

COMMON SCENTS

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Thank you to the following who contributed to this newsletter:

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Pat Etchells
Teryl Lebkueker
(photos)
Bev Olsen
Lisa Pattison
Marian Rapp
Mimi Ruch

You made my job much easier.

Tracklayer Certification

John Etchells is willing to run another tracklayer certification training on Saturday, Dec. 14. But he needs to know how many people are planning on coming.

The session would be held at the Lebanon Township Municipal building where we hold TED and would start at 10AM It will take about 4 hours to complete the training.

This is an excellent opportunity to improve your track laying skills.

Please call John by Dec. 4th if you are planning to attend. If we don't have at least four people this training will be cancelled.

Lifetime Members

On Sunday, November 3, right after the draw for the tracks, we honored Joanne and Ralph MacKinnon for all their years of service for this club Joanne and Ralph are founding members and they are moving to New Hampshire.

In honor of their support that continued through all 27 years of Lenape existence, the board voted to make them honorary lifetime members. They were also presented with a gift to accompany them on their new adventure.

So long and good luck. They can be reached at 603-539-3680 in Ossipee, NH

President's Message

November 2nd and 3rd was test weekend for Lenape. It's always a busy, pleasant \, two days for the members that come to plot tracks with the judges on Saturday and then the laying of the tracks and testing on Sunday.

The two judges, Michael Clemens and Art Twiss were very nice to work with. The weather was very brisk, and there had been rain the week before, so the fields were moist and the grass was good.

There were eight tracks and we always hope that all eight dogs pass. This year only three teams passed. On track two, Ch. Kaceem's The Matrix, a Weimaraner dog owned by Sharlene Kline passed. On track three, a little girl named Jimanie's Golden Touch, a Pembroke Welsh Corgi, better known as Torrie passed. The person she took out on the track with her was Peg Forte, her owner. Track five was Zarko's Kaiser Von Bath, NA, a German Shepherd Dog owned by Margaret Bisha.

I would like to thank all the track layers that came out for the weekend: Chief Tracklayer John Etchells, Pat Etchells, Peter Heide, Teryl Lebkuecher, Mimi Ruch, Martha Windish and myself.

A special thanks to Mollie and Peter Heide for their hospitality. Mollie's cheerful welcome amd great food kept all of us going. Thank you Mollie and Peter.

I hope all of you have a nice Thanksgiving and wonderful holidays.

Hope I will see everyone at our winter programs.

Keep on Tracking

Barbara Greenfield

Lenape Tracking Club—13th Tracking Test Nov. 3, 2002 Dedicated to the memory of Barbara O'Brien

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TRACKING DOG TEST

AMERA'S GRAND SLAM. NM 91019503. 4/17/01. Breeder: Susan McCord. By Ch Amera's A-Klassic Unlimited x Ch Amera's Tailor Made. Dalmatian. Dog. Owner Linda B. Kaufman. Certified by Jane Book. 10/13/02.

KIRWIN'S DUCHESS DAPHNE. SN 51930810. 2/20/98. Breeder: Kathryn Kirk & Richard Mellon. By Kirwin's Dunkan Done It x Kirwin's Chelsea O'Hilliburn. English Springer Spaniel Bitch. Owner: Suzanne Smith.Certified by Michael Clemens 9/14/02.

JIMANI@S GOLDEN TOUCH. DL 90485201. 2/2/02. Breeder: Stephanie Hedgepath & Linda Galpin. By Ch Sua Mah Always in Cahoots x Jimanic's Sweet Talker. Penbroke. Welsh Corgi. Bitch. Owner: Peg Forte. Certifled by Michael Clemens 10/13/02.

CH PINE ROSE 8LACK MOLLY, CD, NA, NAJ. NM 64643508. 12/22/95. Breeder: Kathy J. Higgins & Fred W. Higgins. By Ch Lockryan's Ewok of Pine Rose x Pine Rose Little Sheba. Schipperke. Bitch. Owner: Ursula Hutton. Certified by Salle Richards 9/21/02.

CH KACEEM'S THE MATRIX. SN 84825505. 6/6/01. Breeder: Kate Masters. By Ch Kaceem's Gunsmoke x Kaceem's Notorious. Weimaraner. Dog. Owner: Sharlene S. Kline. Certified by Salle Richards 9/21/02.

