



# Bucks Barker

Newsletter of The Lower Bucks Dog Training Club, Inc.

April 2021

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## Next Meeting

### LBDC Zoom Meeting

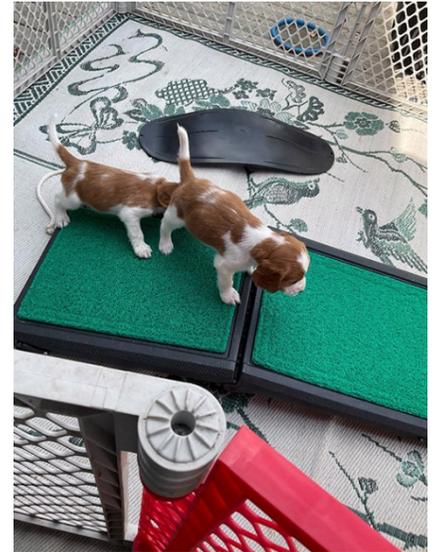
Monday  
April 5, 2021

7:30 PM

See the Zoom Link  
Below

## Congratulations!

Peg Lehnan tells us - The puppies have been allowed to go outside on the deck to explore a new environment.



Photos from Peg Lehnan

RACH Scheherazade Your So Vain (Karli) has qualified for the Rally National Championship in the Championship Class. She is a wonderful dog and my BEST Friend.



Photo from Diane Stout

Roger Matzke says - Kronk and I completed in agility on March 20th & 21st. Kronk earned a first place and his title in Open JWW's on Saturday. On Sunday, Kronk earned his first Q in Exc. JWW and took a second place for our last run of the day. We are having a lot of

fun competing in Agility. Kronk jumps in the 24" jump group. In the pictures you can see he normally does not have an issue with the height.



Photos from Roger Matzke

Roz Rosenblatt is happy to report that Bette took NACSW's (National Association of Canine Scentwork's) Odor Recognition test and easily recognized all 3 odors being tested i.e. Birch, Anise & Clove. She has a great nose and a wonderful alert and earned her ORT title in record time!

Bette is pleased to announce that her daughter, Luna, was the March Calendar Girl for a Brown Trout publication. No wonder Luna was selected. She's a beauty like her mom!



Luna – Photo Roz Rosenblatt

Barbara Orishak informs us - Wally's got his novice trick dog title. Judy tested him last week.

## LBDTC Zoom Meeting

**LBDTC Zoom Meeting**  
**Monday**  
**April 5, 2021**  
**7:30 PM**

The easiest way is to click on the Join Zoom Meeting Link. It will direct you how to join a zoom meeting. Make sure you enable video and audio so we can see and hear you.

The other link directions below are for audio only by phone.

Florence Brems is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: LBDTC April 2021 Meeting

Time: Apr 5, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84486714765?pwd=b29lNUhlUjZlXUW81NDNlTi9hOTVlUjZ09>

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Florence Brems  
LBDTC President



## LBDTC Obedience/Rally Trials

### Lower Bucks Dog Training Club Obedience/Rally Trials

Obedience Trial – Saturday,  
April 24, 2021 (Full)

Two Rally Trials – Sunday, April  
25, 2021

Up Front Dog Training Center  
128 Arneystown-Hornerstown  
Road  
Allentown, NJ 08501

[Premium List](#)

If you are able to volunteer to help at the trials, please contact Diane Stout [otchenri@aol.com](mailto:otchenri@aol.com)

## Sponsor LBDC Trial Ribbons

Please consider sponsoring the ribbons for a class at our Obedience / Rally Trials. Please see the Sponsorship Form below.

The deadline for signing up to sponsor Trial Ribbons is Saturday, April 10, 2021

## Refresher Course



Photos from Ken McKinney



## Pet Food Drive

### 2021 Pet Food Campaign

Due to continuing Covid restrictions and in consideration of everyone's safety, LBDC will again be holding a 2021 Spring Pet Food Campaign this year to benefit Bucks County food pantries. This will be in lieu of our regular pet food drive which we normally hold in front of a local grocery store. Our campaign will begin April 15th through May 31st. As we did last year, we will be requesting our members to send their check donations to our treasurer, Kris King, so we will be able to purchase pet food during the first two weeks of June for the food pantries. Details for the Campaign will be sent to club members by email by April 15th.

I speak with the food pantry managers every few weeks to understand their level of pet food inventory. By the beginning of June, they will be ready for pet food donations to keep them at a good inventory through September/October.

Regards,  
Johanna Molitano  
LBDC Community Services  
Committee  
WAG MORE, BARK LESS

## Canine Good Citizen



Photo by Ken McKinney.



## Tri-State K-9 Crisis Response Teams

Tri-State K-9 Crisis Team Lois DiMarzio and Keri deployed to the Colorado mass shooting site to provide comfort and support to those effected,

Lois tells us - Here's a photo of Kerri working at the Moorestown Mall Mega Vaccine Center on 3/22. We had 11 dogs arrive as a surprise to

National Guard, FEMA and Virtua hospital staff. I think this pic says it all.



Photo from Lois DiMarzio

## Making of a Therapy Dog

Tri-State K9 Crisis Response Team is highlighting the making of a therapy dog on their Facebook page. They are profiling two different dogs, One is Logan a golden puppy bred to be a therapy dog and the other is our own Lois DiMarzio's Gypsy, a girl from the streets who's not talking about her past life.

Lois DiMarzio is sharing the first chapter of Gypsy's story.

