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The Albany Kennel Club was founded in 1943, as an affiliate of the American Kennel Club, serving for the greater Albany Area in the State of New York. Their objectives as stated in their constitution and by-laws, Article 1, Section 2, are “(a) to further the advancement of all breeds of pure-bred dogs: (b) to conduct dog shows, obedience trails, rally trails and sanctioned matches under the rules of the American Kennel Club.”

In more recent years, the club has taken the incentive to educate our members and the public about purposely-bred dogs. By the club's definitions, purposely-bred dogs may or may not be pure-bred, but have been bred to be healthy; by health-checked sires & dams; have been whelped in well-suited conditions; and by knowledgeable breeders striving for the well-being of dogs as whole.

With a fairly small kennel club membership that averages around 30 members, the members' interests include a range of conformation, obedience, rally, agility, tracking, rescue, and barn hunt.

The club holds two point shows a year in October at the Eastern State Exposition Center located in West Springfield, MA in conjunction with the Troy Kennel Club. They also host a local fun match in June. The Club is also licensed to conduct AKC Temperament Test. More information can be found within, or by reaching out to a club member.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

**POINT SHOW OCT 23 & 25.
IN NEED OF STEWARDS FOR THOSE
DAYS. PLEASE LET PENNY KNOW ASAP IF
YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP THE CLUB BY
STEWARDSHIP AT OUR POINT SHOW**

NEXT BOARD MEETING NOV 2ND

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PRESIDENT MESSAGE

Hello to the Albany Kennel Club members,

Our point show is going off in October. The Big-E is still requiring liability waivers, which will be including in our Judging program. We need stewards, if you have the time Saturday or Monday please think about volunteering at our point show. Any help is always appreciate! We will provide any volunteers with lunch!

I would also like to thank Lesley Potts for teaching the handling classes on Tuesday throughout this summer. We have had a great turn out the last few weeks of class as the weather turned a little cooler.

We will start having our meetings back inside at the Gateway Dinner, with a Zoom option with anyone still want to partake, but not comfortable going out.

Stay healthy and happy everyone!
Corey Heenan
President



2022 OFFICERS & BOARD CHANGES

A nominating committee was put together due to seven of our board members terms expiring. The committee is:

Don Gillett - Nominating Committee Chair

Lesley Potts

Paul Sargent

Courtney Hynes

Karen Blanchfield

Rosemarie Sylvester

Dona Reis

See below for list of members whose rolls are expiring:

Corey Heenan - President

Penny Kretchmer - Vice President

K C Gottschalk - Secretary

Jeannette O'Hanlon - Treasurer

Calley Rupp-Potts - Director

Dr. Eileen Kaplan - Director

Annie Garwood - Director

All have confirmed they will be running again.



HIGH IN TRIAL

SCENT WORK NOVICE

JOHN O'HANLON AND RUNE (SCHABER'S WHEN THE LAST RUNE IS CAST@ ONE STONE RI AXP OJP NFP CGC TKI) WENT HIGH IN TRIAL NOVICE AT THEIR FIRST SCENT WORK TRIAL HELD AT SUNY COBLE SKILL.

CRICKET, (AT LEFT, MACH ESOTERIC'S TACOMA THIRD TIME'S A CHARM CDX BN RE FDC MX MXB MXJ MJS XF CA SWN SEA SEI SCA TT THDN RATO CGCA TKA) FINISHED HER SCENT WORK CONTAINER ADVANCED AND INTERIOR ADVANCED TITLES. JEANNETTE AND LILAH, (IN MIDDLE, ESOTERIC'S ALAINN LILAH CD BN RI MX MXB MXJ MJB XF SWAE SIEE SC EE SEE SBA SHDN RATO CGCA TKA) EARNED HER SW CONTAINER EXCELLENT ELITE & INTERIOR EXCELLENT ELITE TITLES, AND EARNED HER FIRST TWO MASTER LEGS IN INTERIOR.



MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS QUESTIONNAIRE

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE FEATURED IN OUR MEMBER HIGHLIGHT YOU CAN EITHER FILL OUT THIS FOLLOWING FORM OR WRITE YOUR OWN BIO AND SEND IT IN TO THE EDITOR AT (RUPPCALLEY@GMAIL.COM).

