

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

## Meeting

4th Tuesday of every month.

Date:

Time:

Board Meeting-6:30pm

General Meeting-7:00pm



### **Letter from the President:**

Date: November meeting is Canceled.

There is no meeting in December and the Holiday party is Canceled  
Next meeting is planned for Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Time:

Board meeting 6:30pm

General meeting 7:00pm

Place: Location is pending

Directions: Pending

Program: None - Nancy will be setting up Zoom programs. Check the list for more details.

Thank you to the Board and those members who came in Oct for the meetings. Detail information will be published concerning pending issues. Training committee has been busy and will be working on a

new set of classes for Beginners and Puppies in January. At this point we are holding small classes at the 4-H building. If anyone has other ideas where we can hold classes, please let the Training Committee members know. There is also a set of classes at Paws for Thought on Sunday's following League on Saturdays. Other ideas for classes would be appreciated.

As we do not know about the COVID 19 issue and the weather we will have to take day by day. We could use some help for the five CPE trials in 2021. We need a trial chair for the April shows and Sept shows. Please help out.

Keep safe, hug those pups and good luck in upcoming events. - Susan

## October Meeting Minutes:

Board meeting, 10/27/2020 @ 6:30pm

Attending: Susan Morse, Abby Christman, Lynne Anguish (for training committee), Linda, Tammy, Pat

Previous meeting minutes: Approved

Report of the Secretary: Nothing

Report of the Treasurer: Not much movement, paid PFTF for deposits for league and classes

Savings: \$6,712.74

Checking: \$17,754.30

CD1: \$10,778.50

CD2: \$6,674.37

CD3: \$25,674.21

Training Committee:

Sundays, starting 12/13: Agility 3 class and supervised open agility training and open training for novice, open, utility obedience training at PFTF

Puppy, beginner 1 and 2, starting Jan 2-Feb 10 at Kiwanis Hall at 4H acres, limit 6 to class, will be looking into possibility of afternoon class as well

Going to be looking for new instructors (who haven't before) to get started and help as assistants in these beginner classes, looking to do an instructor's seminar as well to help recruit people

4H normally charges \$50/night for pole barn and they said we can come up with a price for a donation for them. We have 14 nights, \$700 at full price. Suggested to pay \$30/night or \$500 even. Kiwanis Hall is \$125/night or \$150 for winter listed on contract, we might be able to negotiate again. Marg is working with them and Susan has email that they would like a donation and we can set the amount. For Fall classes that are just finishing, will pay \$420. Think about what we want to pay for winter classes.

Bylaws updated online with section about zoom meetings approved last month.

All members are considered active for 2021 because of lack of meetings and activities to volunteer at. Still need to fill out the form and pay.

No new members to vote on.

Kathy Hildreth has resigned from board starting Jan 1. Her term goes until 5/21, Marguerite Hart has agreed to fill out term. Approved.

League sign up is Monday. Email or call Tammy and Joe to sign up. Will be open for one week. Have to follow state/local/PFTF must be followed, including wearing a mask at all times inside including when running your dog. No crate rentals.

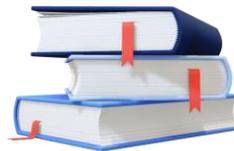
CPE trial: Kathy resigned from helping with April trial, all ready to go but need chairperson. Linda is secretary and will help whoever steps up to help and learn. Tammy proposes considering moving June and September trials outside if restrictions are still in place. Have to decide probably by entry opening date, but could even move afterwards and allow people to withdraw entries.

Historical membership discussion: Ask Susan Beals to add a tab to the membership list with life members. If possible, as many historic names as possible just for the record (column for deceased).

Cancel November meeting. Approved.

Think about training committee. Officers and board work on nominations in November.

Adjourned.



### From the Library Committee—

This month I asked Debbie Keith about her training background and what she recommends in the way of training and this is what she wrote:

I have had dogs my whole life. I never formally trained them, but they were obedient house pets. When my daughter got the agility bug, I started taking her to trials and decided I wanted to try it. She was also doing obedience with Interbark in Ithaca. I had an aged GSD at the time, but knew I wanted a breed with less inherent health risks. I

started doing my homework and was helped by Karen Vanderburg and the members of Interbark. Karen had a Belgian Sheepdog she was going to breed, and offered to mentor me with a puppy of hers. Unfortunately, that breeding did not happen, but in the meantime I had investigated the Belgians and knew I wanted a Malinois. I got my first Mal, Ally, in 2001. She was the daughter of the number one conformation Malinois in the country. Although my intention was to only do performance events, Karen talked me into showing her in conformation. She did well, and I fell in love with the sport Ally was the first dog I had formally trained, and obedience with her led me to IDTC. During my "early years", Susan Beals and I ran the Cortland County 4-H dog program and trained the kids in Conformation, Obedience and Agility.

