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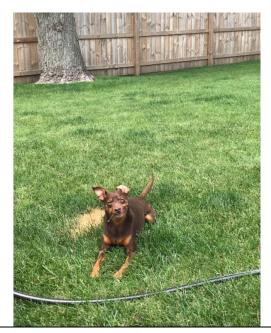


The Newsletter of the Rand Park Dog Training Club, Inc.

June 2021

Pet Food Drive! by Barb Krynski

Thank you to everyone who donated pet food! The food pantry was very happy to receive donations. They said they get many more requests for food than they can fulfill so your donations helped a lot of people this summer! Rand Parkers donated over 500 lbs of dog food!!!! Thank you all so much!



Ralphie says sticks taste best in the summer

Important! Please note.

If training needs to be cancelled because of bad weather or for any other reason, instructors will call the students in their classes to notify them.

Notice of training cancellation will also be posted on the Club's website: http://www.randparkdtc.org and Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/RandParkDTC

2020 Obedience and Rally Trial

We finally had our Obedience and Rally Trials! It was a full house! It was great to see many people I haven't seen in over a year! A HUGE thank you to all the workers who came out to

help, Karen Schaubel and Pat Beckstrom – The Worker Queens - in particular! They handled shortages of workers with calmness and filled in whenever we were short handed. Bob Olsen, our trial secretary, was organized and calm as usual!

The biggest think you goes to Mary Laurie for being th hard working cochair (she did ALL the paperwork and rentals) and to Frank Laurie and Don Fester for acting as equipment sherpas. Also we can't forget our Ribbons Team – Anita, Sonja Lund, and Marion Meseth. Our treasurer, Gloria Blanton, was there helping

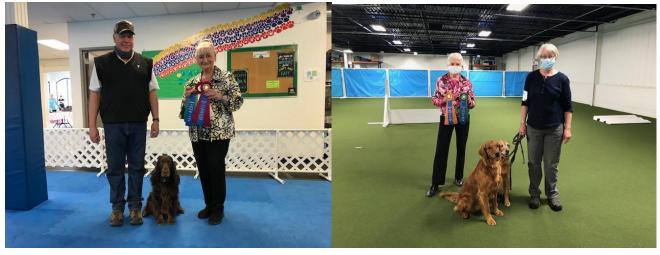


with the ribbons and promptly issuing all remibursements and paymens. I'm sure the judges appreciated that.

The photo op spot was a huge success as well. I wasn't able to see but was told by our ribbon team that there were lots of exhibitors taking advantage of it.

Let's hope next year brings us as many exhibitors and workers. Without workers, there is no trial. Without exhibitors, there's no reason for a trial!

There wasn't time to get a lot of shots but here are a few.



Bill Abraham and Coach earning a High Combined and HIT in Rally

High Combined in Obedience

Rand Park DTC Annual Awards Ceremony

On Tuesday, May 11 Rand Park celebrated the accomplishments of our members over the last 2 years. The usual banquet was cancelled due to Covid, but we were still able to celebrate!

First off, we held the swearing in of the 2021/2022 Officers and Board of Directors.

Advisor to the Board – Jean Eremo

Chairman of the Board – Marion Meseth

President – Mary Laurie

Vice President – Lois Leidahl-Marsh

Secretary – Linda Forman

Assistant Secretary – Valerie Manning

Treasurer – Gloria Blanton

Assistant Treasurer – Lori Buckley

Directors – Frank Laurie, Barb Pische, Lois Mayber-Yep, Teena Horne, Kathy Baureis, Birgit Mantilla

Director of Training – Kathy Baureis



Outgoing Board of Directors

New Officers

Special Awards Recipients

2019 Hendricksen Award – Don Fester

2019 Fendt Award – Lori Buckley

2019 Brinker Award – Mary Delorto (scores of 197.5 and 196.5)

2019 Sportsmanship Award – Mary and Frank Laurie

2019 and 2020 Members of the Year – Lori Buckley and Kathy Bauries

Rand Park DTC Awards Ceremony continued

25 Year Member Awards

Carol Burns – member since 1995

Adele Schaffer – member since 1995

Darlene Charmelo – member since 1996

10 Year Member Awards

Dorothy Dokey

Gail Kipp

Karyn McCoy

Open Dog of the Year

Mary Laurie and Vinnie

Thank you to the 2020/2021 Officers and Board of Directors for your service to the club. A huge thank you to the team who made the ceremony possible: Lois Leidahl-Marsh, Marion Meseth, Marge Kabala, and Anita Wolney



Rand Park Tracking Dog Urban Test

By Sally Bushwaller, TDU Chairman

The TDU test was held September 28 at the Lincolnshire Corporate Center in Lincolnshire. While the weather was lovely on Saturday for plotting, it was cold, extremely windy, and cloudy on Sunday for the test itself.

The 9 great tracks were plotted by judges Lois Leidahl-Marsh and Shawn Nies. Three dogs passed the test, including Rand Park member Donna Nuger and her wonderful Beagle, Herbie (CH Flying Ears Herbie the Love Bug, CDX, RE, MX, MXJ, CA, BCAT, SWE, SBM, SHON, RATM, CZ8B, TKP), handled by Donna's husband Phil. They ran their track in record time and did an amazing job.

The other two dogs passing were a Labrador Retriever, SinCity Guilty of Espionage, AX, AXJ, XF, NFP, owned by Marilyn Paker of Chicago, and a Basset Hound, Olde Fashion Verde Green Apple Sparkle-tini, RN, SWN, SWCA, owned by David and Pamela Crawford of Wood Dale.

