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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 10 BARK IN THE PARK - Tracking Demo.

November

6 Tracking Test - Plotting Tracks

7 Tracking Test (LTC's 10th) 13 7:30am-5:30pm Pet First Aid & CPR

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President's Message

This hot weather is the worst for tracking, the best time to work with those novice dogs is very early in the morning or late in the evening after it cools down a bit. But even the early mornings are not giving any moisture to help our dogs find those tracks.

Some suggestions that might help if you are persevering in working your tracking dogs - make the tracks shorter, more food drops and a bigger jackpot at the end. Also be sure to carry water with you and offer it to your dog, especially if he's having trouble. Dogs need to have their mouth moist to be able to fully use their sense of smell.

Conditions are about as tough as they can be for doing tracking training. But if you can get you dog to track enthusiastically under these conditions they will be even better under normal conditions.

Hope that some of you are persevering and that your dogs will be ready for certification in September. By now you have received the information regarding the Certification Workshop. There is also more info elsewhere in this newsletter.

The information on the August Training Session was mailed with the Workshop info. Barbara Greenfield and Bev Olsen are in charge.

We have been asked to do a tracking Demo at the Bark in the Park event being held at the Christie Hoffman Farm on Oct. 10th. Mimi Ruch, Joanne MacKinnon, and others will be there representing our club. If you know someone who has expressed an interest in tracking and they missed the 99 TED, they can get a glimpse of tracking at this event. Have them get in touch with me and will send the information.

John Etchells has agreed to serve as Chief Tracklayer at the Certification Workshop and the Tracking Test again this year. He will need tracklayers for both events. Our goal this year is to have each tracklayer lay only one track and to have John truly supervise and not have to lay any tracks. That means our certified tracklayers need to be available. You know who you are, so stand up and volunteer.

Barbara Greenfield, who had knee replacement in May has worked very hard at her rehabilitation and the results are miraculous. She has already volunteered to lay a track at the workshop and test.

The Red Cross Pet First Aid Course is set for Saturday, Nov. 13th at the Sandhill School in Flemington. Details and directions are on a separate flyer in this newsletter.

Peg Forte

In this newsletter

Tracking Advisory Committee Report

Certification Workshop Information

Calendar of Events

Red Cross Pet First Aid Course Details

Tracking Tests information

Excerpts from Board Meeting minutes

..... and other items of interest

TRACKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETS

The Tracking Advisory Board met and discussed tracking on July 17th.

One of the members of the committee is Salle Richards who has judged several of our events. I contacted Salle by e-mail to find out how the meeting went. These are her comments:

"The advisory board was terrific! I think people are going to be astonished at what we accomplished. It was the most productive dog activity in which I have ever been involved.

We agreed not to release specifics until Jim Pitts can present our recommendations to the AKC board. It is also somewhat still a work in progress since we all need to review the written report of the meeting before Jim presents it. Once the AKC board has it, it will be released to everyone.

What impressed me about the process was how thoroughly all the material submitted by clubs and individuals was gone over and considered.

There is an obedience advisory committee meeting coming up immediately after ours so Jim figured it might be two months before he can present our recommendations."

So that is a first hand report of the progress of the tracking advisory committee. Thank you, Salle for sharing this information with us. We are looking forward to the report.

CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

The Certification Workshop will be held the weekend of September 25-26. John Etchells has agreed to be the Chief Tracklayer. He will need 8 members to lay tracks.

This is a great opportunity to use those skills you gained when you were certified to lay track. If you haven't laid a track at the workshop or a test yet, we highly recommend this event as the place to get your feet wet. (Don't we all wish we could get our feet wet)

Those who lay tracks will have the opportunity to work with the judge and learn more about how to lay track for a test.

Our original judge, Bea Connelly had to withdraw after she and her husband received serious injuries when they were attached by a ram. It took us several weeks to find a replacement, but we were fortunate that a new provisional judge from New York state appeared in the Gazette.