FLINK SAUSER VOM STRAUBHAUS. DL 84472603, 8/11/00, Breeder: Suzanne M. Daly. By Boss vom Sturmhugel x Cita Pai-Bud, German Shepherd Dog. Dog. Owner: Lucille Straub. Certified by Betty Winters 10/6/02.

CH AUR-SANDALE STARLIT SHADOW. SN 4157,6403. 12/30/96. Breeder: Sandra N. Roth & Rhonda Kuhn. By Ch Sandale's Little Drummer Boy, CD, TD x Ch Aurora Starlight Starsprite. Weish Springer Spaniel. Dog. Owner: Susan Stanford. Certified by Sandra Roth 6/23/02.

ZARKA'S KAISER VON BATH, NA. DL 85326301.5/27/00. Breeder: Alex Saunders. By Fastfire Alex x Grandview's Dark Secret. German Shepherd Dog. Dog. Owner: Margaret Bisha. Certified by Salle Richards 9/21/02.

TERENELF'S ABSOLUTE KELLSIE, OA, OAJ. DL 57311001. 2/3/95. Breeder: Laurie A. Goedecke. By Ch Terenelf's New World Coming x Absolutely Precious Indy. Pembroke Welsh Corgi. Bitch. Owner: Kimberly Pew. Handler: Deborah Pew. Certified by Alan Strauss 3/17/02.

CH JAMAICA BAY CUTTINGHORSE, CGC. DL 69519904. 4/28/97. Breeder: Helen Hittesdorf. By Ch OTCh Artful Dodger of Anduln, UDX, TDX, HT x Ch Jamaica the Painted Pony, UDTX, OA, NAJ. Belgian Tervuren. Dog. Owner: Anne Williams. Certified by Salle Richards 9/21/02.

TREBO PIPE'N HOT CIDER, CDX, NA, CGC. DL 66003804. 9/6/96. Breeder; Sandy Hawkins. By Propwash Manape Ghostrider x Trebo Apple Crisp. Australian Shepherd. Bitch. Owner: Deborah Watrous. Certified by Herbert Morrison 10/6/02.



From The left: Art Twiss, Margaret Bisha, Sharlene Kline, Peg Forte. Mike Clemens

Tracking Lists

What are they? A great source of information available on the internet, basically an ongoing dialogue between people of a similar interest.

Pat Etchells and Teryl Lebkuecher sent the following information on how to sign up for two.

For the first send an e-mail to: listserver@tumnus.metr.ou. edu Saying:

subscribe tracking <your name>

NOTE: listproc _cannot_ process messages that aren't in plain text. In order to send commands you need to be sure to turn off HTML or MIME formatting.

The Yahoo Tracking list.... Go to http://groups.yahoo.com/

Type the word tracking into the SEARCH box.. Several choices of groups will come up...this list will come up (Tracking_Dog). If you are a member of Yahoo Groups already you just have to join this list...if you are not a member, click on the CLICK HERE TO REGISTER line.

At that point, you have to put in info to sigh up, log in name, password, and email address. Then you will start receiving email from the list. If you don't like the list you can drop at any time.

Yahoo Groups are a good way of sharing info.

Many dog clubs do their emailing through Yahoo Groups. Lenape could start their own group if they wish. (If there is interest in this happening we—the board— need to hear from you).

Tidbits...



Mimi Ruch's Angus earned the Highest scoring Labrador in Veterans & Versatilty with a score of 194.5 in the Veterans class at a show in Lebanon, PA on 11/16/02.

Marian Rapp reports: Perika Dragon Dancing, HT, CDX better known as Lady, earned an American Pet Dog Trainers Rally One title at St. Hubert"s Dog Training's Rally -O trial on October 19th and 20th 2002. She competed in two trials on Saturday and in one trial on Sunday, getting her title in one weekend. Her average score was 191, which allows me to write, Lady HT, CDX, R1MCL (magna cum laude). October 19th was Lady's 14th birthday and she was singled out as the oldest dog there. (The APDT is the only organization at present that awards titles for Rally-O. It is to be picked up by the AKC sometime in 2003.)

