# LENAPE TRACKING CLUB OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY, INC

1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER 2024

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Hello everyone!!

### **Upcoming Events 2024**

- Tracklayer
   Certification TBD
- TD 10/6/2024@ Finn Park
- TDX 11/10/2024@ Finn Park

### **Upcoming Events 2025**

- VST 4/6/2025@ Brookdale CC
- TD 10/5/2025@ Finn Park
- TDX 11/2/2025@ Finn Park

\*\*\*\*Don't forget Lenape
Tracking Club offers Worker
Draw at every test\*\*\*\*

Submit your worker credits with Entry.

Just a quick note to keep the club updated on this year's events.

Lenape held our VST in April at Brookdale Community College. Although we had no passes this year, there were a few teams that showed great promise. I'm sure there's a VST pass in their future. I want to thank all the volunteers, tracklayers, hospitality, and support folks that helped make this test run so smoothly. Also, our judge Luci Seeley for making the trip up from FL to join us this year.

On another note, I want to remind the club members that our TD & TDX tests will be in October & November, respectively, so please think about joining us to support by volunteering in some way.

We can't do this without you!!

==> If anyone's interested in having the Tracklayer certification day this year, please contact me & we can get the flyer out ASAP. It will be sometime during August at the same location in Finn Park, Pittstown.

I'm currently trying to schedule a weekend in late March/early April for the VST next year. (I need to schedule judges). If anyone that helps during this event, has a preference as to the choice of weekends, please contact me ASAP. (Not Easter)

Thank you again for your volunteering/support with all our events during the year.

# $\varnothing \varnothing$ LENAPE COULD NOT HOLD THESE TESTS WITHOUT ALL OF OUR CLUB MEMBERS $\varnothing \varnothing$

Well that's all for now!!

Have a wonderful summer!!

Gina

# Lenape Board

President- Gina DeAlmeida Vice-President - Anna Burbank Treasurer - Ben Hoyle Secretary - Janet Kelly

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# Treasurer's Report

#### LENAPE TRACKING CLUB

#### OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY

Treasurer's Report as of 5/31/2024

This report covers the period from January 1, 2024 to May 31, 2024. Over that period the decrease in the checking account balance was \$482.13. The balance in the club accounts is \$16,888.62.

#### **REVENUE**

During the period of this report total revenue received amounted to \$1,100.00.

Dues \$390.00

Donations \$260.00

VST \$450.00

#### **EXPENSES**

Club expenses for this period amounted to \$1.582.13 and include:

VST \$673.93

TD	\$25.00
Website	\$169.95
Insurance	\$700.00
Club expenses	\$13.25

Benjamin T. Hoyle

Treasurer

# Lenape News

Just a reminder of the **Newsletter deadlines** and publication dates through 2021 Send all brags, member profiles, and information to be published in the newsletter to: Tammy Snyder at <a href="mailto:tsrotts1@twcny.rr.com">tsrotts1@twcny.rr.com</a>

Newsletter	<b>Deadlines</b>	Published
3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024	Sept 15 <sup>th</sup>	Oct 2023, (after TD)
4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter 2024	Dec. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Jan 2025 (after TDX)
1st Quarter 2025	Mar. 15 <sup>th</sup>	April 2025 (after VST)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2025	June 15 <sup>th</sup>	July 2024

The above dates are approximate. The newsletter will be quarterly unless there is need to produce more frequently. The newsletter will be published to incorporate the club's main events, the TED, VST, TD and TDX. The above are dates that brags/memorials and any other information for the newsletter will need to be into me at <a href="mailto:tsrotts1@twcny.rr.com">tsrotts1@twcny.rr.com</a>

If you know of events in areas where members live that will fall into the time frame of this newsletter, please send along. I know members are involved in lots of other events other than tracking. Let's hear about what's out there.

