

TRAP FALLS KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



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MEETING NOTICE

The September 1, 2009 meeting will be at Shelton Lakes Health Care at 7:30 with the board meeting at 6:30. We will focus on any last minute details for Responsible Dog Ownership Day. A special thanks to Margie Miles for a great presentation on Therapy Dogs Inc. at our August meeting. It was very entertaining and informative. The remaining meeting dates are posted on the calendar below.

CALENDAR

September 1 meeting- RDOD Meeting
September 12- Responsible Dog Ownership Day
October 6 meeting- Nominations for club officers from the floor
November 3 meeting- Installation of officers and pizza party.
December Christmas Party-date to be announced

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Welcome to new members

Pat Como	Cynthia Sherman
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Breed: Doberman	Breed: Rottweiler

Also applicants Diane Deslandes and Cindy Richardson have met all their requirements and have been approved by the board. They will be voted on by the general membership at the next meeting. If any member knows of a reason that these applicants should not be admitted into the club, please contact an officer or board member.

RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP DAY

Remember that RDOD is at the Shelton Riverwalk Veterans Park, 100 Canal St, off Route 110 on Saturday, September 12, 2009. Volunteers are really needed NOW so we can make this RDOD as successful as last year. Please contact any board

member or this year's chairperson, Laura Johnson at 924-5536.

WAGS AND BRAGS



"Wilslands Braddock V Huntington CGC HIT TT & Wilslands Izzabella Lace RN CGC HIT TT both litter mates qualifying for their first leg of their CD at our specialty the last week of April down in Amish country PA. Braddock also earned his CGC the same week. Both dogs will be 3 in Sept." by Laura Wells.



Back in May Lynn & Scott Kovack, Mary Beth and Jim Higgins and Ron Egidio and I went to the Herding Instinct test in Lebanon Connecticut. We were the only 6 rottweilers there. A total of 18 dogs were entered. Mostly herding breeds. At the end of the day not only did all 6 rottweilers qualify but in the words of the judges some of the best qualifiers of the day!

Mole, owned by Mary Beth according to one judge had the best technique of all the entries. We all had a great day and learned a lot about herding but most of all I think all the herding people learned a lot about rottweilers, never underestimate the breed.



On May 16, at the Australian Shepherd Club of America (ASCA) trials in Goshen, CT, 5 year old rescue Border collie Folly qualified for her first ASCA Novice B leg with a score of 198 1/2, First Place, and High in Trial. In the afternoon trial, she qualified for another ASCA Novice B leg with a score of 197, First Place, and High in Trial. On the weekend of July 4 and 5, Folly was entered in her very first agility trials. This was also my first agility competition. They were held at Paws N' Effect in Hamden, and the venue was CPE. Folly qualified in all 8 classes, with 5 firsts and 3 seconds, qualified for the 'Perfect Weekend' rosette, and achieved her CPE Level 1 title (CL1). She is now officially: Northwoods Redneck Girl, RN, FDCH-G, CL1 Then, on July 19, at the UKC trials in Hamden, Folly qualified for her first UKC Novice B leg with a score of 195 1/2 in Trial 1. She qualified for a second leg in UKC Novice B at Trial 2 with a score of 197 1/2 and First Place.

RAINBOW BRIDGE



COMMANDER'S CORSAIR, JH, CD, ASCA-CD, FDCH, RN, CGC

4/10/1996 - 6/12/2009

On June 12, I had to bring my sweet boy Skylar to the Rainbow Bridge. He had been diagnosed with lymphoma, and had been doing alright until the day before.

Skylar was a very versatile English Setter, but his greatest love was upland bird hunting. Also, although we never gained any titles in freestyle, there are many who remember him performing his signature routine, Hey Bird Dog. We enjoyed a variety of activities together, including obedience, fly ball, rally, along with freestyle and hunting. He was a good boy and I will be missing him. I am so glad we were able to share this past hunting season. (Submitted by Pat Kuchma).

Our club accepts the AKC Registration Pledge Challenge



As a responsible owner of purebred dogs, I pledge:

I will encourage, assist, and follow up with my puppy buyers to ensure that 100% of the puppies I produce are AKC registered.

We ask every member to take the Pledge and help our club become eligible for a \$1,000 award.*

Here's how:

- 1. Starting August 1, 2009, go to www.akc.org/regpledge and take the Pledge on behalf of our club.**
- 2. Get your puppies AKC registered.**

If you do not have Internet access, contact a club officer for a Pledge form that can be sent in via mail or fax.

*See full requirements and Contest Terms at www.akc.org/regpledge.

Editors Comments: Please continue to send photos and articles to me at csweetwood@att.net for evaluation for the newsletter. Remember to include "TFKC" in the heading or it may never get opened due to the high SPAM content these days. Chris Sweetwood.

DEADLINE for the September-October newsletter is October 7, 2009