

Paw Prints



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Rover's Reminders

Your Dues are Due – January 1st!

See the [clawsifieds](#) section and [Appendix G](#) for details!



Members Mark

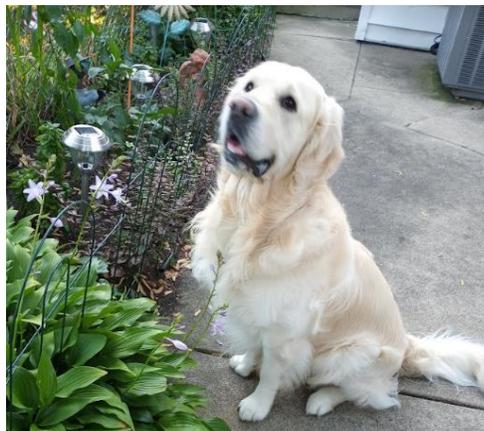
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In this issue – we meet:

Patti Stitz & Ernie

Member Since: 2014



Their Favorite Activity:

Training and Walks

You Should Know:

Ernie LOVES to Cuddle!

Companion's Calendar

December	
10	Demonstration - See Appendix A
11	Winter Tracking Training Registration Reminder
27	Yes there is training today!
31	Last day to pay membership Dues! See appendix H
January	
1	Dues Deadline
15	Last day of fall Tracking – Winter session starts next week
17	Membership Meeting 7:30PM See Appendix E
22	Winter Tracking session begins
February	
14	Evaluation
21	Training PROGRAM night
28	Spring Obedience Orientation
28	Membership Meeting 7:30pm
Sighthounds looking ahead: <i>Dates to Tentatively sit & stay on your calendar</i>	
May 21	Rand Park VST

Additional information is available in the [CLAWsifieds](#) section. Please check your emails for updates occurring in between issues...

Or check the [AKC Events calendar](#) for other ongoing in the neighborhood

Letter From the Editor

Since taking over as Editor of Paw Prints in May 2022 I have found enjoyment in bringing you news of the club, articles, recipes, fun notes, and more. I hope you are enjoying the new format/content as much as I am!

“Togetherness” is my personal theme of 2023. I hope that I can share this togetherness by beginning to streamline communication further and draw connections to our new and tenured members – yes – through Paw Prints!

Afterall, Paw Prints – our club’s *only* internal **member’s-only** newsletter – ensures **all** members stay informed.

We support you, together, as a member of the club and want to allow **all** members to wag our tails in celebration with you for you and/or your dog’s accomplishments!

But it starts with you, our members, and sharing content to be included in the next issue.

My hope for the new year is that our members, can come together in support of one another more frequently, proactively, and with a higher degree of care, concern, and comradery no matter who or how long that person has been a part of RPDT. Afterall, it has always **only** been about **love we share** for our dogs.

I know this will take some getting used to, but I hope to sponsor togetherness in the new year by helping bridge communication gaps that have continued in the past.

As noted in previous issues, sending your content being sent to an recipient other than the mailbox is not making its way to Paw Prints for print.

Not all of our members are on social media, and not all of our members use computers often. Thus, **it’s important** that we recognize that, as a club, not all of our members are being informed of the things that are happening within our club or our membership.

I would think that most of us wouldn’t like to be a member of a private club but be out of the loop, unaware, or uninformed on happenings within that club...

I truly feel it is important that we sponsor togetherness within RPDT by getting the information to share with our membership **through Paw Prints first, whenever possible...** then with the public thereafter.

With that in mind, I am requesting that our members actively work to change our habits by sending your brags to Paw Prints **first**.

I will commit to sending/forwarding your brags to other committee leads such as marketing/demonstrations and Facebook/social media in an appropriate timeliness to ensure that everyone is staying informed; hopefully closing any disconnect between our online and offline members in the process.

Let us keep the spirit of the club alive through the shared love of our dogs and the accomplishments that we “dog people” are proud of...

I am including again the paw prints content timelines to help with this effort!

I look forward to what is to come in 2023 and wish you all a Happy & Healthy New Year and I hope you find time to enjoy being “Together” with friends and family this time of year!
Cheers! - Lori Buckely

Paw Prints relies on contributions from RPDT members, board members AND committee chairs like you!

For individual accomplishments –

please send to paw prints **FIRST** – I will forward to the individual committee leads who can post elsewhere!

Board Members & Committee Chairs:
This is a gentle reminder that it is included in the duties of your position to submit a quick write up of functions/events/etc. to Paw Prints.