### THE MAKING OF A THERAPY DOG - GYPSY'S START

Introducing PHBT Gypsys, Tramps and Thieves

Gypsy is a 2-year old female with a mysterious past. Pregnant and alone, she appeared in the North Carolina backyard of a woman who had 2 little girls. She was so sweet that the family kept her, named her "Baby", and the girls played dress-up with her. More than a month after the 7 puppies were

born, the woman contracted Covid and had to turn Baby and her puppies over to a shelter. The shelter contacted the Philly Bully Team (PHBT) who transported them to Philadelphia. The puppies all found foster families right away but Baby still needed a loving family. Fortunately, Lois' daughter Caitlin persuaded her to foster Baby because Lois had fostered many female golden retrievers who had been rescued from their bondage in puppy mills.

Before Baby/Gypsy became part of Lois' family, Lois and her Golden Retriever Kerri, were members of Tri-State's Crisis Response Team and twice a week would Zoom with the mental health patients at Virtua-Willingboro. A patient there recommended the name "Gypsy" and PHBT agreed to it. So even before she arrived in Philadelphia, Gypsy impacted the lives of people experiencing emotional difficulties. Within 36 hours of her arrival in Lois's house, she appeared in her first Zoom visit and virtually met the person who named her.

Gypsy is a cuddler and a snuggler who quickly stole Lois' and John's hearts. They adopted Gypsy on Halloween, 2020. Since Lois has had 2 Crisis Response dogs, she was aware of the skills and traits required of an excellent therapy dog. Covid has slowed down opportunities to get Gypsy lots of exposure to different experiences but Lois takes advantage of any and every opportunity she sees, such as loud noisy equipment digging up her road, walking on various surfaces, and ignoring little dogs that walk past her barking and straining on their leashes. Since Lois doesn't know what

Gypsy knows or how it was learned, she assumes everything is new to Gypsy and approaches it confidently but with a watchful eye on Gypsy's reaction. So far, nothing has fazed Gypsy. Gypsy is enrolled in a "refresher" course at Lower Bucks Dog Training Club because that's all that is offered at this time because of Covid. The class is very small and geared to improving and expanding skills. Gypsy is the star of the class. Maybe she had classes before she became a street walker.

Watch for more Kerri and Gypsy adventures as Kerri shows Gypsy how to become a perfect therapy dog.

Lois DiMsrazio

Watch for next month's installment.





Photos from Lois DiMarzio

## LBDTC Agility Trial May 23, 2021

### Lower Bucks Dog Training Club Agility Trial

Sunday  
May 23, 2021

United Dog Agility  
1957 Pioneer Road, Unit B6,  
Huntington Valley, PA 19006

[Click for more information and  
Premium List](#)



## LBDTC Agility Trials May 23, 2021

### Lower Bucks Dog Training Club Agility Trials

August 28 & 29, 2021

Y2K9s Dog Sports Club  
601 Davisville Road, Suite 150  
Willow Grove, PA 19090



## LBDTC Classes

Training classes report

April classes start the week of  
4/5/2021.  
June classes start the week of  
6/7/2021

Since we did not hear back  
from the majority of March 2020  
clients, we will be able to  
include both rally  
classes. Notice went out to  
those people 3/30.

After we've received payments  
from these clients, we will open  
up the Website for any new  
clients to register for any  
available spots.

There will be a zoom training  
committee meeting on Monday,  
April 12, at 7:00.  
This information will go out  
soon.

Sincerely,  
Judy Matlack, Robin Kinley,  
and Carol McKinney



## LBDTC Minutes

Please see the Minutes of our  
last meeting below

## Dog Quotation

“After years of having a dog,  
you know him. You know the  
meaning of his snuffs and  
grunts and barks. Every twitch  
of the ears is a question or  
statement, every wag of the tail  
is an exclamation.”

— Robert R. McCammon,  
Boy's Life

## Happy Birthday

The Lower Bucks Dog Training  
Club would like to wish the  
following members a Happy  
Birthday!

**April**  
Lloyd King



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# Lower Bucks Dog Training Club

## Annual AKC Obedience & Rally Trials

April 24 - 25, 2021

### Sponsorship Requests

The LBDTC is seeking sponsors for the Award Ribbons that are given to our annual AKC Obedience & Rally Trial winners and qualifiers.

Your corporate or personal name and a one line message will be attached to the awards and displayed on our sponsors recognition board during the event being held at Up Front Farms in Allentown, New Jersey.

#### **An example of a corporate messages could be:**

*Congratulations, **Dog's World of FUN**, Where Your Pets Get Pampered!*

#### **Examples of personal messages are:**

*~ Good Luck from Doug & Peg Lehnen*

*~ In Memory of Ch. Middlebrook Velvet Calon*

*~ Congratulations on your win!*

Each corporate sponsorship of \$50 will have your company name and message on 8 class rosettes and primary placement on the sponsors recognition board.

Each personal sponsorship of \$25 will have your name and message on 4 class rosettes and secondary placement on the sponsors recognition board.

----- Please separate, complete and submit this form with your sponsorship payment -----

### **LBDTC 2018 AKC Obedience & Rally Trial Sponsorship**

Please check your sponsorship type.

Corporate (\$50)

Personal (\$25)

Please print your sponsor message.

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Please make checks payable to **LBDTC**, and mail to:  
LBDTC, c/o Kris King, 33 Boxwood Lane, Langhorne, PA 19047