



# Common Scents

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Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey

**COMMON SCENTS**

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# 1998-1999

## Lenape Tracking Club

August 1998

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August

9 8:00am-12:00pm Training Session - Members Only  
21 7:30-10:00pm Board Meeting

September

19 9:00am-5:00pm Plotting tracks for Certification Workshop  
6:00-7:30pm Pot Luck Dinner with the Judge  
7:30-8:30pm Board Meeting  
20 8:00am-4:00pm Certification Workshop

October

10 9:00am-12:00pm Training Session - Members Only  
11 "Bark in the Park" - Tracking Demo. - Tewksbury  
16 7:30-10:00pm Board Meeting  
31 9:00am-4:00pm Track Plotting for Test  
6:00-9:00pm Pot Luck Dinner with the Judges

November

1 8:30am-4:00pm Tracking Test  
14 9:00am-4:00pm VST Seminar - with Mike Clemens  
4:00-5:00pm Board Meeting

December

13 9:00am-12:00pm Training Session - Members Only

April

24 9:00am-4:00pm Tracking Experience Day

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For Sale

LTC Patches ( colors - 3"dia.)

\$3.00 plus \$.50 for postage & handling  
Send check made out to Lenape Tracking Club  
to: Mimi Ruch, 179 Grove Street,  
Somerville, NJ 08876-1645

SUBJECT TO CHANGES

7/26/1998





**"Nellie"  
President's  
Message -  
Peg Forte**

It's soap box time - we need to share our concerns about the scarcity of tracking judges on the east coast (and I understand it is also becoming a problem with obedience judges.) With so many more activities for dog enthusiasts - with so many of us trying new things with our dogs - tests, trials, etc. are getting lots of entries, but it seems as though people are not considering applying to become judges in enough numbers to make the supply of judges equal the demands of the sports.

It took a multitude of phone calls to secure a judge for our certification workshop. Calls were placed in the East from VA, west to central PA, north to NH, VT, and MA. In this area (including names as far west as Pittsburgh) there are a total of 28 judges. Some of these judges really are not going to travel all the way to NJ to judge a match or a test. **We still have no tracking judge in NJ.**

The Lenape board members are discussing ideas and ways we may be able to help this situation. But the bottom line is that we need more judges. We are encouraging our members who have the experience, skills and physical stamina to seriously think about contributing to our sport of Tracking by applying to become a judge. **As some of those 28 judges "retire" in the next few years who will take their place - what will happen to Tracking. Think about it, folks!**

We were finally fortunate enough to get Art Twiss from Massachusetts to agree to drive down here to allow eight dogs the opportunity to be certified ready to enter tracking tests. (Detailed information will be mailed to members and TED participants soon) We already are aware that our test date conflicts with the Princeton Dog Training Club's Agility Trial.

**Please - Check the calendar in every newsletter - we try to have the dates of all events on it - far in advance so you can plan accordingly.**

Conflicts with these other events becomes something we can not avoid. We will need tracklayers for the certification workshop and the test - this does not always mean a commitment of the entire day. **John Etchells** has agreed to be the Chief Tracklayer for both events. He will be calling all those who are Lenape Certified Tracklayers to lay the tracks for these events. If you are not a Certified Tracklayer and would like to become one, please call John at 908-236-2423 - as soon as we know there are a few people interested we will hold a session at which you can be certified. (going through

this process will make you a better tracklayer for your own dog(s).)

**TED Follow-ups and Training Sessions** have been going well, the last one was held on Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> and at last the weather cooperated. Yes there was an error on the flyer - my mistake - and my apologies for anyone it confused. The date on the calendar was the correct one. Next month we will again address "knowing exactly where that track really is, so you don't confuse your dog or the person and their dog that you laid the track for - we hope to see a good turnout at this one. Good chance to get pointers for the Certification workshop.

**"Bark in the Park"** Date is Sun., Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> in the late morning, early afternoon. We have been invited to demonstrate our sport of Tracking at this event held at the Christie Hoffman Farm for the second year. It is one way we can show our appreciation for being able to use the park. We will need volunteers to demo and explain - call me at 908-832-7231. This event conflicts with the Ramapo show., which will keep a couple of us from barking in the park - but I'm sure we have some members who can represent us.

The **Tracking Test** will be held on November 1<sup>st</sup>, with plotting of the tracks the day before and a pot luck supper with our judges (and old friends) Sallie Richards and Sue Dolbin. Try to join us for these activities. Premium lists will be in the mail soon.

**VST Seminar - Saturday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>** Information to be mailed out as soon as the details are worked out.

The date for the **1999 Tracking Experience Day (TED)** is Saturday, April 24, 1999. *The Board has voted to increase the fee to \$60. This includes the day long session and the three follow-up sessions - still a bargain.*

### **CPR Classes for Pets -**

The American Red Cross is now offering - in Center City Philadelphia (1-800-42-CROSS) - three hour classes in pet CPR - complete with a dog dummy (Jerry) and a cat dummy (Fluffy). The book is available for the class is available from the Lehigh Valley Red Cross office, 1-610-865-4400.