All Paw Prints content can be sent to:
randpark.dtc.board@gmail.com

This includes wags/ brags/ photos/ reminders/ recognition/ articles/ forms/ flyers/ etc.

Please include “PP” in the email subject line when emailing

Contributions can be sent at ANY time, but the following cutoffs will exist for what content is published in the upcoming issue of Paw Prints.

If you miss the cutoff your Brag will be included in the subsequent issue: Cutoffs occurs on the 15th day of each ODD-numbered month as shown below.

Highlighted below is the cutoff for the next issue of paw prints:

- 1 - January 15th,**
- 3 - March 15th,**
- 5 - May 15th,**
- 7 - July 15th,**
- 9 - September 15th,**
- 11 - November 15th**

Photos are appreciated 😊

Content sent after noon on January 15, 2023, **will not** be shown in **February** issue of Paw Prints, **but will be** included in the **April** issue of Paw Prints.

Dear Santa Paws:

I admit it - This year I ate my presents early – I left everyone else’s alone but this was *the* year I STOLE my Christmas ahead of time. I blame Banjo for egging me on – and - he also partook in the unwrapping fun. Anyways, please don’t send us coal. We are good – maybe a little salty sometimes – but mostly sweet! I promise I won’t be a grinch anymore! The Howlidays are in full swing in our home. Mom bought new presents for us since “the incident” and now has them hiding above the China cabinet while hoping Banjo doesn’t attempt what she calls “a giant leap of faith.” But Santa paws, I am sure, you will bring us something nice! We aren’t *that* naughty in the grand scheme of things!

Anyways, on my list this year for Banjo and me, (and all of the Rand Park Pups):

- Don’t let our family forget to stop to pet us in all the midst of the holidays
- More cuddles and naps - our humans need more R&R and less stress!
- Yummy cookies – the ones I already unwrapped and ate were rather good; I could go for more of those.
- More RPDC Training (especially tracking – I might be slightly biased)
- Some time to play with friends
- Maybe a puzzle game or snuffle mat because I LOVE those and the scentwork aspect is so much fun!
- More gravy in our dinners
- More TLC – because we love you unconditionally.
- Selfishly, I also want my Instagram back (find me @PissedOffPup)

I promise, I won’t bark at you if you come into the house – I’ll just close my eyes and pretend I smell and hear – NOTHING! But please don’t give me coal! I promise I will be good! Happy Howlidays! ♡ - Paisley Bandana

Sit & Stay Social!

RP’s 1st: **“PUG”LY SWEATER CONTEST!**

... you don’t need to be a PUG to pawticipate!

Just Create an Ugly Christmas/Howliday sweater for your dog –



Rules/Procedures:

1. **Sweater must be hand made by the participating member. (Get some great ideas on Google)**
2. **Take a photo of your dog wearing your creation**
3. **Send your photo in to: randpark.dtc.board@gmail.com before 1/6**

All participants will be entered into a raffle to win a \$5 Starbucks Gift Card.

The top dog will receive some special treats, bragging rights, and be in the spotlight wearing their sweater in our next issue of Paw Prints!

Winners will be voted by the board and Announced at the January 17th Membership Meeting.

Oh, Ho Ho Ho – And... Don’t forget to send us your photos with Santa OR favorite holiday photos to share in our next issue!

Finding “Dog”-ma

“Dashing through the Snow”

Nylabone created [THIS GREAT LIST](#) of things to do with your dog this holiday season!

As we often forget to spend that extra time with our pups, consider some of the suggestion and enjoy some canine companionship:

“Take advantage of snowy weather by planning a fun snow day with your dog! Toss some snowballs, build a snowman, and snow pup, make snow angels, or burry his toys in the snow for a fun treasure hunt. Lots of dogs’ love romping around in the snow! Afterwards, make yourself a cup of hot chocolate, give your dog a [holiday chew toy](#), and warm up.”

“In The Spirit of Giving”

The holidays and end of the year are a great time to remember those pups that are less fortunate.

Consider a donation to your local shelter, find some cheap blankets on a black Friday special sale, and donate your gently used items. Consider fostering a new pup. Give some food or toys to your local food shelter to help people afford their pets this holiday season too amid holiday spending and inflation costs. OR – consider volunteering with your dog. [See Appendix A](#) for a great opportunity to volunteer alongside your pup and fellow RPDT members this holiday season.



Canine Corner

HOWLiday Hounds

'Tis NOT the season for dogs!

