



# Bucks Barker

Newsletter of The Lower Bucks Dog Training Club, Inc.

September 2022

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## Next Meeting

**Monday  
September 12, 2022  
7:30 PM**

**LBDTC Training Site  
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**A LBDTC Board Meeting  
will follow the General  
Membership Meeting**

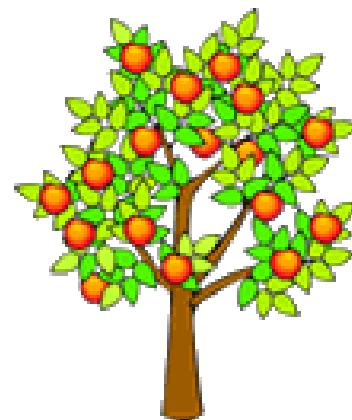
## Congratulations!

Roz Rosenblatt says - Bette had 3 very good searches at the NACSW NW1 trial on Saturday, 8/27. In 3 searches totaling an allotment time of 8 minutes 30 seconds, Bette had a combined search time of 1.47 minutes. She found the hide in her Exterior search in 16 seconds, in Interiors in 1.08 seconds and in Containers in 22 seconds. When she's on it, she's on it. Way to go Bette. Next time she'll get her Vehicle search, too.

Congratulations to two of our members, Jessica Ajoux and Perry DeWitt and their dogs, for their championship performances at the AKC Premier Agility Trials in July, 2022 held in Columbus, Ohio.

They were champions in the 20 inch and the 24 inch divisions respectively. Click on the link below for photos and additional trial info. They are featured on the far right with their dogs ("4 on the floor")

<https://www.akc.org/sports/agility/events/akc-premier-cup/>



## Training Classes

Training classes start the week of September 12th and include excellent rally, 2 beginner's obedience, 2 advanced obedience, 1 Star puppy and 1 intro to agility. The trainers/assistants are excited to begin again after having a nice break.

On Wednesday, September 7th, the training committee will be meeting to review the new training handbook. This will include the following sections: requirements to become an

assistant/trainer, responsibilities of assistants/trainers, a rubric for assessing a new trainer, and a canine/human body language. When completed, copies of the handbook will be distributed to all trainers and assistants, and also made available to the club officers.

Helen and Diane K. will be offering a one-night introduction to therapy class October 27 to current clients who are interested in pursuing this. This is a topic in which many clients express interest.

Judy, Robin, Carol



## Pet Food Drive

A huge thank you to Donna Worthington for 224 pounds of pet food added to her own personal donation and support of LBDTC's Spring Pet Food Drive.

In July, Donna contacted 3 friends to ask their support of our pet food drive: Janet, Leeann and Marian. The 3 of them donated immediately to support the food pantry of the Family Services Association of Bucks County. Donna couldn't accept their donations without adding more of her own

donated bags of food. She and Maverick made a special trip to FSABC on Woodbourne Road and packed FSABC's cart with 224 pounds of pet food. As you can see from the attached photos, Maverick charmed them all (as usual!)

Thank you, Donna and Maverick, for your huge hearts in supporting pets in need.

Sincerely, Johanna Molitano,  
Pet Food Drive Coordinator  
and Kris King, Treasurer



## LBDTC Agility Trials August 27 & 28, 2022

To the LBDTC membership,

We had a successful two day Agility Trial, held at Bayshore Companion Dog Training Club on August 27th & 28th. During this trial, the dogs could be kenneled in air conditioning, but the competition was held in a non-air conditioned building and it was hot, but not unmanageable. This trial did not fill, and so our profits are significantly lower than normal. BCDTC saw that this would happen and lowered the fees we paid for renting their facility. Fast Times also gave us



a break on their fees. Sabrina and Howard did an awesome job for us at the trial as usual. The Bayshore members came out and really helped us at the trial by working many of the jobs on both days. The trial ran smoothly and people had fun.

