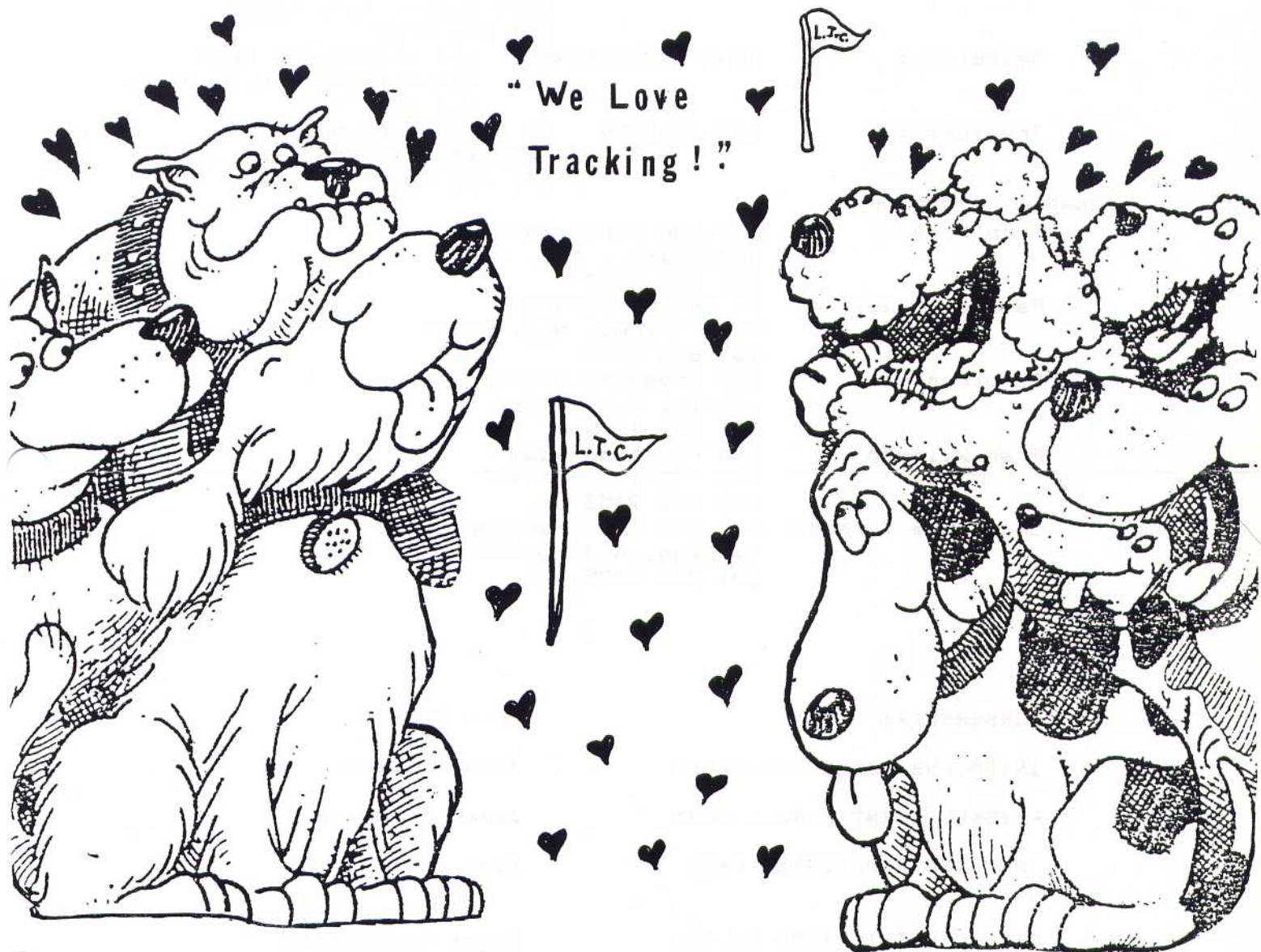


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Fran Wilmeth

## FALL CERTIFICATION MATCH:

Janet Quodamine

## NEWLETTER:

### EDITOR:

Peg Forte

### TIDBITS:

Joanne Mac Kinnon

### TRACKING TESTS LIST:

Marion Rapp



# FOOTPRINTS FROM THE PRESIDENT:

With the New Year comes the reminder that dues are now past due. The Treasurer would appreciate your sending in your dues as soon as possible. She has just paid our insurance bill for the year, with that and the cost of printing and mailing this newsletter we are cutting it very close. The next newsletter will be your last one if you haven't paid your dues by then. So please keep us in the 'BLACK'.