Lily Mummert, has earned 7 TD's and 2 TDX's with her Belgian Sheep-dogs and German Shepherds. She is pleased to have the opportunity to judge our event and hopefully certify all entrants.

So if you aren't entering, plan to join us on Saturday while the tracks are plotted. We will also have supper when the work is done. Hope to see you there.

Information about workshop has already been sent to all members and the 1999 TED participants.

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BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS JULY 16, 1999

Correspondence: We received a sample of Febreze along with literature from Procter & Gamble in response to internet rumors that this product (an odor remover) is harmful to pets. P&G says it isn't. Literature will be available to read at the August training session.

Red Cross Pet First Aid Program: Scheduled for November 13. Peg will get approval to use the ESC building in Flemington. Amanda Sumner said she will do PR and make several referrals.

Tracking Advisory Committee: Our comments were sent to all members

Certification Workshop: Lily Mummert, a new provisional judge from Westchester County, will judge. Secretary: Barbara Greenfield; Chief Tracklayer: John Etchells. Maybe some of the newly certified tracklayers could do the workshop tracks to give them practice before being asked to lay track for a test.

The workshop will be open to all Lenape members and '99 TED participants on a first-come, first-serve basis.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

The people listed below have applied for membership. They will become members 30 days after the mailing of this newsletter unless secretary Mimi Ruch, 179 Grove St., Somerville, NJ 08876 receives any letter of objection within 30 days.

Name	Address/Telephone	Type Dogs	Sponsors
Noreen Dowling	78 Hickson Dr New Providence, NJ 07974 908/7716485	Newfoundland	Priscilla Gabosch Mollie Heide
Bob & Karen Malloy	1094 Cox Cro Rd Toms River, NJ 08755 732/286-4056	Australian Shepherd Labrador Retriever	Beverly Olsen Vicky Brown

TID-BITS

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Caballero Mimi's Angus, JH, Am/Can CDX, WC, Mimi Ruch's Labrador Retriever, finished his JH at Hudson Highlands Hunting Retriever Association's Hunting Test in June.

The Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey and the Hunterdon County P.A.W.S. 4H Dog Training Club

The courses will be taught by staff from the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Red Cross.

are co-sponsoring 2 - four hour Pet First Aid Courses.

In these 4-hour, hands-on courses you will gain the knowledge and skills necessary to help keep your pet safe and act with confidence during an emergency, until you can take cat or dog to a veterinarian. Topics covered include: common emergencies and problems, proper first aid techniques, emergency equipment, and how to have a healthy & happy pet. You will meet "Jerry" and "Fluffy, our rescue critter CPR manikins.

The course cost includes a copy of a book, entitled "Pet First Aid." This book, which is a first aid reference for cat and dog emergencies, is a cooperative effort of the American Red Cross, the nation's largest humanitarian organization, and The Humane Society of the United States, the nation's largest animal protection association.

The illustrated book includes:

- x symptoms and care for common ailments and emergencies
- instructions for creating a pet first aid kit
- tips on maintaining your pet's health and well-being

The book sells for \$12.95 plus tax and shipping

The course also include a Pet First Aid Kit which sells for \$30.00 + tax and shipping. The kit has handles for easy hand carrying or loops for attaching to a "fanny pack" or belt. Constructed of durable red nylon, the kit has internal pockets and a zipper closure. Contents include: latex gloves, gauze pads and sponges, non-adhesive pads, rescue blanket, emerband, paramed scissors, cold compress, penlite, tongue depressors, alcohol prep pads, antiseptic wipes, conforming bandages, combination dressing, muslin sling bandage, adhesive tape, tweezers, styptic pencil, shovel sample collector, cotton, peroxide, eye wash, petroleum jelly, triple antibiotic cream and a small "People Kit" in a white vinyl wallet.

