## LENAPE TRACKING CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW **JERSEY, INC**

SEPT/OCT AND NOV/DEC 2019

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

Hello Lenape members,

Happy Autumn/Winter!

As the fall tracking season comes to an end, I want to thank all the members that helped out during the 2 trials we had this Oct/Nov. Both the TD & TDX were very successful with multiple passes. We couldn't have done it without your support. Volunteers are worth their weight in gold.

We used new locations for both tests & everyone loved the fields. Special thank you goes out to Bobby & Renee Gyuro, for not only helping me acquire this new location, but volunteering their farm property to be used for some of the tracks as well.

>>> Looking forward to 2020.....

Our first event will be our "TRACKING EXPERIENCE DAY" that we hold on April 25th. We will need all hands on deck for this one day event. We will be combining the 2 day seminar into a more concise single day experience for the participants. This will be an easier commitment of only 1 day for our club volunteers.

The next event following very quickly on the heels of the TED, will be the VST trial in May on Sunday the 17th.

#### **♡**♥Please mark your calendars♥♥ **♡**♥WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT♡♡

Thank you again for all of your hard work this year with our multiple events and trials. I'm so looking forward to an amazing 2020 with lots of tracking dogs out in the fields.

> HAPPY TRACKING TO ALL Gina DeAlmeida, LTC President

**UPCOMING EVENTS** 2020

**TED: April 25<sup>th</sup> 2020** 

VST: May 17<sup>th</sup> 2020

TD: Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> 2020

TDX: Nov. 8th 2020

**Tracklayer Certification:** TBD

\*\*\*\*\*Don't forget that all Lenape Tracking Club trials have a worker draw\*\*\*\*\*

Submit your worker credits with your entry.



Just a reminder of the **Newsletter deadlines** and publication dates through mid-year 2018. Send all brags, member profiles, and information to be published in the newsletter to: Tammy Snyder at tsrotts1@twcny.rr.com

Newsletter	Deadlines	Published
Jan/Feb.	Feb 15 <sup>th</sup>	Mar. 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2020
Mar/Apr	Apr.15 <sup>th</sup>	May 1 <sup>st</sup> 2020
May/June	June 15 <sup>th</sup>	July 1 <sup>st</sup> 2020

**New Members:** 

Membership director: Tammy Snyder

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Daniel Fraser 8401 Long Beach BLVD Harvey Cedar's, NJ 08008 LBIGOLDENS@gmail.com

Daniel has 2 Goldens, Teddy and Lucy. He does obedience and scent work with them. Daniel attended 2 events, the TED in April and the TD in Oct. He is sponsored by Janet Kelly and Rose Mary Laubach. He is willing to become tracklayer certified. Any concerns for admitting Mr. Fraser should be directed to the board. He will be entered as a new member with the next newsletter.

Please welcome Monique Buzzarté as the new IO Groups list manager. She will be adding new members to IO Groups list, as they are approved. She will also update the files section. If you have something that needs to be added to the files section, please send to Monique at:

monique@buzzarte.org

## **Membership Renewal**

It's that time of year again when the Membership drive starts. I am including a copy of the membership renewal form in the newsletter.

Renewal must be completed by Jan 1<sup>st</sup> to retain voting rights in the club, as well as to continue to receive the newsletter. Don't Delay!

Membership renewal form in this newsletter, and a mailing will occur in the coming weeks. Dues are due by Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Member's Brags:

Gina and Felon

AKC/UKC CH Braesides Worth The Wait CD TDX RE BH IGP1 TKP CGCA CGCU TT

Felon is a new IGP 1 (previously known as Schutzhund), he scored an 87, 87, and 85, earning High Tracking and High in Trial, under judge Tim Karchnak.

News Flash: Felon ALSO earned his IPG 2, scores 87, 80, 71, under German Judge Roland Seibel at the US Rottweiler Club National Specialty.



