## UPCOMING EVENTS

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6 - Fun Match
7-General Meeting
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## BARKS





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## A Note from the President's Article Bag

January is almost over! Wow! Mother Nature had put a halt to training where we canceled training due to the super cold temperatures for everyone's safety. Let's hope the deep freeze is over and we can return to more normal weather. Keep in mind that when we are stuck had home there are plenty of activities we can work on at home. Fronts, finishes, command discrimination, and glove turns are just a few examples- all that can be done in small spaces. Train, don't complain! :)
What an exciting time is it with newer members earning titles and beginning to learn the higher levels of obedience. With the fall trials behind us, the late winter and spring trials are starting. We hope to see you there!
Sometimes I am asked why become a member of Glenbard. Our club brings us together in ways that are invaluable. We form strong friendships brought together through our dogs. We are there for each other in our successes, we problem solve together when we hit that road block on our training journey, and we are there for each other when things are hard- when we have to say goodbye to our canine partners. I am grateful for GABOC and the intangible benefits of being part of our wonderful community. I think the best answer to the question of why become is FRIENDSHIP!

Dates to remember:
Tuesday, Feb 6, 2024- correction match. Be sure to check in with Gina Horner to volunteer!
Wednesday Feb 7, 2024- membership meeting
Happy Training!
Joan, Windy, and Mars



Hi! It's me again, Gina Hoener, Match Chair, learning as I go Still looking for volunteers for judges, stewards and runners
Could you help please?
It will be FUN! I promise!
You can still enter the match, we'll make sure you get your turn!
Tuesday, February 6
Doors open at 6:00pm Judging begins at 7:00 Ill bring candy! Thank you!!!
Gina - text 630-669-7257 or email ghoener@aol.com

All Breed
Obedience Fun Match


This article is about Glenbard's Agility Trial this past weekend. January 27-28, 2024!
I was there both days, with my dog Gracie, who decided this was not her weekend to shine, however, this article is about individual club members who did shine!

Donna Eichman, Bette McMillan and Candy Ellis!
Donna is Co Chair and hospitality for the trial and Bette is the Chair person and Chief Ring steward, lining up all the volunteers for the trial, both of these ladies drove out to Car Dun Al at 5:30 am to be ready to start coffee snd be sure pastries are there for the judge and workers at start of each day of the Trial! Candy is the main leash runner for all the classes, snd she doesnt even run a dog!

And they stay all day, each showed their dogs in the trial plus put forth all the effort on this trial! Lining up Judges, ordering lunch for the workers, and overall making sure the trials run smoothly!

At least 200 plus dogs and handlers compete in these agility Trials, and they are done 3 times per year!

January, June and October, these trials generate much needed revenue to keep our club running!
I just wanted to give a shout out to these 3 great ladies!!
Thank you ladies, you gals ROCK!

Pat Senne<br>Team Boxer Gracie

## WE WILL MISS YOU ELSA





Falling for Trials!
I'm so very pleased to say that Friday and I earned the GN title at GABOC's trial with a score of 196!
The next week at CarDunAl, Open did not go as planned, as my partner is experiencing quite a bit of ring stress.
But, the following week we picked up a couple of Rally Intermediate legs at Fox Valley Dog Training Club's trial to go with it. Proving that sometimes you're the pigeon and sometimes you're the statue, they came in at 96 and 70. EEK! Squeaked by!
Overall, it's been a nice fall, but we're going to listen to advice, take a break from Open, and I'm going to try not to want it so bad! HA! HA! Thanks, to everyone for their help and encouragement! Barb Lyon Misch




## Dog Parks

 Good vs Bad

What a great place to get your dog some exercise and socialization, or is it? Some dog parks are nothing more than a fenced area where dogs are permitted to go off leash and run around. While others offer something more for the dogs like obstacles, tunnels, things to climb on, or even parts of an agility course.


> In my travels over the last 15 years, I have encountered dog parks of all kinds. Some were impressive with extras offered for the dogs to play on or in. While others were nothing more than a fenced area in an unkept grassy area with no shade. Close to where I live, there is a dog park that patrons can purchase alcohol (beer/wine) while your dog is playing. This park is very nice with artificial turf, seating for the owners, and some equipment for the dogs to play on.