Saturday, November 13, 1999 at the ESC Sandhill School, Rt. 31, Flemington, NJ
First Session - 8:30am - 12:30pm - Second Session - 1:00pm - 5:00pm
\$85.00 per person/family (only one book and first aid kit per family)
The number of participants in each session is limited
To register in advance or for more information - call 908-832-7231
or via e-mail pegforte@worldnet.att.net

LENAPE TRACKING CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY COMMENTS FOR THE TRACKING ADVISORY COMMITTEE JUNE 11, 1999

The comments given below were compiled from discussions held with Lenape's board and general membership. We hope they will be helpful in furthering a sport we enjoy.

Difficulties in getting into a TDX Test

- Creation of an intermediate test as a certification necessary for entry into a TDX test could reduce the number of entries and at the same time increase the number of dogs and handlers that are ready for TDX.
 Coupons issued when a dog qualifies for its TD can't do this. A dog trained only to TD level is not ready for TDX.
- VST does not ease the difficulty in finding good tracking sites; corporate locations frequently use herbicides and pesticides and don't want dogs.
 VST isn't the best alternative to TDX or an intermediate test.
- Raising the entry fees for TDX would probably reduce the number of entries, but would make it a sport for the wealthy.

Encouragement for People to Become Tracking Judges

 Are there ways the AKC could encourage people to become tracking judges. There are very few new judges in the northeast. A number of those listed in the Judges Directory are no longer actively judging.

Observation of Provisional Judges

- Are there ways of streamlining the observation process for provisional judges. Perhaps people who are no longer actively judging or seasoned, experienced judges could be used as observers. Maybe more than one observation with written reports would be appropriate.
- Opportunities for provisional judges to be observed are limited by the fact that they are ineligible to co-judge in TDX tests which a number of clubs offer in combination with TD tests.

Directory Listings

• Would it be possible to note those judges who are available for certifications only (their circumstances may limit them temporarily or permanently from participating in two full days of plotting and judging) in the directory. This would save clubs looking for judges a number of phone calls as well as the judges who have to respond.

Communication with Tracking Clubs

- Are there ways the AKC could communicate better with the tracking clubs. Clubs devoted to tracking only (there are 14 or more in the US) are not represented by a delegate.
- Maybe the AKC could sponsor periodic tracking forums for these clubs.
- Increased publicity about tracking and more frequent articles in the <u>Gazette</u> would help.
- Direct contact with these clubs when an advisory committee is formed would also be helpful. We found a notice on the AKC Website and in Front & Finish (May 1999), but did not receive any notice to the club.

Composition of Advisory Committees

 The present committee is made up of tracking judges. Future committees might include seasoned trackers (people who have earned multiple titles) to provide the exhibitor's point of view.

Increasing the Attractiveness of Tracking Tests

 Is there a way of making it more attractive to obedience and specialty clubs to hold tracking tests. Tracking tests are often money-losers that these clubs don't want.

Is Tracking Correctly Positioned as Obedience

Tracking really isn't obedience. Is it better related to hunting?
 Association with hunting clubs could be beneficial to tracking clubs looking for usable land. Hunting clubs have knowledge of and access to land that might be suitable for tracking.

Use of Booties and Vests for Dogs in Tracking Tests

 These would be beneficial to keep burrs and seeds out of the dogs' coats and feet. They should be permissible for all breeds.

TD Certification Period

 It would be helpful to some exhibitors who live in climates that make year-round tracking difficult if the certification period were extended to 18 months from the present 12.

TRACKING TESTS

Shrewsbury Dog Training Club, Inc., Sept. 19 - High Ridge Wildlife Management Area, Gardner, Ma. 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.

Dog Tracking Club of Maine, Oct. 3 - Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals, River Road, South Windham, ME. CLOSES: Sept. 15. Fee: \$50. Jim Hanson, TRIAL SEC., 15 Pipeline Road, Windham, ME 04062. JUDGES: Mrs. R.C.Meyer; Mrs. S.S.Rose

West Highland White Terrier Club of America, Oct. 6 -Farhill Natural Resources Mngement Area, Elkton, MD. CLOSES; Sept 22. Fee: \$40. Elaine O'Carroll, TRIAL SEC., 574 Laurel Rd., Riva, MD 21140. Total Entry: 6, JUDGES: Mr. W. R. Sanders; Mrs. A. Knoll