#### Rose Mary Laubach and Magic Goldenway's The Magic Touch CD BN TD THDN CGCA CGCU TKA,

Woohoo - Magic earned his TD on Oct 6 at the Lenape Tracking Club of NJ TD TEST. The weather and fields were great, the judges, Gina DeAlmeida and Jill Paige, plotted super tracks and our tracklayer, Janet Kelly, gets the stinky feet award! This was Magic's first attempt at earning

this title! So proud of my young man!

Alyson Fuge and Roxy

## Jacaranda's Flashdance

Earned her TD at the Lenape Tracking Club of NJ tracking test on Oct.6<sup>th</sup>.

#### Ben Hoyle and Cappy

#### CH Nexus Roundhay Captains Courageous, TD

**Passed his** TD test at the Del-Bay Herding Club test on 11/17/2019. Many thanks to the judges Jill Paige and Judi Edwards and all the volunteers at Del-Bay for putting on a great test.

#### Cindy Everett and Luna

# Flickering Fire Reach for the Sky, VCD2, TDX, BN, AX, AXJ, MXF, ACT2, CGC, TKP

Passed the TDX at Lenape Tracking Club of NJ, TDX at Finn Park, on Nov. 10 2019.

#### Pat Etchells and Raggs

#### Skylark Raggin' A Tune With Deerhill VCD1 CDX RA DJ CGCA TKP

Toller Raggs finished his Novice JWW in late October - and since he already had his NA, CD and TD, that was the final requirement for his Versatile Companion Dog 1 title!!!

## New Tracking Title: Tracking Dog Title Ben Hoyle and Cappy, TD, Del-Bay Herding Club, Coatsville, PA, Nov. 2019 By Ben Hoyle

The Del-Bay Herding Club held its annual TD Test on November 17, 2019 at the Highlands Corporate Center in Coatesville, PA. Our judges were Judi Edwards and Jill Paige. Some may recall that Jill filled in at the last minute for Lenape's TD test in October after the scheduled judge injured her leg. There was a strong entry of 17 dogs and we were lucky enough to draw entry TD #5. On the day of the test weather conditions were good. It was overcast, cold, and a gentle breeze. The site was ideal with short grass coverage.

The draw was held at a local Burger King, which gave all of us a chance to warm up a bit before heading out to the tracks. We drew track #4, which pleased me, as I prefer earlier tracks to later ones. There were a total of 6 tracks plus 1 alternate track, so we were right in the middle.

The dogs that ran tracks 1 (Australian Shepherd), 2 (Belgian Malinois) and 3 (West Highland White Terrier) all passed, so I was feeling a little pressure and mildly nervous. Cappy's recent training had gone very well and I was optimistic that he would do well at this test. When it was our turn to run, Cappy was in high spirits. The cool weather was perfect for him. He walked to the start article with confidence and immediately took off on the track. He was working the best he ever had, staying right on the track and not casting from side to side. He took each turn with confidence. On the final turn he overshot it, but he realized it immediately, circled back behind me, found the leg we were on and went right to the turn. This time he didn't miss a step and then per his way of indicating the end article, he picked up the glove and showed it to me. Our finish time was just over 5 minutes. We were both very happy and Cappy was pleased with himself as he carried the glove back to the judges. Both judges gave high complements on a well-run track. Jill was so pleased Cappy did well after his less than stellar performance at the Lenape TD test, or as some would say Cappy was exhibiting typical Clumber behavior. He will now be registered as CH Nexus Roundhay Captains Courageous, TD.

The dogs running tracks 5 through 7 struggled and none of them passed. After the test, the club treated participants to a lunch at the Lincoln Diner. Many thanks go to all the members of the



Del-Bay Herding Club for putting on a fantastic TD Test.

