



# Susquehanna Trail Dog Training Club

June 2023



## Old Friends

by Connie Cuff

Can dogs see color?

Researchers now know that our canine companions don't see vast rainbow colors as we humans do, but they can see colors, just not as many as we can. Dogs have excellent vision and have even evolved to see clearly in the dark.

A dog can perceive blue and yellow light but not red or green so in a dog's world they likely see everything as muted of yellow, brown, gray and tinges of blue.

Those bright red toys, beds and collars we pick out for our dog which are pleasing to us, to them, they appear as one big hunk

of brown.

Some smart trainers and dog sport enthusiasts have picked up on the color scheme dogs perceive. Dog agility equipment tends to be blue and yellow. If you have ever been to an agility match you will notice that as a dog comes down from a dog slide it must touch the yellow at the end or be disqualified. Selecting frisbees and balls (tennis) that are yellow or blue could help your dog find them faster in green grass and foliage.

When your dog may be barking in the dark at what appears to you as nothing, don't dismiss the bark. Their eyes may have fewer color-detecting cones than human eyes but have more light-sensitive rods. This means they can see creatures in the deep of the night which may be a skill for them than being able to appreciate the color of that fun toy you just bought.

Till next time,

*Connie*



## Notes and Notices



**Congratulations to the following who have passed the Therapy Dog Test.**

**ATD Wendy Rote with Kyah a Australian Shepherd; ATD Amy Griffith with a Labrador Retriever, Chewy; TDI Phil Hallden with Golden Retriever, Yetti**

**Classes begin at the Shikellamy Marina on Tuesday, June 6. Advanced at 6:00pm and Beginners at 7:00pm. We must be aware of weather. If we need to cancel, a notice will be sent through email and it will be on our web site.**

**A Star Puppy Class will begin on June 6 and class is full.**

**A Star Puppy Class will begin on June 13 and openings are available. Pre-registration is required.**

**There will not be regular classes on June 13 as we are making a Bus Trip to a VA Nursing Home in Scranton.**

**Please check our web site for all our visits which will continue throughout the summer. Nursing Homes do not require certification and the residents love seeing our dogs which brightens up their day.**

**A big thank you to the Selinsgrove Center and the Shikellamy State Park Marina for allowing us to train at their facilities. We enjoy the opportunity of being able to train our dogs inside during the winter months and outside during the summer.**

**Wishing a speedy recovery to Regina Russell who is recovering from surgery.**

**Congratulations to the following that graduated in the Star Puppy Class:**

**Jim Smith with Biscuit; Myra Deitrich with Simba; Don Herb with Emmy; Dylan Holmes with Kai and Cheryl Brandt with Oakley.**

## UPCOMING THERAPY VISITS AND CLUB ACTIVITIES

<b>June 1 (Thurs)</b>	<b>Geisinger Rehab, Health South</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>
<b>June 6 (Tues)</b>	<b>Classes begin at the Shikellamy State Park Marina</b> <b>6pm Advanced</b> <b>7pm Beginners</b> <b>Star Puppy 6:00pm</b>	
<b>June 7 (Wed)</b>	<b>Heritage Springs</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>June 8 (Thurs)</b>	<b>Mt. View Manor</b>	<b>1:30pm</b>
<b>June 12 (Mon)</b>	<b>STEAM Chief Shikellamy</b> <b>Bucknell Langone Center (Uphill)</b>	<b>10:00am</b> <b>6:00pm - 8:00pm</b>
<b>June 13 (Tues)</b>	<b>NO REGULAR CLASSES</b> <b>Bus Trip VA Nursing Home, Scranton</b> <b>Star Puppy Class</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
<b>June 14 (Wed)</b>	<b>Riverwoods</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>June 15 (Thurs)</b>	<b>Mansion Nursing Home</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
<b>June 19 (Mon)</b>	<b>Columbia County Prison</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>
<b>June 20 (Tues)</b>	<b>STEAM Oaklyn Elementary</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>June 21 (Wed)</b>	<b>Heritage Springs</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>June 22 (Thurs)</b>	<b>Nottingham Village Memory Center</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>
<b>June 24 (Sat)</b>	<b>Anniversary Celebration,</b> <b>Elysburg Library</b>	<b>4:00pm - 7:00pm</b>
<b>June 26 (Mon)</b>	<b>5 Star</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>
<b>June 27 (Tues)</b>	<b>Lewisburg Prison (Max)</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>
<b>June 28 (Wed)</b>	<b>Riverwoods</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>June 29 (Thurs)</b>	<b>Geisinger Rehab, Health South</b>	<b>1:00pm</b>

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- US Holidays
- Susquehanna Trail Dog Training Club

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1:00 PM Advanced Training @ Selinsgrove Center GYM</li> <li>■ 2:00 PM Beginner Training (sign up required) at Selinsgrove Center GYM</li> </ul>	29 <div style="background-color: lightblue; padding: 2px;">Memorial Day</div>	30	31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Riverwoods</li> </ul>	1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1:00 PM Health South Geisinger</li> </ul>	2	3
4	5	6 <div style="background-color: purple; color: white; padding: 2px;">CLASSES BEGIN AT MARINA</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 5:30 PM Square Dancing practice</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM Advanced Training</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM AKC Star Puppy</li> <li>■ 7:00 PM Beginner Training (sign up required)</li> </ul>	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Heritage Springs</li> </ul>	8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1:30 PM Mountain View Manor</li> </ul>	9	10
11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Chief Shikellamy – STEAM (grades 3-5)</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM Bucknell ATD only – Hot DOGS and PUPsicles</li> </ul>	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Chief Shikellamy – STEAM (grades 3-5)</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM Bucknell ATD only – Hot DOGS and PUPsicles</li> </ul>	13 <div style="background-color: purple; color: white; padding: 2px;">Bus Trip, VA Nursing Home, NO REGULAR CLASSES</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 6:00 PM AKC Star Puppy Class (sign up required)</li> </ul>	14 <div style="background-color: lightblue; padding: 2px;">Senior Day</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Riverwoods</li> </ul>	15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:30 AM Mansion Nursing Home</li> </ul>	16	17
18 <div style="background-color: lightblue; padding: 2px;">Father's Day</div>	19 <div style="background-color: lightblue; padding: 2px;">Juneteenth</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1:00 PM Columbia County Prison – Certified only</li> </ul>	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Oaklyn Elementary – STEAM (Grades 1-2)</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM Advanced Training</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM AKC Star Puppy Class (sign up required)</li> <li>■ 7:00 PM Beginner Training (sign up required)</li> </ul>	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Heritage Springs</li> </ul>	22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 6:00 PM Nottingham – Heather Court</li> </ul>	23	24
25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1:00 PM 5 Star</li> </ul>	26	27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 12:00 PM Lewisburg Prison (Max) ATD only</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM Advanced Training</li> <li>■ 6:00 PM AKC Star Puppy Class (sign up required)</li> <li>■ 7:00 PM Beginner Training (sign up required)</li> </ul>	28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10:00 AM Riverwoods</li> <li>■ 4:45 PM Bucknell ATD only– Admissions BASE CAMP (perspective students)</li> </ul>	29 <div style="background-color: lightblue; padding: 2px;">Eid al-Adha</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1:00 PM Health South Geisinger</li> </ul>	30	1