Doberman Pinscher Club of America, Oct. 6 - Hathor Farm 17 Nichols Rc, Amherst, NH. CLOSES; Sept 15. Fee: not given. Judith Brooks-Fitzhugh, TRIAL SEC., 345 Buckland Hills Drive #18314, Manchester, CT 06040. Total Entry: 8. JUDGES; Mrs. R. C. Meyer; Mr. M. Garrod

Central New York Kennel Club, Inc., Oct. 10 - Humphreys Farm Tibbitts Rd. New Hartford, NY. CLOSES: not given. Fee: \$35. Betty Bussey, TRIAL SEC., 131 St. Mary's Ave., Clinton, NY 13323.

Port Chester Obedience Training Club, Inc., Oct. 17 - Mohonk Fields, Brook Farm, New Paltz, NY. CLOSES: Sept 27. Fee: \$40. Patricia Daye, TRIAL SEC., 50 Bay St., Bronx NY10464-1317 Total Entry: 4. JUDGES: Mrs. C. A. Simpson; M.A.Clemens

Berks County Dog Training Club, Oct 17 - Blue Marsh Lake, Day Use Recreation Area, R.D. 1, Leesport. PA. CLOSES: Sept. 29. Fee: \$40. Mrs. Joan Heater, TRIAL SEC., 110 Jessica Drive, Leesport. PA 19533. JUDGES: Mrs. S.H.Dolbin; Ms B.A.Dedek

Tracking Club of Vermont, Oct. 17 - Walker Fields, Weston, VT. CLOSES: Oct. 6. Fee: \$45. Nancy W. Anderson, TRIAL SEC., 1032 South Hill Rd, Ludlow, VT 05149. Total Entry: 8. JUDGES; Mr. M. Garrod; Mrs. M.E.Thompson

Concord Dog Training Club, Inc., Oct. 31 - Coolidge Farm. Topsfield, MA. CLOSES: Oct. 20. Fee: S50. Susan Latham. TRIAL SEC., 51 West Acton Rd., Stow, MA01775-2112. JUDGES; Mrs. R. C. Meyer; Ms D. A. Dedek

Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey - Nov 7 - Fields Adjacent O Lebanon Township Municipal Bldg. Route 628 Hill Road, Glen Gardner, NJ. CLOSES: Oct. 27. Fee: \$35. Barbara Greenfield, TRIAL SEC., 52 Minnehaha Path, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035-2311. JUDGES; M.F.Foley; Mrs. A. Platt

Golden Triangle Obedience Training Club - Nov 7 - Ferdas Rolling Green Acres Farm& Mingo Creek County Park, Route 136, Eighty Four, PA. CLOSES: Oct 21. Fee: \$35. Charles Francis, TRIAL SEC., 118 Valley View Claysville, PA 15323. JUDGES: C.R.Casson; P. Gallagher

Blue Ridge Dog Training Club, Nov. 7 - Farmland Surrounding Cross Junction, VA. CLOSES: Oct. 27. Fee: \$45. Vicki, TRIAL SEC., 1674 Pinewoods Road, Quicksburg, VA 22847. Total Entry: 8. JUDGES: Mrs. D.H.Thompson; Mrs. S.N.Roth

Potomac Valley Golden Retriever Club, Nov 14 - Fields in the vicinity, 11789 Ridgeway Court, Monrovia, MD. CLOSES: Oct. 29. Fee: \$40. Leslie Peszczynski,5437 Clubside Lane, Centerville, VA 20120. JUDGES: Mrs. J. Klamut; P. Gallagher

Dauphin Dog Training Club, Inc., Nov. 14 - Keen Farm 871 Crains Gap, RD Carlisle, PA. CLOSES: Nov. 3. Fee: \$35. Diane Wiest, TRIAL SEC., P.O.Box 130, Halifax, PA 17032. Total Entry: 7.

