

Susquehanna Trail Dog Training Club June 2025



Old Friends

by Connie Cuff

Every dog who barks has a reason for it. Barking depends on who our dog is as well as the environment he is in. Causes which seem to be nothing:

Sounds not audible to humans. Dogs have more astute hearing and things we cannot hear.

Smells that their sensitive noses detect. If you cannot detect the source a verbal "it's nothing" may work.

Boredom and attention seeking. This can be physical and mental - age, activity level, intelligence, health and

fitness needs one taken into consideration. The higher energy the dog, the more mental stimulation they need - just taking for a walk may be needed.

Desire, something they want - check if something they want may be hid or moved (under the couch).

Anxiety - barking at night, especially older dogs that may be losing their sight.

You can speak to your dog in a regular tone of voice and let them know what is going on.

Saying, "It's Nothing", "You're fine" (using for vehicles with sirens, a delivery person, a passing vehicle).

So before you exclaim, "why is my dog barking at nothing", put your detective hat on and work on the "it's nothing" cue and let your dog know everything is fine.

Till next time,

Connie



Notes and Notices



It will be nice to be outside with our move to the Shikellamy State Park Marina on Tuesday, June 3rd with Advanced at 6pm and Beginners at 7pm.

Please check our web site and emails for cancellations due to weather conditions.

Tracy will begin a Star Puppy Class, Tuesday, June 3rd. If anyone may be interested in joining the class, please notify us. Those that have completed the Star Puppy Class are welcome to join the Beginner group.

Congratulations to *Jonathan and Audrey Hayes* on their wedding and *Finn* who did a great job that day.

Our sympathies to *Jule, Rick and Allie Focht* for the loss of their Therapy dog *Lucy,* a Shiba Inn and also to *Janice and Steve Renock* for the loss of their Lab, *Hank*.

Thanks to everyone who continues to support our Therapy visits. Dogs continue to bring joy to everyone they see.

A monthly list of our visits may be found on the web site by clicking on "calendar".

UPCOMING THERAPY VISITS AND CLUB ACTIVITIES

June 3 (Tues)	Classes begin at the Shikellamy State Park Marina	Advanced 6:00pm Beginners 7:00 pm
June 4 (Wed)	Heritage Springs Buffalo Valley	10:00 am 10:45 am
June 6 (Fri)	Special Olympics @ PSU (ATD only)	11:00 am - 3:00 pm
June 10 (Tues)	Lewisburg Federal Prison RDAP (Badged only)	12:00 pm
June 11 (Wed)	Riverwoods Bucknell (ATD only) outside @ Uphill Langone Center	10:00 am 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
June 12 (Thur)	Mt. View Manor	1:30 pm
June 15 (Sun)	Happy Father's Day!	
June 16 (Mon)	Summer Program Chief Shikellamy (ATD only)	10:00 am
June 17 (Tues)	Summer Program Shikellamy Middle School (ATD only)	10:00 am
June 18 (Wed)	Heritage Springs Buffalo Valley	10:00 am 10:45 am
June 19 (Thurs)	Allenwood Prison Children's Day @ Low (Badged or NCIC) 8:30 am - 11:30 am
June 23 (Mon)	Nottingham Village Heather Court Memory Care	6:00 pm
June 24 (Tues)	West Snyder Elementary (ATD only()	9:30 am
June 25 (Wed)	Riverwoods	10:00 am
June 30 (Mon)	Bucknell University @ Uptown (ATD only)	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