Name: _____ Kennel Name: _____

Breed(s): _____

What do you do, or plan to do, with your dogs? (Breed, handle, obedience, rally, conformation etc...)

How long have you been in dogs? _____

How did you get started? _____

How long have you been a member of Albany Kennel? Have you played a role in the club? If so what years?

What made you join the Albany Kennel Club?

What other clubs are you are member of? Any roles in those clubs whether current or previously held?

What do you feel like is your biggest win/accomplishment in the sport or your breeding program?

What is your best memory with your dogs that may not be associated with a win?

Where do you want to go from here with your sport/breed?

What is a fun fact about you that you would like to share with the fancy?

Tell us a little about yourself away from the dogs:

Please Include 3-5 photos of you and/or your dogs.

6 FUN FACTS ABOUT THE BIEWER TERRIER

BY JAN REISEN

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The Biewer Terrier is the newest breed to be recognized by the AKC. And a welcome addition he is! Standing less than a foot tall and weighing in at four to eight pounds, he's a tiny bundle of devotion and charm.

1. WHAT'S IN A NAME?

First, let's get the pronunciation right. Biewer is pronounced like the little animal that builds dams: beaver. The name comes from the original breeders, Gertrud and Werner Biewer, German breeders of Yorkshire Terriers. And, in spite of being a terrier, the breed belongs to the Toy Group.

2. THE FIRST BIEWER TERRIER WAS A BIT OF A SURPRISE.

In 1984, one of the Biewer's Yorkies gave birth

to a gold, blue, and white puppy. This rare puppy was the very first of what would become an entirely new breed. She possessed a rare recessive piebald gene, not often found in Yorkshire Terriers.

3. THE BREED IS KNOWN FOR ANOTHER "FIRST."

It wasn't until 2007 that a Mars Veterinary lab conducted a study to determine if the Biewer Terrier was a type of Yorkshire Terrier or a pure breed of its own. Using ten blood samples, the lab determined that this tri-colored dog was indeed purebred. It was the first time that a scientific genetic study was used to determine whether a breed was "purebred" rather than using the traditional route of pedigree documentation.

4. A BIEWER TERRIER'S MAIN JOB IN LIFE IS TO BE A COMPANION.

They're charming and devoted, with a happy-go-lucky spirit that makes them especially endearing. It takes a cold heart indeed to resist the Biewer's mellow, playful, and easy-going personality.

5. DON'T BE FOOLED BY THEIR TINY STATURE.

Despite their minuscule size, Biewer Terriers are athletic and hearty dogs. They love walks and lots of playtime with their human family. Take your Biewer on hikes, play endless games of hide-and-seek, or even try agility.

6. ALONG WITH THEIR OTHER WINNING TRAITS, BIEWER TERRIERS ARE ELEGANT.

Their silky, long coat parts in the middle and flows straight down the body, while their plumed tail arches over their back. The pattern of the Biewer Terrier's unique tri-color coat of black, tan, and white varies from dog to dog, with no one pattern dominating. And to literally top it off, there's that signature ponytail.



POINT SHOW

• The Albany Kennel Club will be holding its yearly Point Show in conjunction with Troy Kennel Club on October 23th, 24th, and 25th in the Better Living Center at The Big E. Troy will be Sunday the 24th with Albany on the Saturday the 23rd and Monday the 25th.

• Show chairs Penny Kretchmer and Don Gillett report that all is on track. Please contact Penny or Don if you wish to lend a hand as a volunteer. They have many volunteer opportunities for you!!

• Going to say it again, if you have the time please volunteer as a steward!

• Trap Falls Kennel Club will be holding obedience trails and rally trails Saturday the 23rd and Sunday the 24th.

• Temperament Testing will be a feature of the show.

• Come join us for some leaf peeping!

