

# THE WOOFER

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### Which Dog Breed Is It?

Each breed of dog has its own unique history and qualities. Are you familiar with the various breeds?

Try matching the breeds on the left with the description on the right.

- |                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| 1. Newfoundland       | A. also called 'Lion Dog,' 'Sun Dog,' 'Sleeve Dog'                          |
| 2. Basenji            | B. came from Japan  |
| 3. Labrador Retriever | C. the 'barkless' dog   |
| 4. Akita              | D. in the 1100's, 3 kings went to war over a dog of this breed named 'Aibe' |
| 5. Papillon           | E. a dog of this breed successfully trailed a suspect 138 miles             |
| 6. Poodle             | F. name means butterfly   |
| 7. Afghan             | G. said to have rescued Napoleon from a shipwreck                           |
| 8. Pekingese          | H. described in an Egyptian papyrus of 3000-4000 B.C.                       |
| 9. Pomeranian         | I. came from Newfoundland   |
| 10. Silky Terrier     | J. native of Australia  |
| 11. Bloodhound        | K. name means 'splash in the water'   |
| 12. Irish Wolfhound   | L. descended from sled dogs of Iceland and Lapland                          |

*Answers on Page 6...*

### ORKC MARCH MEETING

**Date: Thursday,**

**Time: 7:00 PM....Come early and enjoy the soup**

**Place: The Soup Kitchen, Oak Ridge**

**Speaker: Dr. Jerlyn Sponseller DVM**

Jerlyn K. Sponseller, DVM has been working as a veterinarian for ten years. As an Indiana native, she graduated from Purdue University's School of Veterinary Medicine in 1995. She currently practices at Hardin Valley Animal Hospital. Dr. Sponseller is also married to a veterinarian. She and her husband have two children, ages one and four. In addition, their family includes one dog and three cats.

Dr. Sponseller will speak about her experiences in the Katrina aftermath. She will share ideas on disaster preparedness.

**Ina Hughs, the fun writer who recently retired from the Knoxville News Sentinel, will be the speaker at our April 5th meeting.**

# TRAINING NEWS

## Spring Classes March 20--May 08

4-5 – ring set-up – those signed up for unstructured time will be expected to help with this task!

5-6 – unstructured (open) (limit 4)

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6-7 – Beginners (limit 11) -- instructor TBA

6-7 – Rally (limit 10) – lone Smith

6-7 – 4 week Super Puppy (limit 6) -- 3/20-4/10 -- Marilyn Spahr

6-7 – 4 week Attention (limit 6) -- 4/17-5/08 -- Barb Knowlton

6-7 – 4 week Puppy Class A (limit 6) -- 3/20-4/10 -- Mary Jo Steger

6-7 – 4 week Puppy Class B (limit 6) -- 4/17-5/08 -- Mary Jo Steger

7-8 – Conformation (unlimited) -- instructor TBA

7-8 – Level 2 (limit 11) – Karen Service

7-8 – CGC prep/Level 1 (limit 11) -- Tim Snow

8-9 – Novice Competition (limit 11) – Larry Stogner -- specifically for those who are making final preparations for the novice ring -- includes mat pick-up

8-9 – Beginners (limit 11) – Marg Ellis/Bonnie Herrell -- includes mat pick-up

8-9 – Beginners Conformation (limit 11) -- Teresa Pless -- includes mat pick-up

All 8-9 class members will help with picking up mats and equipment.

### REGISTRATION FOR SPRING

Class registration for members will start February 4 at 9AM. Non-members may sign up starting February 18 at 9AM.

Please do not attempt to register before the registration period begins! **Send registration requests to Karen Service at 865-988-4855 or sgdaussies@bellsouth.net .**

If you leave an email or phone message for Karen, she will return your message later in the day to confirm your successful registration. If you do not receive a confirmation by the next day, assume you are not yet registered!