## **New Members:**

New Membership director starting May 1st 2023

**Membership director:** Janet Doerer

5 Woodland Way White House Station, NJ 08889-3661

E-Mail: <u>idoerer@gmail.com</u> Phone: (908) 303-5544

# **Lenape Brags:**

# **Tammy and Brick**

Earned his first AKC Scent Work title, Novice Containers (SCN) at the OKA trial on May 11<sup>th</sup>

# **Tammy and Splash**

Earned AKC Scent Work titles, Novice Containers and Novice Interiors (SIN, and SCN) at the OKA trial on may 11th, with bonus legs in each element.

# Ben and Sky NEW TDX!!

Sky earned his TDX under judges Gina DeAlmeida and Stephanie Crawford at Wolf Hollow for the Clumber National. Tracklayer Matt Fetrow had the stinky feet that Sky followed to the end glove. Sky is now CH Grand Cabin's Daydreamer at Roundhay CDX BN TDX, owned and loved by Ben and Karen Hoyle

## Janet and Pilot

#### NEW RATCh

Pilot got a new title. He got his Championship in Barn hunt. That is where he has to find a rat in a tube that is hidden between bales of hay. Pilot loves this sport and is very good at it. He went from Novice to Championship with only one non-qualifying score and that was in Novice. I had called a "rat" and it was not. After the class Pilot sat me down and said, "listen mom, I will tell you when there is a rat there, but you have to give me a chance to check it out." Ever since then he attacks the tub with vengeance and there is no doubt if there is a rat or not. In-fact when in Master's he went after a tube with his normal vengeance. I called rat and the judge said, "I'm sorry no, there is no rat in that tube" I said, "are you sure, because he sure thinks there is". They checked the tube and MR. PILOT was correct. We got to rerun that class.

Oh, and he was also around for the Fetch trial, so I put him in. He has to start at Novice so needless to say he now has his Novice Fetch Title. He is stepping on that ribbon in the picture trying to hide it.

#### His name is now:

CH, RATCh Alouette's Awesome Pilot Of My Dreams CDX, PT, BN, TKA, CDX-C, FTN



# **Janet and Mickey**

Mickey got his AKC Fetch Novice title. Not really a hard title to get, all he had to do was retrieve a ball that was tossed 30 feet 3 times, but he did have to stay as you tossed the ball and he had to bring it within two feet of you for you to take it. He was really good for a 7 month old puppy.

The titles are adding up, now his name is:

Mickey - Neverland Sorcerer's Apprentice CGC, FTN



# **Rose Mary and Remy**

Remy & Ro have been busy. They earned the following titles in May 2024

Scent Work interior advanced, Scent work exterior advanced, Scent work buried novice, Scent Work Novice overall title. All the above new titles with placements.

Remy has also earned Fetch Novice and Intermediate titles.

# **Rose Mary and Magic**

Magic and Ro have also been busy, earning the following titles:

Fetch Novice and Intermediate titles. Magic has also been busy in Scent Work, earning Novice Exterior and Novice Interior titles.

# Sandy and Scoop

Our dachshund, Scoop, earned his novice Barn Hunt title (RATN) and 2 of 3 legs toward an Open title, in 2022-23.

We were unable to participate this past winter/spring due to my leg problem. Hope to be back at it in the fall. We all hope that you and Scoop are able to get back to what your enjoy!!

# **Nancy and Damsel**

Damsel passed her TD test in Georgia in March. She was handled by her co-owner who lives near Atlanta. Chris had never handled a dog in a tracking event and only had two lessons before taking Damsel to the test. She just trusted her dog! They were the only team to pass the test.

Damsel was also awarded High Performance Whippet at the American Whippet Club National Specialty in April. Damsel is now known as:

GCH CH Deerpath Cherche' Midnight Ice TD SC ARX DPCX TRP PR

(The last titles are racing titles)





# Anne Rosenberg and Dachshund's

Willow springs ev-ry sly fox earned his RACH and is now a triple champion - GCH DC (field) Willow springs island breeze is a dual champion GCH DC and is seven way titled Willow springs ev-ey sassy girl earned an absolute in the field! And is only 13 points from her championship

Willow springs ev-ry three ring circus earned her breed championship

## **Lenape Member, NEW TDX**

#### SKY EARNS HIS TDX TITLE

Sky, Clumber Spaniel, participated in the TDX test offered by the Clumber Spaniel Club of America as part of its National Specialty events. The test was held on April 22, 2024, at Wolf's Hollow Park in Atglen, Pennsylvania. Our judges for this test were Gina DeAlmeida and Stephanie Crawford.