Peppermint candies, Hot Cocoa, Sugar Cookies, Pretty Poinsettias, Glass ornaments that look so good to eat, big meals, crowded rooms, present chaos, and Sweet-Smelling Christmas Trees (and Tree Water), Latkes, Little Dreidels that spin and look fun, candy, and Sufganiyah are all things we as humans SAVOR about the holidays. But whether you are celebrating Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanza, or Festivus for the Rest of Us – there are just too many toxic things for pets around this time of year and us humans are often too busy to notice.

From knocking over Christmas Trees to eating peppermint, it's important we stay vigilant this time of year as our pets sometimes take a back seat to our holiday preparations and activities.



Here are the “12 Woofs of Christmas” to consider while keeping your pet’s safe this holiday:

1. Be sure to put **candles** up high where they (or their tails) cannot reach (and make sure (for your own fire safety) that you put them out before leaving a flame unattended.
2. Consider putting a gate around your **Tree or larger decorations/wrapped gifts** or things your pets might get into that could cause them harm.
3. **Glass ornaments and décor** – our pets are not always gentle around the tree and sometimes they are attracted to low hanging items – maybe that ornament looks like a stuffed toy – maybe it has a squeaker in it? Don’t let your dog wonder or play the game “let’s find out”. **Ensuring you have a sturdy base on your tree and ornaments are above their reach** will help ensure your pet’s safety especially as glass ornaments and such pose a major threat to their paws.
4. Did you think about your pet’s habits when putting up your holiday décor? **Placement of decorations** – such as in front of the bay window – might look good to the neighborhood but may also pose a threat to dogs who tend to bark or watch the neighborhood from that spot regularly. To avoid knocking over your precious heirlooms or savored ornaments, we recommend considering your pet’s behaviors and habits to find the best place where your decorations will best not be disturbed.
5. Keep **poisonous plants (poinsettias, holly, mistletoe, lily flowers, or Hanukkah flowers)** out of the home or up and away where dogs cannot get them. If the leaves start to drop its time to discard the plant.
6. For tree-trimmers: consider fur/spruce/pine trees but be sure to watch **the tree’s water bowl** as sap, pesticides, and other toxins are in the water and should not be ingested by our dogs. **Pine needles** can also cause chaos if ingested. Watch that your tree is not drying out or opt for a faux tree with a sturdy base instead.
7. Tinsel Town and Garland abound. Small strung décor such as **tinsel, garland, and popcorn strands** can look fun and festive but if your pet ingests them may cause a trip to the ER quick.
8. A Dreidel can look fun to dogs – its small, it spins, and they want to play! We recommend **keeping small items, toys and gifts** under supervision and encourage guests to put them away when not in use to avoid choking and ingestion hazards.
9. Watch your pets around **candy, cookies, sugary goods, and other toxins (such as chocolate/chocolate coins, and peppermint)**
10. Consider keeping your dogs out of the present room during **any gift opening**. Sometimes the sounds, movement, and general chaos can cause stress which may cause pets to become reactive. They would much prefer a calm safe spot.
11. Speaking of calm and safe – **guests galore** can be overwhelming to some pets. Especially after the covid years our pets may need some time to adjust to company again. Make sure your dog has a safe space or crate to go to escape and find solace. Let your guests and **children** of guests know to leave your pet alone when they are in that space. **Creating a safe space for your pet** can encourage the positive relationships we want with our pets while giving them time to ease back into navigating guests in our homes.
12. Don’t forget your dogs – they want your attention as always and sometimes **feel left out** around the holidays. From the run around and less pet time, to not getting a present when everyone else does – they know things are different this time of year. Sometimes giving them a special walk or attention does just the trick to make their season Bright!

PAWliday PAWstries & Flavors!

- *Never feed your dog baked good that have not had time to cool*
- *Ensure your dog is not allergic to any ingredients or check with your veterinarian before trying a new food.*
- *Store all biscuits in an airtight container at room temperature unless otherwise specified.*

Apple Mint Elves

- 1 ½ C. whole wheat (or alternate) flour
 - 1 C. unbleached (or alternate) flour
 - ½ C. old fashioned rolled oats (or alternate grain-free supplement)
 - 1/3 C. oat bran (or alternate bran)
 - 2 Tbsp dry milk
 - 1 ½ C tsp dry baking yeast
 - 2 Tbsp chopped spearmint leaves
 - ½ C. applesauce (unsweetened)
 - 2 tsp green or red food coloring (or spinach powder)
 - 7/8 C. water
1. With a heavy mixer (use a dough hook or bread machine) put everything in the bread machine on the dough cycle
 2. When ready roll into ¼ “ thick using a non-stick rolling pin
 3. Use a right-sized cookie cutter to cut the dough into shapes right-sized for your pet
 4. Bake at 250 degrees F for about an hour (check they don’t get too brown)
 5. Turn off the oven and let them dry in the oven (works best overnight)

