

	<h1>Ithaca Dog Training Club</h1>	Monthly Newsletter
		July 2020

## Meeting

4th Tuesday of every month.

Date: August 25, 2020



Time:

Board meeting 6:30pm

General meeting 7:00pm

Place: Susan Morse – House (10 Sunset West Circle, Ithaca NY 14850) **Outside**

Directions: Take Route 13 North from Ithaca - Turn left on Pickney Road (2<sup>nd</sup> left after Lower Creek Road and 4-H acres) – Stop at stop sign (Lower Creek Road) – Go straight – Take the next left on to Sunset West Circle – Quick left at number 10. Drive up past the ring and park on grass – We will meet between house and training building.

Program: None - Please bring a chair, bug spray, light jacket, and anything else you will need. This meeting might be canceled at the last moment due to weather. Please check your e-mail.

***Please note: There are no dogs allowed, no human bathrooms. Masks are required. Please practice social distance.***

## Letter from the President:

Thank you to all who came to our July meeting. Special thanks to Deb Bain for getting drinks and cookies as well as being our server. Thanks to Linda Centurelli in picking up the food. Thanks to everyone that cleaned up. Please read the notes from the meeting as several items were voted on.

Thank you to those who severed on the board and to those were voted in. This is your board, so they really run the club. Always feel that you can approach anyone.

One proposal we will discuss and vote on at our next meeting. This will be put in the policies.

**In the case of an emergency, pandemic or other that effects the Nation, State or local counties, IDTC may conduct meetings (board, regular, training club or other required meetings) via internet or teleconference. The IDTC President will make the determination rather we meet in person, internet/teleconference or cancel for board or general meetings. Other committee chairs will determine how they meet and have the same options. Susan**

## July Meeting Minutes:

IDTC General Meeting, July 28, 2020 @ 7 pm

Minutes are approved from Feb (No meeting March, April, May, June)

Report of the Board:

- Thanks to the current board and welcome new board
- Still many vacancies that would be nice to fill – please check your newsletter – If you would like to learn about one of these many positions, one can work with the chair and be co-chair. We need to expand our people in these areas.
- Vote Marg Pough to complete the term on the TC for Diana Travis

Report of Secretary:

None

Report of Treasurer:

Savings: \$6,711.06

Checking: \$20,731.80

CD1: \$10,769.51

CD2: \$6,674.37

CD3: \$25,674.21

Report of Committees

- Training Committee 2020 (note changes in By Laws) – Update of summer classes and plans for the fall – Agility one and two at Kathy H. and Puppy-Beginner instructed by Marian and held at Susan's. Pending Fall schedule.
- Tracking – Canceled - but hope to soon if weather cooperates, to have some certifications. See Deb Bain

- Interclub – Cancelled.
- CPE trials – We are canceling the Aug Trial. We have several questions on what PFTF wants us to do and how we handle the COVID situation. We will observe their show in Aug and then see if we will have the Nov trial.
- Spring Point show chair -need Spring 2021
- Thanks to Shirley to be the Fall 2020-point show chair. Jean as co-chair. This show has been canceled.
- Holiday Party – We will not have a holiday party this year. Thank you, Brenda, for investigating possibilities. We just do not know how the COVID issue will go. However, some events are open and some of our members have participated. We will request if you did an event and got a title or loss a dog, we will have Betty put together the typical Annual awards booklet and post it on our web site. We will also ask her to print some as well. We hope to have our annual holiday party in 2021 and will combine and celebrate both years at once.
- There is a proposal by Susan to have meetings via internet/phone. This will be written out in the newsletter to be voted on next meeting.
- We are hopefully going to have an Aug 25, 2020 meeting outside at Susan's house.

New members:

Welcome to Amber Warren with her dog Raven, Dylan Kuckes with his dog AXL, and Samantha Mainiero with her dog Lola!

Unfinished business:

- Members are to vote on the slate presented for the Board and officers – As proposed voted in.

New business

- No programs at this time are being planned as we must take things day by day with the COVID issue.
- Possible future Programs -Pending – March Dr. Dewey – April Parkour by Nancy Almann



### From the Library Committee—

This month I asked Peggy and Steve Anderson about their training background and what they recommend in the way of training, and here is what they wrote:

We both had grown up with dogs before we met, but it was our first malamute [1977] that got us training seriously. We weren't thinking about competing then, but we had studied the breed, and we knew that a big, intelligent and energetic dog needed "functional obedience" even for everyday activities. At that time all the trainers were sheltie or golden people, and even if they accepted that a northern breed could be trained, most only knew one way to go about it. By 1981 we were in northern New York, and showing our malamutes in conformation on both sides of the border. We were fortunate to get into obedience classes with the Lakeshore Training Club in Montreal, and for the next ten years we worked with people who recognized that a variety of approaches makes a more effective trainer. We learned a great deal, and when one of our old trainers came to judge at SOTC last year she

confirmed they still remember the malamutes at Lakeshore.

We started with one malamute, but our pack grew to 15 before too long. Now we have just two. We always emphasized the versatility of the breed, and over the years we have earned titles in conformation, obedience, rally, and agility, and also worked our dogs in sledding, back-packing and weight-pull. Lately Peggy has added titles in Freestyle. There's always something new to learn, and we try to be good ambassadors when taking our malamutes to venues where the breed is not often seen. And, for a bit of variety, last year we added a Stabyhoun [Dutch spaniel], and we look forward to training him.

Training a "non-traditional" dog in diverse venues has taught us two things. One, it's all on the trainer. If you aren't in the mood to be both patient and perfect yourself, wait until later to train. Two, asking for too many repetitions can be counter productive. The boredom threshold is different for every individual.

