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Lenape Tracking Club

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June

- 11 7:30-10:00pm LTC Membership Meeting re:
Tracking Advisory Bd.
13 8:00-11:00am Training Session - TED & Members

July

- 10 8:00-11:00am Training Session - TED & Members
16 7:30-10:00pm Board Meeting

August

- 15 8:00-11:00am Training Session - Members Only
20 7:30-10:00pm Board Meeting

September

- 17 7:30-10:00pm Board Meeting
25 Certification Workshop-Plotting Tracks
26 9:00am Certification Workshop

October

- 9 9:00am-12:00pm Training Session/Bark in the Park
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November

- 6 Tracking Test - Plotting Tracks
7 Tracking Test (LTC's 10th)

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President's Message

First, the good news is that **Barbara Greenfield's** knee replacement surgery went well. She spent time in a rehab center and is already at home continuing to progress and she will back with us in person as soon as possible. She really appreciated all the cards she received.

Second, thanks to the same Barbara Greenfield our TED went almost flawlessly on a perfect weather day. **Joanne MacKinnon's "Skye"** did a picture perfect demo track and then Skye proudly showed everyone in the gallery his "glove." Our main presenters, **Hope Meaker** and **John Etchells** explained about scent and map making.

At the stations in the morning, **Mimi Ruch**, **Priscilla White** and **John Etchells** helped the TED participants learn to make maps; **Edie Braginton** and **Karl Gabosch** taught them how to handle their leads; **Hope Meaker**, **Marilyn Begasse** and **Karen Oliver** showed them how to measure their paces; **Joanne MacKinnon**, "**Jones**" and I demonstrated how to start a dog.

Hospitality was ably handled by **Mollie Heide**, **Priscilla Gabosch**, **Terry Andrews** and **Barbara Greenfield**. The desserts provided by the members were outstanding as usual.

Other members who served as herders and helpers were **Martha Windish**, **Lisa Pattison**, and **Noreen Dowling**. **Alice Crans** was in charge of the "store" selling our wares and keeping the accounts straight. **Rick Andrews** was kept very busy all day as he was our "All Purpose Specialist" - parking people, keeping an eye on the dogs in the cars, "herding" people, etc, etc.

It takes nearly one member for every TED participant to have this seminar run smoothly. Barbara and I both extend a hearty thank you to each member for their help. Without us all working together it wouldn't happen and without the dedication of a Barbara Greenfield it wouldn't happen. So a very special Thank You goes to Barbara.

Newspaper Coverage - Thanks to **Amanda Sumner**, who attended TED last year, there was a terrific write-up about TED in the Courier News. It appeared in a Sunday edition in May and again in the Strictly Hunterdon (free paper) distributed in this area. The photographer got a shot of our "dog," **Karl Gabosch** in action and a head-on view of the "Starting a Dog" station. Amanda, who is a correspondent for the Courier News, did a great job of explaining tracking.

The TED participants were an enthusiastic group and from the response to the first follow-up we are sure many of them will be continuing on to earn a "T." Twelve of them came out to the first follow-up session.

And several others called to say they couldn't come to that one but they would be coming to the next one.

There was heavy fog the day of the first follow-up, but 3 people drove up from Delaware to participate. **Joanne MacKinnon**, **Bev Olsen**, **Laurie Shuren**, **Rick Andrews** and I were there to help them learn about turns. After Joanne demonstrated how to lay turns, we broke into groups and worked the dogs. For much of the time we could see the other groups, but everyone worked their dogs as the rain held off.

June 11th Meeting - the purpose of this meeting is explained on the flyer you already received and again in a little more detail on the one in this newsletter. The AKC is asking for the input from those of us out here tracking ...so put on your thinking caps and come out to the meeting. Our discussion that night will be forwarded to the AKC to disseminate to the Tracking Advisory Committee.

Training Sessions - a flyer covering the next two sessions is elsewhere in this newsletter. There is also a plea for members to help at these sessions. TED isn't over until the 3 follow-up sessions are over - so come on out and help these new enthusiasts and bring your dog to work also.

