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COMMON SCENTS

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DATES TO REMEMBER

TED FOLLOW-UP

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 1990

CERTIFICATION MATCH

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 & 23, 1990

ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1990

TRACKING TEST (Pending AKC Approval)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3 & 4, 1990

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THANK YOU, MARION

Marion Rapp has taken on other personal responsibilities and will no longer be able to edit this newsletter. She did a great job over the past two years, and the Club really appreciates her hard work and dedication.



Dog endorsements

/ From the President's Desk: /

"We are pleased to inform you that the Committee acted favorably on your request and the Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey has been approved to hold licensed tracking test events."

There it is, folks! The above is a direct quote from a July 16, 1990, letter from Gus Sumner, Administrative Assistant, Club Relations Department of the AKC. Now the real work begins, and we will need help from all members to make our first test a success.

We have applied to AKC to hold our first tracking test on Sunday, November 4th (track plotting on November 3rd). We are keeping our fingers crossed for approval since the application was made with less than the required 18 weeks lead time. However, I had called the Events Department and was told that if we include the letter of our approval with the application, there probably will not be a problem. We are also explaining that we do not want to wait until December as that puts us in the middle of deer season in New Jersey. We have two judges, Salle Crooks and Sue Dolbin, on standby. Marty Hamil is the Trial Secretary, John Etchells is Chief Tracklayer, and other committee people will be appointed soon. How about some volunteers?

We have other events scheduled before the test. We have also applied to hold a Sanctioned Match on September 23rd. Since we are now licensed, we must follow AKC rules for a B Match. John Etchells is the Match Secretary, Pat Etchells is the Match Chairman and Peg Forte is Chief Tracklayer. Carol Artim will be the AKC Judge so that those who successfully complete their track

will be certified. Club member Betty Fletcher will be the second judge. She wants to work toward a judge's license, so this will be good practice. We will need volunteers to lay track, handle hospitality and such. Both events will be held at Jane Henderson's farm.

September 29th is our annual picnic and general membership meeting. See enclosed flier and send in your reservation. The site is changed to the Etchells' because the MacKinnons are having some landscaping done and expect Joanne's "training field" to be plowed, graded and seeded, but not ready for Agility this year. We thank the Etchells for volunteering their home and yard. We will have Agility, weather permitting.

The Newsletter has a new editor. Pat Etchells gave up her job as editor of the Princeton DTC "Dog Tales" and agreed to take over "Common Scents". Our former editor, Marion Rapp, receives our thanks and our best wishes for success with the Newsletter for her "motorcycle gang". Send your brags and other information to Pat.

The TED follow-ups have been well attended, and we expect to have several participants ready for the certification match. Remember that the nominating committee will be appointed at the picnic meeting. Start thinking about candidates for officers and board members so you can make suggestions or volunteer to serve. And get those dogs working so you'll be ready for our first test!

Fran Wilmeth, President

For Sale or Loan

Linda Riley has 1990 TED tee shirts in sizes M, L, XL and XXL available. They are \$5.00 each plus \$1.00 for shipping. She also has the "Tracking Dog Excellent Handbook" by Sandy Ganz & Susan Boyd for \$8.50 (regular retail price is \$12.00). The book is also \$1.00 for shipping.

The Club now owns the video (VHS) "Training a Competition Tracking Dog" by Leesburg Publications. It is available to all members and Linda will send it out upon receiving \$2.50 to

cover shipping. The borrower is also responsible for the charges to ship it back to Linda.

Also available for order are the **member** sweats and tee shirts which can be printed up as soon as we have a minimum of 12 items. Call Linda.

Linda's address is Box 365, Peapack, NJ 07977 (phone 908-234-0372). She will also have these items available at the picnic.

The Mythology of tick removal

(from Goldcoast KC Paw Prints via The M.T.A. News)

Few rituals are more steeped in folklore than tick removal. You name it and someone has tried it - or heard that it works. Gasoline, kerosene, and glowing matches all vie for honors, along with rubbing alcohol, fingernail polish, butter and others.

To settle the matter, CU questioned three Lyme disease researchers who spend much of their time collecting ticks in the wild. They had accumulated a total of nearly 300 tick bites, but none had contracted Lyme disease - a tribute either to their luck or their tick-removing ability.

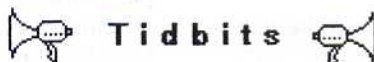
A good removal technique, they all agreed, should work fast. The idea is to get the tick off before it's had time to inject spirochetes into you. (The mouth parts that penetrate the skin don't harbor spirochetes). Research suggests that you have a grace period of at least a few hours from the time of the bite. But the sooner you remove the tick, the better.

That's why one hallowed technique - suffocating them with vaseline, butter, or the like - get a failing grade. Ticks would be likelier to die of old age first. Gasoline, kerosene, and hot matches also work slowly if at all. Moreover, they all irritate the tick and may actually provoke it to spew spirochetes into the skin.

The experts say there's only one good way to remove a tick, and that's to pull it out with tweezers or small forceps. The idea is to grasp the tick as close as possible to its mouth - the part sticking into the skin. Then, without jerking, pull it upward steadily. Don't worry about pulling out a little skin in the process.