As we are all aware, dog parks do increase the chance for socialization with other dogs and people. They increase physical activity to help tire your dog, so they don't suffer from boredom. It is a safe environment from cars, bicycles, and other dangers that exist outside a dog park. If there is other equipment in the park like an agility course, your dog could also benefit from some mental stimulation.
According to The Association of Professional Dog Trainers, "A dog park can be an asset or a detriment to a community."

WholeDog Journal states "It seems everyone has a horror story to tell about "that day at the dog park," featuring overstimulated dogs running amok, dogs practicing bully behaviors, dog fights, and even dog deaths." Our local city owned and maintained dog park is one of those parks with overstimulated dogs, fights, and at times bullying. But it is a beautiful, sodded park with what the city called a water feature in the middle; a drainage pond from the parking lots surrounding the dog park!!! Several dogs got sick from going into the water before the city fenced the drainage pond off.


For me, the disadvantages of dog parks outweigh the advantages. First, not all dog owners are responsible owners, not providing even the most basic level of training, not watching their dog while in the park, or even picking up after their dog. This is a primary source for spreading disease from dog to dog. Lastly, there is no guarantee all the dogs have appropriate and up to date vaccines required to mingle in a dog park.

Then there are the aggressive dogs with the owner saying they're just playing. How about those dogs running the fence line just barking at anything that happens to go by (fence fighting). Most of the parks have a double gate entry system, but how many owners ensure their dog doesn't bully others trying to come into the park. Highland K9, a professional dog training organization goes as far as saying "Your dog will observe and may begin to copy dogs who are exhibiting other behavioral traits."


Let's not forget the dog park with alcohol added into the mix. The local park to me even has WI-FI, another bad option. Too many owners now bring their computers or spend time on their phones doing everything but supervising their dog. Then you have the owners busy making trips back and forth to the bar for another drink!! It is a problem when attendants and/or owners with little to no experience in dog training are running a dog park.

Since we own "DOBERMANS", we have to protect them, because they automatically become the 'bad guy' in certain situations. Tyla was accused of being a "guard dog" at 6 months of age! This was at the very same park where Tyla was bit on the hind quarter because the owner of the dog was busy drinking. This led me to find out the management of the park didn't even have a band aid let alone a first aid kit for either dogs or people. While I use the dog local dog park, I never go inside, we just use all the bad behaviors exhibited from inside to train Tyla while on the outside.

Anyone else with this problem?


To My Valentine


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BN GN RM8 RAE8
Earned in 2022: RM7, RM8, RAE7, RAE8
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by Cathy Haake


Rosie
Fraulein Sergeant Rose of Glenwood II CGC RI BN CD TKN Earned in 2022: TKN
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by Marytherese Marosits


Indigo
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Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by Pattie Imburgia


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Earned in 2022: RN CGC RI BN
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by
Marytherese Marosits


Mars
Mondenkind's Majestic Phaze UD CDX RE CGC
TKN S.T.A.R. Puppy
Earned in 2022: RE
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by Joan Mazat


Chip
Goodwin Dealer's Choice CD RN BN EARNED 2022: CD RN BN
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by Bette McMillan


Windy
Esmonds Bel Air Rides Like the Wind UD PUTD PUDX RE CGC Earned in 2022: PUDX
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by Joan Mazat


Jake
Jake A New Beginning BN RN RI CGC CGCA TKN
VHMA
Earned in 2022: RI
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by
Carole Moen


Gabby
RACH Player's Girl Just Wants To Have Fun VCD2 BN RM2 RAE2 TD PT FDC MXP MJP BCAT TT CS CI THDX OSD CGCA CGCU TKP ATT

## EARNED 2022: THDA THDX

Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by
Carol Schmidt


Smokey
Prairie Hill's It's All About the Smoke CD BN TKN
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Earned in 2022: RAE SCN
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by
Pat Senne


Gracie
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Earned in 2022: CD RE BCAT DCAT
Owned, Trained/Handled \& Loved by
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