Calendar - it is updated in each newsletter. Its purpose is to give you dates far enough in advance so you can plan to attend LTC events. Please read it and post it somewhere to remind you of LTC events.

It's been a beautiful spring, lots of very nice days to go tracking or to do other activities with your dogs. I hope you have been able to enjoy some of this time and that will see you out tracking real soon.

Peg Forte, President

In this newsletter

Training Session Notice - June 13 & July 10

Membership Meeting Notice - June 11th
Re: Tracking Advisory Board

List of Tracking Advisory Members

Calendar of Events

Membership Application

Tracking Tests information

Excerpts from Board Meeting minutes

and other items of interest

Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey

General Membership Meeting

Friday, June 11, 1999 - 7:30 PM

Purpose of the meeting: Discussion on information found at the AKC website regarding the following:

A Tracking Advisory Committee "has been formed to propose changes for AKC tracking events." committee is scheduled to meet on July 17-18 in Raleigh, NC

"The committee would appreciate receiving your thoughts regarding any aspect of tracking. All of your ideas, suggestions and proposed changes will become an important part of the committee's deliberations.

All information received at the AKC will be categorized and copies provided to each committee member before the meeting."

Tracking advisory committee members are: Joyce Klamet, Mary Thompson, Daniel R. Lawer, Sheldon Schultz, Sallie E. Richards, Walter B. Steward, Edwin V. Wight, Carol-Joy Evert, Jill Jones, Wiley H. Morrison, John Barnard, Jim Pitts, Chairman *

This is our opportunity to be "part of the solution"

Come, Join in the discussion

The LTC Board had a preliminary discussion on this matter on May 21st - please see the excerpts of the meeting minutes elsewhere in this newsletter.

* A list with addresses and contact phone numbers of the Tracking Advisory members is in this newsletter

If you cannot attend, your comments in writing are welcome - send to Peg Forte, 104 Sliker Road, Glen Gardner, NJ or pegforte@worldnet.att.net

Where: Lebanon Township Municipal Building, Hill Road, Glen Gardner, New Jersey

DIRECTIONS:

From the East: I-78 to Exit 17 (Route 31 North). * Take Rt. 31 north - as you approach the second light, stay to the right as jug handle takes you off onto Route 513 at the 513 - Grayrock Shopping Center - at the STOP sign turn right and note mileage at this point. Follow Rt. 513 to and through High Bridge. Shortly past Voorhees High School, turn left onto Rt. 628. There is an old, unopened Sunoco gas station on the corner. This turn will be 3.9 miles from the light on Rt. 31. Follow Rt. 628 to full stop at Hill Rd. Turn left. Watch for brick buildings on the left - first a firehouse, then the Municipal Building, then the First Aid Squad. (Total mileage from light on Rt. 31 is 5.7 miles). Park in the rear of the buildings.

From the West: I-78 to Exit 15. Right at end of ramp. Take Main Street into the town of Clinton. At the light in the center of town, turn left onto Halstead Street (Route 513). Observe the speed limit here! Halstead will end at Route 31 where you turn left and will be at the first light. Follow directions above from *

BOARD MEETING ABSTRACT - MAY 1999

Training Sessions: All but 6 TED people called. Thirteen people came to the May follow-up, the largest group ever. This shows that the immediate follow-up is effective. We will continue to use the Christie Hoffman farm. The June session will be on lead-handling. We need more people to work. We were short of workers for May.

Land Report: We'll need a group to inspect the land near Heide's as a possible test location. We need to decide soon on what land to use because we'll have to inform AKC if we make any change. The land across from the school in Lebanon may be purchased by the township.

