saturday, August 18th TIME: 1:00 p.m.
WHERE? THE MAC KINNON'S (directions below)
WHAT? FUN! bring your bathing suit...
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 (that you no longer want or need) for the auction and your participation...Remember - one man's trash is another man's treasure!

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 which you are bringing)

Total number attending x\$3.00 =

Make checks payable to LENAPE TRACKING CLUB, INC.

