

BIRDS & BUMPERS

NEWSLETTER OF THE KEYSTONE RETRIEVER CLUB

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KRC WEBSITE

keystoneretrieverclub.org

Visit our website to sign-up for Club training days, renew membership on-line, get membership application, get directions to training day locations, view by-laws, order merchandise, and much more.

KRC FACEBOOK

Be sure to check out our Facebook page and like us to follow along.

NEWSLETTER

Please share any awards or titles your dogs may have earned or any articles or photos you feel should be shared.

Send to Shari Davis @ sharidavis.krc@gmail.com

KEYSTONE MEMBERS CELEBRATE AT ANNUAL BANQUET

About 40 members and spouses attended the KRC Annual banquet and membership meeting on Saturday January 18 at Pheasant Run Farm B&B. We enjoyed a social hour short business meeting, buffet dinner and auction.

- Highlights of the business meeting included the election of 3 new members to the Board, Megan Baker, Bill Braungard and Shari Davis will serve as Secretary.
- We thank Cori Saltzer, Tom Lehr, and Linda Apuzzo for their service the past 2 years.
- Progress on our goals for 2024 were reviewed as well as establishing Club goals for 2025
- We are in the process of refreshing our website and adding some additional functions for our members. Look for more on this as we head into the Spring.
- April Senseney was awarded the Byrd Award for her unparalleled contributions to the Club and Jonny Gainer was awarded the Handler of The Year award for his accomplishments with Ruby.
- All those who earned titles on their dogs this year were recognized with certificated and pins. KRC members had a tremendously successful year in the hunt test world.
- Many members brought fantastic items to be auctioned off which raised money for the Club.



SHOUT OUT

BIG thanks to Margaret Brady-Ulmer for keeping the club's Facebook page fresh with new and interesting posts. Make sure you go and "like" our page to follow along!

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PHOTOS

If you see a photo of your pup in the newsletter and would like it sent to you, shoot an email to sharidavis.krc@gmail.com. <u>MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL</u> - As a reminder, January is membership renewal month - \$30 for single and \$35 for a family. You can renew on-line under memberships by completing the application and paying via PayPal OR you can print the application from the website, complete it and send it directly with your payment to April Senseney, 277 Bluff View Dr, Lancaster, Pa 17601

<u>MERCHANDISE</u> - as a reminder we do have Club merchandise and Avery bumpers available for sale. We expect to be featuring sweatshirts and long sleeve t shirts now that we are in the winter months. Contact Margaret Ulmer directly at sundoglabs@gmail.com.

<u>UPCOMING TRAINING DAY</u> - Our next scheduled CLUB TRAINING will be Sunday February 16 Franklintown Pa state gamelans. Register via the website.

<u>FARM SHOW DEMONSTRATION</u> - Members Tony Tezak, April Senseney, Chris Patterson, Bill Braungard and Joe Lescisko represented KRC at the PA State Farm Show on Friday January 10. They showed off some retrieving skills and then did a "Meet and Greet" session open to the public. Their presentation was very well received and yielded many positive comments.

The CLUB NEEDS YOU !!!-

Club Secretary -We are in need of a person to permanently fill the position of Club Secretary. We are very fortunate and thankful that Shari Davis agreed to step in to fill the vacancy until we get a permanent replacement. If you have any interest please contact Warren at 717-524-9780.

<u>Website maintenance</u> -As mentioned above, we are in the process of making some changes to our website. We absolutely need 2 to 3 people to learn how to maintained and update the information on the website. We will provide the training but we need a couple people with some comfort level with a

computer - not an IT professional level - to help keep the site current. We do not expect this to take a lot of time once you learn some basics but it should be more periodic when it is time to change information. PLEASE contact *Warren to find out what is involved.717-524-9780*.

2025 CLUB TRAININGS SAVE THE DATE

February 16 - Training Day, Franklintown, PA

March 16 - Training Day, Mt. Ararat Farms, Port Deposit, MD

April 6 - Training Day, Mt. Ararat Farms, Port Deposit, MD

May 18 - Training Day, Mt. Ararat Farms, Port Deposit, MD

June 7 & 8 - KRC Hunt Test, Rebel Ridge, Elkton, Md

July 20 - Training Day/ Member Meeting/Picnic, Mt. Ararat Farms, Port Deposit, Md

August 17 - Training Day, Mt. Ararat Farms, Port Deposit, MD

September 20 & 21 - KRC HUNT TEST Mt. Ararat Farms, Port Deposit, Md

October 19 Training Day, Mt. Ararat Farms, Port Deposit, MD

November 16- Training Day Location TBD

December 21 - Training Day (Blue Marsh State Gamelands, Sheidy Rd access area)