We had hoped to have a membership meeting in February, but the weather has kept us from even having a board meeting. Please read the information from the AKC carefully, we will be discussing where the club is going at the Annual Dinner in March. Dinner information and reservation form is on the last page of the newsletter.

The flyer for this years Tracking Experience Day is in the newsletter. This year Elissa Kirkegard and other members will be doing the teaching, there will be an emphasis on starting puppies. Fran Wilmeth will be looking for helpers for that day. Fran also needs an assistant, someone to start learning the 'how to' of our Experience Day. If you have never attended an Experience day as a participant or as a helper you are missing out on a great day. Mark your calendar APRIL 25TH and be there this year !

*Peg Forte*

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 28TH	ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER V.I.M. (Very Important Meeting)
APRIL 25TH	TRACKING EXPERIENCE DAY Fran needs volunteers.
OCT. 6TH & 7TH	DOBERMAN PINSCHER CLUB OF AMERICA TRACKING TEST Lenape has agreed to help them.

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TIDBITS to Joanne Mac Kinnon by March 15th - in writing please, a postcard is terrific.

Please be advised of a change in address for the Mac Kinnons

122 Payne Road  
Lebanon, N.J. 08833

Their phone # remains 201-735-7793

## AKC INFORMATION

We have received the following information from the AKC on the requirements for a club to hold Tracking Tests. PLEASE READ THIS INFORMATION, we will be discussing it on March 28th !!!

Read!

We are enclosing a copy of our guidelines for the formation, accreditation and licensing of tracking clubs. At the present time there is no provision for the election of tracking clubs to AKC membership.

Read!

### TRACKING CLUBS

1. Functioning as a club over a period of time  
New clubs should be in existence for at least a year's time having conducted monthly meetings and held at least one election of officers.
2. Acceptable name  
The name should pinpoint a club's geographic center and at the same time be readily recognizable to fanciers in other parts of the country.
3. Constitution and By-Laws  
Must be governed by a Constitution and By-Laws that provide for the democratic functioning of the club in all its activities.
4. Membership list  
The names and addresses of all members as well as the letter designations, T.E. (tracking exhibitor), T.D./T.D.X. (tracking titles earned on dogs owned) O.E. (obedience exhibitor), C.D., C.D.X., U.D. (obedience titles earned on dogs owned), B (breeder), DO (dog owner). Also identify breed of dog owned.
5. Record of the club's development  
Events leading to the club's formation; history (outline) of activities including dates and locations of "fun" matches, meetings, classes, community events, etc.

If the club's request is approved the club will be so notified.

Upon the successful completion of one "informal" T.D./T.D.X. match the club may submit an application requesting approval of a "formal" T.D./T.D.X. match. The club must conduct two qualifying "formal" T.D./T.D.X. matches AT LEAST SIX MONTHS APART, before submitting a presentation requesting permission to conduct licensed T.D./T.D.X. events. The presentation should include:

1. Constitution and By-Laws
2. Membership list (as with #4)
3. Up-dated record of the club's development

Once the committee has established the club's eligibility to conduct licensed T.D./T.D.X. events and the club is so advised, applications for such events may be submitted to our Show Plans Department.

Very Important!!





Edie Braginton writes with news on her 9 year old Weimaraner "Ginny" who has earned her Canadian C.D.X. over the Thanksgiving weekend in Montreal. Her scores in her two years of showing towards the Canadian title were 173 1/2 (2nd place), 176 1/2, 181 1/2, and 191 1/2. Congratulations !!!



There are no more Tidbits because no one else sent any in to Joanne.

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#### AKC REQUIREMENTS FOR BECOMING A TRACKING JUDGE

This acknowledges your request for an application for approval to judge Tracking Tests at AKC member or licensed events.

In an effort to assist applicants and prevent their applying prematurely, we request that you make sure that your qualifications meet the following minimum requirements:




1. Owned, trained and handled a dog that has been awarded an AKC Tracking Dog Title.
2. Have obtained adequate experience in observing judges in the planning and plotting of tracks and served as a tracklayer five times at AKC member or licensed tracking tests.
3. Actively participated as assistant trainer or as a trainer in a dog training club or similar organization and specifically as a trainer of tracking.

If you presently meet or exceed these minimum qualifications, please sign this letter and return it to us. We will send you the form for applying for approval to serve as a Provisional Tracking judge at AKC events.