### PAYMENT

#### Class Fees

|              | Members   | Non-members |
|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| 4 week class | \$22.50   | \$37.50     |
| 8 week class | \$45      | \$75        |
| conformation | \$6/night | \$8/night   |

(beginners conformation class members must sign up and pay in advance, using the regular 8 week fee schedule)

Class fees have been raised slightly in order to compensate for our increased rental costs at the Clinton armory. Thanks for your understanding!

Payments are due BY 3/13/07 . **Send class payments to Julie Haase at 8001 Lennox Dr., Knoxville, TN, 37909 .** Make checks payable to ORKC. Anyone whose payment has not been received by 3/13 will be removed from the class list, and their space will be given to the next person in line.

When registering for a class please include the following information when emailing or leaving a voice mail :

1. Person and dog's name
2. Phone number
3. Email address
4. Which class you would like to sign up for
5. Classes the dog may have taken before
6. Age of dog (important for beginners and puppy class)
7. If you are signing up for one of the 4 week classes, please specify which dates you are registering for.

Classes will start 3/20/07 and continue through 5/08/07 . We will also be holding a Canine Good Citizen test on 5/15/07 .

Are you interested in being an instructor or an assistant instructor? Instructors earn 16 weeks' worth of free classes; assistant instructors earn 8 weeks' worth of free classes. Credits for free classes are NOT transferable. If you're interested, contact lone Smith at [amazondoc@mindspring.com](mailto:amazondoc@mindspring.com)

**If you have any suggestions, ideas, complaints, or questions, please contact any member of the training committee:**

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**The Oak Ridge Kennel Club held its third tracking dog test** on Saturday, February 10, 2007 at the Pine Orchard Community Center near Oakdale, TN.

Friday at 9:00 was track plotting day and how cold it was! Our judges, Dolores Brigham and Jeff Whitsitt, had to plot every single track and they were frozen when they got through. A good hot pork barbecue sandwich made by Mary Jo was enjoyed by all.

Test day on Saturday! Cold again, too. The draw for tracks was at 8:30. As soon as the judges were ready, head tracklayer, Vicki Beets, had everything organized to begin laying tracks. Off to the fields!

The first track went to FISHERS PERFECT ANNA MARIA, a GSD bitch owned by Dorothy Fisher of Tracy City, TN. Flag carrier, Pat Vogel, had them ready to progress at the judges' directions. Tracklayer was Jane Justice. It was a very clean field, short cover and very little wind. She unfortunately didn't start very strong. She appeared to be a bit distracted by the gallery. She cut the second corner and we thought she was getting back to work, but got distracted again. The handler gave her a chance to re-scent the article, but to no avail. She finally overshot the last turn and missed the article. This just wasn't her day.

Flag carrier, Joyce Cardwell, showed our next contestant to her track. REBELSTAR'S ELLA ENCHANTED, a black Standard Poodle bitch owned by our own club member, Sharon Fesmire, of Alcoa sat patiently at the start of track No 2 while her handler switched the lead from collar to harness. One sniff of the start article and she was off. A good steady puller, moving nicely right on the track, no hesitation on the turn and moved right along the second leg, then another turn for a shorter leg to the third turn and off to the right just like she was supposed to go. A few ruts in the track didn't seem to have much influence and on to the last turn where there seemed to be just a little uncertainty. O darn, she decided that turn was to the left and up the hill. Just over the crest, her head came up and I'm sure Ella was saying 'O darn, something's wrong'. After teasing her handler with some casting and a little backing up, she decided it must surely be that way--was that a whistle we heard--darn! With the help of tracklayer Sally Gervin, once back at turn number four and headed in the right direction, it was down the hill and through the dale instead of over the hill. It was a good day tracking and playing with the glove, even if that TD title was a little allusive this time.

The third track was drawn by CH. LIGHTFOOT THIEF OF THE NIGHT, JH, a Weimaraner bitch owned by Debbie Moody of Maggie Valley, NC. Flag carrier, Julie Haase, had her there right on time.

