BARKS FROM

President's Message

From the Editor

Please submit items for Barks, including brags, to ClancyPBGV@gmail.com by June 10. I'm happy to include photos as space permits if they are submitted in JPG format. All submissions must be electronic and formatted to allow for copying and pasting.

-Submitted by Megan Esherick

Therapy Dogs

We visit Berks Heim the 3rd Thursday of Even months at 7 pm
Well mannered friendly dogs welcome and puppies are always a hit. FMI contact Linda 610-763-7346

- Submitted by Linda Madeira

Breeder Referral -- 2 calls == handling class & cocker spaniel breeder

Sunshine -- Card sent to Dave & Karen Lozenski on the sudden loss of their Great Dane

Planter sent to Linda Madeira on her hospitalization

TV Show -- Jan show -- Angela Evans == Bernese Mountain Dogs

Feb show -- Pam Knaess from Natural Path Pet in Hamburg

Mar show == Pat Lyons == Irish Setters

Link to all the All Abt TV Shows are sent to you monthly. On this site, you can watch many yrs of our show.

- Submitted by Pat Mock

To: Senator John Fetterman

From: PA Federation of Dog Clubs

Re: S.2555 "Better Care of Animals" Bill

Date: February 22, 2024

Senator Fettermen,

The Pennsylvania Federation of Dog Clubs and its many member organizations across the Commonwealth are very concerned about the "Better Care of Animals" proposal currently under consideration in Congress. We do not believe the proposal will have the effect its name implies, but will, in fact, achieve the opposite result.

Removing subject matter experts from the enforcement of the Animal Welfare Act is inefficient and counter productive. Inspectors at the Department of Agriculture have spent decades learning animal husbandry practices at a practical level, instead of a political one. The Department of Justice on the other hand has shown itself to be strongly affected by the political winds on the day. We know that some vocal activists make a living out of vilifying traditional agricultural practices and we are sure those will be the voices heard by lawyers at the Department of Justice. Hopefully, legal representatives of farmers will be able to show this in court, but that will take significant financial resources and time out of the fields for our farmers. This undoubtedly have the effect of driving up food and other costs even faster than they are today.

The way S.2555 is written, it will cause redundancy between the Departments of Agriculture and Justice, wasting taxpayer dollars. The Department of Agriculture already requests DOJ assistance as necessary.

Another concern for us is the implication in the proposal that hobby breeders be treated the same as professional breeders. This will cause a greater caseload strain and reduce the effectiveness of current inspections, regardless of which Department is conducting them. This strikes us as part of a radical animal activist agenda to end hobby breeding, showing, trialing and other family friendly activities Americans enjoy with their animals. Siezing animals and forcing owners to pay for boarding prior to their day in court, and not allowing for refund of those fees should they be acquitted is an Unconstitutional seizure of property without due process.

We would much rather see Congress increase support for USDA/APHIS inspection activities in support of the Animal Welfare Act as it stands today.

2024 TROPHY PLEDGE FORM

$15 for Each group trophy. ENTIRE group (1-4) is $60 (Get together with your friends)

Owner Handled BIS, Reserve BIS, and High Combined in Obedience **no less than $50**

Owner Handled Group 1 $15, Rosettes for Breed $5, Obedience & Rally placings $5.

The club will cover BIS & HIT but we need your support to cover group trophies.

FIRM DEADLINE – MAY 15, 2024

INDICATE BELOW WHICH GROUP OR PLACING YOU'D LIKE TO SPONSOR:

GROUP NAME – (hound,toys,etc) _____

ENTIRE GROUP _____   **OWNER HANDLED BIS** _____

GROUP 1 _____   GROUP 3 _____   **OWNER HANDLED GROUP 1** _____

GROUP 2 _____   GROUP 4 _____

BREED ROSETTES   **OBEDIENCE & RALLY ROSETTES**

BREED _____   1st PLACE NOV A OR B _____

BOB _____   OHBOB _____   1st PLACE OPEN A OR B _____

BOS _____   1st PLACE UTILITY A OR B _____

BOW _____   1st PLACE RALLY NOV A OR B_____

WD _____   1st PLACE RALLY ADV A OR B_____

WB _____   1st PLACE RALLY EXC A OR B _____

2nd thru 4th in any of the above OB or rally classes _____

If you'd like to donate your own trophy please provide info _____

---How would you like your name listed in the catalog _____

Your name _____   Phone _____

Please mail form & payment to Michelle Oswalt, 6 Foxwood Dr, Mohrsville, PA 19541

Payment must be received with pledge form to be included in the catalog.

Questions??   Contact Michelle Oswalt – phone/text 484-955-5559 - Email: moswalt328@gmail.com

Member Brags and Bitches

From Megan Esherick:

CH AGCH MACH8 Clancy's Pumpkin Spice Ale VCD1 BN RAE MXG2 PDS MJC2 PJS MFG TQX T2B5 BCAT ACT2 SWA SCE SBE PCMH THDN CGCA TKP was High in Trial at the Regional and National Specialty Agility trials, qualified for triathlon, and finished her Parent Club Master Hunter Excellent title at the PBGVCA National Specialty.

CH Clancy's Down the Rabbit Hole BN RE AX MXJ MXF T2B SWM SHDM FCAT PCSH RATN CGCU TKA was Novice Scent Work High Combined at the regional specialty and qualified for triathlon.

Clancy's Impossible Things RI SWN SCA SBA SHDN DCAT PCJH ATT CGCU TKI qualified in every performance event at the specialty and won the open bitch class. Cara, who just turned 2, finished her Rally Intermediate, Trick Dog Intermediate, and Urban CGC titles at the specialty and qualified for triathlon.

CH Clancy's Mischief Managed RE MX MXJ MXF T2B SWA SHDA FCAT RATN PCSH CGCU TKA qualified for Beginner Triathlon at the specialty and finished her Scent Work Excellent Buried and Handler Discrimination titles and her Beginner Novice obedience title at the specialty.

CH MACH PACH Clancy's Curse of the Were- Rabbit VCD1 RAE MXG MXP9 MJC MJP9 T2B OF PCMH BCAT SWE SCM SHDE CGCA TKP qualified for triathlon at the national.

CH Clancy's Poetic Inspiration CD TD NAJ NJP SWE SCM SBM SHDM SEM RATN RHX THD CGCU TKP finished her Master Handler Discrimination title at the specialty.

CH PACH Clancy's The Wild N' The Innocent CD AX MXP10 AXJ MJP10 T2BP SWA SCE PCMHX CGCA TKP finished her Excellent Handler Discrimination title at the specialty.