## New Tracking Title: TD Rose Mary Laubach and Magic, TD, Lenape Tracking Club of NJ Oct. 2019

If you ask a tracker to name the perfect weather, it would be the day of Lenape's TD test. The sky was overcast, cool with damp ground, minimal breeze!! I was first to pick in the draw and pulled track 6. Finally, it was our turn to run. I won't brag about how well Magic did but would rather share the lessons I learned that day. Prior to the test he was not tracking in a stellar fashion - sometimes doing well and other times looking befuddled out there. But we entered anyway. Which Magic was going to show up on test day? We approached our start flag and he knew what to do - we were off to a great start, melted into his first right turn, continued with enthusiasm melting into his left turn. I was beginning to think the right dog showed up. He pulled me up an incline and when we got to the top the difficulty began. The ground cover became sparse. He seemed to lose the track and kept circling around the area. He searched and searched, never giving up, he kept working. But I worried he would get frustrated and give up. I talked to him and he came back for a drink of water. I knelt down and hugged him and spoke softly rescenting with the start article. He went back to work, went further up and I saw his lightbulb come on!! He found the track looking back at me as if to say I GOT IT MOM, made his left turn, flew down that leg melting into the next left turn. He picked up speed with confidence and went straight to the glove!!! Celebration time!! So many lessons learned - read your dog, know your dog, take the time to settle your dog if they are struggling, remember you are the other half of the team and most of all enjoy the ride!! Since that day Magic's tracking has been spot on with a new found confidence. We are looking forward to the TDX and VST next year.

Rose Mary



Alyson Fuge and Roxy, TD, Lenape Tracking Club of NJ, Oct. 2019 Jacaranda's Flashdance



Nancy Jorczak and her Whippet, handled by Teryl CH. Deerpath Vintage Hollywood, SC, TD Lenape Tracking Club, Oct. 2019



## **New Tracking Title:** Tracking Dog Excellent

## Cindy Everett and Golden Retriever "Luna"

Flickering Fire Reach For The Sky VCD2 BN RN TDX AX MXJ MXF ACT2 CGC TKP

"Luna" earned her Tracking Dog Excellent title November 10 at the Lenape Tracking Club test in Pittstown, NJ.

There were 5 tracks with 2 passes. First, let me say thank you to the club, club members and judges who made the day possible. The weather was cold and overcast, the ground dry but it had rained that week so tracking conditions were very good!

Luna drew the first track of the day which we began at 10:33 and it had aged 3 hours and 15 minutes when we started. Luna often is a slow starter but this day was especially so, once she started was strong the entire first leg which was 55 yards. She indicated the first turn and made it with no problem still pulling and sure of her direction. We went up a small hill, crossed a gravel road and continued on for 130 yards. Now Luna indicated she had overshot the turn and came back, circling round and round. This turn caused her to check forward, right, and left over and over again. I gave her water, talking to her and telling her she was doing a great job. We worked this turn for a long time! Luna never quit and finally indicated a left turn and again was sure and pulling me nicely. I later learned this was where the cross tracks were. Now on our third leg we are headed towards large farm equipment and I am thinking it can't go this way...but Luna was sure and I trusted her. She tracked through the equipment on both sides of us, checking some of it out but kept going straight across a dirt/gravel lane and then a few more feet to our first article! She indicated the article, we stopped, had some water and on we went. This leg was 260 yards and again she overshot the turn. On one side of us was a hedgerow and the other was an open field. Here I thought it would made sense for the track to turn into the field but Luna came back again working a long time until she found where the track went through the hedgerow, down a short gully. Now this is our fourth leg (160 yds) and she is pulling harder still up a hill. Soon I saw the second article ahead of us which Luna indicated by lying down! We took our time here, resting, having some water and I told her she could do it and was almost to the glove. I was thinking we actually had a shot but knew I had to stay focused. As we were about to start again something caught Luna's attention in the horizon. I could see it was a weird tree stump but knew she had to check it out before she would get back to work. She started in the direction of the tree stump but quickly realized it was nothing and got back to her job. Whew! Luna is working hard now, casting and pulling. She knew she

was close to the end and I did too! Just keep my head in the game! She made the last two turns easily and quickly, an open turn to the left for 105 yds then a right turn for 100 yds. Now I know we are close and Luna is searching...she finds the glove easily and sits right on top of it! With tears in my eyes I ran to her and put my arms around her, petting her and telling her what a great job she had done. We played tug with the glove and jumped up and down!

