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THE BANQUET: Honoring Lucy Bailey and 50 years of Membership

Lucy has been a member of the GSLTC since she was a young girl. She has been training dogs equally as long, if not longer. She is the person other handlers turn to when the going gets rough.

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BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

Officers

- President, Shelley Pryor
- 1st VP, Diane Goebel
- 2nd VP, Carol Meagher
- Secretary, Fran Beezley
- Treasurer, Martin Schnitker
- Board Members (1 year term) 2015-2016
- Amy Horton (Administration/ Registration)
- John Royal (Business)
- Tami Zahrndt (Marketing)

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Board Members (2 year term) 2015-2017

- Anne Cath (Trials)
- Gail Czarnecki-Maulden (External Relations)
- Shelly Goebel (Safety)



Welcome to the first edition of the revived "Obediently Yours" Newsletter of the GSLTC. Our hope is to have 5 issues in the upcoming year. Publication is scheduled 2-3 weeks before the next scheduled meeting/party. The newsletter will be emailed to all members. Updates or publishable information pertaining to club activities is welcomed and can be emailed to meagherc@ymail.com Thank you for your time, Carol Meagher, editor/ writer

STEWARD SPOTLIGHT

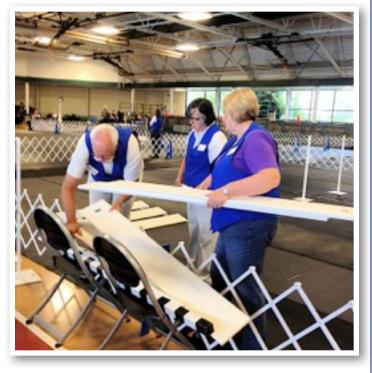
The May Trial

This year's trial was held at the North County Recreation Complex, a beautiful facility located near Spanish Lake, MO. The trial required a team effort from many club members. Over 40 members volunteered for the two days. Volunteers set up,



tore down, cleaned, manned the tables, assisted the judges, transported the judges, made sure the awards and ribbons were present and available and of course brought lunch for the whole team. (Thanks Martin and Carol Schnitker). All these efforts were coordinated by the Trial Committee, Lucy, the Trial Chair, her committee members The members were

as follows: Ann Cath, Val Smith, Jeff Jenson, Bob Brasses, Sandi Antalick, Fran Beezley, Linda Schulte



BOB, HIS WIFE, BARB AND KATHY PACKING UP EQUIPMENT AFTER THE TRIAL

SANDI AND LOU TAKING A BREAK!

and Soila Sukupolvi-Petty. Soila coordinated the stewards. The stewards wear many hats as club members. The



SHERRY. ZAK AND AMY MAKING THE RALLY RING WORK! following is just the tip of the iceberg of what a great group of people we have as club members who helped with the trial.

Sherry White has

been a member of the GSLTC since 2008. She participates year round as registrar for BAT 101. Presently she

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UPCOMING TRIALS & MATCHES

C Match Show and Go (AKC Museum of the Dog, Queeny Park)	Nov. 21,2015
February Trial (Purina Event Center)	Feb. 27, 2016
Obedience and Rally Trial (North County Recreation Center)	May 21, 2016 May 22, 2016
CGC at Purina CGC at Purina CGC at HSM Mackland (Lecture Hall)	Sept 12, 2015 Oct 10, 2015 Nov 22, 2015

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trains her Irish Wolfhound Poodle Mix, Chewbacca, in Rally and Competition Obedience.

Amy Horton has been a member of the club since 2001. She is an active lead trainer of FM and CGC. She has 4 dogs: 2 Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs (Ursa and Gremlin), an All American rescue dog (Argus), and Border Collie puppy (Naga).

Zak Wampler has been a member of the club since 2013. Having recently completed his assistant trainers' course he assists on Mondays with Puppy classes and Foundation Manners. He has an under 2 year old Australian Cattle Dog, Maggie and 1 year old Border Collie, Lachlann.

Sandi Antalick has been a member since 2009. She is on the trial committee and is in charge of the Raffle baskets. She serves as the registrar for Mondays. Presently enrolled in the assistant trainers' course she is soon to be a trainer. She and Lou, her beagle train with various GSLTC classes.