Red Cross Pet First Aid Program: Mimi talked to Alice Buschman of Lower Bucks DTC who hosted several sessions of this program. They were very happy with the program. They didn't have enough advance publicity out the first time they ran it, but had more success the second time. It's possible to run two sessions in one day; the program is four hours long. Possibly Amanda Sumner who did a very nice article about TED for the Courier News could help us with publicity. Peg will inquire about using the ESC or 4H building in Flemington and about the possibility of co-sponsoring with 4H. Mimi will check with Red Cross on lead time and ideal class number. Mid-November or early December would be a good time to do this.

June Meeting for Tracking Advisory Board Commentary: Several things we thought suitable for discussion in June and submission to the advisory board are:

- VST does not do it for an "intermediate" tracking test
- VST does not ease the difficulty in finding good tracking sites; corporate locations frequently use herbicides and pesticides and don't want dogs.
- What is AKC doing to encourage people to become judges. There are very few new tracking and obedience judges applying from our area. The most recent issue of the Gazette had no announcements for any tracking and obedience judges.
- What is the AKC doing to observe provisional judges.
- Provisional judges cannot co-judge TDX tests. This reduces possibilities for them.
- AKC should contact involved clubs directly. We received no notice from them, but found out about it from the Internet and Front & Finish.

Old Business: The tracking notebook is still in progress. We could send out a flyer as soon as it is ready to a number of people who have inquired about tracking and membership after TED was filled.

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Welcome New Members

The people listed below became members May 3, 1999. We're delighted to have them and hope they will enjoy their association with us.

Name	Address/Telephone	Type Dogs	Sponsors
Edith Braginton	PO Box 177, E Schodack, NY 12063 518/477-8744 tpa@aol.com or c/o Vicky Brown	German Shepherd	Victoria Brown, John Etchells
Jamie Swanson	1131 Dunton St. Philadelphia, PA 19123 215/423-4471	Chow, German Shepherd, Pug	Karen Privitello, Kathy Gaynor



UPCOMING TRACKING TESTS

Shrewsbury Dog Training Club, Inc., Gardner, Ma., Sunday, Sept. 19, High Ridge Wildlife Management Area. CLOSES; Sept. 8. Fee: \$40. Marianne F. Wood, TRIAL SEC., P.O.Box 56, Ayer MA 01432-0056. Total Entry Limit: 8. JUDGES; **R. C. Parsons; Mr. M. Garrod.**

TRACKING TEST EXCELLENT

Tracking Club of Massachusetts, Gardner, Ma., Sunday, Sept. 12, High Ridge Wildlife Management Area. CLOSES; Aug. 27. Fee: \$75. Ms. Marianne F. Wood, TRIAL SEC., P. O./ Box 56, Ayer, MA 01432-1126. Total Entry Limit; 6. JUDGES; **Mr. A. L. Twiss; Mrs. M. E. Thompson.**



STATISTICS

"...there were 78 fewer dogs competing in tracking events in 1998 than in 1997. ... VST entries were down a whopping 91 from the previous year!!! ... there were 15 more tests at the TD level lat year compared to 1997, TDX tests showed a decline of 22 and VST a decline of 7. ... There were 62 fewer titles earned in 1998 than in 1997. ...The passing rate for TDs was 51.08% compared to 54.4% in 1997. TDX dogs, 13% down from 19.8% the year before. VST saw a rise in the success rate, from 4.4% UP to 7.4%.

"Sporting dogs earned 162 TDs, 27 TDXs, 1VST and 1 CT. Hounds...30 TDs and 12 TDXs; Terriers... 14 TDs and 3 TDXs. Working dogs...59 TDs and 6 TDXs; Toys...6 TDs. Non-Sporting... 9 TDs and 1TDX... Herding...120 TDs, 20 TDXs, 4 VSTs and 5 CTs in 1998.

"Golden retrievers again ranked first in number of tracking titles earned in 1998.. German Shepherd Dogs were again second . Border Collies moved up to third(from fifth in 1997) Tied for fourth this year are Belgian Tervurens, and Rottweilers." ... Micki Conley, Midwest Tracking Association.

