
The ANTHRACITE BRITTANY CLUB Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As my tenure of President is coming to a close, I would like to thank the loyal members of the Anthracite Club for the support of all of our events and keeping this club viable. While some Brittany clubs are dissolving, we have a club that gets it all done. It might be a few of the same people that do things, but we have a profitable club and are still able to have 2 Field Trials, a Hunt Test, a Show, contribute to Canine Learning Experience and had a really nice training day this year.

I would also like to thank all of those members who have been loyal to the club and are the back bone of our existence. I'm not going to name them as I know I will inevitably miss someone, but you all know who you are and you have to know how much the club relies on you.

We have some new members and I'm hoping you will take the time to welcome them and help them learn the ropes in whatever endeavor that they would like to participate with their dogs.

As I turn the reigns over to another long term, reliable member, Cindy Miller, please offer her the support that you have shown me in the last couple years.

With that said there is a meeting to be held at the Trivet on November 14 at 7 PM for nominations from the floor and voting for the new officers. Please plan to attend.

The Field Trail is November 9 and 10 at Freeland. We are always looking for help. If you can give some time, please contact Claire Ricci or Joe Sikorski.

Larry
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NEXT MEETING:

**November 14, 2013 - 7 PM at Trivet
Restaurant, Rte. 309 and Tilghman St.
Contact Larry Hilliard at 610-349-3760 for
more information**

Brittany Rescue

Would you please help a Brittany in need?

In 2005 American Brittany Rescue helped nearly 1000 Brittanys find new homes. Despite this staggering number, we also lost hundreds more. We lost them simply because we had no place for them to go.

Foster homes are desperately needed in your state! Short term safety for a Brittany while a forever home is sought could help save many of them.

Transporting them to safety is another way to help.

For more information or to sign up - contact us at
<http://www.americanbrittanyrescue.org/index.php?module=pagesetter&func=viewpub&tid=3&pid=3>

1-866-BRIT911 (toll free phone number)

American Brittany Rescue, Inc. is a non-profit organization supported by adoption donations and tax deductible donations from the public. Your support is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us!

Thank you,

Rhonda Carlson

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COMING EVENTS

Field Trial – November 9-10, 2013

From the Editor's Desk

All information for the newsletter should be submitted in *a timely fashion*. I would prefer if information were submitted via email in the message section or as an attachment. Just a reminder that

1. All members that have an email on file with the secretary will be receiving their newsletter electronically. This will be as an attachment (pdf – Adobe Acrobat file).
2. The newsletter will no longer be sent via US mail. If you want a copy, contact another member or send me your email address.

BRAG ANNOUNCEMENTS: If you want to submit a brag announcement to the newsletter, send an email to me (autumnsno1@yahoo.com) with the word brag (or brags) in the subject line. The mail will automatically be forwarded to Claire Ricci who will post it on our website.

Also, please note that the next club meeting will be at the Trivet Restaurant. Directions to the Trivet Restaurant:

From the West:

Rte. 309 South (I 78 South) Exit at the Stigma Street West Exit. The Trivet is just on your right as you exit.

From the East:

Rte. I 78 West to the Tilghman Street, West Exit. Go under the overpass and the Trivet is on the right. The sign that you can see from I 78 and when you come off the exit says DINER. You do not actually see the Trivet sign until you are directly in front of the restaurant.

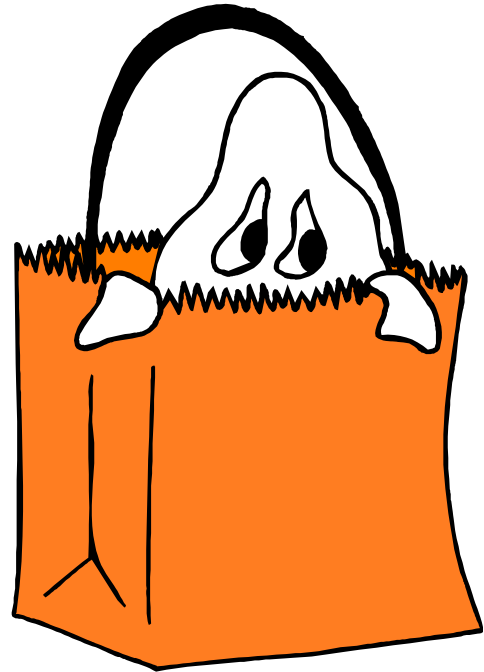
Bobbie

BRAGS

CH Hope's Dream Weaver went BOB at Anthracite Brittany Club's supported entry at Nita-Nee, bred by Doug Tighe, owned by Karen Schramm & Doug Tighe.