CSCA was very fortunate to secure Wolf's Hollow for our test. The site is a former private estate with 569 acres of rolling hills, meadows, and woods located in southern Chester County. The conditions in the park were ideal for tracking and we had the good fortune that Mother Nature was very much in our favor. On test day, it was clear and sunny with the early morning temperatures in the upper 30s and gradually rising during the test to

upper 40s to low 50s. The fields were lush with thick new green coverage that was laden with early morning dew when the TDX tracks were laid.



There were 3 TDX tracks offered, and Sky drew Track 2. When it was our turn, we drove to the start location and when I got Sky out of the car, he was ready and anxious to track. I'm sure the cool air made him very happy, and he was pulling hard on his lead to get started. To access our start, we had to pass through a 3-rail fence after the middle rail was temporarily removed. Sky quickly jumped over the bottom rail, and I could sense he

was already taking in the scent of the track layer, Matt Fetrow. I walked him to about 25 feet of the start flag and hooked him to his harness and then gave him the usual pep talk. I then told him to find the track at which point he charged to the start flag, took the start article (sock) in his mouth for a few seconds, spit it out, and then headed down the track at full speed.

The advantage of tracking on thick green grass is you have an easier time knowing if your dog is on track or not. However, the dog still must do his job, and my concern was he was tracking so fast that he would fly by the turns. I should add that while it was reassuring to see some portions of the track, at the turns it was almost impossible until I actually made the turn. The first leg was 60 yards and when we got to the first turn, he suddenly stopped, searched, and found the correct direction, a 90-degree right turn. The second leg was a total of 120 yards, with cross tracks mid-way along the track. Sky passed by the cross tracks without issue. He soon came to our 2<sup>nd</sup> turn, where he again stopped briefly to search for the correct direction, which he found easily and made a 90-degree left turn.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> leg had the second set of cross tracks, which Sky passed by and then he found the 1<sup>st</sup> intermediate article, a bandana, which he indicated with his nose, made a brief stop, and then continued. The 3<sup>rd</sup> leg was a total of 110 yards before it made an open left turn to the 4<sup>th</sup> leg, which was 100 yards. Sky continued to track very fast and hard, and I would at times ask him to slow down for my sake as much as his, but he was on a mission. At turns Sky would slow down and search for the direction of the turn. I would offer encouragement at these moments, but I don't think he really needed it as much as I did.

At the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> leg the track made a 90-degree right turn onto the 5<sup>th</sup> leg. After 35 yards Sky found the 2<sup>nd</sup> intermediate article, a red glasses case. After 60 more yards on this leg, he entered a wooded section where the track continued for

another 30 yards before a left turn. Sky had no problem with this turn and continued to

pursue his track in the woods along the 6<sup>th</sup> leg. While on this leg, he went through some barbed vines that irritated his feet making him bunny hop a bit. I was concerned that I would have to stop him to see if there was anything wrapped around his coat, but he soon got over this and kept going.

The 6<sup>th</sup> leg was a total of 65 yards and Sky got to a point where he suddenly slowed down and went into search mode. He knew there was a turn in the area, and he worked very hard to find it. He started circling around while coming back toward me, so we backed up a few paces. Soon he slowly



started making a left turn that after 40 yards would have taken us out of the woods. He moved slowly at first then suddenly committed and started pushing forward. Once out of the woods, this 7<sup>th</sup> leg continued another 100 yards before making a 90-degree right turn onto the 8<sup>th</sup> leg. Sky sailed down this final leg for 90 yards and found the glove.