NEWSLETTER EXCHANGES

Midwest Tracking Association, April 1999; May 1999, Micki Conley, 22817 Oakland Drive, Steger, IL 60475

CrossTracks, The Newsletter of the Tracking Club of Central Florida, April 1999, Frances Smith, Editor, 4096 Happiness St., West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Croix Valley Tracking Club, Newsletter for the Committed Tracker, February-March 1999, Newsletter Editor, 13030 - 30th St. N., Stillwater, MN 55082



Only in America

...are there handicap parking places in front of a skating rink... do people order double cheeseburgers, a large fry and a diet coke... do banks leave both doors open and then chain the pens to the counters... do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and leave useless things in the garage... do we use answering machines to screen calls and then have call waiting so we won't miss a call from someone we didn't want to talk to in the first place... do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight. ...SEASONED YEARS, Hunterdon County Office on Aging, Spring 1999.

Changing Light Bulbs: "I think a Chesapeake would say, 'Single or Double, I can change those bulbs, but got to do it in the dark, so the other dogs can't learn my art.'" ...Millie Buchholz, Okeechobee, Florida.



DEADLINE FOR COMMON SCENTS

July 25, 1999, Editor, Janet Horn, 861 County Road 519, Frenchtown, NJ 08825. (908)-996-4922./

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ATTENTION MEMBERS:

Sunday, June 13th Training Session

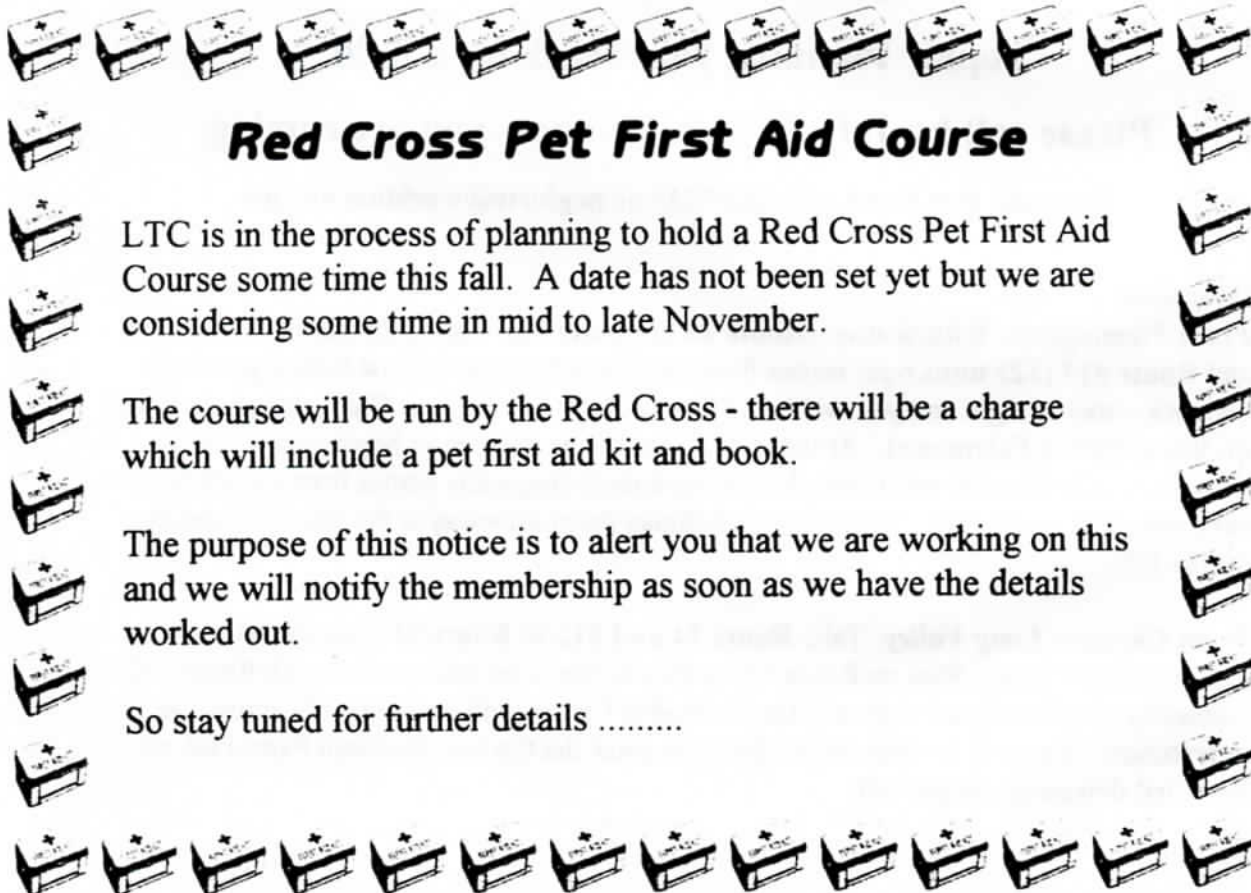
We had large turnout at the first of the three TED follow-up sessions and we are expecting a large turnout at the second follow-up on June 13th.