This was not an easy track for us. It took us 45 minutes to run...a long time. Two of the turns she worked very hard but never quit and I tried to keep my head in the game and encourage her. Our judges were patient and let us work through our problems which made getting to the glove all the sweeter! This was truly one of the most exciting moments with my dogs!

I am so very proud of my little girl who has accomplished so much in just 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years. This is my very first TDX title. I look forward to all the future has to hold for us.



#### Club Events: TD, Oct 6th 2019



#### LENAPE TRACKING CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY

#### TRACKING DOG TEST

#### OCTOBER 6, 2019

(reported by Janet Kelly)

Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey held its 29<sup>th</sup> Tracking Dog Test on Sunday, October 6, 2019. Despite many obstacles and changes, this Test, which could very well have been cancelled, went off without a hitch! Thank you to Lenape President and Tracking Judge, Gina DeAlmeida, who had the presence of mind to check the original location, Hoffman Park in Hampton, about a week prior to TD Test—which she found unmowed, with fields over five feet high—unsuitable for TD tracks. Thank you to Lenape member Renee Gyuro, who suggested Finn Road Park, in Pittstown, only a few miles from Hoffman, and also the use of her own nearby fields. Gina assessed the suitability of these areas and found them quite acceptable. She actually went before the Town Council the next evening to request permission and secure use of the fields, as well as obtain AKC permission. Original judge Sue Snyder injured her knee a week prior, and helped arrange her own replacement—Jill Paige! Lots of new arrangements within a very small window of time were handled effectively—thank you to all who made this Test possible.

Sunday's weather was overcast with temperatures mostly in the 60-degree range, with damp ground—good conditions for the teams! There were eight tracks offered, and the test filled and had three alternates. There were two absentees, so each entrant, as well as alternates, were able to run tracks with the use of the alternate (ninth) track that was plotted. Handlers came from New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Breeds involved included three Golden Retrievers, three German Shepherd Dogs, one Cardigan Welsh Corgi, one Clumber Spaniel, and one Whippet.

Judges Gina DeAlmeida and Jill Paige plotted nine very equivalent trails, and there were five passes.

Congratulations to the following teams:

Goldenway's The Magic Touch CD BN RN THDN CGCA CGCU TKA (Golden Retriever) and owner-handler Rose Mary Laubach

Jacaranda's Flashdance (Golden Retriever) and breeder-owner-handler Alyson Fuge

Corwynt Tayken Snow Music At Blacksheep (Cardigan Welsh Corgi) and agent Beverly Olsen, owned by Donna Lonnquist & Susan Stephon & Joanna Kimball

Broadway's One If By Land Two If By Sea (Golden Retriever) and agent Teryl Lebkuecher, owned by: Sandra Hand

CH Deerpath Vintage Hollywood SC (Whippet) and handler Teryl Lebkuecher, owned by Nancy Jorczak

No Tracking Test is successful without the contribution of Club Members, who spent the weekend (and more!) ensuring the event ran smoothly—heartfelt thanks to Anna Burbank, who served as Event Chair/Secretary, Hospitality Coordinator and Tracklayer; to George Laubach, who handled Chief Tracklayer duties with ease; and the following tracklayers—Janet Doerer, Dan Fraser, Pat Losco, Pat Pagano, Monique Buzzarte, and Janet Kelly. Your assistance made this event possible, enjoyable, and successful!

Keep on Tracking!

## Club Events: TDX, Nov 10th 2019

The Lenape TDX was held at Finn park and surrounding fields, thanks to Renee Gyuro. Everyone loved the new site. Thanks to Gina and Monique for their hard work preparing the fields and finding the routes into the woods. There were 2 passes, a Corgi owned by Fran Wallo, Marshfield's Eye of the Storm, TDU, NA, NAJ, OF, CGC, and a Golden owned by Lenape member, Cindy Everett (story above). Congrats to those who passed!

## **Article: Health and Temperament of Cloned Working Dogs.**

https://www.vetsci.org/DOIx.php?id=10.4142/jvs.2018.19.5.585



Gina and Toro TDX track CRC Rottweiler Specialty.

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