

Susquehanna Trail Dog Training Club

October 2022



Old Friends

by Connie Cuff

Since Halloween is this month, you should plan ahead to keep your dog safe and secure when the ghosts and goblins come knocking on your door so it's a howling good time for everyone.

Help your dog to stay calm by giving him a comfortable place to relax with one of his favorite chew toys to stay occupied. Remember go to your mat. Chocolate is dangerous for your dog so be extremely careful in keeping it in a safe place.

Since moving our classes to Sundays, we should be able to have a few more classes before the colder weather arrives.

Seeing the socializing with our dogs at class, it is a plus in keeping up with behaviors and simply having our dogs respond to everyday interactions. Training becomes linked in the dog's mind to all his favorite activities. Of course, manners should be part of everyday routines rather than what he does in specialized training.

Remember when we are socializing with each other at class it is important to keep your eyes on your dog 100% of the time. If you need to speak to someone else or get distracted, put your dog on a down or a stay command until you tell him otherwise. It is important to always have your dog under control.

No matter if you are working with your dog at class or at home, you should approach each training session as another fun activity to share with your dog. Whatever your goals, training is a chance to enhance your communication with a stronger bond, and the easier it will be to settle in a lifestyle that brings joy to both ends of the leash.

Till next time.

Connie



Notes and Notices



Since darkness has prevented us from training in the evenings on Tuesday, we have moved our classes to Sundays with Advanced at 1pm and Beginners at 2pm. If the weather stays mild we will continue classes at the Marina until we are unable to do so.

We will keep up with all our visiting and if anyone may want to join any of our activities, please let us know so we can be aware that you will be coming. We post all of our activities on our web site so you can check out any new ones or cancellations.

Congratulations to Carol Zimmerman who has attained ATD Therapy Title with her dog Grizzly.

We welcome Star Puppy members:

Jim Specht with Goldendoodle Max; Patty Edwards with Golden Retriever Cali; Denise Tirpak with mix Cino; Deb Klinger with Goldendoodle Mollie; Patsy Hartzel with Goldendoodle Ben

There is a Blessing of the Animals in Honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi:

First Reformed Church, Sunbury, Saturday, Oct. 8 10:00am

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church parking lot Sunday Oct. 9, 1:00pm

I want to thank everyone who came to our Club picnic. We enjoyed the day with our dogs and good food. Our Chinese Auction brought in \$176 and the prizes were amazing. I hope more can be with us next year.

UPCOMING THERAPY VISITS AND CLUB ACTIVITIES

Oct. 3 (Mon)	5 Star	1:00pm
Oct. 5 (Wed)	Riverwoods RTK Bucknell	10:00am 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Oct. 6 (Thurs)	Geisinger Rehab, Health South	1:00pm
Oct. 8 (Sat)	Blessing of the Animals 1st Reformed Church, Sunbury	10:00am
Oct. 9 (Sun)	Blessing of the Animals Sacred Heart, Lewisburg	1:00pm
Oct. 12 (Wed)	Heritage Springs, Lewisburg	10:00am
Oct. 13 (Thurs)	Sr. Action Center, Shamokin Mt. View Manor	12:30pm 1:30pm
Oct. 17 (Mon)	Columbia County Prison	1:00pm
Oct. 18 (Tues)	Bucknell University Hildreth-Mirza Hall	9:00pm - 10:00pm
Oct. 19 (Wed)	Riverwoods	10:00am
Oct. 21 (Fri)	Bucknell 7th St. Cafe	12:00pm - 1:00pm
Oct. 26 (Wed)	Heritage Springs, Lewisburg	10:00am
Oct. 27 (Thurs)	Geisinger Rehab, Health South	1:00pm

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