She got off to a strong start pulling steadily up the hill past the second flag and on to the turn. She made the first turn to the left and it was on the hillside. The wind was blowing strongly to her back and after about ten minutes of searching, couldn't come up with the second turn. Tracklayer, Jean Burdick, helped her find the turn and she finished the track with no further problems.

Drawing the fourth track was CASAR AUS DEM TRAUMBLICK, RA, CD, a GSD dog. One of our new flag carriers, Karen Echnernacht, made sure the judges did not have to wait on this team. Dan Faulkner was the track layer. He was very surprised at the draw to see his agility friends from Atlanta, Dan and Dolores Weiss. They are loved and appreciated by all agility competitors throughout the southeast because they are tireless workers at every agility trial they attend. Dan has built thousands of courses and Dolores is the best agility gate steward in the business. They have great working German Shepherds. Tracklayer Dan was thrilled when they drew his track. Their 2 year old GSD Casar (Say-zar) was ready for the test. He started strong at the first flag and only stopped twice momentarily to look at the judges and the gallery; probably wondering what all the fuss was about. He worked very fast and sure. The leg before the last turn was down wind and the wind was brisk. That coupled with his working speed caused the team to overshoot the last corner about 40 feet. Casar stopped and immediately swung left in the correct direction. He came full arc and settled right in on the last leg and finished strongly to the glove for his TD. Dan and Casar were really a great working team and their passing was never in doubt. It took the team 10 minutes to finish their track. Congratulations to Dan and Dolores Weiss and Casar Aus Dem Traumblick, RA, CD, TD.

Track 5 was off the side road, and the Cardigan Welsh Corgi, STONE'S THROW FARM'S INDIAN SUMMER, and her handler Stephanie Stoner from Taylors, South Carolina were ready with the help of Joyce Cardwell, the flag carrier. Her tail was going a mile a minute as she neared the start flag. A quick sniff and off she went, dead on the track in spite of a stiff cross wind. The track went down and then up a hill with the first corner to the left on a flat area. The dog just walked the turn and took off on the second leg. By the time the judges and I got to the top of the hill, the dog and handler had disappeared (and we should have been able to see them on the third leg). Whistle. When they got back to the track and were shown the correct direction by Mary Jo Steger, the tracklayer, the dog carried on as if she had never been off the track and did the rest of the track. She will surely pass next time.

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# Show News



*Karen Echemacht entered her two cockers and golden retriever in two days of the Nashville Dog Training Club Agility and Rally Trial in Franklin.*

*She has a lot to be proud of:*

In Rally Excellent, my two year old cocker "Emma" qualified both Thursday and Friday, placed 2nd and 3rd respectively, and earned her Rally Excellent Title. On Thursday in Agility, she earned her first leg in Novice Standard Preferred and placed 1st in the class.

In Rally Novice, my one year old cocker "Ben" qualified both Thursday and Friday.

In Rally Advanced, my golden "Gabby" qualified both Thursday and Friday, and placed 1st and 4th respectively. In Novice Jumpers Preferred she qualified both days and placed 1st on both days.

Emma's accomplishment brought tears to my eyes (in the ring) because she has had to overcome other dog aggression, alpha dominance issues, and fear aggression issues. Just ask Lone Smith, Barb Knowlton, or Julie Haas about how BIG this is for my Emma to have been able to do this and at such an early point in her career. I am still in shock!

## *Tracking Test Continued from Page 3*

The sixth and final track went to JOTUNHEIM'S INGWAZ, a Doberman Pinscher dog owned by Kathy Cummings of Mitchellville, TN. One of our new flag carriers, Beverly Stroh, did a great job at showing the owner where her track was to start in a timely manner. It was not this dog's day. He decided he did not want to track, and Mom can't make me. He decided he liked everything else except the track. Our first time tracklayer, Cheryl Bingham, tried to get the owner to finish the track but she finally gave up.

