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CCTC Zoom AGM and Awards' Night.

Not the same as being all together at Eileen Fisher's home and enjoying the company in person but this is 2020.....

Let's hope it won't last too much longer.

We joined in Zoom at 7:00 pm, the meeting ended around

9::00 pm but some of us continued talking until 10:00.

It was nice seeing all the club members who joined in.



CCTC Club Members' Brags...

"Jessie"

Cermel Mystique S SD-SDN

"Jessie" earned her SDDA Scent Detection Novice Title on Dec.12th. 2020 on her 2nd birthday and celebrated with some birthday cake !!

Owned by Dorothy Phillips



"Lily"

Conasauga Copper Lily received her medal and awards participating in the JRTCC Virtual Fitness Challenge.

Owned by Lynda Rupay & Patricia Budrow.





CCTC New Little Trackers



"Max"

This little girl came from Michigan during Covid 19 to join her new family in Guelph. She will have a bright future in tracking and many other dog sports.

Owned by Laura Wright



New Mouse Tracker This is Sadie who is 8 years old . She now lives with two Labradors, Reign & Sunny. Owned by Peggy Masanotti



Wishing you a Great Retirement with lots more time for Tracking and just being with the dogs

Peanut Butter and Pumpkin Dog Cookies

Ingredients Directions

 $2\ {}^{1\!\!}/_{\!\!2}$ cups whole wheat flour

2 eggs

1/2 cup canned pumpkin

2 tablespoons peanut butter

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C).

Step 1

Whisk together the flour, eggs, pumpkin, peanut butter, salt, and

cinnamon in a bowl. Add water as needed to help make the

dough workable, but the dough should be dry and stiff.

Roll the dough into a 1/2-inch-thick roll. Cut into 1/2-inch pieces.

Step 2

Bake in preheated oven until hard, about 40 minutes.





January 8, 1922 - January 12, 2021

Condolences to Susan Rickwood on the loss of her dad..

Paul Ambrose Thomas

Both my father and mother had a love of dogs, and allowed my brother and I to have many as we grew up, and we have each continued to have dogs in our lives. My father had an intuitive understanding of dogs, and without any exposure to training as such, managed to train the dogs in his life with a great deal of empathy and success.

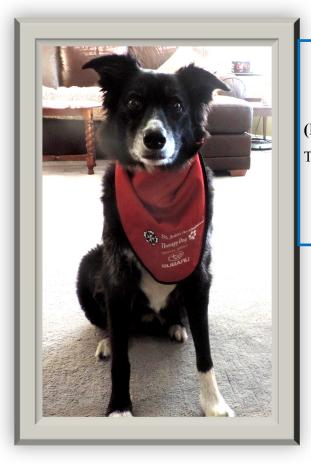
He was known in the community for his love of his Beagles, all of whom came from rescue to live an indulged and wonderful life with him and my mother, and then with him after she passed. Over the last 25 years he had Baron, Lulu and Sugar (one at a time), and was a well-known presence at the lovely, large and well managed dog park in Bluffton SC where he lived. He was notorious for having been upset that Lulu did not howl when she came to him, and spent hours teaching her to do just that; thereafter she howled with great abandon and joy... although I am not sure his neighbours enjoyed the serenades! I miss him greatly already.

While he had an amazing life and until the end had good health and did not suffer from dementia, the hardest part is knowing he died alone... although his bout with COVID was neither lengthy nor tortuous. So much to be grateful for. Few people are fortunate enough to have had a parent in their life for such a long time!

Paul enjoyed reading; his favorite book "The Unabridged Devil's Dictionary" by Ambrose Bierce is evidence of his own sense of irony and humour. He loved language and music, and was an inveterate collector of LP's and other "finds" at garage sales and thrift shops, epitomizing the adage "One man's trash is another's treasure!".

Paul was a true extrovert -- outgoing and with an often wicked sense of humour. He happily talked to anyone, was energetic and will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

Gone But Never Forgotten.....



"Turbo" Mar/ 24, 2009 — Nov. 17, 2020 Eyespy Turbo CGN Flyball Dog Champion - Gold (FDCH-G) Therapy Dog Turbo loved Therapy Dog work and was really good with the people. He will be greatly missed Loved by Dorothy and Brian Phillips



"Sophie"

May 1, 2010 - October 5, 2020

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Loved & missed by Stephanie Dixon and family



CROSS COUNTRY TRACKING CLUB

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting December 11, 2020 Zoom Meeting

Present:

Marie-P Babin, Trisha Budrow, Maryke Warwick, Eileen Fisher, Susan Rickwood, Marg Schneider, Laura McKay, Stephanie McMahon, Dwyn Tomlinson, Adrienne Almey, Peggy Masanotti, Wendy McCullough, Kathleen Dahmer, Connie Gavin, Sandy Brodie, Dorothy Phillips, and Stephanie Dixon

Meeting called to order at by Eileen Fisher at 7:45p.m.