Mattaponi Kennel Club, Nov. 14 - National Battlefield Park, Manassas, VA. CLOSES: Nov. 1. Ms. Peggy J.Dobbins; TRIAL SEC., 7523 Todd Pl., Manassas, VA 20109-2929. JUDGES; Ms B.D.French; Mrs. S.N.Roth

Hyattsville Dog Training Club, Nov. 21 - Rosaryville State Park, Rt 301 (and nearby fields), Upper Marlboro, MD. CLOSES: Nov 5. Fee: \$45. Ms Debra L. Barrows, TRIAL SEC., 4905 King Richard Dr., Annandale, VA 22003-4256. Total Entry: 9. JUDGES: Ms J. S. Edwards; Ms A. Platt

TRACKING TESTS EXCELLENT

Tracking Club of Massachusetts, Sept. 12 - High Ridge Wildlife Management Area, Gardner, MA. CLOSES: Aug 27. Fee: \$75. Ms Marianne F. Wood, TRIAL SEC., P.O.Box 56, Ayer, MA 01432-1128. Total Entry: 6. JUDGES: Mr. A.L.Twiss; Mr. A. Clemens

Concord Dog Training Club, Inc., Oct. 3 - High Ridge Wildlife amanagement Area, Gardner, MA CLOSES: Sept. 22. Fee: \$75. Martha Campbell, TRIAL SEC., 239 Burrage Stl, Lunenburg, MA 01462-2105. Total Entry: 6. JUDGES: Dr. E.V.Wight; Mrs. M.M.Wight

Hudson Valley Tracking Club, Oct. 3 - Mohonk Field, Brook Farm, New Paltz, NY. CLOSES: Sept 15. Fee: \$75. Lily Mummert, TRIAL SEC., 18 Dreps Drive, Mahopac, NY 10541-2003. Total Entry: 6. JUDGES: Mrs. C.A.Simpson; M.A. Clemens

Blue Ridge Dog Training Club, Farmland Surrounding Cross Junction, VA, Oct. 3 - CLOSES: Sept. 22. Fee: \$65. Vicki Polk, TRIAL SEC., 1674 Pinewoods Road, Quicksville, VA 22847. Total Entry: 5. JUDGES; Mrs. D. H. Thompson; Mrs. S. N. Roth

West Highland White Terrier Club of America, Oct. 6 - Farhill Natural Resources Mngmnt Area, Elkton. MD. CLOSES; Sept. 22. Elaine O'Carroll, TRIAL SEC., 574 Laurel Rd., Riva, MD21140. Total Entry: 3. JUDGES; Mr. W. R. Sanders' Mrs. A. Knoll

Port Chester Obedience Training Club, Inc., Oct. 17 - Mohonk Field, Brook Farm, New Paltz, NY. CLOSES: Sept. 29. Fee: \$70. Patricia Daye, TRIAL SEC., 50 Bay St., Bronx, NY10464-1317. Total Entry: 4. JUDGES: Mrs. C. A. Simpson; M. A. Clemens

Golden Triangle Obedience Training Club, Nov. 7 - Ferda Rolling Green Acres Farm, & Mingo Creek County Park, Eighty Four, PA. CLOSES: Oct. 21. Fee: \$65. Charles Francis, TRIAL SEC., 118 Valley View Rd., Claysville, PA15323. JUDGES: C. R. Casson; P. Gallagher

Potomac Valley Golden Retriever Club, Nov. 14 - Fields in the vicinity 11789 Ridgeway Court,, Monrovia, MD. CLOSES: Oct. 29,. Fee: \$65. Leslie Peszczyncki TRIAL SEC., 5437 Clubside Lane, Centervills, VA20120. JUDGES: Mrs. J. Klamut; P. Gallagher

Mattaponi Kennel Club, Nov. 14 - National Battlefield Park, Manassas, VA. CLOSES: Nov 1. Ms. Peggy J. Dobbins, TRIAL SEC., 7523 Todd Pl., Manassas, VA20109-2929. JUDGES: Ms B.B.French; Mrs. S.N.Roth