**Be sure to contact Marguerite about the new books and videos that are in the library. She is doing a terrific job keeping up with new publications, Both the written word and DVDs.**

## **BREED OF THE MONTH**

### **Alaskan Malamute**



- Temperament: [Affectionate](#), [Loyal](#), [Playful](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 58 of 196
- Height: 25 inches (male), 23 inches (female)
- Weight: 85 pounds (male), 75 pounds (female)
- Life Expectancy: 10-14 years
- Group: [Working Group](#)

## About the Alaskan Malamute

The Alaskan Malamute stands 23 to 25 inches at the shoulder and weighs 75 to 85 pounds. Everything about Mals suggests their origin as an arctic sled dog: The heavy bone, deep chest, powerful shoulders, and dense, weatherproof coat all scream, "I work hard for a living!" But their almond-shaped brown eyes have an affectionate sparkle, suggesting Mals enjoy snuggling with their humans when the workday is done. Mals are pack animals. And in your family "pack," the leader must be you. If a Mal doesn't respect you, he will wind up owning you instead of the other way around. Firm but loving training should begin in early puppyhood. That said, a well-behaved Mal is a joy to be with—playful, gentle, friendly, and great with kids.



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**2019-20** (updated 7/29/20)

### Officers

President: Susan Morse [sm32@cornell.edu](mailto:sm32@cornell.edu)/607-347-4860

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### Training Committee 2020-21

Two-year term:

Member: Marian Szebenyi (3/20-2/22 – 2 years) [dms35@cornell.edu](mailto:dms35@cornell.edu)/564-7230

Member: Lynne Anguish (3/20-2/22 – 2 years) [lja2@cornell.edu](mailto:lja2@cornell.edu)

Member: Jean Bonasera (3/20-2/22 – 2 years) [ausabledogs@yahoo.com](mailto:ausabledogs@yahoo.com)

Second part Two-year term:

Member: Betty Baldwin (3/19-2/21 – 2 yrs.) [bhb5@cornell.edu](mailto:bhb5@cornell.edu)

Member: Marg Pough (3/19-2/21 – 2 yrs.) [mbp1@cornell.edu](mailto:mbp1@cornell.edu)

One-year Term:

Member: Anne Williams (2/20-3/21- 1 yr.) no e-mail 607-277-7219

Member: Deb Bain (2/20-3/21- 1 yr.) [dab14@cornell.edu](mailto:dab14@cornell.edu)

*Note – There is no Training Director for 20-21 – Jobs will be distributed and Posted*

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### **Misc. Committees**

A.T.T.S. Lynne Anguish & Tom Szebenyi 564-7230 – Pending date

CPE Agility Trials 2020 – committee members pending

These trials are pending---

Nov 27 & 28 & 29 –Debbie Keith (chair) [debbiek@rom27.com](mailto:debbiek@rom27.com)

Suzanne Etherington (secretary) [etherington1@juno.com](mailto:etherington1@juno.com)

CU/Pavilion Coordinator: Deb Watrous [dwatrous22@gmail.com](mailto:dwatrous22@gmail.com)

Class Materials Coordinator: Jean Bonasera [ausabledogs@yahoo.com](mailto:ausabledogs@yahoo.com)

Equipment Maintenance – Agility only – Joe and Tammy Osmeloski

Equipment Maintenance – Other: **Vacant**

Equipment Sales/collar fitting: Kathy Hughes [kahughes1907@gmail.com](mailto:kahughes1907@gmail.com)/607-379-1907

Finance Committee – Anne Williams, Betty Baldwin, Pat Welch

FLKC Liaison: Marg Pough

Graduations:

Beginners: Eva Stilwell [emb38@cornell.edu](mailto:emb38@cornell.edu)

Advance: Eva Stilwell [emb38@cornell.edu](mailto:emb38@cornell.edu)

CGC: Hannah Robinson [hannahL6@yahoo.com](mailto:hannahL6@yahoo.com)

2019 ACT Test: Pending - **Vacant**

Historian: Lucille Straub [lucillestraub@me.com](mailto:lucillestraub@me.com)

Holiday Party 2020: Brenda Finnicum [dogweaver@frontier.com](mailto:dogweaver@frontier.com)

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Library: Marguerite Hart [meh120000@gmail.com](mailto:meh120000@gmail.com)

Match Show Chair: **Vacant**

Membership Steward: Susan Beals (see above)

Newsletter copying/ mailing: Deb Bain

Paws for Thought Coordinator: Tammy Osmeloski

Photographer: **Vacant**

Point Show Spring 2020: Debbie Keith

Point show Fall 2020: Shirley Kielmann [mskielmann@yahoo.com](mailto:mskielmann@yahoo.com)/607-229-9495-Chair, Jean Bonasera  
Co-Chair

Programs: Nancy Almann [willowcreekakitas@yahoo.com](mailto:willowcreekakitas@yahoo.com)

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Registrar:

Beginners: Marian Szebenyi

Advance: Judy Roberts [winddance@zoom-dsl.com](mailto:winddance@zoom-dsl.com)

Agility: Instructor registering their own classes

Nosework: Instructor registering their own classes

Refreshments:

Meetings: Diana Travis [dianatravis2@gmail.com](mailto:dianatravis2@gmail.com)

Beg Graduations: Diana Travis

Advance Graduations: Diana Travis or instructor if off site

Sunshine: Deb Bain & Pat Welch

T-shirt coordinator: Sue Yanoff

Trophies Ribbons & end of year awards: Betty Baldwin: [bhb5@cornell.edu](mailto:bhb5@cornell.edu)/257-1683

Web Pages:

General: Marian Szebenyi

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**Submission date for newsletter: The 5<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

Please send anything you might like me to publish: articles, pictures, short stories of some your events, silly stories, jokes, etc. Club members will enjoy reading these and it brings our members closer since we all have the same love-our **dogs**.





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