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UPCOMING METRO MEETINGS & EVENTS

Next Meeting: November 8, 2008
(following GSNE trial in Ringos)

Meeting time and location will be set after trial conformations from Fast Times have been received.

Proposed Dates for 2008- 2009

November 8, 2008	General Meeting
December 13, 2008	Holiday Party @ Rosina's
February 7, 2009	Annual/Awards Meeting at Hunterdon K9 Center
TBD 2009	Cheryl Anderson Seminar



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The following folks were recently welcomed into our club:

Pat Merritt
Janine Love & Family
Kathleen Johnson

BRAGS & WAGS

From Eleanor Campbell:

Ozma (UCD Heart Lake Dnstrn Ruler of Oz am/Can/ASCA CD, RN, PT) won the Novice Division of obedience at the 2008 All Star tournament in York, PA this past August. She lost just 6.5 points in the three rounds. In the second round, she lost just 1/2 point,

narrowly missing a perfect score. Ozma's win at this tournament was a dream come true!

From Cathy & John Caruso:

Chuckie - got a fourth Herding Started sheep leg at Raspberry Ridge in July with a 1st place - my first ever 1st place in AKC Herding. He was also the only Started dog to qualify that day, the sheep were hot and cranky!!

Heather - earned her AXJ title with a first place ribbon at the Delaware Valley GSD Trial on 9/20/08, also my first ever Excellent title! She also earned her AHBA HTAD1s title over Labor Day weekend in Virginia with a 4th & 5th place in very large classes. We have a deal - she herds for ME, we do agility for HER!

Guy - thrilled me with a FIRST (out of seven) in Herding Intermediate Sheep at the BCKC Trial on 9/27/08 - my first ever leg in Intermediate. I am very proud of this dog who so deserves a better trainer and handler!

From Jamie and Stephen McKay:

Stephen and Piper earned their WV-O and O-TN-E titles at SIDTC's NADAC trial on 8/24/08

Jamie and Derby got their RN title at the Wine Country Shows on Sept 27th.

Stephen McKay and Derby earned their OAJ on 10/3/08 in Hamden Ct

From Marie Potts:

Star finished her ASCA UD at the ASCNE show in Seekonk, MA on August 2nd. For her title she had 2 first places and a second place with scores of 195, 194.5 and 192. Not bad for an almost 10 year old! We will continue to hunt for those elusive Q's for her AKC UD.



From Linda Savino:

Linda reports that Maggie earned her AKC Rally novice B title (fourth place) at the Newton Kennel Club show August 29th.

And... Kobi earned his AKC Rally advanced A title (also 4th place) at the same show.

From Bonnie Ovnicek:

Brady got his Novice FAST title at Princeton, handled by Bonnie's good friend Robin Berry, who has been the other half of Team Brady while Bonnie was on the Disabled List (thanks, Robin!). Then Brady Q'd and placed in Open Standard his next 2 agility trial days. He's now at 2 standard and 2 jumpers legs. Bonnie says, "We might actually get out of Open before I'm too old to run him." And then Brady Q'd both days at the Burlington club herding trial last weekend and got his PT title and a bumper leg. Bonnie is really proud of her Sheltie teammate and SO happy to be running her dog again :-)

From Janine Love:

We are new members. We began with our wonderful pup Scout, a beautiful tri-color male from Cathy & John Caruso. Then we added Scout's blue merle littermate to our pack, Wolfie, a wonderful, loving sweet boy whom Scout adores (as do the rest of us!) At the end of one of our first days as a full pack, I collected some observations on the philosophy of a puppy. Below the philosophy is delineated:



1. Everything tastes better when your brother has eaten it first.
2. The best time to wrestle is immediately after eating.
3. Anything can be a contest, even drinking.
4. What you may lack in muscle, make up for with speed.
5. When things get really scary, run to Mom.

From Karen Newquist:

Halo continues to heal and amaze. Labor Day week-end she earned her 5th RAE leg and 1st CDX leg. What an amazing team mate she is!

Because of Halo's handicap, she has had to pass the agility torch on to Mysty recommending that Mysty do her best.

Mysty made her CPE Agility debut earning 4 first places (snooker, fullhouse, jumpers & STD), one second place (Jackpot) and one third (STD). She also finished 3 new CPE titles: CL1-R, CL1-S, and CL1-F. Mysty must have taken her big sister seriously!

From Laurence Gesquire:

Laurence shares her brags for Angel and Bandit (the funny looking sheltie):

Angel finished in 6th place in 16" agility at All Star 2008 and Bandit finished in 9th place in 24" agility.

Angel got a 2nd place in ExB STD at the PDTC on Sep 14, then at the DVGSDC she got a 4th place in ExB STD and 1st place in ExB JWW.



WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING....

Shelties in the Park Annual Picnic July 27th, 2008 @ Duke Island Park

What would a Metro picnic be without a thunderstorm or two? Metro club members, their families/guests, shelties (and their siblings of other breeds) gathered for fun and great eats while being treated to a striking light show and a concert of thunder.

The traditional pot luck lunch was varied and bountiful with hamburgers/hot dogs provided by the club and prepared by Chef John Caruso.



In addition to great food and good company, rally and agility course were available for attendees and their team mates to enjoy.



For the finale, Susan Blintiff gave an enlightened grooming demonstration full of tips and recommendations for all of us to get, and keep, our shelties as beautiful outside as they are inside.

APDT RALLY MATCH

On Saturday, August 23rd, Metro held their first APDT RallyO match. Although minimal profits were realized, everyone who participated in the match were appreciative of the courses and coaches provided by Metro.



Thanks go to Linda Savino for the endless hours she invested to make the event a success. Also to be thanked for their contributions: Helen Ackley (timer), Cathy Caruso (for bagels and coffee) and Karen Newquist (judging) and Mysty (secretarial

chores).

Since everyone who came enjoyed the day, Metro can look forward to another match in the future.

YAHOO List Updates

Our Yahoo membership list is not complete. Not all of our current Metro members participate in our Yahoo List. If you are not a member of this list and a member of Metro SSC, please join the list when you receive your invitation.

Please note that in the future our Board and Committee members will rely on the list to manage club matters such as keep members informed, conduct polls, send out meeting notices, etc.

New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs

NEXT MEETING (NJFDC):

The next delegates meeting of the NJ Federation of Dog Clubs will be held December 1, 2008 at 8 PM. The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, 195 Davidson Ave, Somerset, NJ (732-356-1700). All Metro members are encouraged to attend. Discussions will be centered around pending dog legislation in the state and education programs.

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