Couch Potato Soup

(Kosher)

- [Evanger’s classic recipes Beef with Chicken and Liver Grain-Free Canned Dog food](#) (Kosher certified and endorsed by the Chicago Rabbinical Council (cRc).
 - 2 Tbsp of Sunfield sliced potatoes (can refrigerate for future servings)
 - Cooked cubed carrots (or can of mixed veggies)
 - ¾ C. warmed water (not hot – think like testing a baby bottle)
1. Blend all ingredients with normal kibble or food)
 2. Mix well

North Pole Nibbles

Prep time – 10 mins

Quantity – 2-3 dozen dog shapes

- 4-6 frozen Strawberries
 - 2 Ounces of plain Greek yogurt
 - 2 Ounces of water
1. Blend, adding water to aid if needed
 2. Leave it a little chunky
 3. Spoon it into a silicone mold made for frozen treats
 4. Clear flat space in your freezer to set evenly or set the mold on a baking sheet and place in freezer until frozen and store frozen.

“Not another [Snickers]Doodle!”

- 1 ½ C. oat flour (or alternate) flour
 - 1 ½ C. brown rice flour (or alternate)
 - 2 tsp. ground cinnamon
 - ¼ C. Honey
 - 1 egg
 - 2 tsp. vanilla extract
 - ½ C. water
1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F with rack in the center
 2. In a medium bowl, whisk oat flour, brown rice flour and cinnamon
 3. Add honey egg and vanilla extract
 4. Stir until well blended
 5. Add ¼ cup of water and mix with a fork
 6. Continue to add water 1 Tbsp at a time until the ingredients come together.
 7. Use your hands to lightly knead the dough in the bowl until it forms a ball
 8. On a lightly floured surface roll out dough to ¼” thick (or as small as 1/8th”)
 9. Use a right-sized cookie cutter to cut the dough into shapes right-sized for your pet
 10. Bake at 375 degrees F for approx. 12 minutes (longer for larger biscuits) and allow to cool on the baking sheet to harden.
 11. Turn off the oven and let them dry in the oven (works best overnight)

Pumpkin Apple Pup-Cake

- 1 x dessert spoon Flaxseed
 - 225 g of Pumpkin Puree
 - 3 Tbsp Natural Peanut Butter (no additives i.e., no xylitol) (optional)
 - ½ Apple slices (cored and finely chopped)
 - ½ tsp. baking powder
1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F
 2. Mix all ingredients together until smooth
 3. Grease or line a large muffin tin
 4. Bake for approx. 20 minutes or until golden and a toothpick in the center comes out clean
 5. Cool on a rack for 10 minutes or until cool before serving

Cran-Apple Cuddles

- 1 C. fresh cranberries
 - 1 C. applesauce (unsweetened)
 - 2 C. Whole wheat flour (or alternate)
 - 1 tsp. ground cinnamon
 - ¼ C. Milk (can use water or plain unsweetened oat milk)
1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. and line a baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone baking mat
 2. Puree cranberries and mix with applesauce
 3. Once combined, add milk, cinnamon and flour until dough is mixed
 4. Knead into balls and roll into a heavily floured surface ¼” thick.
 5. Use a cookie cutter to cut the dough into shapes right sized for your pet
 6. Bake for about 10-15 minutes until browned at edges.
 7. Cool and refrigerate

Not-So-Candied-Yams

- 16 Ounces of plain Greek yogurt
 - 1/3 C. Pureed sweet potato, pumpkin puree, or yams
 - 1/3 C. Natural peanut butter
 - 2 Ounces of water
5. Blend until smooth, adding water to aid if needed
 6. Spoon it into a silicone mold made for frozen treats
- Clear flat space Freeze a few hours to harden before serving.

Sit and Stay Informed

Rally Reporter

- No news to report

Scent-work Sniffs

- No news to report



Tracking Tails

- Busse Woods Group now starts at 8AM Sundays for those who have banned early Sunday morning from your life – this now gives you an extra half hour of sleep! Talk to Lois Leidahl-Marsh about joining us or recommend us to a friend!

New to dog sports? Not sure what Tracking is? Connect with Lois to arrange a time to observe the RPDC tracking group in action – dress warm and bring your cocoa or coffee! You can also watch this you tube video for a very basic idea: https://youtu.be/R_lvCzTt10U



Awards Information can be found in Appendix F.

