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## **Letter from the President**

It has been so nice to see BRC training friends at our club training series this spring. Lots of catching up from over the winter, conversation about new puppies, training goals and campaign plans for the year. We were fortunate to have enjoyed some of the best weather ever for early spring outings. No snow, always a bonus in March, but we beat the rain every training weekend while we ran our dogs. I want thank Ken Hrabak, Austin Obermeyer, Bob Samios and Mike Garrity for volunteering to lead different days of our spring club training series this year. And, I also want to thank everyone who pitched in to make it happen by helping with equipment, making sure we had birds and taking a turn in a gun station. Together, we have had some enjoyable Sundays with our dogs.

In preparation to kick off our testing season at the Nursery, we had about 20 energetic members bring helping hands and their equipment to our annual cleanup day. The willow that fell late winter at the end of Pond 7 met with a chainsaw, and then provided fuel for the burn pile. In addition, quite a bit of brush was cleared and hauled to different piles either for burning or chipping. The ponds were treated to control algae and unwanted vegetation growth. Marilyn Richards and Vonnie Peterson worked the grill and cooked us burgers and brats. After lunch, and a Twinkie, Joe Weimer set up a nice series in the master field for our afternoon of training. Big thanks to Joe Ricuprio and Shannon Black for the all the preparation work on the property and organizing the entire day.

The grounds are now ready for a first cut mowing, which should be completed by the time you receive this letter. The brush around the ponds will be cut back shortly after mowing is complete.

We continue to invest in and refresh our equipment. This year, recognizing we regularly have quite a number of people gathered at the Nursery for tests, we upgraded our first aid kit by adding a Phisio-Control Lifepak Express AED. The device is similar to the type found in public areas such as schools or airports, and designed to be simple to use. During events, it will be stored in the equipment trailer. Thank you to Len Nowak for agreeing keep the AED at his place so we are not storing it the fluctuating temperatures of the equipment trailer between events. Enjoy the season,  
Cyndi

## **Hello Everyone!**

Summer is around the corner! With it come all kinds of wonderful critters like TICKS and Fleas. Having been treated for Lyme disease, I can tell you it's not a pleasant experience. And, you don't always get a rash or ring.

Be informed, here are a couple of articles to keep you scratching and itching:

<https://www.cdc.gov/ticks/diseases/>

<http://wnep.com/2017/05/17/experts-warn-of-increases-in-potentially-deadly-tick-borne-powassan-virus/>

Now, how to protect your dogs:

<http://www.drsofostersmith.com/pic/article.cfm?aid=61>

<http://www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/natural-solutions-tick-season/>

### **Upcoming Events**

Don't forget to sign-up for our AKC Judges Seminar August 5 – 6, 2017. Click here for a PDF.

You all should have received a calendar of events. It's on our website [www.buckeyeretrieverclub.com](http://www.buckeyeretrieverclub.com). You can also email Ken Hrabek [kfhrabak@aol.com](mailto:kfhrabak@aol.com) and he will be happy to send you one.

Lot's of exciting things coming up:

June 10 - 11, 2017 - Cuyahoga Valley Golden Retriever Club Spring AKC Hunt Test

June 17 – 18, 2017 - Buckeye Retriever Club Spring AKC Hunt Test

June 24 – 25, 2017 – Greater Pittsburgh Labrador Retriever Club AKC Hunt Test

July 8 – 9, 2017 - Curly Coated Retriever Club AKC Hunt Test

Please note the Nursery will be closed for training event weekends.

### **Spring Hunt Test News!**

Our BRC Spring Hunt Test on June 17 & 18, 2017 is scheduled to open soon on Entry Express.

Our judges are in place and we are in the process of finalizing the last minute details. As always with these events we are looking for Club Member support, if you can, please volunteer to help out, we need marshals, test dogs, bird hangers, blind planters, bird throwers, and folks to move equipment. Please contact Bill Skeels @ 330-360-4520 or [skeels@fairpoint.net](mailto:skeels@fairpoint.net) to volunteer your help.

### **Welcome New Members!**

Patty Depp, Pittsburg, PA

Don and Karen Smith, Johnstown, OH

Ryan Drake, Auburn Twp, OH

Chris May, Austintown, OH

Lance Wildman, Warren, OH

### **Black and Yellow Male Puppies Available!**

Sally Koepke whelped 11 puppies on May 28. She has three yellow males and one black male available out of Carronade's Kismet, CC x FC AFC Mulligan Off the Rainy T, available and ready June 28, 2017. This repeat breeding has already produced two Senior Hunter titles at the age of 1, getting ready to run Master before the age of 2. Derby Jam and two are in field trial training that will break loose in the Derby this summer. All Clearances, Hips, Eyes, Elbows, EIC and CNM. Contact Sally for the pedigree and details. 440-564-9702.

## **Braggs**

Congrats to the following members.

Mike Garrity – Abbi – Open 3rd at Wisconsin Amateur

Clint Weitzel – Derby – Karma 4th, Mags JAM

Qualifying – Mav a 2nd and 3rd , Rudder JAM

Pat Daly – Blue - Junior Hunter title

Please send your info to [skoepke@momsgourmet.net](mailto:skoepke@momsgourmet.net) so we can all share your success.

Please limit your content to 50 words. Also, if you are sending a picture, please be sure its low resolution, 72 dpi.

## **Officers:**

President – Cyndi Poveda

Vice President – Sally Koepke

Secretary – Tim Dailey

Treasurer – Bill Skeels

## **Board of Directors:**

Cyndi Poveda, Sally Koepke, Tim Dailey, Bill Skeels, Mike McFarland, Len Nowak, Joe Ricupero, Ken Hrabek, Shannon Black, Jim Buckley, and Joe Wiemer

## **Into the Outdoors?**

For the Outdoor Enthusiast – Sunday's 7 to 10 a.m. 1420 am radio, "Inside the Great Outdoors". Fishing, hunting, veterinarian tips, food, trapping, foraging, etc. They also have a Facebook Group and Page; Podcasts can be downloaded for future listening.

See you in the field!

Sally