Peg Forte and Hope Meaker's Light-foot's *Deacon* earned his three qualifying scores for his AXJ title with a 1st on 10/11/02 handled by Peggy Gibbon; 1st on 10/13/02 handled by Lauren Nicolai (only 24" dog to quailfy) and 4th on 10/27/02 handled by Irwin Linker. "Link" also handled him to a 1st in the Excellent Standard class on 10/26/02 (his first Q in that class). At his last agility trial of the year, with Lauren handling him, Deacon earned his first MXJ leg.

Peg's Corgi *Torrie* passed her Herding Instinct Test on Nov. 2 on her nine month birthday. She had never seen sheep before she arrived at Raspberry Hill. Those genes kicked in quickly. The judges comments included, "Dog is a natural gatherer—very impressive performance."

Lisa Pattison sent us her Australian Shepherds' recent accomplishments. They have been very busy this summer and fall.

The Poodle Club AKC Agility trial in June was our first agility trial in almost 2 years! *Murphy* completed his AKC open agility title in 4 clean runs, 2 firsts and 2 seconds Murph also placed second in Novice jumpers He gave first to his "sister" *Lacey*, *Shelby* aka "The big S", qualified in novice jumpers that day as well

AKC Susquehanna Agility Lacey 1st open standard

Keystone NADAC Agility Trial Murphy 4th place open Jumpers

GSASA Agility Trial **Murphy** open standard 1st Q both runs

Murphy open gamblers Q 1st sat Murphy open jumpers Q 1st sat Murphy open gamblers Q 2nd sun Murphy elite standard Q 3rd sun Murphy elite standard Q 4th sun

Lacey 2nd place novice jumpers onsat, 3rd place novice gamblers on sun Lacey 2nd place both open standard runs on Sun

Shelby 3rd place Novice B Sat Shelby 3rd place Novice B Sun Shelby 4th place open gamblers Sun

Harvest Moon Mania ASCA Trial Lacey 1st place both days earning Started Duck Title

Correction

Janet Kelly's correct e-mail is: tatsmom17@msn.com

Lenape Members

Have you ever given any thought to the fact that our tracking test depends on many people being willing to give their time to give 8 dogs a chance to earn their TD titles?

We have enough certified tracklayers that no one should have to lay two tracks in our tests.

Start thinking about the age of the majority of those who are always laying these tracks. We don't know how many more tracks some of us will be able to lay.

If you want Lenape to still be holding a test come the day you have a dog ready to enter ...well to put it bluntly—it's time you give some time and shoe leather at a test and/or at our workshop.

Send your Tidbits to your editor

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Tidbits don't have to be something your dog has accomplished. If you have a funny story or got a great doggie oriented e-mail.... send it on.

If you have a tracking training question perhaps the answer would help someone else. Send in your question and we will publish it and our suggestions on what to do.

SNOWFLAKE TD EARNED OCT. 6, 2002

On Oct. 6 my good buddy Teryl came and picked Snowflake and I up and chauffeured us to the Hudson Valley Tracking Test. Snowflake was no 1 on the program but I drew the no. 6 track, that meant I had all morning to get myself really nervous & worried.

At 10 am it was finally our turn and at this point there were 2 fails and 3 passes. We drove down this long dirt road and behind some old barns and there was our field Mike Clemens and John Barnard were the judges, and as the story goes they say, there are your flags good luck.

We went to the starting flag got off to a good start, made the first turn oh boy we are really doing this, got to the second turn and there was a ground hog hole and all kinds of twisted cover with little critters and of course Snowflake went into her hunt mode and my gray hair started turning white.

FINALLY I talked her into tracking would be more fun than hunting and off we went again, made the third turn and did some casting around (a few more white hairs) finally took off finished that leg made the fourth turn and really hustled down that leg sat down on the glove looked at me and smiled and said ok where's breakfast.