Please don't forget to submit your accomplishments for awards prior to the January 2023 deadline!



Obedience Treats

- **Registration for spring!** (See Appendices C, D, and E)
- Class sizes are decided based on current enrollment and instructor availability.
- Registration is on a first-come basis. There are no special holds for membership at this time. However, those currently enrolled and training in the ongoing session are assumed to continue into the next session and influence how the DOT arranges class offerings/schedules, class size, and instructor need.
- Class size is determined as approximately max of 10 dogs depending on size of dogs currently training. (i.e., 10 mastiffs vs 10 Maltese are different arrangements).
- Most classes have been full both this past fall training session and the current winter session – thus – we anticipate that many classes in the spring session will continue to be full! We will do our best to meet the needs of everyone who wishes to train given limitations on volunteers/time/space that we also have to consider.
- Members who are not currently training will precede any new **non-member** not currently training in new enrollments as long as registration and payment is received, and space is available.
- If you plan to train your dog in the **next session** – please plan to register around week 5 of the **current session** **(for the upcoming spring session, please submit your registration by January 5th)** to allow our DOT time to plan ahead and attempt to meet member needs as often as we can try to.
- **Especially for those members who are not currently training and wish to return to training... now is the time to make your intentions known.**
- Thank you in advance!

If your hands are chapped, cracked, dry or sore – there is a good chance your dog's paw pads are too!

For Humans:

Grandma's Secret Hand soak

before bed 1x every other week: Put ½ tsp of sugar with quarter size drop of baby oil. Rub on hands – no water. Blot with paper towel – do not wipe. Rinse hands in water. Blot again. Smother lotion on hands - Use a thick lotion (try: Eucerin tub or Aveda intense repair) You can wrap hands in a warm towel or proceed o next step – your choice. Insert hands into clean socks Go to sleep with hands in the socks! Wake up refreshed – use sunscreen when driving!

For Pups:

DIY Paw Wax

- 4 tsp. beeswax pellets
- 2 Tbsp organic shea butter
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 Tbsp coconut oil
- 1 tsp Vitamin E oil

Fill a small pot or pan about 1/3 to ½ with water. Heat on low until water gets warm. Place a small glass mixing bowl or measuring cup or mason jar in the water to create a double boiler. Add the beeswax inside the glass cup stirring often for about 5 minutes. When the beeswax is melted slowly add in shea butter, olive oil and coconut oil. Mix until well blended. Remove from heat and add vitamin E oil (**warning** – glass will be hot!). Mix well Pour the mix into a storage container(s) & allow mixture to cool (about 1-2 hours). Cover with a cap and label the container

WAGS & BRAGS:

Our paw prints editor has dog-like hearing and we have heard a few brags may be missing! It is never too late to send in your brags – we will feature them in the next issue!



Issuing a formal apology to Ernie and Barney as some of their Scent Work Brags had been inadvertently missed.

To make up for this error we are featuring Ernie (and Barney) in this issue of Paw Prints:

Scent work

Patti Stitz & Ernie:

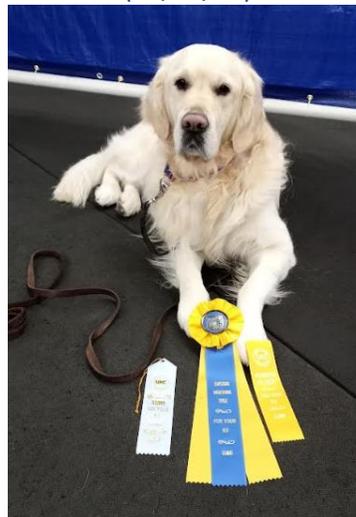
- UKC Advanced Exterior and vehicles titles (7/24/22)



- CPE-CCSS-L1 Canine Sport Sent Title (07/30/22)



- UKC Advanced Nosework title (11/13/22)

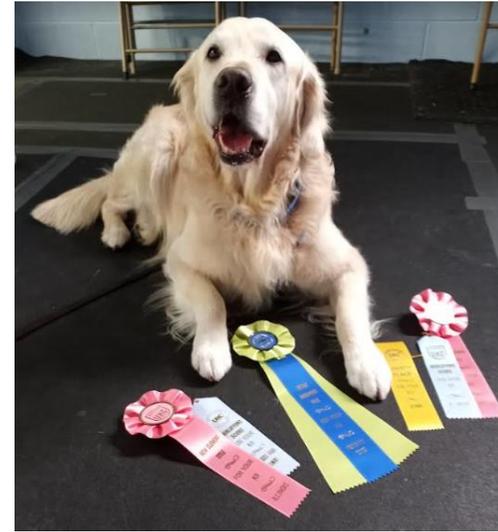


- Barn Hunt Open Title (12/18/22) with 1st place AND a High in Class! Woohoo!!!