Bob Brasses has been a member since 2010. He is lead trainer of Puppy Elementary and Foundation Manners and assists in many classes. He has a rescue Collie, Seamus and Greyhound, Katy. (And yes he has been able to train his greyhound to sit!) **Borb Brasses** assists on Mondays with registration and accompanies Bob to many GSLTC events.

Kathy Lowery assists at many events and has taken classes with GSLTC. She has a Springer Spaniel named Scarlett.

Thank you to all who helped

Community Outreach

Gail Czarnecki-Maulden is the board member responsible for External Relations. She has a committee of two club members, Barb Hurley and Constance Knox who she credits as the heart and sole of the Events portion of External Relations. She states they get 100% of the credit for the events that are organized for club publicity. Most of the events are in the fall so if you missed any this year, mark your calendars for next year to help with external club exposure.

This year at the Canine Games, the club had a Rally Ring and held a CGC test. The Canine Games were Oct 10th from 8am-4pm at Purina Farms in Grey Summit.

There is a great interest in Pet Expo. Currently GSLTC is renting a booth on Saturday Nov 14th. There is an opportunity to add Sunday. If you have time to help please let Barb know. Constance has stepped down from her role recently. If anyone is interested in assisting in this capacity please contact Barb <u>bhurley@amcma.org</u> or Gail <u>maulden107@yahoo.com</u> to find out what the responsibilities of the role entail.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Petapalooza	Aug 23, 2015
Canine Games	Oct. 10, 2015
St Louis Pet Expo	Nov14 & 15, 2015



Banquet Group Picture: First row left to right: Charlie, Carol, Sandi, Shelly, Lucy, Chris, Amy, Linda, Tami, Mary. Second Row left to right: Marshal, Joel, Shelley, Eve, Hope, Ed, Joyce, Barb B., Bob B., Rosie, Fran, Barb K., Martin, Zak, Adam, Joe

(Continued from page 1) At this year's banquet fellow members honored Lucy as a surprise organized by our President Shelley Pryor with statements, anecdotes, and general heartfelt emotion. Each person has had a situation where Lucy helped them with their dogs, a client's dog or a client. Often times rescuing the trainer from exasperation. As one member stated, "How often have any one of us been in a situation with a dog or a client and thought to ourselves 'What would Lucy do?""

When Lucy first became a member with the club compulsive training methods were used. The club transitioned to positive lure training technique. Following a visit by Karen Pryor, Lucy guided the club to transition to total positive reinforcement clicker training. Presently the club teaches only positive force free training methods using the clicker as the marker.

Lucy has an unending energy and love for animals of all types. She had a long career with the Zoo. With the Zoo she wore many hats including, Keeper, Educator, Docent Coordinator, and Manager of Training and Staff Development. These roles contributed to her skills of working with people and animals. She managed volunteers and docents in many capacities specifically training and development.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & PARTIES

(@6 pm Shrewsbury, Banquet TBA)

Halloween Party/Meeting: Oct. 18, 2015

Holiday Party Dec. 13, 2015

Valentine's Party/Meeting Feb. 14, 2016

Member's Appreciation Party/ Meeting Apr. 17, 2016

Annual Banquet/Meeting Jun. 26th 2016 While working at the Zoo, she attended Karen Pryor Academy. She participated in the weekend workshops in Indiana, trekking to Indiana with Dodger in tow. She successfully completed the course work and assessment. Along with her KPA-CTP credentialing, she also attained her CPDT-KA and has a degree in psychology.

Lucy actively promotes the Karen Pryor philosophy of positive reinforcement clicker training. She and Barb Kohner are continuously working on the assistant trainers' program and forming trainer CEU courses. Lucy volunteers with the club as a trainer and is the chairman of the trial committee. She also attends seminars and workshops to increase her already vast knowledge.

Lucy trains, shows and breeds her own Welsh Terriers with Linda Schulte. She has her own business "Come Click" and she recently became a grandmother. It is an honor to be part of an organization with such a great lady. As one member said at the banquet. "You have made me a better person." There are many of us who echo this sentiment. ~cmeagher



What do all those letters and awards mean?

The short answer to this question is "A lot of hard work!" But being a curious knowledge driven species, only the long detailed answer will suffice. Here it is:

• The Dumbbell Award: This is an annual award, given to a handler that has achieved great strides with their dog. It is selected by peers and quite an honor. The Dumb Bell statue was crafted by Mary Duncan. The trophy is pictured above.