During the trial two competitors earned their MACH (Master Agility Champion) Title and one earned their PACH (Preferred Agility Champion) Title, which is a huge accomplishment

#### New Master Agility Champions



#### New Preferred Agility Champion

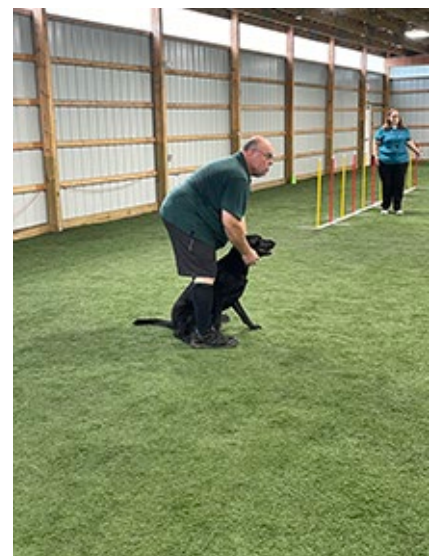
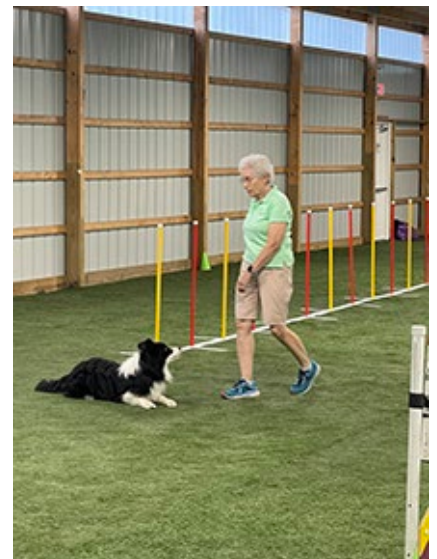


Photos from Roger Matzke

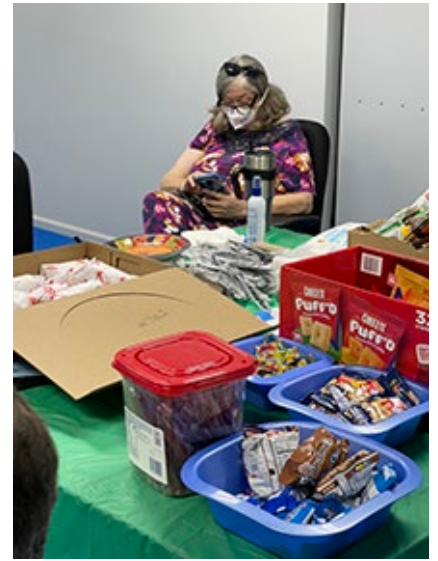
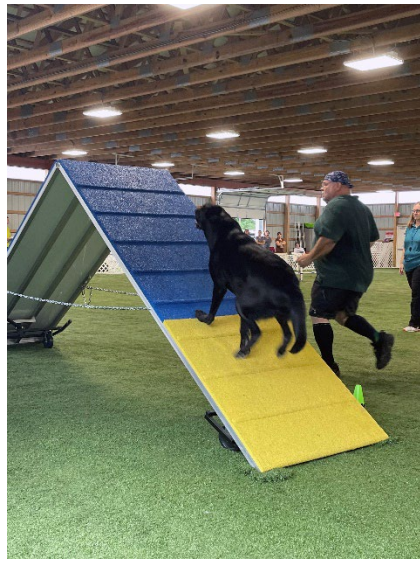
I would like to thank our Judge Carol Mount for having great courses and doing a wonderful job for LBDTC. I would like to thank the following LBDTC members for all of their help at this trial but building courses, working ring crew, scribing or timing, gating, creating working sign up charts, running the worker raffle, taking pictures, and hosting the hospitality table. The members were: Nancy Andreas, Sabrina & Howard Andrews, Florence Brems, Janet Budzynski, Mary Pat Ezzo, Kris & Lloyd King, Andie Malloy, Mary Ann McArdle, and Ken McKinney. I truly appreciate you making the long drive, working in the heat and keeping a great attitude. You all were wonderful!!

Sincerely,  
Roger Matzke  
Trial Chairperson

#### Photographs from the Trials by Ken McKinney











## Dog Quotation

"People leave imprints on our lives, shaping who we become in much the same way that a symbol is pressed into the page of a book to tell you who it comes from. Dogs, however, leave paw prints on our lives and our souls, which are as unique as fingerprints in every way."

— Ashly Lorenzana



## Happy Birthday

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

### September

Julie Matzke  
Johanna Molitano  
Roz Rosenblatt  
Jean Van Dyke

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