Patti Stitz & Barney:

- UKC Novice Nosework title (7/23/22)
- UKC Advanced Nosework title (7/24/22)



- CPE-CCSS-L1 Canine Sport Sent Title (07/30/22)



Please congratulate Barney, Ernie, and Patti on these major accomplishments!

In The Print – PAW Prints



Reflecting on 2022:



2023 Marks 75 Years of Rand Park Dog Training Club - Stay tuned for special anniversary editions of Paw Prints in the coming year! We hope you will celebrate with us!



The **Rainbow** Bridge:
In Memoriam

Honoring those prized members of Rand Park Dog Training Club whom we have lost this year and hold dear in our hearts. For those we have lost in the recent past – we say “thanks” for all of the hard work and dedication they have invested into the club for us to be where we are today. They are sorely missed and fondly remembered. Please take a moment of silence to remember the friends and fur-family we have lost this year.



Remembering:

Jerrald “Jerry” Wulff

(1934 - 2022)

There are many Rand Park members who had been graced with Jerry’s witty humor and warm personality on Tuesday nights over his 55 years of membership. Jerry was an honored friend to all who were lucky enough to have met him. He and his wife Helene joined Rand Park in 1967. He was active in many aspects of RPDC over the years and he sure learned a thing or two about dogs in between. To say Jerry was absolutely fascinated by everything dog may be an understatement. Many who knew Jerry and worked with him in their years together in the club were/are heartbroken by the news of his passing. A dear friend, a husband, a comrade, a teacher, Jerry will not be forgotten within this club. Many within the club hold a high regard for the tips/tricks and feedback Jerry offered to folks from in the ring and from high upon the stage over the years. His perspective offered something somewhat refreshing and often hard to see at the surface level while in the ring. His comments were worthy and always cushioned by a joke, a funny facial expression or both. And those who knew Jerry probably are thinking of one of those faces right about now. If you failed as a handler, you knew because Jerry told you so. If your dog failed you, Jerry would laugh – it was still likely your fault. For those in the tracking community Jerry was an icon with a fantastic whistle. He would sit and watch the sun rise over the field, catch a coyote sighting now and again and always talk about his memories, particularly of so many great tracking dogs over the years. Jerry spoke fondly of the dogs currently tracking and was excited to watch them work so diligently in all weather conditions; continually fascinated by their ability to scent and sense direction. Jerry was always willing to offer passengers a seat in his car to warm up, observe the dogs, and discuss a few tales. In many of the more recent years, Jerry came to tracking mornings and training nights without a dog of his own, just simply, for the love of all dogs. He supported all of us with a shared love for all things canine, training, and what the club stands for. What Jerry taught us is important. Your love of dog should never fail you – it will continue with you forever and lead you to build many relationships with others who admire a 4-legged companion. Through Jerry we are reminded that it is an honor to have dogs in our lives – no matter how we meet them or engage with them, and that the support and opportunities the club presents to share that love of dog is truly a wonderful thing. In honor of Jerry, we hope you observe something you find fascinating about your own dog and continue to grow your friendships through the club for many years to come. <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/chicagotribune/name/jerrald-wulff-obituary?id=36915441>



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Registration: Birgit Mantilla
Tracking: Lois Leidahl-Marsh
Website: Valerie Manning, Teena Horne

Awards

Trial Awards: Marion Meseth, Anita Wolney, Kathy Baureis
Special Awards: Anita Wolney, Marion Meseth, Kathy Baureis
Annual Awards: Lois Leidahl-Marsh

CLAWsifieds:

**YOUR
MEMBERSHIP
DUES ARE DUE!**

See Appendix G

Form must accompany payment!

**SPRING FUN MATCH
OPPORTUNITIES WILL
BE ANNOUNCED
SOON!**

**Week 5 is Jan 3rd (right
after the holidays)!
If you are planning to
attend Spring training-
now is the time to fill
out those forms 🐾**

**Demonstrations have
started again!**

See Appendix A

**All stories, articles,
photos, brags & input
for our February issue
will be due no later than**

**January 15th
by 12 pm central time**

Don't Forget to...