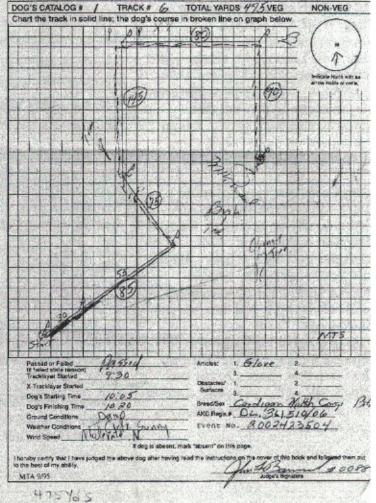
Mike came up and gave me a big hug as he knew how badly I wanted this TD on this 12 year old girl and he yelled back to John "Not bad for a 12 year old." Needless to say I was one Happy Tracker.

Bev Olsen and Snowflake



Bev and Snowflake, a Pembroke Cardigan Corgi, start off on their track. Earning this TD gave Snowflake her AKC VCD2 (CDX OA OAJ TD)





Jimanie's Golden Touch, TD

Tracking with a puppy is the best there is...Torrie is the second puppy that I had the opportunity to do tracking as their first training activity. And I'm convinced that is the greatest. Puppies have no inhibitions, no obedience formality to hinder their progress.

At Lenape's training session in June, Lisa Pattison laid a first track for Torrie. She had no idea of what we wanted. Mimi Ruch and I left the Christie Hoffman Farm Park and drove to Mountain Farm Park to continue the lesson. By track 3 the light bulb went on in Torrie's head.

I kid you not, the rest of Torrie's training went very smoothly and quickly. After a couple of more outings in June, the weather became too hot and the ground too dry, so we waited until mid-August to continue her training in the cooler evenings. Most of her tracks I laid myself, but the opportunity presented itself she got to track others and she worked with the same dogged determination.

When she had a chance to be certified in Lenape's workshop, she did some puppy things and got distracted. This is the only downside to tracking with a puppy, sometimes they act like one.

When I arrived at the Burlington Agility Trial on 10/13/02 I saw Mike Clemens was on the grounds. The park where this trail is held is huge with lots of open areas. So I asked Mike if he would lay a track to see if Torrie was ready to be certified. He said after he ran his dog in the trial he would be happy to do so.

He did so and Torrie worked the track with ease. It was very reassuring to me to have Mike behind me making comments like, "Beautiful job," as she took the new direction at each corner. He had certification slips in his van and we left the trial with a certified puppy.

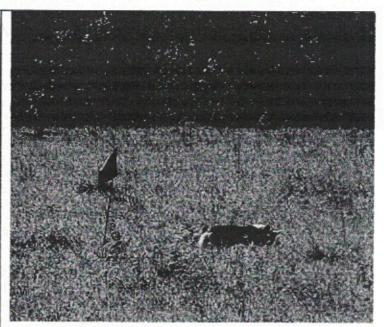
With the entry sent in to Lenape I sweated out whether or not we would make the draw. Torrie was the *third* dog drawn for the test.

On the morning of the test the conditions were about as perfect as they can get. Cool, there had been some rain on Friday, there wasn't a lot of wind....there was no turning back now. We drew track number three which Peter told me was the Rainbow Hill field.

This was a relief because I was worried we would draw the field at DuFosse next to the pasture with sheep. (see Torrie on the Tidbits page and you'll understand why I was worried).

When our turn came and we walked toward the start flag, the jduges wished us the traditional "Good Luck," and Mike added, "My reputation is on the line dog."

Other than a slight diversion to check out a pile of horse droppings between the start flags, there was never any doubt that Torrie was on the track. She is a



steady tracker, wasting little time to decide which way to go at a turn. My job is just to follow her—she knows what she is doing. Along the track she did single out two separate thistle plants that needed a thorough sniff.

The wet conditions of the grass held the tracklayers path, but I was very conscious that the judges could also see this and they would be quick to call any guiding on my part. It was a real confidence booster to be able to see the path as she correctly made each corner.

After a long leg, Torrie made a turn to the Iright heading towards the edge of the field. Since she isn't a real strong indicator, I was watching very carefully. She dipped her head at the glove. I walked up on the line and picked it up, holding it over my head. I was very relieved when Mike walked up behind me and said, "Congratulations." To which I responded, "It wasn't much of an indication." It was enough," he replied.

Those who have known me for very long know that tracking is the favorite thing I do with my dogs. And I do like to be able to start a puppy as young as possible. Torrie has been the easiest dog to train and to read that I have ever worked.

