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PLAY the NAME THAT PUPPY GAME

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#### **Membership Information**

Individual Membership	\$10.00
Family Membership	\$15.00

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NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: July 15, 2020 Articles, Pictures, Brags Welcome!

The next meeting of the LSBTC is TO BE SCHEDULED

July 4, 2020 Meeting CANCELED Due to COVID-19 Restrictions

#### **KEIR IN THE COUNTRY**

by Devota Swenson

Raising a puppy during a pandemic: goals, reality and friends!

Keir and I have been on quite an adventure since he arrived in Texas February 9th, 2020. I was lucky to get him in a few puppy classes at a local training facility and he attended the Kerrville conformation shows in March with Alo and me to socialize. It was a great opportunity for him to get acclimated to the show scene, new places, new people and new spaces.



Photo Credit: Patty Mundine

Fast forward to March 16th, 2020 Keir's four-month birthday when the City of Austin started its shutdown. I was struggling to make decisions that would keep us all safe, healthy and not interfere with Keir's social development. We tried some social distancing training sessions with our local facility that was out in the county, but they soon got shut down too. I signed Keir up for an on line training course, but with work, school and the extra stress of living in the Covid 19 outbreak, I am a weeks behind on the Susan Garrett program. I found it took much longer to get the basics done, food shopping, heading into the office, finding toilet paper, dog food and all the other stuff that makes life a bit easier.

My work does not stop even for a pandemic. I have transitioned to working from home two days a week now that emergency supplies were received and we got to our new normal.

#### **KEIR IN THE COUNTRY, Continued**

Most of Keir's well puppy visits have been curbside visits. The vet techs come to the car, take the puppy and the vet calls you on the phone for a consultation after they visit with your puppy. Once they are finished, the puppy is then delivered back to the crate in your car. Keir has become used to masks, gowns and gloves. I am thankful that my veterinarian continued to allow well puppy visits and to make it work with all the restrictions and safety precautions in place.

I have had the opportunity to spend some time with friends from the dog show world. Keir has met some Berger Picard Shepherds, Mastiffs, Brussels Griffons, Golden Retrievers and we got to spend a day in the orchard with Patty Mundine's Tervuren puppy Diesel. We have made a couple of visits to Michael Herrin's and Page Anderson's new house to check out the yard, stairs and the porch. The ability to social distance, travel in cars and meet new people has been a blessing. Alo, Keir and I have also been spending time at our local dock diving facility. It is great to be able to let the boys run, swim and meet with people at the dock. We often sit and visit after our hour in the pool is done. It has been something to look forward to and a nice break from the new routines.

Having a puppy to love, train and socialize has been both a joy and a struggle. Much thanks to all that have welcomed us into their yards, farms and ranches when it was important to keep our social distance. I am thankful on working days I have two dogs that are always glad to see me when I get home and on the work-from-home days are always willing to go for an extra walk around the block.

Devota
"I like you just the way you are"
Mr. Fred Rogers

#### **DUES ARE DUE**

"Membership dues shall be \$10.00 for single membership and \$15.00 for family membership per year, payable on or before the first day of June each year. No member may vote whose dues are not paid for the current club 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 El Paso TX 79912

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



by Devota Swenson

#### **President, Lone Star Belgian Tervuren Club**

05/18/2020

It has been a challenging spring and early summer for all of us in the dog sport world. I am writing today with news that most of the summer conformation shows have been postponed or canceled. The last hope is that the San Antonio shows in July are still on the books as I write this, and I am waiting for a premium list to be mailed and available for entry.

The Lone Star Belgian Tervuren Club has had to postpone our supported entry show in July when the Fort Worth Cluster canceled all the shows. Tiffany Holley, our show chair and the board of directors of the club are working hard to get the supported entry moved to the Dallas Cluster of shows in December, so that we still have an opportunity to do a supported entry show in 2020. Stay tuned for conformation on dates, watch for announcements and emails. We will do the best that we can to make this work in December.