• For more information and to make entries please visit infodog.com

LAST TEN YEARS OF BEST IN SHOW AT ALBANY KENNEL CLUB

Oct 18 & 17, 2020	Pekingese	GCH Pequest Wasabi
Oct 19, 2019	Old English Sheepdog	GChG Bagatelle Moon Light Drive
Oct 18, 2019	Schipperkes	Ch Rivendel's Barefoot Bandit
Oct 20, 2018	Wire Fox Terrier	Irvonhill Voignier
Oct 19, 2018	English Setter	Ch Sevenoaks Lady Penelop
Oct 21, 2017	Wire Fox Terrier	GCh Foxhaus Catching Fire at Foxhollow
Oct 20, 2017	Giant Schauzer	GCh Ingebar's Tynan Dances With Wildflowers
Oct 22, 2016	Flat-Coated Retriever	GChB Fishercreeks Gold, Frankincense & Myrrh RN BN CGCA
Oct 21, 2016	Lhasa Apsos	Ch Hope-Full's Honey Kist Houdini
Oct 17 & 16, 2015	Whippet	GCh Sporting Fields Shameless
Oct 18, 2014	15" Beagle	Ch Tashtins Lookin For Trouble
Oct 17, 2014	Scottish Terrier	GCh McVan's To Russia With Love
Oct 19, 2013	Norfolk Terrier	GCh Yarrow Venerie Ticket To Ride
Oct 18, 2013	Great Dane	GCh MJM's Hi-Air All Eyes On Me
Oct 20, 2012	Irish Water Spaniel	GCh Whistlestop's Riley On Fire
Oct 19, 2012	Tibetan Spaniel	GCh Kan Sing's Tenzin
Oct 22, 2011	Pugs	GCh Foursquare I'll Be A Shostopa Tu
Oct 21, 2011	Bearded Collies	Ch Tolkien Taintree Mister Baggins

THE ALBANY KENNEL CLUB WILL BE HOSTING

AKC TEMPERAMENT TESTS



On Saturday, October 23 & Sunday, October 24, 2021 in conjunction with the Albany Kennel Club & Troy Kennel Club

Entries will be taken starting at 9:00 A.M. each day of the tests.

Testing will begin at 10:00 A.M. and will run all day.

Entry fee: \$20.00

Evaluators:

Saturday - John O'Hanlon, #107161

Sunday - Jeannette O'Hanlon, #107145

Test Chair - Corey Heenan Test Secretary - K.C. Gottschalk

WHY TAKE THE AKC TEMPERAMENT TEST?

The AKC Temperament Test can provide you with interesting information about your dog's temperament. For purebred dogs, there is a national parent club for every AKC recognized breed. Each breed's national parent club has a written breed standard that includes information on the breed's temperament.

Taking the ATT allows you, the dog's owner, to determine how close your purebred dog's temperament is to the breed standard. For mixed breed dogs, taking the ATT may provide the dog owner with insight about the temperament of an individual dog.

The ATT provides information about a dog's reactions to a variety of stimuli. Stimuli are basically any object or event that can be detected by an animal's senses. Examples of stimuli are sounds, smells, touches, and objects that the animal sees.

ATT testing can identify behaviors related to temperament that can be addressed through training.

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For more information about the ATT please visit akc.org/akctemptest/



HOW TO KEEP YOUR DOG COMFORTABLE DURING CAR RIDES

BY STEPHANIE GIBEAULT, MSC, CPDT

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Some dogs love riding in the car. It's their ticket to adventure and time with their beloved humans. But for other dogs, traveling is a source of motion sickness and/or anxiety. No matter which camp your dog falls into, there will be times you need to take them on the road with you, whether it's to the vet, visiting family, or going on vacation. Along with keeping your dog safe in the car, be sure the experience is enjoyable and stress-free too. The following tips will help ensure your dog is comfortable during car rides.

PLAN MEALTIMES

Taking your dog on a car ride when they have a full stomach is a bad idea. Even a short trip in the car can cause motion sickness and lead to your dog vomiting. That's a big mess to clean up. Plus, you can't focus on caring for your dog and watching the road at the same time. To avoid messes and help prevent car sickness, don't feed your dog right before you head out. Instead, schedule your dog's feeding several hours ahead of your departure. If you have to stop along the way for a meal break, plan as

much time as you can between feeding your dog and getting back on the road.

