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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:

And yet we're still standing.

It has been quite the year, hasn't it? When I think back over this year and the challenges presented, it is amazing, to say the least. Although we were closed for two months, with no training, no classes, no income, we found our way. No sooner were we opened when the roof repairs started, threatening to shut us down again! And yet, there is much for which to be thankful. Here's some good news: This is still our 80th Anniversary!

Because of YOU, this Club is still up and running. Coming into this year, I knew that we would face some challenges, but without having a crystal ball, I had no idea of the scope nor magnitude of those challenges. Despite the difficult choices and the rough patches, we are still open and able to train, to hold trials and to teach.

I wish to offer my sincere thank you to so many. For those who assisted in the production of "Back from the Pandemic"; those who are instructors; those who are making sure to wipe down contact surfaces; those who make sure that we have cleaning supplies to wipe down contact surfaces; those who steward for our trials; those who show at our trials; those who put on our trials; those who have served or will serve on the Board; those who are wanting to join this Club; but mostly: to those loyal members who continue to support this Club in so many ways. I see you.

This year it has been my pleasure to serve as the Board President. Despite all the difficulties and challenges, I am pleased to say that we are still standing. We have risen to meet the challenges and found our way.

So here's to our next 80 years!

With sincere appreciation and gratitude,
Margie Wunderle
CABTC President

APPLICANTS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION:

2ND READING

Pete Swanson – Pete is a long-time dog lover and is now dedicated to training and competing with his Labrador Retriever. He has already volunteered at the obedience trial and is looking forward to Rally classes. He also competes in dock diving, barn hunt, and lure coursing.

Sponsors: Cliffette Thacker and Robin Fargus

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Bobbie Dulaney – Bobbie has owned giant breeds her whole life. She recently started working with Golden Retrievers. Bobbie volunteered at the Rally trial and is looking to help out at other events. She is looking forward to training in more venues with her dog, like therapy, trick dog, and agility.

Sponsors: Margie Wunderle and Bernadette McFadden

3RD READING/VOTING

Frances Bluhm – Fran began breeding and showing standard Poodles. Her first litter, just recently born, had a total of 11 puppies! She competes in conformation and agility and has taken multiple classes from Puppy 1 to Foundations 1-2-3 to agility. Fran has already volunteered at our January agility trial.

Sponsors: Carolyn Lincoln and Edie LeBouton

Madeline Hasman – Madeline is retired with a Jack Russell-mixed breed. She is excited to be a member of CABTC as she enjoys learning with her dog, Otis, and being around the other members and students. She has volunteered at both the Farm Dog run through and trial and looks forward to being involved.

Sponsors: Marilyn Richards and Shirley Riley

Julie Lakas – Julie is retired and enjoys most dog sports with her Bernese Mountain dogs. She is a life-long dog owner, originally owning Golden Retrievers, but not has more time to devote to training and competing. She is currently volunteering and competing in both Scent and Rally.

Sponsors: Cindy Chaytor and Karen Lippmann

OBEDIENCE CORNER

Wow!! Time flies. We began our Fall sessions the end of August/beginning of September and Session I is already done! Session II will be finished by the end of 2020. And our “Fall Back in November” Obedience Trial was successfully completed. Thank you to all who helped CABTC keep going through this difficult time.

Although not specific to Obedience, I want to acknowledge our new online registration process. In 2019, office personnel manually enrolled 638 handler teams in multiple classes. Now, the bulk of the work is done online. Although the new system still needs to be monitored to make sure the students are in the appropriate class and, in some instances, the instructor approves the enrollment, time and effort for registrations is greatly reduced for the office staff. The CABTC Release and COVID Waiver are also online.

We’re pleased to announce some new and returning instructors for our obedience classes. Welcome back Gina Dias, Karen Abbey, Deb Hageman, and Kathy Sutliff. And joining our group for the first time, Laura Comerford, Fran Dacek and Carol Godzick. A heartfelt thank you to these ladies as well as all of our instructors for your generous donation of time and knowledge. We couldn’t do this without you.

Additionally, we are in the process of adding new classes for the new year:

- Beginning Open – set to begin on Tuesday, January 5th.
- An additional FS I class – although the day of the week is yet to be determined, it will be in the 5:00 time slot.
- An additional FS II – not yet confirmed but potentially needed to keep up with the demand resulting from the new FS I class.