Previous Minutes

A motion made by Wendy McCullough to accept the minutes of the Dec 13t^h, 2019 AGM and seconded by Susan Rickwood was passed unanimously. There was no business arising from these minutes.

President's Report

The following report was prepared and presented by Marie-P. Babin.

A motion made by Connie Gavin and seconded by Stephanie McMahon to accept the President's Report as presented was passed unanimously.

CCTC President Report on our 24th year, 2020

Welcome everyone to our first Zoom AGM meeting. I hope everything will be back to normal soon so we can have our fun meetings and party at Eileen Fisher's home next year for our **25th Anniversary!!**

I want to thank all our volunteers as tracklayers, test secretaries and test superintendents, and everyone else in a Club position, Webmaster, Social, Equipment, and our Treasurer!

We have once again lost tracking fields this year, but we'll keep searching for more areas especially if we lose more fields. There are some big fields near, but the farmers do not always grow the crops that we need for our tests. This makes finding fields more difficult.

We won't give up searching, we will have our four tests in 2021.

All the Best to everyone in the new year for more tracking titles from our Club members.

This year we had the one and only Laura McKay with "Cassie" her Labrador Retriever who earned a UTD ! Congratulations!! **Pinebank, Sundance of Santosha WC JH RN TDX UTD**

The Congratulations card and UTD pin will be mailed.

Submitted by; Marie-P Babin (Club Pres.)

Treasurer's Report

This report was prepared by Anne Whan and presented by Eileen Fisher. (See separate attachment "Copy of 2020 Financial for details).

A motion made by Kathleen Dahmer, seconded by Marg Schneider to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, was approved unanimously.

Membership Report

Prepared and presented by Maryke Warwick. A motion made by Stephanie Dixon and seconded by Connie Gavin to accept the Membership report as presented was passed unanimously.

There were 47 members at the end of 2019, 6 members did not renew for 2020 and 1 new members joined the club for 2020. At of the end of 2020, we have 40 active members and 2 life members.

Test Secretary Report

Prepared and presented by Eileen Fisher. A motion made by Marg Schneider and seconded by Dwyn Tomlinson to accept the Test Secretary report was passed unanimously.

CCTC TEST SECRETARY REPORT FOR 2020

It certainly has been a year like no other!!

With all the concerns emerging at the start of the year, we cancelled our 2 Spring Tests.

As we moved into summer, some dog activities were taking place and we realized that with

tremendous attention to detail in modifying our tests, it would be possible to hold the ones this past Fall.

We began with the Urban Test on October 18 in Whitby.

The draw was held outside Tim Hortons and everyone wore masks.

Marie P-Babin was our judge and we had 2 UTD and 2 UTDX entries.

Our tracklayers for the UTD's were Vivien Brennan and Stephanie McMahon.

These tracks were located at our usual area near the Makita Building.

One dog and handler team were successful.

Congratulations go to Labrador Retriever Pinebank, Sundance of Santosha WC JH RN UTD TDX

She was owner handled by a CCTC member, Laura McKay.

We then moved to a new area for the UTDX's. This is the Whitby Civic Centre,

located on the SW corner of Rossland Road and Garden Street.

The tracklayers were Dwyn Tomlinson and Eileen Fisher.

Both dog/handler teams worked hard but unfortunately no qualifiers this time.

It is a very demanding title to get.

We then held our TD/TDX Test in Clarington on November 08.

Our judge was Jack Wilhelm.

Covid at this time was getting more widespread and we were very fortunate to have Wendy McCullough as our Test Secretary. Her firsthand experience in the medical field was much appreciated.

All bases were covered, from the more extensive paperwork to the basic precautions on test day.

The tracklayers for this test were: Anne Passafiume, Vivien Brennan, Stephanie McMahon and Eileen Fisher. We had 4 lucky TD dog/handler teams which came through an extensive draw. 9 Alternates were waiting in the wings. Congratulations go to Rottweiler, Esmonds Canadian Shield TD He was handled by Kim Oatway, who has been to several of our tests in the past. Moving onto the TDX, we unfortunately, only had room for 1 this year. The tracklayer was Pamela Burns and Maryke Warwick laid the cross track. Congratulations go to Doberman Brio vom Krieghund RA CGN TDX. He was handled by Monica Anthony.