This is a unique opportunity for those of us that love to do conformation to try other dog sports. I have been jumping Alo in NADD for the last six years and we love that sport. Since it is outdoors, we are going to our first trial of the season on Memorial Day Weekend. I Can Not Wait to be out of the house for a few hours and spending time with other dog folks. The AKC has made trick dog, fit dog and rally titles available for online submissions:

https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/sports/akc-titles-programs-can-home/

Let's look for opportunities to get some time and some new experiences in with the best dog ever, the one sitting next to you as you read this newsletter. I look forward to hearing what everyone has done with this new at-home time with their pets.

Be safe, be happy and hug your dogs!

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The following people have accepted the nomination as officers and directors of the Lone Star Belgian Tervuren Club:

Devota Swenson – President (2020-2022) Pat Thomas - Vice President (2020-2021) Shirley Stowe – Treasurer (2020-2022) Gerard Bermel - Director (2020-2021) Glenda Fick - Director (2020-2021)

The secretary position has not yet been filled.

Sincerely,
Pat Thomas, Nominating Committee Chair

#### **ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS**

by Susan Hervey

The purpose of the Nominating Committee is to ensure there will be at least one candidate for each office. Additional nominations can be submitted as delineated in the By-Laws:

"Additional nominations of eligible members may be submitted to the Secretary in writing and accompanied by the written acceptance of each additional nominee stating their willingness to be a candidate and endorsed by three members in good standing. Such nominations must be received by the Secretary no later than June 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### **SECRETARY NEEDED – DUTIES MINIMAL!**

By Sarah Helber

As you can see from the Nominating Committee Report, the Lone Star Belgian Tervuren Club needs a new club Secretary. I've served for many years, but it is time for me to retire. Some of you may know I've had trouble with my eyes for several years now. It's manageable, but the dog show atmosphere (forced air, dust, hair, chalk, etc.) is really difficult for me. I've tried working with it over the last year, but it's just not worth it for me. Not to mention it makes me grumpy! I'll serve out this term until October, but it is time to retire.

Pat Thomas, as head of the Nominating Committee, asked me to list my duties. I took that task a step further and separated what I do into the two lists below.

What is most important to me is that I not have to attend meetings and take Minutes – thus it's the tasks in the first list. I do plan to attend meetings when I can, although I may do it sitting with my eyes closed.

The Secretary duties that I really need to retire from, with a couple of related tasks that are actually specified in our By-Laws are:

- 1. Serving as the Club Secretary on the Board of Directors.
- 2. Attending and participating in meetings (both Regular and Board). That's three Regular meetings a year and one or more Board meetings. If the Secretary cannot attend a meeting, the President can appoint someone to take Minutes.
- 3. Taking Minutes at the meetings and emailing Regular Meeting Minutes to Susan Hervey for *Trails* and emailing Board Meeting Minutes to the Board members. Taking the Minutes is really the job that frustrates me most due to my eye issues.
- 4. Sending out meeting notices (actually Susan puts them in *Trails*, but occasionally there's not a *Trails* scheduled, so I send out a group email).
- 5. Receiving the Nominating Committee Report and seeing that it is published either by Susan in *Trails* or by a group email. Of course, if we should have a contested election the Secretary would handle that, but that has not happened in recent ages.
- 6. Receiving any mail or emails to the Secretary and answering or forwarding them (I have received very, very few).

#### SECRETARY NEEDED - DUTIES MINIMAL! Continued

I have taken on other duties as well. If someone is willing to do the tasks listed above, I am willing to continue to do those tasks in the list below. I could do so either through the Secretary or with copies to the Secretary. The Board has expressed a willingness to use this as a means of giving someone a chance to step into the Secretary position more gradually.

Those tasks that I have taken on, and I am willing to continue to perform for now, are:

- 1. Maintaining the Roster updating and distributing as needed and at least annually (it's a Microsoft Word document).
- 2. Completing and returning the Annual Report and a copy of the current Roster to ABTC (it also is a Word document).
- 3. Receiving and processing new member applications letting the applicant know the status of their application, seeing that their application is presented at the next meeting, letting the applicant know the result.
- 4. Physically keeping Club Records (mainly membership applications now, since our newsletters are on our website). I don't mind, and it probably should stay with whoever is handling membership applications and the Roster.

