



# Bucks Barker

Newsletter of The Lower Bucks Dog Training Club, Inc.

October 2021

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## Next Meeting

### LBDTC Zoom Meeting

**Monday  
October 4, 2021  
7:30 PM**

**See the Zoom Link  
Below**

**We hope to resume  
live meetings soon.**

## Congratulations!

Roger Matzke says - Kronk and I competed in the North East Regionals in Dock Diving to try to earn an invite to Nationals in both the Air Retrieve and Hydro Dash events. We did not place in the top 3 in either events, but had a fun day with nice people. We did do well enough to earn an invite to Nationals for being in the top 25% in the Senior Division at Regional's in Air Retrieve. Kronk also earned his Air Retrieve Senior title at the Regional competition. I have been working with Willow over time to work her up to being able to compete one day. This little girl has made a

lot of progress, though we are not there yet. Willow has earned her ACT 1 and ACT 1 Jumpers Titles in AKC Agility over the summer. We need to master weave poles before we can go further.



Photos from Roger Matzke

## LBDTC Zoom Meeting

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**Monday**  
**October 4, 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 October 2021 Meeting

Time: Oct 4, 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82081041615?pwd=TVd0UHBlaVIUOFRsN0l0SGFQdGJ3dz09>

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## TriState K9 Crisis Response Team

Kerri, Gypsy working as a TriState dog in training, and I deployed with the TriState K9 Crisis Response Team for 3 days to sites in Mullica Hill, Wenona, Deptford and Hamilton Counties after the tornadoes devastated those areas. We went door to door checking on people, making sure they had needed supplies, connecting them with agencies for help and providing mental health/stress relief.

Lois DiMarzio



The next week Kerri and I worked with 2 other therapy dog agencies as we visited some students who had lost their schools to the tornadoes a week before. The students were learning virtually while the school district decided where to house the students of the destroyed schools. Some students lost their homes also and were living in temporary housing without internet. Several churches opened up rooms and provided staff so the students could participate in the virtual learning. The director asked us to bring some dogs in to cheer up the students.





Photos from Lois DiMarzio

## Best of Bucks

The Lower Bucks Dog Training Club has again been voted one of the three Best of Bucks in the Dog Training category.

We'll know if we're Number 1 soon.



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## LBDTC 2022 Board Nominations

The LBDTC slate of officers for 2022 is:"

|                |                                |
|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Florence Brems | <b>President</b>               |
| Lois DiMarzio  | <b>Vice President</b>          |
| Roz Rosenblatt | <b>Recording Secretary</b>     |
| Judy Youngken  | <b>Corresponding Secretary</b> |
| Kris King      | <b>Treasurer</b>               |
| Roger Matzke   | <b>Member at Large</b>         |
| Ken McKinney   | <b>Member at Large</b>         |

The position of Past President which will be filled by Linda Somers. does not need to appear on the ballot.

The positions of Training Director and Training Administrators are appointed by the Board, not voted on by the club.

[Nominations are open to other candidates.](#)

Kris King  
Nominating Committee  
Chairperson



## Pet Food Drive

Please see letter below.



## LBDTC Classes

Our current classes are going fine, and almost over (week of October 4 for 8 week classes). Some classes are extended due to the weather cancellations a few weeks ago.

We've been registering clients for the next session which runs from October 25 through December 17. Most classes at this point are full. As of September 24, there are still openings in advanced obedience and rally excellent/masters in case any of you are interested in those classes.

The club is still in need of a novice/advanced rally class. If you have those skills, please consider sharing those skills and knowledge with new clients coming up the ladder and offer to instruct a class in rally novice/advanced. We have an available spot for that class on Mondays from 7:15-8:15. It would be unfortunate to not be able to continue to offer rally novice/advanced.

