

# Blues News

BLUE RIDGE  
DOG TRAINING  
CLUB, INC.



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## Christmas Auction & Dinner

Our Christmas dinner & auction is just weeks away. **I'm hoping that you're looking in those drawers, closets, attic, basement & garage for those treasures you would like to share.** Doggie items, breed related or not are popular.

No used clothing please! This is a good time to get a head start on the Christmas shopping for friends & family (both two & four legged).

**Don't think you can't afford to come. You can't afford not to grab that change jar.** Everything starts at a whopping \$1.00 & goes up.

**It's the best time ever & our biggest fund raiser.** Santa & his helpers will be auctioning off the goodies. Start looking for those favorite family recipes to share. The Club brings the meat & drinks. So mark your calendar & get ready to have a great time.

Where? Bernie Thompson Training Center

When? December 8

Time? 6 pm until the last item is sold

We will be voting on Officers and the Gaines Award. Dues will be collected



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# "Thank You!"

I would like to give a huge thanks to all of the club members who helped out at our obedience and rally trials this past weekend. They were an amazing success. Obedience filled both days and had a wait list and rally was almost full with 59 runs out of a possible 60.

We had 10 club members come out and help clean the turf and move equipment on Monday evening then everyone who worked and competed stayed on Sunday after the trial and moved everything back. Thanks to all of you.

Special thanks goes to our trial committee- Scotti Slonaker who was the trial chair and worked the judge's table all weekend, Jan Burgan our trophy chair who had all the ribbons and prizes in order and ready, Gina Blevins a new member and obedience competitor who took on the job of obedience steward wrangler and aced it (like her dog Tex and his UDX), Connie and Gary Fisher who were the rally steward wranglers, Colleen Nolan who made sure everyone had plenty of good food to eat and Ed Strawsnyder who kept the grounds and poop stations under control.

So many club members helped out (I don't think Holly Rich even went home for 3 days) and the exhibitors appreciated all the efforts. We even had a few competitors help out.

Thanks to all who made this event possible. Without the support of club members we could not put on our trials.

Donna Richardson

Donna, you are the best!! Thank you for keeping us all in line! Jan

I would like to thank BRDTC, the show committee and all the volunteers for the Rally Trial this past Friday. While we made the decision not to chance slippery roads for the am trial we did make it up there for the afternoon trial. We always enjoy the trials you host. They are very well run and we look forward to them in our trial schedule. I appreciate the generosity for the High Combined award which was an unexpected and pleasant surprise.

Please share this with your club and other officers.

Regards,  
Julie

I second, third and fourth that; I know first hand how truly valuable Donna R is!!!!!! Scotti

Special thank you to you Donna. You were there all weekend guiding everyone; you were there for lots of the prep as well. Our obedience/rally trials wouldn't happen without you!!!

Marty



# WHY SOME MEN HAVE DOGS INSTEAD OF WIVES!

1. The later you are, the more excited your dogs are to see you.
2. Dogs don't notice if you call them by another dog's name.
3. Dogs like it if you leave a lot of things on the floor.
4. A dog's parents never visit.
5. Dogs agree that you have to raise your voice to get your point across.
6. You never have to wait for a dog; they're ready to go 24 hours a day.
7. Dogs find you amusing when you're drunk.
8. Dogs like to go hunting and fishing.
9. A dog will not wake you up at night to ask, "If I died, would you get another dog?"
10. If a dog has babies, you can put an ad in the paper and give them away.
11. A dog will let you put a studded collar on it without calling you a pervert.
12. If a dog smells another dog on you, they don't get mad. They just think it's interesting.
13. Dogs like to ride in the back of a pickup truck.
14. If a dog leaves, it won't take half of your stuff.

To test this theory:

Lock your wife and your dog in the garage for an hour. Then open the garage and see who's happy to see you!



## Picture Of the Month



**“HAPPY**  
Thanksgiving  
The  
Marino  
Kids



### ***Rainbow Bridge***

*If you have a special someone you want to be on the Rainbow Bridge page please e-mail me a picture and a brief write up.*

*Rainbow Bridge will appear in the January Newsletter.*

### **Beefy Christmas Trees**

- 1 Cup of Rice Flour
- 4 teaspoonfuls of Powered Wheat Grass
- ½ Cup of Coconut Flour
- 1 Egg
- 2 small Jars of Beef & Beef Gravy Baby Food

- 2 Tblsp of Dried Parsley
- 2 Tblsp of Bacon Fat
- 2 Tblsp of Water

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Combine all ingredients. If dough too sticky add more flour, if too dry add more water. Roll out dough and cut into Christmas trees!!! Bake on parchment paper for about 20-25 minutes until desired crispness. Wheat Grass is believed to have anti-inflammatory properties, anti-cancer properties, be a good detox agent for the body, and is full



## "WAGS & BRAGS"



Then Jack was The Star and went Select Dog, over 11 other dog specials for his first Grand Champion major! We also won Best of Breed Owner Handler and went on to get Group 2 in the NOHS group!

**Margaret Bissell**



We braved cold and wet during the Thanksgiving weekend to go to the PVSC FASTCAT trial at White Post. On Friday, Carmine earned his BCAT title. After running in the rain on Saturday, we also decided to give the **AKC COMMUNITY CANINE TEST (Advanced Canine Good Citizen)** a try and he earned that as well.

Thanks to the PVSC for a great trial!

Susan Brogan and Carmine



Ed's dog Skye, posing with some training buddies (He looks like he is grinning, so cute.)



## “More Brags!”



Thanksgiving and a road trip (to the beach, staying at Becky Gregory's place!

Lisa Marino



And Russell earned his first CDX leg on Sunday! Russell earned his RA at the BRDTC rally trial on Friday!

Lisa Marino



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**WHAT'S HAPPENING**

Aug 5-7 akc Obedience & Rally trial  
Nov 18-20 obedience trial  
Dec. 2-4 akc agility trial

month a visit to the  
nursing homes

Envoy 2nd & 4th Monday 11am  
Spring Arbor 2nd & 4th Tuesday  
1 pm  
Hill Top 2nd & 4th Friday 10:45 am



*December 8  
6 pm  
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