Yours truly,

Roberta L. Campbell  
Coordinator-Obedience Events

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Applicant's Signature

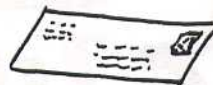
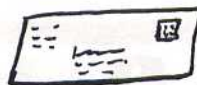


#### PROPOSED MEMBER

MARTHA HAMIL 357 North Ave., Highland Park, N.J. 08904

Martha has Dobermans

If no objections to this member are received by the secretary during the 30 days following the mailing of this newsletter, the above proposed person will be a member.



## INTER-CLUB COMMUNICATIONS

A little over a year ago, Peg Forte tried to establish an exchange of Newsletters with other tracking clubs. In late spring Fran Wilmeth took on the responsibility of inter-club communications. A total of sixteen clubs have been contacted and sent copies of "Common Scents". Three tracking clubs and one obedience club have responded by sending us their newsletters on a regular basis. Responses from several tracking clubs have been sporadic, apparently because of frequent changes of editors. The Buckeye Tracking Club in Ohio notified use that they do not publish a newsletter. Several new clubs couldn't keep going. As one respondent wrote, "Our hopes of a tracking club burst like a balloon - all Chiefs and no Indians!" Nine clubs have made no response.

Active clubs are Pecatonica Tracking Club, covering parts of Wisconsin and Illinois; Western Carolinas Tracking Club of Tryon, centered in North Carolina; Palo Alto Foot-hills Tracking Club of California and the Gateway Tracking Club of Missouri. All of these are either already approved by AKC and put on tracking tests or are working on approval by holding sanctioned matches. Their newsletters indicate that most have fifteen to twenty members. They meet monthly or bi-monthly at a tracking site, hold a morning tracking session, a meeting with lunch and then continue tracking. Most seem to have club tracking sessions on a regular basis, not always at the same site. One has an annual tatoo clinic and a "show and go" obedience match to raise money. Several have "Introduction to Tracking" days similar to our Tracking Experience Day.

It seems that most of the clubs have a greater percentage of their membership actively tracking their dogs than we have at Lenape. It is difficult to determine the size of the geographic area covered by each club. Approximately one third of Gateway's membership are licensed tracking judges (six judges). We have informed those clubs that have not responded that they will be removed from our mailing list if we do not hear from them. None of our newsletters has been returned so someone out there is receiving them. I will report any new developments in future issues.

Fran Wilmeth

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### DUES REMINDER

Dues for 1987 are now late, please remit as soon as possible.

Dues for 1987      INDIVIDUAL \$10      FAMILY \$15

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to Gail Castro, Membership Chairperson, 99 Delmore Avenue,  
Berkeley Heights, N.J. 07922



## PEOPLE TRACKS .....

### ELISSA 'LISA' KIRKEGARD ... Member & Tracking Judge

Lisa has always owned dogs and loved them since she was a child. The first dog she showed and bred was a standard poodle named 'Bridgette' who was born in 1971. She was a super first dog who went on to obtain her UDT. Lisa then showed and raised standard poodles until 1978 when she got her first Irish Water Spaniel.

'Molly' was her first Irish Water Spaniel and Lisa says once you own one of this breed, you are never without one. They add a little humor to everyday life and never allow a dull moment to pass. Lisa then got involved in field trials and felt that in order to compete successfully, she needed a black lab, so 'Bodie' joined the family in 1980. 'Bodie' is a superb hunting dog who has three obedience degrees and a hunting title, she also competed in field trials since she was a pup. An avid retriever, she sold Lisa on labs.

As far as titles go, Lisa says she has been lucky enough to accumulate a few. She adds that tracking degrees are a must for a dog to stay around here!

FAIR LADY BRIDGETTE, UDT  
BUSHMILL'S FANTASTIC FANNY BUSH CD  
CH. MALLYREE MOLLY OF BUSHMILLS, CDX, TDX, WCX  
CH. BUSHMILL'S SWEET ARRIVAL, CD, TD, WC  
BACKACHER'S BO OF BUSHMILLS, CDX, SH, TD  
BUSHMILL'S P. T. BARNUM, TD  
BUSHMILL'S LOCOMOTION, TD  
CH. YEATES OF LISNABROGUE, CD, TD, JH, WCX  
KILLOUNTAIN DELTA QUEEN CD, TD, WC  
BUSHMILL'S GALWAY BLAZER TD

Lisa and her dogs have accumulated a total of 10 tracking degrees. Earning them was quality time she spent with the dogs and extremely worthwhile.