Once Sky knew he was at the end, I waived the glove to the judges then tossed it for Sky to retrieve and carry it back to the judges. He loves to carry the glove back at the end of a track and it has always been his reward for a job well done. When we got back to the judges, I could see that Gina and Stephanie were discussing something. What I then



learned is that when Sky turned out of the woods, he was slightly past the actual turn but continued out along a parallel path to the actual track before reconnecting just below the final leg. For a few seconds I almost thought we had failed but was quickly reassured by the judges that he did indeed pass because he was tracking parallel to the actual track, and he easily found the final leg.

His track was a total distance of 810 yards, and he completed it in 8 minutes

Passing a TDX test is always a huge achievement, but to do it at my breed's National Specialty gave it special meaning. Afterward I learned from a friend of mine who is a member of CSCA and very knowledgeable of our breed's history of accomplishments, that she believed Sky is the first



Clumber to earn the TDX title at our National Specialty. I also realized after we were finished, that my track layer, Matt Fetrow was also my track layer when Cappy earned his TDX at the Hyattsville test in 2022 and Janie earned her TD at the Clumber National in Pennsylvania in 2016. Matt is certainly my good luck tracklayer with stinky feet.



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# Are you a Lenape member who earned a Tracking title?

Did you know that if your dog received a tracking title, you can have a headshot and brief story posted to the Lenape Tracking Club web site? Our web site has a page called Notable Noses, and we would love to add your photos. Simple email to Pat Etchells a jpg or jpeg file of a headshot of your dog and if you want, you can also send a brief story. Pat's email address is deerhill.tracking@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you!

This is a great way to showcase your teamwork and accomplishments, while also showing anyone who goes to Lenape's Website what wonderful, experienced members we have.

# Upcoming Tracking events (NY, MA, NH, NJ, OH, PA, MD, VT, VA)

Sunday Sept. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
Tracking Club of Massachusetts <b>TX</b> Leyden, MA	3
Matthew Winter <u>winters.mjw@gmail.com</u> \$125	
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Matthew Winters <u>winters.mjw@gmail.com</u>	
Wednesday Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
Golden Retriever Club of America TR Storrs, CT	4
Susan Palius <u>nicksfriendsusan@yahoo.com</u> \$75	
Colden Detwieren Club of America TV Storms CT	
Golden Retriever Club of America <b>TX</b> Storrs, CT  Susan Palius <u>nicksfriendsusan@yahoo.com</u> \$150	4
Thursday Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup>	
Golden Retriever Club of America <b>VST</b> Storrs, CT	4
Susan Palius <u>nicksfriendsusan@yahoo.com</u> \$150	
Golden Retriever Club of America TDU Storrs, CT	4
Susan Palius <u>nicksfriendsusan@yahoo.com</u> \$75	
Sunday Oct. 6th	
Lenape Tracking Club of Central New Jersey TR Hampton, NJ	10

Anna Burbank <u>annaburbank@gmail.com</u>

## Sunday Oct. 13th

Dauphin Dog Training Club, Inc. TR Carlisle, PA 5

Jackie Lebbon jumpstartdogtraining@yahoo.com

Dauphin Dog Training Club, Inc. TX Carlisle, PA 1

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## Sunday Oct. 20th

Hyattsville Dog Training Club **TX** Elkton, MD

Nancy Skinner <a href="mailto:hdtc2024tracking@gmail.com">hdtc2024tracking@gmail.com</a> \$160

## Sunday Oct. 27th

Hudson Valley Tracking Club **TX** Milan, NY 6

Monique Buzzarte monique@buzzarte.org \$175

#### Sunday Nov. 10th

Tracking Club of Massachusetts VST Westborough, MA 8

Matthew Winters wintersmjw@gmail.com \$150

Lenape Tracking Club TDX Pittstown, NJ 5

Anna Burbank annaburbank@gmail.com

## Sunday Nov. 17th

Hudson Valley Tracking Club **VST** Albany, NY 5

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