We now turn our optimistic heads to 2021.

We have submitted a full slate of 4 Tests. 2 in the Spring and 2 in the Fall. Mark the weekends on your calendars, as we will be needing tracklayers.

<u>April 18 Urban Test</u>. Judge: Marie P-Babin, Test Secretary Wendy McCullough. Test Superintendent Stephanie McMahon.

<u>May 09 TD/TDX Test</u>. Judge Sandy Briggs, Test Secretary Eileen Fisher Test Superintendent Wendy McCullough

<u>October 17 Urban Test</u>. Judge Marie P-Babin, Test Secretary Dwyn Tomlinson Test Superintendent Stephanie McMahon

November 07 TD/TDX Test. Judge Laura McKay, Test Secretary Sandy Brodie Test Superintendent Stephanie McMahon.

Hopefully, we will be able to complete all of these tests and have an enjoyable year out tracking with our own dogs.

Submitted by Eileen Fisher

Social Report

Prepared and presented by Dorothy Phillips. A motion made by Trisha Budrow and seconded by Stephanie McMahon to approve the Social Report as presented was passed unanimously.

Social Report. 2020

Jan. 2020	Cynthia Thomas	Sympathy - Lexi
Mar. 2020	Maryke Warwick	Get Well - Knee Surgery
Mar. 2020	Jerry Dool	Get Well - Knee Surgery
Mar. 2020	Dorothy Phillips	Sympathy - Zack (Dog)
April 2020	Andrea Thomas	Sympathy - Maya (Dog)
May 2020	Laura Wright	Sympathy - Emma (Dog)
May 2020	Connie Gavin	Sympathy - Her Mom
June 2020	Pamela Burns	Sympathy - Poppy (Dog)
July 2020	Marg Schneider	Get Well
Aug. 2020	Helena Tracz	Get Well
Sept 2020	Sharon Palmer	Get Well
Sept 2020	Annie Khan	Sympathy - Chelsea (Dog)
Oct. 2020	Irene Mullan	Sympathy - Her Sister
Nov. 2020	Sharon Palmer	Sympathy
Nov. 2020	Dorothy Phillips	Sympathy - Turbo (Dog)

Thanks

Dorothy Phillips

Newsletter Report

A motion made by Eileen Fisher and seconded by Stephanie Dixon to accept the Newsletter Report as presented passed unanimously

CCTC Newsletter Report 2020

As we had to deal with 2020 the year of Covid, Maryke Warwick and I still sent out three newsletters but with only a couple of test results since the Spring tests had to be cancelled.

We still managed to fill the pages with updates on what our Club members have been doing during this pandemic.

If you find an interesting article on tracking and you'd like to share it with the membership, please email it to Maryke at <u>maryke5024@gmail.com</u> and send your brags and other news to me at my email address <u>autumwynd@eastlink.ca</u>

Thanks to Connie Gavin for putting them up on the CCTC website.

Newsletter editors; Marie-P Babin and Maryke Warwick

Website Report and Facebook Report

Prepared and presented by Connie Gavin. A motion made by Dwyn Tomlinson and seconded by Adrienne Almay to accept the Website and Facebook reports as presented, passed unanimously.

Visits to CCTC's Website declined this year. The number of views so far this year (8258) are reduced slightly over last year, but the year isn't over yet!

Membership to CCTC's Facebook page continues to grow, and now has 210 members. It has become a good way to communicate test dates and tracklayer requests, as well as posting results of our tests and photos of passing tracking teams.

(See separate attachment for details).

Elections Report

Presented by Maryke Warwick. There were no nominations and the current Executive have agreed to continue in their current positions 2020. A motion made by Adrienne Almay and seconded by Susan Rickwood to accept the Election Report as presented passed unanimously

Marie-P. Babin,PresidentEileen Fisher,Vice PresidentMaryke Warwick,Secretary and Membership DirectorAnne Whan,Treasurer

Old Business

No Old business

New Business

Presented by Wendy McCullough

As secretary for the fall TD/TDX Test I encountered a number of unique challenges.

1. COVID

a) SAFETY

- New Provincial guidelines were enacted just days before the test so extra precautions were taken which required anyone present to complete and certify a Health Screening Questionnaire. Included was a section requiring name and telephone number so that rapid Contact Tracing could be initiated by Public Health in the event of exposure.