Hyattsville Dog Training Club, Nov 28 - Rosaryville State Park, Rte 301 (and nearby fields), Upper Marlboro, MD CLOSES: Nov. 12. Fee: \$70. Mr. Robert L.Patterer, TRIAL SEC., 14J Parkway Rd., Greenbelt, MD. Total Entry: 5. JUDGES:Mrs. D. H. Tompson; Mrs. S. N. Roth

VARIABLE SURFACE TRACKING

West Highland White Terrier Club of America, Oct. 3 - Farhill Natural Resource Mngement Area, Elkton, MD. CLOSES: Sept 24. Fee: \$80. Elaine O'Carroll, TRIAL SEC., 574 Laurel Rd., Riva, MD 21140. JUDGES: Mr. W. R. Sanders; Mrs. A. Knoll

Hudson Valley Tracking Club. Oct. 31 - W. Averell Harriman Bldg. NY State Office Bldg Campus. Washington & Western Ave., Albany, NY. CLOSES: Oct. 16. Angela Genovese, TRIAL SEC., 789 Tuttle Ave., Hamden, CT 06518. Total Entry: 8. JUDGES: Mr. A. L. Twiss; Mr. M. Garrod

Tracking Club of Massachusetts, Nov. 14 -Hanscom Air Force Base, Bedford, MA. CLOSES: Oct. 22. Fee: \$50. Marianne F. Wood, TRIAL SEC., P.O.Box 56, 148 Washington, Ayer, MA 01432. Total Entry: 6. JUDGES: Mr. A. L. Twiss; Mrs. M. E.Thompson

LENAPE TRACKING CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY

TD CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1999

AKC JUDGE: LILY MUMMERT

DRAWING: 7:45 AM - FIRST TRACK AT 8:00 AM

FIELDS AT/NEAR LEBANON TWP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

This match is limited to 8 tracks. Drawing of entries and teams will be by the match secretary at closing with preference given (if we have more than 8 entries) to dogs ready to certify. All Lenape Tracking Club Members and 1999 TED participants are eligible to enter. All entrants will be notified of their status by Thursday, September 23. If you have not been reached by Thursday evening, call 973/696-8787. Passing dogs will be given original statements certifying that the dog is considered to be ready to compete in an AKC Tracking Test.

COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF THE ENTRY FORM

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CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP ENTRY FORM
LENAPE TRACKING CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY
Sunday, September 26, 1999
Entries close September 22, 1999

Mail entries with \$20 per dog (payable to Lenape) to Barbara Greenfield, 52 Minnehaha Path, Lincoln Park, NJ 07035.

Owner's Name	and the second second second second	
Address		
Telephone (Day)	(Evening)	
Full AKC Name of Dog		
AKC Registration #	Breed	

NEWSLETTER EXCHANGES

Midwest Tracking Association - August 1999 - Micki Conley, 22817 Oakland Drive, Steger, IL 60475

Croix Valley Tracking Club: Newsletter for the Committed Tracker - April/May/June 99 - Newsletter Editor, 13030 - 30th St. N., Stillwater, MN 55082

Deadline for Next Issue of COMMON SCENTS: September 25, 1999. Please send News and Items of Interest to EDITOR: Janet Horn, 861 County Road 519, Frenchtown, NJ 08825. Tel: (908)-996-4922.

The editor regrets the lateness of this issue due to the infamous heat wave and its effects on health and physical vitality. With deepest apologies to the LTCCNJ and thanks to members for your patience and tolerance. Sincerely, Janet.

- My dog is doing regulation (or nearly regulation) AKC TD tracks and is ready to certify.
- —— My dog is not really ready (or is certified or has a TD), but if there's room, I'd like to run for the practice.
- —— I want to come on Saturday also, learn about plotting tracks and possibly be a tracklayer. (May also enter a dog)

I (we) agree to hold Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey, Inc., its members, directors, officers, agents or and the owner of the premises harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may have alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or near said premises and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim and further agree to hold "club" and "owners" harmless from any claim for loss or injury to

SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AGENT