I have always owned herding breeds, and feel they are a good fit for me. I had a rescue GSD before Ally. My own first dog (not a family pet) was a rescue pup that had been dropped off at the stable I went to. We thought she was a boxer/GSD cross. I got her when I was 16 and had her for 16 years. When Ally was about 6 months old, I noticed how much she reminded me of that dog. We got out pictures, and my first dog had been a Malinois! I love the Malinois devotion to their person and their intelligence and drive. Those traits help form an exceptional relationship and connection. I am currently training two Mals, Kip (8) and Susi (4). Susi competes in agility and obedience and is training in tracking and nose work. Kip competes in agility and tracking and is competing in the at home Rally program from AKC. Both of these dogs are high drive and love the game of agility.

I spent a number of years concentrating on conformation. I put Championships on five Malinois and exhibited 4 times at Westminster. The fourth time, in 2016, I won the breed with Finn. I had imported Finn from Finland. He also competed in CPE agility and was certified for tracking. Unfortunately, I lost him at 3 years. Susi is his daughter. Along with conformation, I was doing agility and obedience and started tracking. My second Malinois, Hunter, got me into herding. I have attended many seminars in Conformation, Obedience, Agility, Herding, Tracking and Nose Work. They have been given by some of the top people in their sports. It's very hard to decide which venue is my favorite. I quit showing conformation when I lost Finn. I love agility, mostly because my dogs love it so. Over the past few years, as I have run faster dogs, I feel I have really started to understand and obtain the partnership we need to have to be successful. But, I also love obedience and rally and tracking....

Ally, being the first dog, I trained, had Novice and Open titles in Agility, her CD, and a RAE, as well as her breed Championship and a number of group placements. Hunter, my heart and soul dog, had his Championship, and was titled in Agility (competing in Excellent when I lost him to cancer), had his obedience CD and GN and was ready to compete in Open, had herding title in both AKC and ABHA, his TD, and, in total, 38 titles in various venues. I lost him at 7. Fly had agility, rally, and tracking titles. Lillian and Who had CPE titles and Lillian had her Championship. Lillian is also Susi's mom. Finn, of course, had his win at Westminster, his Grand Championship, and a number of CPE titles. He also stood Best of Opposite at Eukanuba at 18 months old. Kip is currently competing at the Masters Level in Agility, has his C-ATCH in CPE agility, has his TD, and his TKN :). Susi is my youngest. I bred her in 2005. She is

extremely fast and extremely smart. With nine rally runs total under her belt, and three Rally titles (RN, RI, RA) she was tied for 7th in the Nation All Breed for Rally Advanced. She is currently competing in Excellent/Masters in AKC, close to her C-ATCH in CPE, one leg away from her RE, and competing for her CD. All of my dogs have CGCs. Susi has her CGCA and her TKI.

What I would say about training is to train the dog you have! Each dog is unique and has different needs and motivations. What works with one dog may not be successful at all with another. It really is a puzzle to figure out each dog. My dogs really want to please me, so I'm constantly trying to figure out the best way to communicate what I want. When I finally get it right, the result is rewarding to both of us and enriches our bond even more. Another piece of advice I can give is to listen and watch. Watch the people and dog teams you admire. Talk to them and or train with them. Go to seminars. Try to pack your toolbox with as many options as you can!

**Librarian's Note:**

In this age of the corona virus, it's hard to get books or DVDs to dog club members. If you'd like to supplement your training with library materials, you can find an updated list of library materials on the club website, or I'm happy to email you the very latest list of books and DVDs in our library as well. Contact me at [idtclibrary@gmail.com](mailto:idtclibrary@gmail.com) with any requests and I'll find a way to get you anything you would like from the library.

**BREED OF THE MONTH    Belgian Malinois**

- Temperament: [Confident, Smart, Hardworking](#)
- AKC Breed Popularity: Ranks 43 of 196
- Height: 24-26 inches (male), 22-24 inches (female)
- Weight: 60-80 pounds (male), 40-60 pounds (female)
- Life Expectancy: 14-16 years
- Group: [Herding Group](#)



**2019-20** (updated 10/28/20)

Officers

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

CPE Agility Trials 2021 – Pending-committee members pending

March 6 & 7 – Chair – Tammy Osmeloski- Sec Linda Centurelli

April 10 & 11 – Co-Chairs – Suzanne Etherington & Deb Keith - Sec - Linda Centurelli

June 19 & 20 – Chair - Marian Szebenyi – Sec – Linda Centurelli

Sept 4 & 5 – Chair – **Pending**-Sec – Linda Centurelli

Dec 3 & 4 & 5 – Chair- Debbie Keith (chair) [crazyboutdogs1@gmail.com](mailto:crazyboutdogs1@gmail.com)

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

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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:

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

2019 ACT Test: Pending - **Vacant**

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Holiday Party 2021: Brenda Finnicum [dogweaver@frontier.com](mailto:dogweaver@frontier.com)

IDTC Yahoo list serve Linda Pacioretty [lp@bionxs.com](mailto:lp@bionxs.com)

Interclub: Deb Bain [dab14@cornell.edu](mailto:dab14@cornell.edu) /347-6518

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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 2021: Debbie Keith

Point show Fall 2021: Shirley Kielmann [mskielmann@yahoo.com](mailto:mskielmann@yahoo.com)/607-229-9495-Chair, Jean Bonasera  
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Agility: Instructor registering their own classes

Nosework: Instructor registering their own classes

Refreshments:

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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

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### **Note from the Trophy Chair:**

Fellow dog people,

These past months have been trying times for all of us. Nevertheless, we've all continued to love and care for our dogs and a number of you have continued to engage in competitive activity, even though much might have been virtual.