*Maybe we could get them to do a course for us locally if there is enough interest.*



LENAPE TRACKING CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY  
BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS  
JULY 17, 1998

**Miktus Donation/Special Fund:** Joanne MacKinnon made a motion that the money generously donated by Florence Miktus in memory of her husband and their dogs be used for an outstanding service award. Seconded by Mimi Ruch. Motion carried. We need to develop guidelines on how to select the member who will receive the award.

**TED Followups:** The last followup was held on July 11 with 6 participants. Based on our observations, we need to revisit map-making and coaching by tracklayer teams.

**Land Report:** We will be able to continue to use Christie Hoffman Farm for our training sessions remaining this year. Mimi, Joanne and Ralph will contact Steve Smyser, Clinton Wildlife Area Manager, to investigate the Spruce Run fields on the 173 side of the reservoir for rose-free areas suitable for tracking.

**Certification Workshop Sept 19/20, 1998:** Art Twiss has accepted the assignment. Location will be determined in the upcoming weeks. John will be chief tracklayer. Mimi will be secretary. Flyers/"premium lists" will go out to '98 TED participants and members the 2nd or 3rd week of August.

**Chairman for '98 Test:** Barbara is secretary; John, chief tracklayer. We should have a chairman who arranges other details of the test such as hospitality and other duties accepted by club members other than tracklaying.

**VST Seminar:** November 14. Flyers to go out in August. The ESC building areas are still okay. Peg will send in the new application.

**'99 TED:** Saturday, April 24, 1999. Expenses associated with the day have increased. Joanne MacKinnon made a motion to increase the fee from \$50 to \$ 60. Seconded by Linda Riley. Motion carried.

### **VESTS**

We thought it would be a great idea for the club to get vests with pockets and pouches to carry tracking stuff easily. We hoped to find something we could make available at a reasonable price like \$25-30. We've divested ourselves of the vest search. Several members looked long and hard, but we weren't able to find a supplier who had a full range of sizes and choice of color in our price range. So, the next best thing we can do is give you a list of mail-order houses that have vests. They carry outdoor gear; maybe you want a rain suit, poncho, or boots.

**L.L. Bean:** 1-800-221-4221 or [www.llbean.com](http://www.llbean.com)

**Redhead:** 1-888-733-4323 or <http://www.basspro.com>

**Herter's:** 1-800-654-3825 or [www.herter.com](http://www.herter.com)

**Campmor:** 201/445-5000 or <http://www.campmor.com/>

**Cabela's:** 1-800-237-4444 or [www.cabelas.com](http://www.cabelas.com)

**The Sportsman's Guide:** 1-800-888-5222 or <http://www.sportsmansguide.com>

## NEW TRACKING DOG

LARLILLS' AGAINST ALL ODDS - Smoothcoated Collie owned by Lillian Puchalski.

On May 31, 1998 at the Mt. Nittany Dog Training Club tracking test, "LarLills' Against All Odds" my smooth coated blue merle collie Amanda Kate was the only one to pass the test. There were 5 TD, and 3 TDX.

It was 90° weather and a waist high hay field, but I remember what Peg Forte always told me, "Trust Mandy." So once she passed the second flag I never looked back, once she got tangled in the lead and I remember what Glen Johnson "God Rest His Soul" told me, just let it alone, loosen up and the dog will walk herself out of it. Which she did. I remembered my other collie, Tori, used to do that when I was training with him.

When she got to the glove she looked at the glove, pawed it, looked at me, then back at the glove, like "well, what else do you want?"

I picked it up and threw it 10 feet in the air and hugged Mandy.

Just got a blue merle smooth coated male puppy for my birthday from the kids. His name is "Ringo" so I guess here we go again.

Sincerely,

Lillian Puchalski

Congratulations, Lillian; we're all happy for you!

The AKC is encouraging dog clubs to ask local newspapers to run the advertisement below, as a public service. Mimi Ruch will be sending the following material the AKC provided to some local papers.

### **A Message From The American Kennel Club**

From a puppy to an adult, your dog will always need care and attention.



Bringing a dog into your family or home is a decision that requires thoughtful consideration. Becoming a responsible dog owner means a commitment of time, care and attention. Veterinarian visits, proper nutrition, grooming, training and registering your dog are all part of responsible dog ownership. Don't buy a dog on impulse. Owning a dog is a lifelong commitment. Plan ahead and choose the right purebred dog for you. For a free Responsible Dog Ownership packet, write to **The American Kennel Club, 5580 Centerview Drive, Raleigh, NC 27606** or e-mail at *info@akc.org*.



# Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey

**Sunday, August 9, 1998 - 8:00 - 11:00**

*(it really is on Sunday this time, sorry for the confusion last month )*

**at the Tewksbury Farm Park  
(now known as the Christie Hoffman Farm)**

*This training sessions is members or pending members only*

## **Topic : Knowing where the Track really is**

*( Hints on how to know exactly where the track is or how not to confuse your dog)*

The topic will be covered at the beginning of the session, then we will pair up and practice what was covered and/or lay tracks for each other.