While I laid most of her tracks myself, I want to thank Lisa Pattison who laid her very first track—the one where she had no clue—to Mimi Ruch, Jean Cross, Alice Crans and Joanne MacKinnon.

Joanne and I have spent many good times tracking several dogs over the years. It was great that she was able to take time out of their packing to be there on this very special day.

Also a special thanks to Teryl Lebkuecher who laid Torrie's track in the test. This was her first time to lay a track in a test. And to John Etchells, Chief Tracklayer, Peter Heide, who arranged for the fields, Mollie Heide for her cheerful hospitality and the rest of Lenape members. A very special thanks to Mimi Ruch for the beautiful watercolor of Torrie's track.

The Starfish

by Pat Etchells

In November of 2001, Delta was a 13 week old cocker pup given to Rescue because she had a problem coping with the pre-schooler who wouldn't stop hugging and squeezing her. Lenape member Barbara Greenfield was instrumental in finding a "mid-point" location for the surrender to take place and in helping to reassure her heartbroken owner that rescue was the best option.

A well-known all-breed rescue kennel had told her former owner that, in their opinion, she was unplaceable. But because of her age and the circumstances, I agreed to foster and evaluate Delta for Cocker Rescue. My obedience instructor at Barking Hills was more than willing to help work with her, so we took her to weekly sessions of puppy playgroup. Not only did she get some of the puppy rough-and-tumble she had missed by having been separated from her littermates far too early, but she also learned that she didn't have to bark at people in order for them to pay attention to her.

Through the "pass-the-puppy" exercise, she learned that being held was a good thing and that a wagging tail was a bigger magnet than a fierce bark. She learned to control the urge to close her teeth on human flesh. And by hanging out at some Lenape functions, she learned that people with hands in their pockets could be convinced to trade a treat for a trick.

During this time we realized that we had an extremely high energy puppy who needed a job. We knew that to place her with a novice owner would be a total disaster but we also knew that she would be a fabulous choice for someone who wanted a performance dog because of her intelligence, desire to please and her drive. While we were waiting for the perfect home to materialize, we did a little tracking and I started taking her to formal obedience class. And my instructor posed the question, "why are you trying to place this puppy?" Mainly because I didn't need another dog....

The long and the short of it is that she ceased to be a foster. I continued taking her to obedience class, got an ILP number for her, and when she knew the exercises

entered her in some shows.

Ten months after I got her she could officially be known as "Black Hawk In Flight, CD".

She got her CD title (plus a bumper leg) in straight shows and had three placements in the process. And she was not yet 14 months.

But more important, she's alive, happy and very well adjusted.

A Summer's Tale....

by Alice Crans

Today, after the morning's weeding and dishes and exercising and working, Topi (Golden Retriever) and I went to Runnells Hospital for our therapy assignment. Remember I mentioned that my brakes became exhausted in Trenton after orienting (for TheraPet) Kaycee, the corgi? (Not that the corgi had anything to do with the brakes.)....My husband, Wayne had kindly lent me his Acura. (Well, he was out in the field in the state car - with a very attractive blonde PhD I'll have you know - chasing down all those West Nile birds...which is infinitely better than chasing the blond....) Anyway, the Acura people called and said my car was ready. I told John I'd find a way to get down and pick it up.

And I did. In my (Wayne's) air conditioned running car with Topaz, perched on the back of a flatbed wrecker with my seat all the way down staring up at cloud formations.

How did I get in that predicament, you ask? As I was turning onto Horseshoe (still can't figure out if that's a good luck or bad luck horseshoe), the guy who was coming down and who had been stopped - started. And accelerated right into me. Fortunately for me, I had completed 3/4 of the turn. Unfortunately for Topaz - who was in the back - he hit me in the last quarter panel - she took it in the (r)ear. Rendering my left rear useless. (Car, that is.)