- the Questionnaire also included an indemnity waiver to protect the club, landowners and participants

- a notice was posted on the CKC Tracking Facebook page, and entrants were emailed individually with a request that spectators and observers not attend

b) ENTRANTS FROM RED (HIGH RISK) ZONES

- We received two entries from residents of Quebec. At the time travel restrictions were in effect to prevent residents from leaving the Red Zone or the province.

- CKC policy was to "advise all staff, dog event participants and attendees to follow the guidelines provided by the municipal, provincial and federal governments and health authorities....(including) adherence to COVID-19-related travel advisories/restrictions.
- unfortunately, we were unable to accept those two entries

SUGGESTION: Wendy M suggested that the Premium List include a statement such as "CCTC will be following CKC advisories directing clubs to respect COVID-19 Government Health Guidelines including travel advisories and restrictions"

2. NEW CKC ONLINE REGISTRATION

- In December 2019, the CKC introduced the Temporary Competition Number (TCN) and implemented a new self-serve Online Registration procedure for Listed Dogs

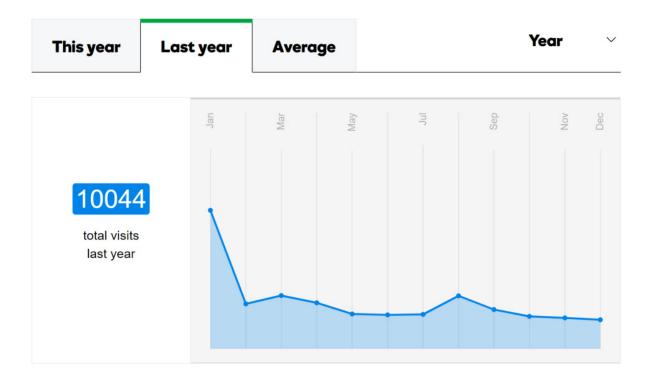
- all owners of unregistered, recognized breeds entering events now require a TCN

- the TCN replaced the former "listed dog" system and now allows dogs to temporarily participate in conformation and performance events while they pursue permanent registration

- in order for a foreign-born dog to be eligible for a TCN they must be registered with a CKC **recognized** Foreign Club or Stud Book - at present the online registration portal allows applicants to select "Other" rather than one of the listed CKC approved foreign clubs so dogs that may not be eligible for registration with CKC can obtain a TCN

CCTC Website





- in events where entries are unlimited, this process may not be a concern, but in tracking where there are a limited number of tracks available, dogs that may not be eligible for CKC registration can take tracking spots to the exclusion of dogs that are duly registered (or registrable) with CKC.

SUGGESTION: Wendy M suggested that owners with dogs with TCNs that were born "elsewhere" (i.e. not in Canada) should be required to confirm that the dog is registered with a CKC approved Foreign Club or Stud Book. If the owner is unable to provide verification/documentation then the entry should be declined.

3. ENTRIES BY EMAIL WITH eTRANSFER

- I received entries via email with requests to submit entry fees with eTransfer

- one entrant sent their entry along with cash because they did not have any bank cheques

- I was wondering if the club had considered accepting electronic entries and eTransfers

- at present we hold cheques until after the draw and destroy or return cheques for those who did not get a place in the test - with eTransfer the funds would be deposited immediately and a refund would have to be offered for applicants who did not get a place in the draw

- I questioned if we could charge a nominal administration fee to cover the cost of sending an eTransfer back to the entrant; however, CKC may not allow an additional administration fee

- could we simply hold the eTransfer and not deposit until after the draw? With some banks there is an additional \$5 fee if the eTransfer is not accepted

- Laura McKay suggested we explore DogShow.ca™ as an online portal for registrations

- DogShow.ca™ charges a fee directly to entrants for using the portal so there would be no cost to the club

- Sandy Brodie has been a Secretary for events that used DogShow.ca™ and states the Test Secretary still retains the ability to accept or decline entries and creating the Catalogue from information received from DogShow.ca™ is much easier.

SUGGESTION: That a sub-committee consisting of all 2021 test secretaries and the Executive explore the feasibility of accepting electronic entries and payments or using DogShow.ca™ to facilitate entries for future tracking tests at CCTC.

a motion was made by Marg Schneider, seconded by Stephanie McMahon to adjourn the meeting was passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned by Eileen Fisher at 9:02 p.m.