As you know, the annual Holiday Party for 2020 has been cancelled (or at least postponed until next year). I would still like to collect information on titles our IDTC members earned before the shutdown, during the shutdown or might still earn before the end of 2020. The goal is to produce the annual booklet

of statistics to be posted on the IDTC website or distributed as a hardcopy to those without access to the internet. I will also provide IDTC certificates to those who would like them.

The annual special awards would be presented at a future club meeting. The 10 awards are as follows:

*Anke Award:* senior dog (> 6 years old) with 3 Highest Scores (HS) earning a First CD

*Bonnie Jean Memorial Award:* senior handler (> 65 years old) with 3 HS in AKC Open A or Utility A.

*Carol Matyas Award:* junior handler (age 6-18) with 3 HS in AKC Novice A Obedience

*Dusty Award:* 3 HS in AKC Novice A Obedience

*Frosty Award:* 3 HS in AKC Open A Obedience

*Kiss MACH and Performance Award:* any dog earning a MACH that also has title(s) in performance event(s) (obedience, rally, herding, hunting, etc.)

*MACH Magic Agility Award:* any dog earning a high level championship (MACH, CATE, ADCH, etc.) earned by IDTC beginning agility graduate

*Marie Reed Award:* 3 HS in AKC Regular Obedience Classes (tie goes to the HS while earning a title)

*Rosy Ann Memorial Award:* 3 HS while earning a CKC title

*Skookie Memorial Plaque:* 3 HS in earning a First club or AKC CD (i.e. from Novice A) by a graduate of the IDTC Puppy Class (S.T.A.R.)

Finally, memorials to honor those special dogs that we lost this year would be included.

It's early now, but that gives you plenty of time to gather information. I would need final information by December 12, but would appreciate anything you can send me long before then.

Title information needed:

Your name, email address and/or phone number (in case I have questions).

Dog's call name, sex, breed, date of birth; include registered name if you'd like it on certificate.

Title(s) earned, including titling organization(s). Brief description of criteria met for earning title if it's an obscure title and/or organization would be appreciated.

Include scores if applicable, especially for consideration for special award.

Other special achievements worthy of note (HIT's, class placements, etc.):

Please let me know if you'd like a certificate.

Memorial information needed:

Your name, email address and/or phone number in case I have questions.

Dog's name, sex, breed, date of birth, date of death (or age).

Please attach any narrative tribute (including picture(s) by email) you would like for the dog.

Please send information (or questions) to Betty Baldwin. Even if you previously submitted information for newsletter brags, etc., please send it to me so that it doesn't get missed!

Information can be sent by email to [bhb5@cornell.edu](mailto:bhb5@cornell.edu)

or by snail mail to 590 Asbury Rd

Freeville, NY 13068

THANK-YOU!



# BRAGS:

Pete (HRCH Skylight's Repeat Offender \*\*\*, SH, CD, CGC, CCA) earned his CGC title at the Ithaca Dog Training Club test on October 29, 2020.

Hank (Fern Hill's Most Valuable Player SH, WCX, CGC) earned his CGC title at the Ithaca Dog Training Club test on October 29, 2020.

Both Pete and Hank were very energetic during the tests.

Thank you Marg Pough for being patient with us.

Thank you to all the club members who helped at the test.

Bruce and Audrey Coleman

## Blue Ribbon Goldens - Home Of

Ditto Trifectas Repeat Performance \*\*\*, MH, UD, OS, CCA, VCX, WCX, CGC, Can CD (At The Bridge)

Arrow Tarat's Aim For The Stars UD, SH, RAE, WCX, CGC, Can CDX, WCI, CCA (At The Bridge)

Rocket Ambertrail Rocket's Red Glare \*\*, SH, CD, WCX, OD, CGC, Can WCI (At The Bridge)

Leo OTCH Sunfire Leo The Leg Breaker UDX4, OM1, SH, WCX, CGC, Can CD, WCI (At The Bridge)

Vinny Blue Ribbon's Vinny The Enforcer \*\*\*, MH, UDX, VER, WCX, CGC, VCX, CCA

Fanny Blue Ribbon's Funny Girl UDX3, VER, RN, MH, WCX, CGC

Kate Rippling Run Blue Ribbon's Kiss Me MH, UD, WCX, CGC, CCA

Pete HRCH Skylight's Repeat Offender \*\*\*, SH, CD, CGC, CCA

Hank Fern Hill's Most Valuable Player SH, WCX, CGC

Today was the last Barn Hunt at Central Square for the season. Tux finished his Master title (RATM - 5 Q's) and will start on his Championship title next spring (10 Q's) Lark finished her Master's title earlier in the year and is now retired from Barn Hunt. It has been great to have a dog activity that has been able to continue (safely) during this crazy time and Eva has done a great job in managing to keep this going.

We also lucked out in the weather this week-end.

Kerry Boisvert

**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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