The best tool for the job is a thick, curved forceps, available from surgical-supply stores and pharmacies. It's ideal for gripping the tick as close to the skin and avoiding its bloated abdomen, which can act like a syringe if you squeeze it. The superiority of forceps was affirmed in a study published in 1985 in the Journal Pediatrics. The author attempted to remove 100 ticks from the skin of sheep. He used forceps and four other methods: vaseline, fingernail polish, rubbing alcohol, and a hot kitchen match. Forceps worked every time, while the other techniques failed to dislodge any.

After removing the tick, disinfect the bite with rubbing alcohol or povidone iodine (Betadine). Don't handle the tick; spirochetes could enter the body through breaks in the skin. Dispose of it in alcohol or flush it down the drain. And check the bite occasionally for at least two weeks to see if a rash forms. If it does, you've been infected and should seek treatment promptly.



PEG FORTE's son GREG was selected as New Jersey's 4H Seeing Eye delegate to the National 4H conference in Chicago next fall. Greg's most recent Seeing Eye puppy, **Hope**, a golden retriever has been returned for training. His ninth puppy, a male German Shepherd, will arrive in early August.

RON LOOS has achieved his first UD! GSD **Kandi** got her third leg at Penn Ridge with a 4th place in UB! His and MAELIENE's next goal is a tracking title on her.

RALPH and JOANNE MAC KINNON are proud first-time grandparents! NANCY had a daughter, Katherine Marie, on August 9. Dogwise, Golden

Retriever **Jezebel** got her JH title at the Swamp Dog Trial in Leesport, PA, on July 22!!! And their rescue Norwich **Danny** has a part in RUSSELL's theater group's play.

Molly RILEY, LINDA's Tibetan Terrier, was certified on May 20 by the American Temperament Testing Society, (and is only the third Tibetan to pass the test.) She is also the holder of a Canine Good Citizen certificate!

And GERRY SULLIVAN's Standard Poodle **Panache** is now a UDT, having finished her UD title at the Hudson Valley Poodle Show on June 20 with a 189 and first place.

PEOPLE TRACKS

featuring **Lillian Puchalski**

Lillian got started in dogs in 1960 when the president of the Lackawanna Kennel Club needed a picture of a collie to promote their point show. Asked if she would consider entering her collie, "Tawny Mr. Bones of Moscow," Lillian did and they won their first blue ribbon. They got their picture in the paper, and people came to the show looking to see this local Lassie. The bug bit her, Lillian joined the club and has been active in it ever since. She is presently the Second Vice President.

Lillian has owned Rough and Smooth Collies, Golden Retrievers and Shetland Sheepdogs. She likes collies because of the "Lassie Come Home" and the Albert Payson Terhune books (which she now collects). Golden Retrievers were a choice because she likes to hunt, and they seem to perform well in the field - plus they're "pussycats"! And the Sheltie was chosen for her granddaughter to show in Juniors and obedience.

Titles earned by Lillian's dogs are:

- Can Ch. Lar-Lill's King of the Road
- Can. Ch Lar-Lill's Blue Royalty, A/C CD
- Lar-Lill's Pilot in Command, CD
- Margo's Black Folly, CD
- Ch Lar-Lill's Reverse Psychology
- Lar-Lill's Into the Wind, DC, TD
- Ch Lar-Lill's Cross Wind
- Cumming's Dessert Wind, CD, TD, WC
- Caper Hill's the Look of Love, CDX
- Pritchard's Baron, CDX
- Lar-Lill's New Beginning, CD
- Lar-Lill's Perfect Princess, CD, TD, TT

Lillian got interested in tracking when she went to a Glen Johnson seminar. Because all the Shepherd people snickered at her with her smooth collie, it made her more determined than ever. This collie became the third smooth collie in the US to get a tracking degree.

Other animal activities include breeding rough and smooth collies, which she shows both in obedience and breed. Lillian does drill team work and also has therapy dogs that go to local old age homes and retarded camps. Her school "Loose Lead Obedience School" was the first in the area to conduct Canine Good Citizen tests. Four of her dogs are Canine Good Citizens. Lillian is a NADOI instructor and is head instructor of LKC.

Personally, Lillian has just celebrated her 40th wedding anniversary. She has one son Larry who is a charter captain on Lake Ontario, and she is first mate of the "Ultimate Quest Charters." Fishing is her second love. She has a woodworking shop in the basement and does woodworking for a few gift shops and craft shows. 16 year old granddaughter Nicole has followed in Lillian's footsteps and shows in Junior showmanship and obedience. Husband Vincent stays home and takes care of the dogs when Lillian is away.

Relating her most amusing story, Lillian states:

"My son was in high school and was dating a very nice girl. We were at a match show. When it came down to best of breed, it seemed his male was against me and my bitch. In the meantime it had started to pour rain. She could not believe that he took off his raincoat and put it over his dog to keep his coat dry while he looked like a drowned rat. His dog's coat flattened in the rain so he wasn't taking any chances. It all ended well though. He beat me and she married him, even though she thought we were all insane. Her daughter did follow in his footsteps. She turned out to be the best tracklayer you ever could find. "Rocky" helped me put all three of my TDs on my dogs. Daughters-in-law like this are hard to find!"