Fetch Your Forms

(Starting on the next page)



Demonstrations Senior Visitation Hours



2nd Saturday of the Month

- Dogs must be comfortable around other dogs in tighter space
- Dogs must be comfortable being petted by several people
 - Dogs must not be fed by the residents at any time

**Ascension Living Nazarethville Place
300 N River Rd, Des Plaines, IL 60016**

Please contact Barb Piche if interested

prior to attendance:

872-276-3331

REGISTRATION FOR TRACKING CLASSES

RAND PARK DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC.

Beginning Sunday September 11, 2022, through Sunday, January 15, 2023

(Excluding Rand Park event weekends and weather-related cancellations.)

Please Note: Training Fees must accompany this form. Rabies Certificate required in September. Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis with club members given preference. Class size is limited to available space and instructors. ALL STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO WORK AT LEAST ONE TRACKING TEST PER YEAR as part of the tracking curriculum. Students are required to notify their instructors if they will miss a class. 3 unexplained absences will be cause for excusal from the class. Excessive absences or failure to work at a test may result in student not being accepted into another session.

Tracking is a vigorous outdoor sport that takes place outdoors in all weather. Please dress accordingly!

Training Fees: New Students: \$105. Members: \$85. Non-members: \$105

Second dog, same handler (space permitting): Member: \$42.50, Non-member: \$52.50 (MAY NOT BE COMBINED WITH OBEDIENCE TRAINING!)

Make Checks payable to: Rand Park DTC

Mail this form with fees to Lois Leidahl-Marsh; 2485 S. Scott St.; Des Plaines, IL 60018 Deadline: August 26, 2022

Registration Form

(Please submit a separate form for each dog)

DO NOT REGISTER FOR OBEDIENCE CLASSES ON THIS FORM

Name Phone Cell Phone

Address City Zip

Email Address (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!)

Dog's Name Breed Age Sex

Working at what level? New to Tracking TD/U TDX VST Titles:

Amount enclosed: Rand Park Member? Y N I am a tracking instructor

Rabies Certificate

Annual Rabies Certificate required for all dogs, September session, and for any dog starting in a later session without a September Certificate on file.

() Current Rabies Certificate is on file with the Director of Training (if you are taking obedience classes)

Owner's Name: Dog's Name:

Rabies vaccine date: () 1 yr. () 3yr. Tag #

Veterinarian's Name and phone number

Veterinarian's Signature:

Note: Certificate not valid unless completed in full. In lieu of veterinary signature, you may provide a receipt for the required services or a copy of your dog's rabies certificate.

Rand Park Dog Training Club, Inc.

Training fees: Members: \$85 per class; two dogs \$130.00
Non-Members: \$105; two dogs \$160.00
(To qualify, both dogs must be handled by the same person)

Mail this form and a check

Kathy Baureis. 1680 Bedford Rd Hoffman Estates, IL 60169. 847-308-8001 abaureis@yahoo.com
Make checks payable to: Rand Park Dog Training Club, Inc.

Registration Form

A separate form must be submitted for each dog.

Name _____
Phone _____
Address _____ City _____
Zip _____
E-mail address _____
Dog's Name _____
Breed _____ Age _____ Sex _____

Instructors, please check here Session: Fall Winter Spring

Class:

- Puppy – members and current trainees only. (See Note, below)
- Beginners - for dogs that completed Puppy Class or dogs over 6 months of age (*see Note, below*)
- CGC/Advanced Beginners - for dogs that completed Beginner Class
- Pre-Novice – Must Have passed CGC
- Novice
- Open/Utility- No Instructor
- Beginner Nose work (limited class size)
- Rally – All Rally levels

Note: Do not use this form to register a new student/handler. All NEW students must be enrolled through the Registration Chairman, Birgit Mantilla 847-208-3584, regardless of what class they start in.

Health Certificate

Proof of Vaccination is required for all dogs, September session only, and for any dog starting in a later session without a September Certificate on file. A copy of the veterinarian's receipt is acceptable.

Owner's name _____
Dog's Name _____
Rabies shot date _____ 1 yr. 3 yr.
Vet's Signature _____
Phone number _____

WAIVER, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND HOLD HARMLESS INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I understand that attendance at, and participation in a dog training class, seminar, trial, workshop, show, or practice is not without inherent risks to myself, members of my family (or guests who man attend), and my dogs. I acknowledge that some dogs to which we may be exposed may be difficult to control and may be the cause of injury even when handled with the greatest amount of professional care.