EXERCISE YOUR DOG

The best doggie passenger is a tired one. Rather than putting your dog in the car while they are bursting with energy, let them burn some of that off beforehand. Otherwise, they might have a hard time settling down and become a nuisance while you drive. Before you leave, take your dog for a walk to tire them mentally and physically. Or play fetch, tug-of-war, or other vigorous games. If your dog is pooped when they get in the car, they are far more likely to sleep through the trip.

TAKE SHORT PLEASANT TRIPS

If your dog's only road trips are to the vet's office or groomer, it's likely they will form negative feelings about the car. Because those destinations can be stressful, your dog will link that stress with the journey. On the other hand, if your dog also gets trips to the dog park, beach, or training classes, they will associate the car with fun. So, make sure you include lots

of short rides to exciting destinations as part of your dog's socialization and training. If your dog is new to riding in the car, take your initial trips with a helper who can sit with your dog and distract them with cuddles and toys.

SCHEDULE WATER AND POTTY BREAKS

Don't expect your dog to go for long car rides without water. Carry fresh, clean water and a portable dish so you can offer your dog a drink every so often. But if your dog is drinking, they will need potty breaks too. Stop every few hours to give your dog a chance to go. Plan your route so there are appropriate rest stops along the journey and don't forget the poop bags.

PROVIDE COMFORT ITEMS

Particularly on long drives, it can be helpful to bring your dog's blanket or favorite toy along. The smell of the familiar will comfort your dog while they travel someplace new or far away. Toys can also be a great distraction. They give your dog something to do besides barking out the window or whining at you. Chew toys are a good choice for occupying your dog for a substantial length of time. You can also select a special toy your dog only gets in the car. That will ensure maximum interest and help your dog associate the car with good things.

TREAT MOTION SICKNESS AND ANXIETY

Most puppies grow out of motion sickness, and even for adult dogs, plenty of short, pleasant trips can help them get used to the experience.

But if your dog gets car sick, speak to your vet about medications that prevent nausea.

It's important to treat anxiety in the car as well. There are several natural remedies such as flower essences or calming treats you can try. Calming pheromones can also be incredibly helpful. These mimic the scent of a nursing mother dog and put even adult dogs at ease. Simply spray some on your dog's blanket, in their crate, or on a bandanna tied around their neck. Or try a pheromone collar. You can also try a pressure wrap to reduce your dog's unease. These are tight shirts that provide constant, gentle pressure. Finally, your vet can supply medication to relax your dog if necessary.

ADDITIONAL TIPS FOR COMFORT

The following additional tips will help your dog enjoy car rides:

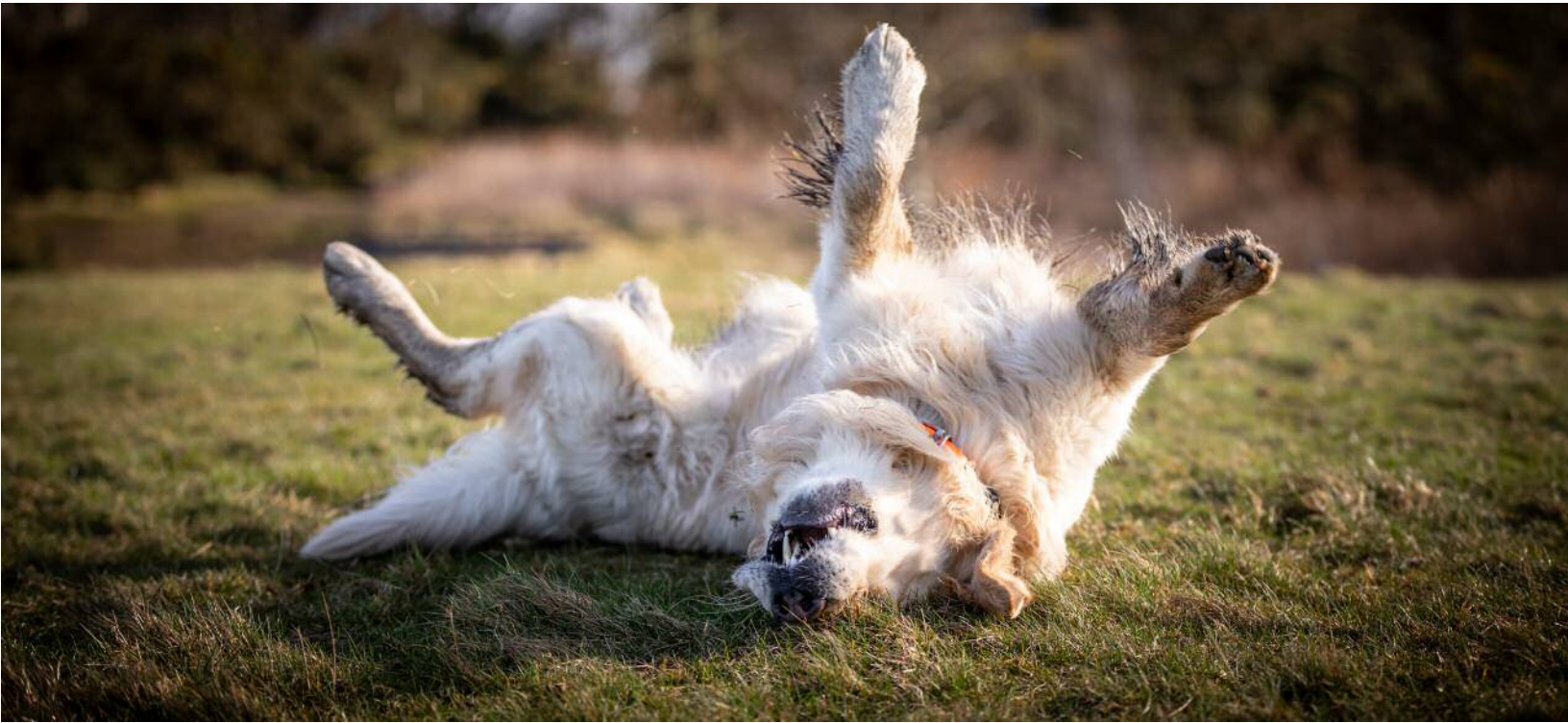
- Play relaxing music at a low volume. Most dogs sleep more with classical over heavy metal, but experiment to see what style settles your dog most.
- If your dog rides in a crate, try different locations to see if one suits your dog better. You can also experiment with covering the crate or leaving it uncovered.
- Place your dog in a forward-facing position if they use a booster seat or a seatbelt harness. Just like humans, seeing where they're going rather than where they've been can help with tummy troubles.
- Keep the temperature in the car comfortable for your dog.



7 PLACES TO LOOK FOR TICKS ON YOUR DOG

BY HARRIET MEYERS

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Ticks are a problem for dogs (and for humans) throughout the United States during all seasons of the year. When temperatures rise, and you and your dog are spending more time outside, these bloodsucking pests become a larger threat. Ticks sit themselves on tall grasses and shrubs, waiting for your dog to walk by, so they can attach themselves to him.

Tick prevention should be taken seriously, and not just because these arachnids make many people squeamish — ticks actually carry quite a few deadly diseases. Some of these diseases have no cure, so being diligent in checking for and removing ticks is important.

Talk with your veterinarian before using any medication geared toward preventing ticks because the age and breed of your dog, and your location and habits will determine what will work best.

BE PREPARED

Veterinarians recommend that the best

defense is a good offense – and that you thoroughly check your dog for ticks as soon as you return from outside. Carefully run your hands all over your dog to search for small bumps.

You don't have to take your dog to the vet if you find a tick on him – as long as you know how to safely remove the whole tick, including the head, with fine-point tweezers or a specially designed tick removal hook.

“If the tick has been attached for about 48 hours, it can transmit a disease, such as Lyme disease, or cause an infection, so that's why you should check your dog and yourself as soon as you get inside,” says Dr. Jerry Klein, AKC chief veterinary officer. “Do watch your dog for changes in behavior – lack of appetite, low energy, joint pain – and if the dog shows signs of being ill, make an appointment with your veterinarian.”