Bottom line. his car was OK, mine needed to be towed. So, I did not make my standing engagement with Runnells. However, I did lose a stainless steel watering dish, as I gave Topaz a drink on somebody's lawn while we were waiting for the blue shirts to finish their report. And left the dish behind. Well - that was because when I opened the trunk, I heard the cop tell the wrecker the rear window was busted - he saw me scooping all of Kiki's litter back in her blue litter box (it was raining litter). These are the clear white round crystals I use for her in the car? The stuff that looks like safety glass? Trying to tell them you have a therapy dog in the vehicle is one thing; telling them you have a cat as well — somehow they would never believe my version of events.

Anyway, the wrecker came and he loaded the car. The suggestion was that I leave the windows cracked for Topi - but guys - it was really too hot. And to leave them down all the way with a frantic dog back there tooling along route 78.....no way. So he let me stay in the vehicle with her and the car running with the air on. But it's against state law, so I put my seat waaaaaay down, and analyzed clouds.

And I saw a lobster, a baby, a (something I could sit Shiva for) and an enormous angel. And spent the rest of the trip wondering if I am truly blessed and bit the bullet this time, or hard luck is following me. I prefer the former.

As for John, in the service department of the Acura place, he just shook his head. Who else would be coming to pick up their car in this fashion?

Topaz settled down. I got my own car back. And Wayne? Well, I guess he's rather out a vehicle for a while.

HERDING THE WAVES!!

By Lisa Pattison

One of the best life experiences shared with my canine friend was at Splash Camp this past September. The Instructors were very diversified and the sharing of great ideas and experiences flowed continuously. We were definitely in our element! Positive training paired with holistic and raw food influences. To completely put me in "Trainer's Heaven" was the absolute awesome aspect of...DRIVE!!! Drive is an Australian Shepherd's middle name. It is THE Roller Coaster Ride in the training experience with an Aussie.

Shaping behaviors influenced by drive is where trainers earn their stripes. It takes a lot of mistakes and scars on souls (both canine and human) to learn how to convince an ecstatic effervescent Aussie to perform on cue without crushing their hearts and instinct with punishment. Precisely, the reason those who know me recognize I choose to train without any corrections, and by simply reinforcing what I do want. Drive is probably most glorious in the spine tingling sport of herding. The Fundamental aspect of training with Drive is the Premack Principle. "An organism engages in a behavior in order to get the opportunity to engage in a more desired behavior." (Like a dog performing a sit stay) in order to get the opportunity (to gather the sheep). Implementing this Technique creates the strongest learned behaviors. Splash camp was a perfect setting to practice this methodology. I.e., the dog earns access to water by performing required tasks. I soon discovered that my herding dog was the perfect companion for the task. Drive and biddability combined with a strong handler relationship and we were well on our way to the time of our life! I strongly encourage anyone who enjoys the outdoors, refreshing water fun, exercise, training and teamwork to try

Splash Camp. Titles are competitive and noncompetitive. It also is a great outlet for dogs with disabilities. What exactly can you teach your dog to perform?

- Team Swim-heeling in water
- Retrieve –Dogs work on and below the surface
- Delivery-dogs move specific objects to and from a wide range of terrain and people.
- Tow- Dogs learn to pull a variety of objects and ultimately tow a human or boat to safety!
- Scenting- Dogs learn to locate a scent beneath the surface of the water.
- Ultimately working from a boat!
 Boat Work- Dogs learn to work calmly on the boat, diving and reboarding on command

I found it absolutely exhilarating to practice these fun goals. Not only did I have a fantastic vacation in dog trainer's heaven but also I was putting more pennies in the bank of "Mommy is the ultimate doggy leader!" Her little eyeballs were wide open and her body ready to pounce as she fervently concentrated on what I was requesting of her. She seem to be thinking "HOW COOL IS MY LISA! She is the Doggy God of food, toys, sheep, agility, tracking, carting, and now I get to have it all in COOL REFRESHING WATER! OH MAN IS MY LIFE GREAT!"

Superman

Stonehill's Last Son of Krypton, better known to all his friends as Clark, joined our family in May of 2001. We had just lost Star, our first Golden, to cancer. Judy Laureans, owner of Stonehill Farm Kennel o, offered Clark to us. He is a finished champion and a part of their breeding program. Clark wasn't happy living in the kennel; he wanted a family. Fancy, our older Golden, and Mingo, our Cocker, agreed that Clark would be a nice "big brother."