Thank you all...stay safe and well!!

~ Diane Brzezinski, Obedience Director
Training Team

ROCKING IT!

Happy mom Deborah F. reports that her Shetland Sheepdog, Tess, earned a score of 98 in Excellent B and a perfect score of 100 in Advanced B under Judge Fred Buroff at CABTC's October 30th Rally Trial. "Tess" achieved **High Combined Score** and her **17th RACH leg** at this trial! We are really proud of what she has accomplished this year; we were sidelined for almost 5 months due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and then Tess' last week of resting from a shoulder injury kept us from going to the YABTC trial on October 23rd. Come join the fun at CABTC's Rally classes and Rally trials!



~ Deborah Foster-Koch

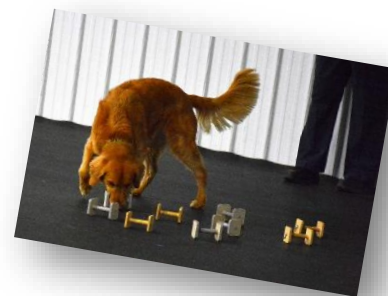


I have been showing my Malinois, Jagger, quite a bit this fall. In Clarion, PA, in September, Jagger placed first in Novice B. At the Youngstown show in October, she earned a 3rd and 4th place in Novice B, with a 198 and a 196, and, in Preferred Open, she earned 1st place and HIT for preferred classes. At the CABTC fall show, Jagger earned a 1st place in Novice B with a 198 and earned her 2nd Preferred Open leg. Her mom is REALLY proud of her!

~ Kris Zielionski

As if the CDX, PCDX, BN, GN, RM, RAE, BCAT, SWN, SCA, SEA, SIE, SBE titles weren't enough, Kipper added UD to his name at CABTC's Obedience Trial on October 31st.

~ Correen Cool



At the Cleveland All-Breed Training Club trial in October, my High Times Soup Of The Day MH, aka Campbell, got her Utility Dog Title and Wynwood's Life Is Good, aka Zoe, got her Junior Hunter title at the Hunt Tests at Hambden, Ohio, this past summer.

~ Joan Durbach

Morgan got his WCX title – on his first try, no less – on October 11 at the Columbus Golden Retriever Club trial. This was extra special as he lost most of the training season due to a serious shoulder injury. This is a Golden Retriever Club title.

~ Betsy Scala

My Pembroke Welsh Corgi, Tripper, qualified both days at the recent BAHA trial at Hado Bar farm. Cheryl Sacerich handled him to a third place on Saturday and a Q on Sunday. The weather was miserable! Tripper is working on his herding championship and needs five points to finish it. Thank you, Cheryl!



My Icelandic Sheepdog, Blitz, qualified both days at the recent BAHA trial at Hado Bar farm. With those two Qs and the Q at the Greater Detroit Shetland Sheepdog trial in October, we finished our title in Advanced Sheep A. Blitz is handled by Viola Dyer. Thank you, Viola!

I haven't double checked but I think Blitz is the first Icelandic Sheepdog to have a title in Advanced Sheep A. I am very grateful that Cheryl and Vi are training and handling my dogs. They have both done a wonderful job with my boys.

~ Libby Kraus



Rayne earned her CA title at Medina Kennel Club in one weekend!

~ Deb Hageman

Timber and I earned our WCX – GRCA, Working Certificate Excellent in Field at the Columbus GRC trial on October 11, 2020 at Johnstown's Sportsmen's Club. A difficult title for Timber, to wait for a triple, 3 guns and 3 ducks to go down on land and then retrieve them with memory of the falls. Then wait for a double gun and 2 ducks to go down in the water. This is followed by honoring the next working dog on water and waiting for the dog to splash in the water and then walk away under control. This test is done *without* a leash and collar on your dog and no touching or talking. Very hard!

~ Linda MacDonald



Minimo is my 7th herding champion and she did this one in style. She finished in less than two months after getting her advanced titles and did it right after weaning puppies! I am so proud of her as a teammate because she is willing to be a partner, she has so much natural instinct, and I can read a course map! I am also proud that she is 4th generation of my breeding plan that has achieved the HC and sixth in a herding line. She is as good at moving sheep as she is at moving ducks. To get an HC you have to place high enough in a class to earn points that add up to 15. Some of those have to be major wins of greater than seven other dogs and some just need to be first places. That means she had to beat a lot of border collies!