• The AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award. This is an AKC award given to a person that has exhibited great sportsmanship and kindness to peers.

 CPDT-KA: Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed. 300 hours of training and a written test.

• KPA-CTP: Karen Pryor Academy-Certified Training Partner. It involves course study over 6 months including four weekend long workshops. The students are assessed regarding dog training skills and teaching people skills.

AKC TITLES:

• RN- Rally Novice Obedience: Entry level Rally course. All exercises are on leash.

 RA-Rally Advanced Obedience: Second level of Rally. Middle level

course. All exercises are performed off leash.

• RE-Rally Excellent Obedience: Difficult level course. All exercises are performed off leash.

• RAE-Rally Advanced Excellent: Dog and handler have earned 10 RA-B and RE-B in 10 different AKC licensed shows.

 PCDX: Pre-Companion Dog Excellent. Dog has been certified by 2 different judges and qualified in 3 licensed obedience trials.

 CGC: Canine Good Citizen: Series of 10 behaviors representative of polite canines.

• CGCA: Canine Good Citizen Advanced

- IE: Junior Earthdog
- RATN: Novice Barn Hunt

• RATO: Open Barn Hunt DO MORE WITH YOUR DOG TITLES

(Tricks get progressively more difficult)

- NTD: Novice Trick Dog
- ITD:Intermediate Trick Dog
- ATD:Advanced Trick Dog
- ETD: Excellent Trick Dog

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL AND **KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!**

CONGRATULATIONS ANNUAL CLUB AWARDS

- CAROL MEAGHER: DUMBBELL AWARD
- MARY DUNCAN: AKC OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

TRIAL TITLES

- CAROL MEAGHER & KEELEY: RN
- CHRIS BAUMAN & LUCKY DOG: RAE, RATN, ETD
- CHRIS BAUMAN &SWEETIE PIE: RATO, ITD
- CHRIS &BONNIE BLUE: JE, RATO
- FRAN BEEZLEY & ANGEL: CGCA
- JOYCE HARGROVE & MADISON: RA, RE, CGC
- LUCY BAILEY & DODGER: ITD
- MARY DUNCAN & FINN: NTD,ITD ATD
- SANDY ANTALICK & LOU: RN. RA. CGC
- SHELLY GOEBEL & SOPHIE: RATN, RATO, ETD, CGC
- TINA WARD & LOGAN: PCDX

MEMBER ACHIEVEMENTS

- DIANE GOEBEL CPDT-KA
- CAMELA ISBEL KPA-CTP
- CAROL MEAGHER KPA-CTP
- EVE RILEY KPA-CTP
- HOPE EDWARDS KPA-CTP
- JERRI KELLER KPA-CPT • SHELLEY PRYOR KPA-CTP

Specialty Classes



GSLTC is offering some new and newly introduced classes this fall. The Tricks class is being offered on Wednesdays alternating with the

Advanced Training Class. Although GSLTC has offered a tricks class in the past the new class is modeled upon the Kyra Sundance Tricks workshop. Handlers and dogs are able to apply for titles offered by Kyra's organization at various levels.

Moving with your Dog is another new class offered with the GSLTC. This class will be offered on Saturdays at 2pm at the HSM and will alternate with CGC and the GAMES class. It will be a 3 week class modeled as a workshop or clinic.

Unfortunately, the DWI classes have been put on hiatus. The GSLTC is still offering the DWI lecture and encouraging these students to seek private consultation and training.



Check out GSLTC.org for further information.



TRAINING CLASSES	
Class Name	General Description
Behavior and trainig 101 and Dogs with Issues	Introduction and benefits of training with the clicker. Lecture only.
Puppy Kindergarten	Socialization for the puppy, helping owners understand their puppy
Puppy Elementary	Beginning level of behavior training skills for puppies 4 to 6 months
Foundation Manners	Basic skills for the adult dog. Practicing clicker skills.
CGC & CGC-A Prep Class	Preparation for the Canine Good Citizen Tests
Rally/Competition Obedience	Perfecting skills and ring preparation
Advanced Training Concepts	Advanced students and dogs, in depth clicker training.
Tricks Class	Building a relationship with your dog through trick training
Games Class	Building a relationship with your dog through games
Moving with Your Dog	Loose leash walking skills