Clark isn't interested in tracking or obedience but he loves people. I had him tested for his CGC and TDI. He passed with head held high and tail wagging. Last November we started visiting a nursing home and senior day care groups. As of now he has completed 100 visit and we have added another

The Groom

center that we will start visiting every Thursday.

Clark likes to "dress up" and will keep his clothes on for the whole visit. Last June we did a "doggie wedding" at a senior day center. The people at the center love Clark and look forward to seeing him twice a month.

Last August Bethany.
Our granddaughter and
her cousin Eleisha
Dickson visited for a few
days. They enjoyed

helping out with the dogs. Bath time got a little out of hand but the girls had a great time.



Clark and I have a busy winter ahead with our visits. This will make my days go so fast.

by Barbara and Clark Greenfield

Legislative Alert

New Jersey Looks at "Pit Bill" Restrictions

Assembly bill A2906 is sponsored by Assemblyman The Hon. John J. Burzichelli (D-3) State House Box 098 Trenton, NJ 088625-0098 609-292-5339\
AsmBurzichelli@njleq.org

This bill would requires a special license for "pit bulls" (\$150-700), that they be muzzled when off the owner's property on a 3 foot tether. On the owner's property they would have to be confined in a permanent enclosure (including a secure pen AND a 6-ft fence). This enclosure and the licensee's property would be inspected at least monthly. The owner would have to have liability insurance. Violators would be fined up to \$1000/day. There are additional part to this breed specific bill.

NJ state law prohibits labeling a dog "dangerous" based on breed alone. The key to solving dangerous dog problems is not to pass arbitrary new restrictions but to enforce the existing laws.

The AKC is against this bill, and is encouraging dog owners to express their opinion with Assemblyman John Burzichelli and your own Assemblyman.

It has had its second reading in the Assembly.

You can locate your Assemblyman's contact information by going on the internet to:

http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/

On the left side of the screen click on Find Your Legislator.

You can also search by the bill number to find out where it currently stands.

Don't have access to a world wide web—don't let that stop you. You can visit or call your local public library. The reference librarian can tell you who your Assemblyman is and how to contact him or her.

Take a stand—before this affects you in your town. Today it's pit bulls—tomorrow......?

Tracking Tests

The board voted to eliminate the tracking test list in the newsletter. The information is available on the AKC website (www.akc.org) Use the pull down menu under Dog Events. Select Reults and Reports then select Events! Results Search. You can search multiple states and a range of dates to find the info on Tracking Tests.

Information on tests is also available in the AKC Events Calendar (the supplement to the AKC Gazette. But every test isn't always listed there. The info on the AKC website is more up-to-date.

Lenape Tracking Club

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14 10:00 AM Tracklayer Certification

January

17 7:30 PM Board Mtg. - Leb. Twp. Mun. Bldg.

February

15 2:30 PM Board Mtg. - Leb. Twp. Mun. Bldg. Meeting with Speaker 11:00am

22 Snow Date for 2/15 Mtg.

March

15 Awards Meeting-Leb. Twp. Illoown 2:30 PM Board Mtg - Leb. Twp. Mun. Bldg.

29 Snow Date for 3/22 Mtg.

Apri

- 5 TED '03
- 18 7:30 PM Board Mtg. Leb. Twp. Mun. Bldg.
- 27 9:00 AM TED Follow Up/Training Session

May

- 10 9:00 AM TED Follow-Up/Training Session
- 16 7:30 PM Board Mtg Leb. Twp.Municipal Bldg.

June

- 8 8:00 AM TED Follow-up/Training Session
- 20 7:30 PM Board Mtg Leb. Twp. Mun. Bldg.

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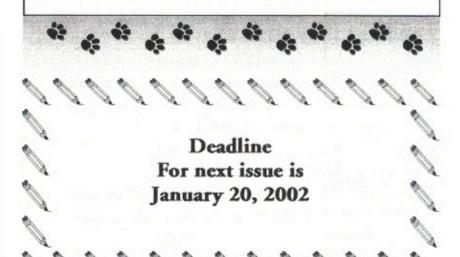
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Tracking demonstrates a dogs' ability to recognize and follow human scent, a skill that is useful in the service of mankind.



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