Lisa first got interested in tracking after completing 'Bridgette's' UD and wanted, to acquire all of the obedience titles. At that time, Allentown Dog Training Club held a tracking trial nearby every year. In the club there were four close friends who had put a "T" on a dog. With their help and Glen Johnson's book, Lisa put a "T" on 'Bridgette' and continued to run her in trials until her death in 1979. After 'Bridgette', Lisa tracked 'Molly' and 'Bodie' at a very young age. It was then that she decided that puppies were a lot of fun with lots of enthusiasm when it came to tracking. 'Molly' was one of those enthusiastic dogs that loved tracking so much, Lisa never doubted that 'Molly' would be one of the first dogs to get a TDX. 'Molly' never gave up and she never lied . . . just honest mistakes and confusion that she would try to work out until she dropped. 'Yeates' got his TD at 6 months 2 weeks and was probably the youngest of Lisa's dogs to receive the degree.

Lisa has been involved in horses for many years including competing and breeding them. She is now in the process of looking for a pleasure horse, but with office work and dog work for field trials, the time is not there for really concentrating on both dogs and horses.

George has always been involved with the dogs and 'Bodie' is completely devoted to him since they are hunting buddies. He has been competing at field trials and hunting tests with the labs but leaves the Irishers to Lisa. Without his support and help, Lisa would not be nearly as involved in animals as she is and thanks to him it is a family affair.



## PEOPLE TRACKS ....

MARION RAPP .... Member & Newsletter Staff

It all started in high school with my best friend, Peg McFarlane. her parents took me to my first dog show (Morris & Essex). But it wasn't until 1976 that I got my very first dog, a Pembroke Welsh Corgi, named 'Gimli'. Because Peg, who now lives in Maine, teaches obedience and I had been an envious observer at her classes, 'Gimli' and I headed for a training class and I've gotten in deeper and deeper ever since.

I have only owned three dogs. 'Gimli', and then I found 'Hope', who's a Cardigan Welsh Corgi and now I have 'Windsor', another Pembroke who I bought last year after 'Gimli' died at 10 1/2. I picked Corgis for their constant companionship and loyalty, their fun-loving sense of humor, their sometimes exasperating spirit of independence, and their great intelligence (often times more than mine!).

The dogs I have owned and their titles are: Maplecrest Tolkien's Gimli C.D.; Maplecrest Autumn's Hope = has one leg on her C.D. and Windsor.

In answer to the question, how did I get interested in tracking? Two words .. Pat Paulding ... It sounded like a fun thing to do with your dog, so I brought 'Gimli' to a Tracking Experience Day. He liked it, but his temperament was such that I could never put a harness on him. (He was an unusual dog.) 'Hope' does quite well.

My Pembroke, 'Windsor', and I have put our big toes in the breed ring which is fun - but not as much fun as obedience. 'Gimli' had his C.D., 'Hope' is working on hers and 'Windsor' is in school, too.

After dogs my next favorite animals are guinea pigs, but I don't have one right now. ( And after guinea pigs my next favorite animals are hockey players. )

I'm married to Ken (for a long time) and we have one son, Steve, who is 19 and a sophomore at Ithaca College majoring in music education. They laugh at my doggie fun. I don't work at a regular job, but I've gone back to trying to be free lance writer to support my "dependent" - a 1972 Karmann Ghia.

Besides the Ghia which doesn't go out in the rain or when there is salt on the road, I have a 250cm Honda motorcycle which doesn't go out in the rain either. I'm also a tennis bum (I play 4 hours a week indoors) and I like to ski ... downhill, cross country is too much work. In the summer when I don't play tennis, I like to ride my bicycle, we have lots of nice bike paths around Morristown, Madison & Morris Township.

I'm also involved in music, but my husband and son are the talented ones in the family. I play French Horn in the Morristown & Montclair Community Bands, and Double Bass in the Summit Symphony and in a jazz ensemble called the 'Elusive Eleven'. I drive around with my radio tuned to WBGO when I'm not listening to the Mets or the NJ Devils (that's the hockey team).

Living with Corgis, life is a constant joke. Once we were camping for a week with 'Gimli' at Watkins Glen State Park in New York State. We took several hikes through the Glen and stopped several places to give 'Gimli' a wade. He wasn't much of a swimmer, he liked to walk around and bite at the water. Anyway, we were in one good Corgi depth pool and 'Gimli' was busy wading around, stirring up the water, all you could see was his head and back. Some folks, who hadn't seen him enter the water, were watching him enjoy his good time. 'Gim' was a large Corgi and Corgis aren't well-known breed. Well when he emerged from his soak, and shook himself off, the 'gallery' started to gasp and then laughed. "Look at those short legs," a man said. "I thought the water was deeper."