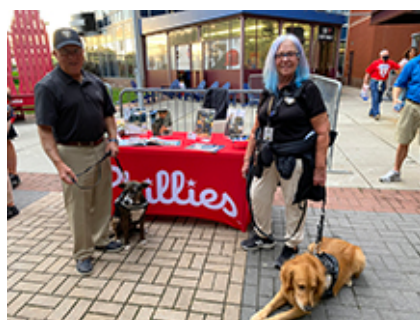
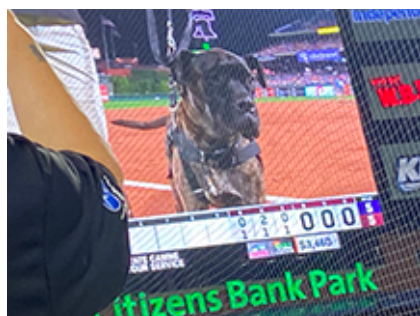
Enjoy your Autumn. Stay safe.  
Carol, Judy, Robin

## Bark in the Park

On Sept 9 the Phillies celebrated Bark in the Park. One of our TriState members was honored for participating in over 500 visits. Abigail and her handler Marge we're called down on the field in recognition. Her picture also got up on the Jumbotron. Kerri and Gypsy were up there too, but I only got a picture of Kerri.

Kerri loved our front row seats and watched the balls in play intently, as any good golden would.

Lois DiMarzio



Photos from Lois DiMarzio

## Happy Birthday

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

### October

Clara Heinold  
Kris King  
Robin Murphy-Kinley  
Adrienne Sparke  
Elizabeth Turner

## Pet Food Drive

Dear Club Members,

LBDTC has chosen again to keep the safety of our members foremost during Covid issues and to not risk anyone's exposure with public gatherings. Therefore, we will not be hosting our usual outdoor Pet Food Drive again this Fall/Holiday season.

In lieu of our traditional food drive, we are starting another Pet Food Donation Campaign to beginning immediately through November 30, 2021.

Bucks County's recent flooding and tornadoes have left many of our county residents displaced from their homes. Social Services organizations have been working to find temporary housing which will allow these residents to keep their pets with them and avoid surrendering the pets.

The Salvation Army of Bucks county was the first food pantry to reach out to us last week. They explained how the recent weather has affected county residents being placed in temporary housing and the pet food social services provides. I called the other two food pantries we support to learn about their current pet food inventory. All three pantries were in need of pet food.

Last week I contacted **Chewy** and placed an order for pet food to be delivered to all three pantries: the SA of Levittown; the Emergency Relief Association and the Family Services Association of Bucks County. Within 3 days, by Friday, September 17, all three pantries confirmed the delivery of the pet food we donated.....over 730 pounds of pet food. Chewy worked quickly with me to arrange for multiple discount codes on our orders. Our invoice was \$625 for these donations. We depleted the balance of \$425 in the pet food donation account in LBDTC's bank account.

**LBDTC is in dire need of your generous cash donations to replenish the funds needed to be able to donate future pet food for the pantries this upcoming cold weather season.**

Your contributions may be made by personal **check** payable to LBDTC and sent by mail to our treasurer, Kris King at 33 Boxwood Lane, Langhorne, PA. 19047 (Please add LBDTC Pet Food Drive to the bottom left hand memo line on your check).

Our website can make donating even easier than writing a check. Just use **Pay Pal**: click on the link below, hit send and log in with your Pay Pal log in information. Enter the amount you would like to donate. Under "Add a Note" put pet food drive so Kris knows what the money is for.

<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/LBDTC>

**In memory of my best boy, Baci Mike, I will match every donation you make with \$2 .00 for each one of your donations. With 30 active members, that will be an additional \$60 to purchase pet food.**

Thank you for your generous hearts and continued support of our local food pantries. If you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at landline 215-493-9220 or email [Johannapaws@comcast.net](mailto:Johannapaws@comcast.net).

Thank you.

Johanna Molitano,

LBDTC COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

WAG MORE; BARK LESS