The judges plotted a spare ninth track in case one track was fouled. Since that did not occur, the first alternate, a Pembroke Welsh Corgi was able to run that track. Sadly that dog did not pass. But once she was back on the track after missing the first turn, she was spot on the whole way. Unfortunately the wind was so strong that it caused her to miss that first turn. Interestingly, I laid that track, and ran my dog Nova on that track after the test was over. She ran the track in exactly the same way as the Corgi, missing the first turn and then following it almost step-by-step the same way the Corgi did it.

Many are thanks to all the wonderful track layers who stepped forward to help us out this weekend:

Sandy Lewandowski, Chris McHenry, Jason Libasci, Nancy Henderson (2 tracks), Donna Kircher, Marie Goulden, Gloria Morris and myself.

Also thanks to secretary Nancy Foster who handled all the paperwork, which I despise! Thanks to Diane Muzzey who was also there to cover for me Saturday morning since I teach classes and wasn't able to be there until noon. Between Diane and I we carted track layers and judges all over the place while Nancy held down the fort at the starting point. Thanks to Donna Nuger who handled hospitality on Sunday. And finally thanks to the judges who worked their butts off for two days, rain or shine.

It takes a team to run a tracking test. I am grateful our team was top-notch and ready to step up and help. Thanks again to everyone.



Recipe Corner

Peanut Butter Dog Cake

1 c. flour

1 c. shredded carrots

½ c. honey

¼ c. coconut oil

¼ c. peanut butter

1 egg

1 tsp. baking soda

1 tsp. vanilla

Cake Directions:

Start by missing flour and baking soda in a large mixing bowl, then stir in the remaining ingredients. Mix well until the batter becomes smooth and free of lumps. Pour the batter into a non stick baking dish or cupcake tin, and bake in a preheated over for approximately 35 minutes. Allow to cool completely before frosting.

Frosting Directions:

Combine 2 cups peanut butter, 3 tbs. flour, 1 tsp. vanilla and 1 tsp. honey.

New Products

Ever go out for a walk with your furry friends and realize you don't have a water bowl for them? This can solve your problem! https://asobubottle.com/products/dog-bowl-bottle-sdb1? pos=18 sid=e2ac240bf& ss=r



Summer 2021- Roving Reporter

(Written from the perspective of Banjo Oh' Suzannah and his sidekick Paisley Bandana – the two best All-American Bandit buddies that were)

I am way excited about Christmas in July! Mama gets us Prime day puppy stuff and lets us devour the box outside. We get toys and treats, our box shredding helps the garden foliage it's a win-win! Paisley just turned 7 in April and so I have been jealous for presents since! We did have a birthday party and walked in our party hats - we had 10 people stop to say happy birthday to her! Of course she didn't let them pet her but that was fine- she was happy to get birthday attention on her special day.

Mama got this weird thing. It's a vacuum that doesn't move - so it can't eat us!!!! The eye vac sits and waits for mama to sweep my winter sweater up under it and it sucks it up. I am not quite so convinced that I want to get really close to it because one day it might decide to move, but I definitely am not shaking in my boots anymore when it turns on... unlike that other thing that plugs in and mama chases around the house and occasionally "brushes" us with:/ :/ yeah... my thoughts exactly...



Paisley and I have so much fun playing catch me if you can outside. She tricks me when she goes "ruuruuruuuhoooo" on one side of the shed and I chase after her but she sneaks around the other direction! I can never catch her even though I am way faster. She is stealth. She even does a drop and roll trick- I think she watches too many spy movies:) but this is what summer is all about. It's what we live for. A little hot but we like the sprinkler too!!!

I learned a few new tricks myself this summer as well -

- 1. when mama yells "Banjo" instead of listening to her next instruction, I now look at her and howl. She loves my sweet song!
- 2. I also learned how to sneak into bed and sleep on my back with my head on the pillow next to her ... and how to steal the blankets. I scared the daylights out of mama the first time she woke up next to something furry in the dark. Hahahaha! One day soon I'll be taking over the place- just wait and see! [Insert diabolical laugh or evil grimace]

As you can tell, Paisley and I are loving summer! We haven't been allowed to run in the yard ever since
Paisley pulled out a new bush mama planted and I trampled her brand new flowers. Mama says she just
planted new grass so we still have to wait, but needless to say, we now have a new fence! She first put the fence around the garden
so we don't steal anymore celery because we "took too much" she says and now we are confused because we used to be able to just
get snacks whenever but now, not-so-much. I liked that celery! Its organic!

Anyways, I can't wait to go mark the new grass with my fresh scent. Personally, (if I am being honest) I don't like the grass so much though ... it tickles me and it's the same stuff mama threatens me with when I don't want to potty and it's raining outside. I also don't like the worms after this rain. I scream really loud when I feel them slimy under my feet. Mama laughs but it's not funny! Now I only want to stay on her patio where it's safe from tiny almost snakes. Let's see whose laughing when I potty there instead:D



In other updates:

Paisley has spent the last few weeks living in and out of her hut from the thunderstorms and fireworks. I like to bark at it and tell it whose boss! After being home with us the past year mama now disappears two nights a week for what she calls "dance" and I cry when she's not here while Paisley hides yet again...

Uncle Chris got a house in Indiana by the beach. Mama put a track in for Paisley in the done grass and we had tons of fun!

Mama said we get to go to Michigan for a few weeks in August. I can't wait to go back and swimming again!! I also am excited to go on a walk in the county park. And, mama said she wants to try to get me on her paddleboard with her. I am not too sure about that! But apparently her board has a dog proof area meant just for me! I think mama needs to learn how to stay on the dang board first before she throws us both off. I'll for sure be wearing my life jacket!

Until then we plan to keep it lazy over here. We hope you do the same and enjoy the lazy hazy days of thick summer to come!

Boops from Banjo- your roving reporter! (And Paisley the sidekick)