

TEXAS TERV TRAILS

A Publication of the Lone Star Belgian Tervuren Club
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NEW CHAMPION

"Kito"

CH. AGAPE'S FUN ON THE RUN

and PAMELA WHITE

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Individual Membership \$10.00
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NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Sept. 15, 2015
Articles, Pictures, Brags Welcome!

MEETING NOTICE

***The next meeting of the LSBTC
will be in conjunction with the
Fall Fun Day: Oct. 24, 2015.***

Details to follow.



Casanova Has Never Met a Stranger

By Cynthia Parker

This past winter and spring I took Casanova to a Rally class in anticipation of the trial at the National Specialty in Gettysburg this year. After the class I would go over to visit my mother who lives in an Assisted Living Center in Southlake, the Isle at Watermere.

A couple of the residents have animals ranging from dogs to cats to birds. Even a family of ducks were hatched and lived in their outside courtyard this past Fall. They were relocated to a nearby pond and still can be seen waddling around the area.

The reaction to Casanova when I walk him into the building is no less than pure joy. One resident, who has been there since before mother came, has slowly gone down hill with Alzheimers. He has a full time caregiver and they frequently sit in the foyer or in the courtyard where my mother sits. He stares off into space, rarely speaking now, but when we walk in he lights up and reaches out to pet. Casanova readily goes up to him, sniffs his hand, then sits and wags his tail while he receives the sweet man's attention.



Last week Jeff and I stopped by on Saturday to say hello and as we walked in we were met by 2 residents in wheelchairs and their daughters who all surrounded Casanova and reached out to pet him. Casanova was non-plussed and just stood for all the attention, wagging his tail and sniffing each of their hands. I was a little surprised as I think our breed looks a little intimidating, but they think he is so pretty and his hair so soft. It took us several minutes to extricate ourselves from all the attention.

Casanova Has Never Met a Stranger, Continued

We sat outside for a couple of hours and a few people came out to greet Casanova. Then when we came in there was a gentleman, his wife and a caregiver sitting in the small coffee shop area of the Center. The wife noticed Casanova and started talking to Jeff about him. Casanova drug Jeff over to the husband. Casanova stopped at the man and put his head on his hand. The husband started petting while Casanova just stood there and looked at his face. The caregiver said, "Isn't it interesting that the dog made the beeline to the Alzheimer Patient instead of the wife who was talking and asking about him." I had never seen the couple or caregiver before and had no idea about his condition. But Casanova seemed to know what to do.

I usually take one of my dogs over to the Isle at Watermere when I go and so I'm known as the daughter with the dogs. The residents with walkers, and that's most of them and those residents in wheelchairs don't phase him. And after watching how the residents enjoy petting the dogs and talking about the dogs they have had, I'm thrilled to have a couple of dogs who love the attention.

I guess going to a Therapy Dog test is in Casanova's future.

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TEXAS KENNEL CLUB PRESENTATION

By Susan Hervey

Cynthia Parker has also been busy with the Texas Kennel Club. At the recent dog show on July 5, Cynthia was pictured presenting a Plaque on behalf of the Texas Kennel Club to the Dallas Police Department K-9 Squad. The Plaque signified their ongoing Partnership and Commitment to Public Service and Canine Welfare.

Senior Corporal Curtis Steger and Canine "Orry," and Senior Corporal Susan Millard and Canine "Yoll," representing the Dallas Police Department K-9 Squad, were the recipients of the Plaque.



The Texas Kennel Club has provided 5 bullet/stab proof vests to the members of the DPD K-9 Squad. The vests are made specifically for each dog.



LONE STARS AT THE TEXAS KENNEL CLUB SHOW

Photos by Dennis Lyons

WINNERS DOG for his CHAMPIONSHIP!
CH AGAPE'S FUN ON THE RUN, with Pamela White.



WINNERS BITCH AND BEST OF WINNERS for her first points and a MAJOR!
SKY ACRES SHAMROCK LUCKY CHARM with Pamela Chrystal



LONE STARS AT THE TEXAS KENNEL CLUB SHOW, Continued



RESERVE WINNERS DOG
BEAU SHADO ALO DAYO IT CGC DJ
and Devota M. Swenson

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DUES ARE PAST DUE -- Hurry!

"Membership dues shall be \$10.00 for single membership and \$15.00 for family membership per year."

Per the LSBTC Constitution:

A membership shall be considered lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid 60 days after the first of June of each year.

Remit dues to:

**LSBTC Treasurer
Shirley Stowe
1517 Cimarron Ridge
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2015-2016 OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

No additional nominations were received for Club offices for the year 2015-2016, so the slate of the Nominating Committee will take office in October.

Minutes of Meeting, July 5, 2015 (Dallas, TX)

The meeting was called to order at 1:39 p.m.

Attendees

Members in attendance were: Dennis & Deb Lyons, Jeff Curran, Gerard Bermel, Pat Thomas, Cynthia Parker, Sarah Helber, Susan Hervey, Pam White, Devota Swenson. Guests were Pamela and John Chrystal and Patty Mundine.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as published in *Trails*.

Report of the President

None

Report of the Secretary

The Secretary received a membership application and check from Pamela Chrystal, to be taken up later. She also received a "Thank You" note from Belgian Tervuren Rescue for the contributions from the Brags 'n Bitches dinner held in February.

Finally, the Secretary reported that no additional nominations had been received for any of the Board positions, so the Nominating Committee's slate will become the new Board at the Annual Meeting. As reported in *Texas Terv Trails*, the Nominating Committee nominated the currently serving officers to continue serving.

Report of the Treasurer

The Treasurer's Report was discussed. The only additions since last meeting were dues.

Election of New Members

Pamela Chrystal was voted into membership.

New Business - 2016 Regional Specialty

There was a discussion of holding a Regional Specialty - where, when and who. Dennis volunteered to chair, but said for everyone to plan on being asked to do things because he will need help. It was finally VOTED FOR exploring holding a Regional Specialty in July, 2016 in conjunction with the Lone Star State Classic Combined Specialties at Market Hall.

Brags

Pam White finished her boy's championship at the show today. He is now CH Agape's Fun on the Run.

Pam Chrystal's girl Sky Acres Shamrock Lucky Charm earned her first points and a major this morning.

Devota's Alo earned his Senior Dock Diving title - jumping 17'. He will be competing in San Antonio (after breed).

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at the "Play Day" on October 24 at Cynthia and Jeff's house in Flower Mound. More details will be forthcoming.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at about 2 pm.

STARS



NEW SENIOR DOCK DIVING DOG

BEAU SHADO ALO DAYO IT CGC DS



and Devota M. Swenson



NEW NOVICE NOSEWORK (UKC)

NEW ADVANCED EXTERIORS NOSEWORK (UKC)

U-NN, U-AE Shumaker Hills Bendit Like Becka
RN, MX, MXJ, OF, HT, NW1, L1C

and Pat Thomas



Pat reports, ""We just got back from Colorado yesterday for a NW2 trial. We had the best time and Becka was feeling good and working well. A late call on my part cost her the title but she didn't know, she got steak all the same :-) She did get 3rd place in containers and 2nd place in exteriors. We finished the Novice Nosework title in Tulsa (which encompasses all 4 elements) + AE (for advanced exteriors). Looking forward to the UKC trials in Hutto in September.



NEW CHAMPION



CH. Agape's Fun On The Run

and Pamela White



Pam reports, "Kito's" journey to his Championship has been a true learning experience which has been contributed to by so many people. I have learned so much and met so many great people. Although my friend, Sallyann Comstock, who was the breeder of both of Kito's parents, is gone, I'm sure she was smiling down on us!