CH Woodland's Water Fairy went BOS at Susquehanna Brittany Club's supported entry at Nita-Nee, bred by Karen Schramm and Doug Tighe, owned by John & Karen Schram

Cruise won the 2013 Tri-tronics 1hour shooting dog of the year award. He is proudly owned by Joe Sikorski



AFTERTHOUGHT

Ever consider what they must think of us? I mean, here we come back from a grocery store with the most amazing haul – chicken, pork, half a cow. They must think we are the greatest hunters on earth. Anne Tyler

Anthracite Meeting

9/12/13

Meeting held at the Starlight Dinner in Fogelsville. Members present; Terry Hilliard Larry Hilliard John McMurray, Jim Wilkinson, Bobbie Dunkling, Bob Williams, Deb Rudert, Charlie Strunk, Claire Ricci, Joe Sikorski, and Ed Razzis. Guests were Marty Lorish and his wife.

Larry Hilliard thanked everyone for coming. Asked for a motion to accept minutes from last two meetings. Terry made a motion and accepted by Bobbie

Treasurers Report

	Balance	Income	Expenses	Balance
June	12,489.42	105.13	111.00	12,391.70
July	12,391.70	30.00	204.61	12,217.09
Aug	12,217.09	65.00	0	12,282.09

Secretary's report

Rec'd a catalog from the Hodges badge company if anyone needs it.

Rec'd a postcard from Groom expo Sept 19-22

Rec'd a letter from Greenbriar Animal Hospital announcing their rehab and therapy program

Rec'd a thank you note from the Bird Dog foundation

National Raffle tickets for All Age for framed oil painting, SLR camera, \$500.00 gift card

Rec'd Info on Vital Vities a Preventive Supplement for Coats

Fun Day

Bob Williams

Held on Sept 7th

I wish to recognize Lisa Price for her tireless effort and training skills. Without which, the day would not have worked. Also, a special thanks to T.J. Brooks, Ralph Easton and Jim McLain for their help throughout the day. Limited to 25 dogs got 10 entries. Loss of \$83.00. Everybody had a good time and think the event was well accepted. If we go ahead for next year, more people are needed to help. Everyone got special attention.

Show Report:

Jimmy presented a beautiful Coal trophy of a Brittany for Best of Breed

Cost of \$34.61 for Trophies, Return for entry from Nita Nee for Sweeps \$65. Profit of \$30.39

Hunt Test: Domenic Serago

No Report

Field Trial: Joe Sikorski

Trial dates November 9th & 10th. Still need some more Judges. Paper work is submitted.

Canine Learning is in desperate need of a Chair person. All of the materials are printed if you want to use them or you can come up with your own. This year's theme is Grooming your Brittany. Please contact Larry to volunteer.

Terry will help and Charlie Stunk will come out to help man the booth.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Canine Learning new format. Booth is smaller 10x10 and costs more \$50

Motion made by Joe to continue with the booth seconded by Deb motion passed.

Suggestion was made to make the home page on the website more informative. Bobbie volunteered to look into options.

Reading of new members:

2nd reading and voting:

Mark Fretz and Associate Kara Kripplebauer

Marty Lorish

Welcome new members!

1st reading:

Lisa Bryfogle

Paul and Lisa Pollock

John and Joann Perry

Mike Schneck

Slate of officers to be voted on at the November meeting:

Cindy Miller President

Claire Ricci Vice President

Deb Rudert Secretary

Bobbie Dunkling Treasurer

Larry Hilliard Board of Directors

Brag:

Joe Sikorski Cruise was nominated for the National Shooting Dog for Tri-tronics

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting will be Jan 9th 7:00 pm