**Please call by Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> to let us know you are coming**

We need to know how many are coming and in case of *extremely* inclement weather, who to notify in case we have to cancel the session.

**Contact: Peg Forte      1-908-832-7231**

### **Directions:**

**From Flemington / Whitehouse:** (Route 22 or Route 78): Take 523 North to Oldwick and Route 517 (523 turns right across from Hildebrandt Nurseries just before you enter Oldwick - stay straight and you will be on Route 517). Go through Oldwick and continue on Route 517 to Fairmount. At the traffic light by the Fairmount Methodist Church (little white church with white steeple and red doors) diagonally across from cemetery, turn left onto Route 512. The Christie Hoffman Farm driveway is the third driveway on the left.

**From Chester / Long Valley:** Take Route 24 and 513 to Route 517 South (left turn at light in Long Valley). Stay on Route 517 until you reach the intersection with Route 512 (cemetery will be on your right and the Methodist Church will be diagonally across the intersection). Turn right onto Route 512 and enter the Christie Hoffman Farm Park at the third driveway on the left.

UPDATING UPCOMING TRACKING AND TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT TESTS  
Dog Tracking Club of Maine. Maine State Society for the Protection  
of Animals -Oct. 4, Sunday - River Road, South Windham, ME. Close  
Sept. 16. Fee: \$50. Robert Cuzner, Trial Sec., 120 Dennett St.,  
Portland, ME 04102. Judges: M. Garrod; Mrs. R. C. Meyer.

James River Kennel Club, Inc. - Oct. 4, Sunday - Sanbriar Farm,  
Route 47, 2 miles South, Pamplin, VA. Close: Sept. 23.

Berks County Dog Training Club - Oct. 11, Sunday - Blue Marsh Lake  
Day Use Recreation Area, RD 1, Leesport, PA. Close: Sept. 23.  
Total Entry Limit: 8.

North Shore Kennel Club - Oct. 18, Sunday - Coolidge Estate, Andover  
Street, North Andover, MA. Close: Oct. 7. Fee: \$ 45. Nancy Gauthier,  
Trial Sec., 1537 Turnpike St., North Andover, MA 01845. Total  
Entry Limit: 6. Judges: Mrs. C. A. Bolan; J. F. Hanson.

Port Chester Obedience Training Club, Inc. - Oct. 18, Sunday.  
Mohonk Fields, Brook Farm, New Paltz, NY. Close: Sept. 30. Fee:  
\$40. Patricia Daye, Trial Sec., 50 Bay St., Bronx, NY 10464. Total  
Entry: 4. Judges: M. A. Clemens; Mrs. C. A. Simpson.

Tracking Club of Vermont - Oct. 18, Sunday - Walker Fields, Weston,  
VT. Close: Oct. 1. Fee: \$45. Elaine Stuart, Trial Sec., RR  
1, Box 3094, Killington, VT 05751. Judges: M. Garrod; Mrs. R. C. Meyer.  
Concord Dog Training Club, Inc. - Oct. 25, Sunday -- Nashoba Valley  
Hospital, Washington Street & Old Ages Road (Groton, MA). Close:  
Oct. 14. Fee: \$40. Mrs. Marianne F. Wood, Trial Sec., Box 56,  
148 Washington St., Ayer, MA 01432. Total Entry Limit: 7.

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West Highland White Terrier Club - Sept. 30, Wed. - (See Above)  
- Rita Kline, Trial Sec., Box 284, Lamont, PA 16851. Entry Limit:  
3. Judges: Mrs. D. H. Thompson; D. H. Nyman. (Ed. Note: This Test  
has been rescheduled from a Virginia site to Elkton, MD.)

Hudson Valley Tracking Club - Oct. 4, Sunday - Mohonk Fields, Brook  
Farm, New Paltz, NY - Close: Sept. 16. - Fee: \$ 75. - Sarah Wilson,  
Trial Sec., 2867 Route 44/55, Gardiner, NY 12525. Entry Limit: 8,

James River Kennel Club, Inc. - Oct. 4, Sunday - Sanbriar Farm,  
Route 47, 2 miles South, Pamplin, VA. Close: Sept. 23.

Port Chester Obedience Training Club, Inc. - Oct. 18, Sunday -  
Monhonk Fields, Brook Farm, New Paltz, NY. Close: Sept. 30. Fee: \$70.  
Patricia Daye, Trial Sec., 50 Bay St., Bronx, NY 10464. Total  
Entry: 4. Judges: M. A. Clemens; Mrs. C. A. Simpson.

#### VARIABLE SURFACE TRACKING

Hudson Valley Tracking Club - Oct. 25, Sunday - State Office Bldg  
Complex, Albany, NY. - Close: Oct. 10. Fee: \$75. Cathleen Hodor,  
Trial Sec., Rd 1, Box 31, Leeds, NY 12451. Entry Limit: 8. Judges:  
Miles Garrod; Arthur Twiss.

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