If you are willing to take on the Secretary job, please contact me or a member of the Board of Directors.

Thanks, Sarah

#### NAME THAT TERV PUPPY GAME

(See answers on Page 12)

Thanks to all for sending in pictures! We'll start with one that involves a Time Machine! PUPPY #1



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PUPPY #2



PUPPY #3

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PUPPY #9 "Oh no! Not on a bad hair day!!!"



PUPPY #10



PUPPY #11

PUPPY #12

#### NAME THAT TERV PUPPY ANSWERS

Tervs on Front Cover: LUCY, KEPLER AND CADI (submitted by Cynthia Parker)

PUPPY #1: COSMO (Desaray's Cosmopolitan Boy CD HIC) with Cynthia Parker at the Chow

Specialty in 1982!

PUPPY #2: CADI (Cynfyrs Christmas Surprise Cadillac XLR) (Cynthia Parker and Jeff Curran)

PUPPY #3: ABBY (Ch Snowflower Lonestars N Stripes Abby HT) Dennis Lyons

PUPPY #4: HONEY (Ch Savanna Shall We Dance) Submitted by Patty Mundine

PUPPY #5: JORDAN (CT Ambition's Almond Joy Qui Rit VCD1 RAE MX AXJ NF NGC SSA SG) Sarah

Helber

PUPPY #6: CODY (GCH Ch Arlequin Lone Star Cowboy Cody CD RN TD HT) Debra Lyons

PUPPY #7: NIKKI (CH Hawkeye's Surfer Girl MX, MXJ, SWN, SCA, TKN, NW3) Patricia Thomas

and Gerard Bermel

PUPPY #8: KARSTEN (Ch Karsten Di Scottatura) Patricia A Mundine

PUPPY #9: CHERISH (Ch Cynfyr's Valentine's Day Cherished Memories NAJ) Cynthia Parker and

Jeff Curran

PUPPY #10: CASANOVA (GCh Cynfyr's Valentine's Day Casanova RN NA NAJ) Cynthia Parker and

Jeff Curran

PUPPY #11: SADI (GCH Bilgay's Frozen Dream Of Sadi) Deb Lyons

PUPPY #12: MILES (Waldenmark's Nose for Fashion TDX TDU) Sarah Helber

#### SUPPORTED SHOW REPORT

by Tiffany Holley

As I am sure you have heard, the Lone Star State Classic Cluster scheduled for July 2020 has been cancelled. The Cluster committee met and decided that it was in the best interest of everyone involved to cancel the July event. We are working toward rescheduling the 2020 Supported Entry for Friday of the December LSSC. We will be getting a Belgian Grooming Area, planning a Belgian Dinner, and hoping for a fantastic weekend of BELGIANS. Thank you all for understanding and working with us during this time of uncertainty. Toby and I wish you all the best in your virtual titling and at your upcoming events whenever that may be. Hope to see you all in Dallas in December.

# THE "WHOSE PUPPY" GAME!

Match the puppies to the LSBTC member-owners! (Answers are on Page 14)













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### WHOSE PUPPY ANSWERS (Outside pictures clockwise)

Siberian Husky! "Nietzsche" Nietzsche of Chiaroscuro CD HIC TT; SARAH HELBER



Belgian Malinois! "Nero" - Belcol Normandie at Lananzoor CGC TKN TKI Best Puppy in Sweeps, Puppy Group Placing, Owner Handler Group Placing; *TIFFANY HOLLEY* 





Chow! (OK this is cheating, but I couldn't crop the owners out of the picture without sacrificing serious cuteness! Ed.) Candy's puppies with CYNTHIA PARKER and JEFF CURRAN.



Pekinese! "Clifford;" BIS Owner Handler;

SHIRLEY STOWE