We need members there to help.

Please notify Peg Forte if you can come on June 13th to help details on enclosed flyer.

pegforte@worldnet.att.net or 1-908-832-7231

We will also need members for the Saturday, July 10th training session. Remember, after the TED participants are helped, we usually have time and space to work our own dogs. So, come out to help and to train your dog.



Red Cross Pet First Aid Course

LTC is in the process of planning to hold a Red Cross Pet First Aid Course some time this fall. A date has not been set yet but we are considering some time in mid to late November.

The course will be run by the Red Cross - there will be a charge which will include a pet first aid kit and book.

The purpose of this notice is to alert you that we are working on this and we will notify the membership as soon as we have the details worked out.

So stay tuned for further details

Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey

Training Sessions

Sunday, June 13, 1999 - 8:00 - 11:00

at the Tewksbury Farm Park

(now known as the Christie Hoffman Farm)

This training sessions is for 1999 TED participants and members only

Topic: Lead Handling

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 June 9th to let us know you are coming

We need to know how many are coming and who to notify in case we have to cancel the session because of **extremely inclement weather** or if a **change of site** becomes necessary.

Contact: Peg Forte 908-832-7231 or pegforte@worldnet.att.net

Saturday, July 10, 1999 - 8:00 - 11:00

Topic: Planning your track for a field

Please call by July 7th to let us know you are coming

Contact: Peg Forte 908-832-7231 or pegforte@worldnet.att.net

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**.



Application for Membership

Send to: John Etchells
Box 326
Lebanon, NJ 08833

Name (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) _____

Address _____

Phone No. () _____

Dogs. Please give breed, call name, and registered name with titles. (Continue on rear.)

I enclose the following fee (check the one that applies and make checks payable to Lenape Tracking Club, Inc.)

_____ Regular membership (one adult)	\$20.00
_____ Family membership (maximum of two votes)	\$30.00
_____ Junior membership (under 18 - no voting privileges)	\$10.00

(After October 1 of any given year, all dues fees are half the yearly rate to cover membership for the rest of that fiscal year).

As a member of the Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey I agree to further the advancement of all breeds of pure-bred dogs in the sport of tracking. I also agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club and by the Constitution and ByLaws of the Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey.

Signed _____ Date _____

** Recommended by: (1) _____ (2) _____

Approved for membership _____ Date _____

** In order to be considered for membership in the Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey, the membership application **MUST be signed** by TWO members in good standing that are willing to recommend you. You **must attend two** of the club's functions so that we may get to know you and you will have the opportunity to obtain the necessary signatures.

You can help the Lenape Tracking Club by telling us something about your skills and interests, we are always looking for people to help with activities Please check your strengths below:

Historian ___ Hospitality ___ Newsletters ___ Photography / Video ___ Programs & Seminars ___
Public Education ___ Publicity ___ Trophies/Awards ___
Willing to become certified to lay tracks ___ Other _____