~ Cheryl Sacerich



My Gif (Missjiff.gif) received an invite to the inaugural AKC Fast CAT National in Orlando. There were 630 All-American dogs competing in Fast CAT during the 2019 qualifying period. Gif's best time was 32.53 mph, and her average speed was 31.33 mph. She raced 19 times that year and took first place 16 times. A total of 7,198 dogs (that ran at least three times) competed in '19. The fastest dog of each breed was invited and, in the case of the All-American dog (and a few others), the top dog in each of the handicap groups were invited. We accepted the invite!

Maureen Setter

COACH'S CORNER

Lois Rosenblum submitted a suggestion for a new column – rotating through the various venues, a training tip or insight from one of our wonderful instructors in each issue. I liked it so, as one of the Puppy II instructors, I thought I would kick it off.

When training, which is always, remember CRAP. No, seriously...Consistency, Repetition, Attitude, and Patience.

Instructors, if this is well received, be forewarned that I'll be reaching out to each of you for a contribution.

Thanks Lois.

SPECIAL SERIES – THE FIRST 80 YEARS

CLEVELAND ALL BREED TRAINING CLUB

By Linda MacDonald

CABTC #5 History 1990-1995

“Our Trial and the Move to Suite B”

The 1990's were exciting. Classes were successful and we negotiated a new trial site at North High School in Eastlake. We had 6 rings with 4 in the gym and 2 in the cafeteria. We stayed there for several years.

Mike instituted some new Awards to accent the Annual Awards for our members. It started with a wall an engraved plaque honoring UD-Utility dog titles from as far back as we could find documentation. Until the 1970's the UD was the highest Obedience title. In 1975 came the new OTCH title. When money allowed, the new Wall Permanent Photo Awards were instituted to honor Obedience's highest Awards of OTCH-Obedience Trial Champion, Perfect 200 scores and Hall of Fame (UD & 5 High in Trials). Later the AKC starting a UDX –Utility Dog Excellent title so we started a new plaque with member names engraved. Members honored on the wall were also given a photo award to take home.

A new sport was born. AKC Agility. A friend of ours, Sharon Anderson from Minnesota was the new AKC director of Obedience and instituted the new regulations and classes. Many of our members jumped in and became very active starting up classes and constructing homemade equipment with Pam Wells in charge. I recall meeting new member,



Judy Keller and her sheltie, Morgan. They became super stars in agility with lots of wins. Judy made the USA International World Team which won a Gold Medal! This photo is up on our wall and is truly a club highlight of success.

Several of our members started showing in the Detroit-Windsor World Series, Gaines Tournaments and the AKC National Obedience Invitational tournaments. Several members earned coveted placements at these events. Several highlights were Mike and Sadie earning a record eleven tournament placements including several second placements. In 1995, Mike and Sixpak won first place at the Gaines tournament winning the Superdog Title and the coveted brass dumbbell award along with money and a free trip to Orlando for the end of year Classic.

In 1995 we moved from Suite H to B which was double the size. As I recall, John Janoch was president at the time. John asked Mike and I to look at a space in Suite "B" that became available and help determine if the club could afford it or what was needed. I worked the budget and determined that we needed to hold our obedience trials in the building to save on rental properties. Mike and John measured out the space and considered the poles in the room to develop a plan for our trial rings. We could fit 3 rings with crating space. This was a significant downsizing from 6 rings. We decided to go with a Fall double trial weekend and also add a Spring double trial weekend to help pay the new lease. We also could handle 3 classes at a time so we increased that revenue. At the same time CABTC started to hold their agility trials outside at several locations for several years and also at the December IX Center X-Mas Classic.

In the 1990's AKC instituted a new MX-Master Agility Standard and MXJ-Master Agility Jumpers title. We decide to honor these titles with an engraved plaque. In 1999, AKC instituted the new MACH-Master Agility Championship title. We felt this most difficult and highest title deserved to have permanent photo awards on the Honor Wall at our club. Hope you enjoyed our club history.

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