I hereby waive and release RAND PARK DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC., its officers, directors, board members, trainers, instructors, volunteers, members, and anyone associated with them, from any and all liability of any nature and kind, for any injury or damage which I, or my dogs, may suffer, including but not limited to, any injury or damage resulting from the action or conduct of any dog, the condition, maintenance, and supervision of the premises, or the placement or choice of equipment. I expressly assume the risk of any such damage or injury while attending any class, seminar, workshop, or any other function, or while training with obstacles, or while upon the premises used for the training grounds or areas surrounding thereto.

In consideration of the acceptance of my application to participate in a function of the RAND PARK DOG TRAINING CLUB, INC., I hereby agree to indemnify and hold them harmless, including their officers, board members, directors, members, trainers, instructors, agents, and volunteers, from any and all liabilities, claims, demands, expenses, suits, actions, losses, recoveries, judgements, attorney fees, costs, or expenses arising out of or in connection with any injury or death or damage to property as a result of the use of said premises, or participation in the above described activities, by myself or my heirs, representatives, dependents, or invitees. By my signature which follows, I acknowledge that I have read and understand this agreement.

Signature Date

Printed Name

Address

Proof of Rabies Vaccination

Annual Proof of Rabies Vaccination is required for all dogs.

September session only, and for any dog starting in a later session without a September Proof of Rabies Vaccination on file. A copy of the veterinarian's receipt is acceptable.

Owner's name _____ Dog's Name _____

Rabies shot date _____ 1 yr. 3 yr. Tag # _____

Titer Test Date _____

Veterinarians Name _____ Phone number _____

Rand Park Dog Training Club Inc. – TRAINING CALENDAR 2022-2023

Highlighted weeks indicate when we recommend that members submit their registration forms for the next session if they intend to train their dogs and are NOT currently training in the ongoing session (currently in progress).

Fall Session	
September 6	Orientation
September 13	Training Week 1
September 20	Training Week 2
September 27	Training Week 3
October 4	Training Week 4
October 11	Training Week 5 Membership Meeting
October 18	Training Week 6
October 25	Training Week 7
November 1	Training Week 8
November 8	Training Week 9 CLASS CANCELLED - VOTING DAY
November 15	Training Week 10
November 22	Evaluation

Save The Date
SUMMER SESSION!

Tentative Dates
 May 30th -Aug. 15th

PICNIC June 20th
 To Be Confirmed
 ASAP

Winter Session	
November 29	Orientation
December 6	Training Week 1
December 13	Training Week 2
December 20	Training Week 3
December 27	Training Week 4
January 3	Training Week 5
January 10	Training Week 6
January 17	Training Week 7 Membership Meeting
January 24	Training Week 8
January 31	Training Week 9
February 7	Training Week 10
February 14	Evaluation
February 21	PROGRAM

Training Hours:

6:00 to 6:55;
 7:00 to 7:55;
 8:00 to 8:55;
 9:00 to 9:55

Except on:
 October 11,
 January 17,
 February 28 and
 April 11.

On these nights, classes will be shortened to allow time for the **Membership Meetings***

Training hours on meeting nights will be:
6:00 to 6:40;
6:45 to 7:25;*
8:15 to 8:50;
8:55 to 9:40

***Meeting will be at 7:30 pm at the training facility**

All Fall/Winter/Spring Obedience Training is held in the field house at the Des Plaines Administrative & Leisure Center 2222 Birch Street Des Plaines IL. Enter from the parking lot – please do not bring dogs through other portion of the building

Spring Session	
February 28	Orientation Membership Meeting
March 7	Training Week 1
March 14	Training Week 2
March 21	Training Week 3
March 28	Training Week 4
April 4	Training Week 5
April 11	Training Week 6 Annual Meeting
April 18	Training Week 7
April 25	Training Week 8
May 2	Training Week 9
May 9	Training Week 10
May 16	Evaluation

Please keep this Calendar for future reference.



REMINDER TO...
PLEASE PAY YOU RPDTDC DUES

Rand Park Dog Training Club Annual membership dues are due by January 1, 2023

Send dues to: Linda Forman
505 Courtesy Lane
Des Plaines, IL 60018

Make checks payable to Rand Park Dog Training Club (RPDTC) Please fill in lower portion and return with dues.

If you are a new member and dues were paid October 1, 2022 or later you do not need to pay 2023 dues. However, please return the form and write NEW MEMBER at the bottom.

Single membership \$25.00 Family membership \$35.00

Senior Citizen discount (65 years or older) Single \$20 Family \$27.50

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

Breed(s) _____

e-mail address _____

Occupation _____ Hobbies _____

(Please print clearly)