Ticks can be tricky to find on your dog, so here are seven places you should be sure to check:

1. HEAD AND EARS

Dogs are curious creatures, sticking their heads into everything, so it's not uncommon for ticks to find their way onto the head and into a dog's ears. With so many crevices and hiding places, the ears make a perfect home for a hungry tick. When checking your dog, make sure to look on the outside of the ears and also deep into the ear, because the ticks can get attached and go unnoticed for a long time. If your dog is shaking his head and scratching at his ear, it's a sure sign that something is off, and you'll want to take a look.

2. TOES

Since ticks hide in places where they won't be found, crawling in-between your dog's toes and attaching there is a common occurrence. You can find them in-between the toes or even on the bottom of the foot near the pads. If you notice your dog licking or chewing his feet, there might be something bothering him, and that something could be a tick.

3. TAIL

Ticks like dark, moist areas, so the underside of the tail makes a great home. Since most owners aren't regularly checking the underside of the dog's tail, especially near the base, a tick can go unnoticed for quite some time. If your dog has thick fur, you'll want to make sure to comb through it and search thoroughly. A fine comb will likely catch a tick that's attached itself under the tail.

4. GROIN

Most dog owners aren't keen on checking their dog's genital regions. However, this area is another dark, moist region on the body that ticks really like hanging around in. Ticks can become attached and stay hidden by the dog's coat and tail for a long time.

5. EYELIDS

A lot of ticks go unnoticed near the eyelids because they're mistaken for skin tags or eye discharge. Unfortunately, by the time many owners realize there is a tick on

their dog's eyelid, the tick has been attached for quite a while. This isn't ideal, because the longer a tick stays attached, the more likely transmission of disease is to occur.

6. UNDER THE COLLAR

Many dogs rarely have their collars taken off, and with good reason — it's important to keep proper identification on your dog at all times. Ticks can become attached underneath your dog's collar without anyone noticing, usually until the tick is large enough to be seen — which means it's been there for a while. Sometimes, removing and checking the collar itself will prevent a tick from attaching if it's just crawling around underneath. Whatever the case, removing the collar to do a thorough check for ticks is important.

7. ARMPITS

Another common place for ticks to attach is high up where the dog's front legs meet his body — what we would call the armpit region. It's a nice dark area where it's difficult for the dog to reach or for you to see.



HANDLING CLASSES WRAP UP

Throughout this summer Albany Kennel Club held a handling Lesson every Tuesday at the Henry Hudson Park in Selkirk, NY. We would like to give a thank you to Lesley Potts for teaching those classes. Also thank you to Calley Rupp and Corey Heenan for substituting when needed.

The club made a little bit of money and everyone had a great time learning, but most importantly the dogs had fun! We look forward to hopefully continuing it next summer.



See you All Next Year!

UP COMING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

ALBANY KENNEL CLUB MEETINGS TAKE PLACE ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00 PM AT THE GATEWAY DINER.

***November 2, 2021**

December 7, 2021

No January Meeting

***February 1, 2022**

March 1, 2022

*Board Meeting takes place immediately prior to the membership meeting

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HYBRID UNTIL WE CAN HAVE OUTDOOR MEETINGS OR THE THREAT OF THE CORONA VIRUS IS MITIGATED.

COMING UP...

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

As of the October meeting, we will be back at the Gateway Dinner due to the weather turning chilly.

November's meeting is a combination Board and member meeting.

The option to ZOOM will be available as well!

MATCH SHOW

The Albany Kennel Club will be having its Match Show at the Henry Hudson Park. Date to be determined.



ALBANY KENNEL CLUB TROPHY PLEDGE

___ FRIDAY OCTOBER 15, 2021

___ SATURDAY OCTOBER 16, 2021

BREED _____

CLASS _____

TROPHY DESCRIPTION _____

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

It is agreed there are no verbal understandings in any way part of this pledge. It is further agreed that in the event the undersigned does not provide the above described trophy in sufficient time to be presented at the above named show(s), the named club has the right to substitute a trophy of equal value or description and bill the undersigned.

SIGNED _____

DATE _____



NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Hello to my fellow members!

If you have the time I strongly encourage you to fill out the member highlight questionnaire (on page 4). It will help me with some content for the tattletail and will let the other members know a little bit more about you. I would love to also see more brags! No need to be humble here! As always an edition content or commentary will be helpful!

Remain *paws-itive*!
Calley
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