Since none of us expert tracklayers <VBG> messed our track up, the judges decided the alternate track would be used for a test track. The alternate was PICCOLOS ALL YOUR'S JULIET, a MW Dachshund bitch owned by James Jenkins of Pleasureville, KY. Mr Jenkins has entered and got drawn every year at our kennel club. Flagcarrier Julie Haase had the team at the starting flag on time. This little girl started out strong and went past the second flag very well. She wanted to cut the corner at the first turn, but worked it out and did the second leg perfectly. On the third leg instead of taking the open left turn, she made a sharp left turn. Somehow after going about 50 yards, she worked her way back up and turned on the fourth leg. She over shot the corner on the fourth leg and turned left. The final leg went right and she received the dreaded whistle. Tracklayer Jean Burdick showed the team the corner and they finished with no problem. We wish Mr Jenkins better luck with us next year!

Ione Smith did a good job at keeping the gallery in the correct position as to not to disturb the dogs while doing their jobs. Marv Ellis held the maps so everyone could see which direction the track went next. Barb Knowlton did an excellent job getting the judges to the next track. I know they really appreciated that. Karen Woods did a good job taking photos for the entrants.

That seems to be something different that the other clubs do not offer. It is a great souvenir, even if the dog doesn't pass for the title.

Back to the Center for food. Everyone was so very hungry after being out in the cold and walking all morning. Thank goodness we had a place to get in out of the wind and stand by a heater! There were about six crock pots full of soups, stews, chili, sandwiches, and plenty of deserts and drinks. It was absolutely delicious! Mari DeCuir was the hospitality chair, and she did a fantastic job as usual. She and Marg Ellis stayed behind and made sure the food was ready when the hungry wolves came in to eat! A prize (tote bag) was presented to the new TD titlist and a gift certificate was given to each of the judges.

The two days were enjoyed by all. The club got lots of compliments on how well and orderly the test was run. The judges appreciated the cooperation all the club member gave them. Thank you to everyone that helped. Did I mention the weather??? It was cold.



## Oak Ridge Kennel Club Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 with only 11 members present because of inclement weather. The treasurer's report was not available, but President DeCuir reported they had discovered that ORKC has been a 501(c)4 organization for some time and that paperwork requesting tax exempt status will be filed shortly.

- Training:** Ione Smith was not present, but President DeCuir noted that a "grounds person" is needed through the end of May for training night at the Clinton Armory. The person responsible would put out/clean up buckets and put out/put away lights as well as being sure paper towels/cleaner are available inside. A sign will be posted saying that this new "position" will qualify for a free class, and requesting anyone interested to get in touch with Ione or Mari.
- Show:** Chair Donna Burchi was not present, but Joyce Cardwell had talked with her and reported that Donna was proofing the premium list. Trophies listed as "breed item" need to be more specific. Chair Burchi had asked that the purchase of toys for Best Puppy winners be approved. Since we have had small toys for prizes in Agility, Obedience and Rally, President DeCuir will check with Frances Hart/Linda Hargis to see if there are toys left or if additional must be purchased. Based on the *Wocfer* item about help needed to work with the vendors, Mike Mattson has volunteered. Nell Johnson cannot do Judges' Hospitality because of the long hours required; Marg Ellis and David Miller have volunteered.
- Search:** Robert Pless talked with President DeCuir earlier and reported that City Council has authorized funds to pay for the appraisal on the Oak Ridge Armory property. Robert will follow-up to see when that will be done.
- Programs:** March meeting will either be columnist Ina Hughes or Dr. Sponseller about Katrina rescue work. There was discussion about whether we needed to keep the May meeting for show planning (and Show Events Committee video) or if Dr. Sponseller could be scheduled then if she cannot come before. It was decided to use program time if it is needed since we have waited so long to hear about Katrina happenings.
- Tracking:** All plans are in place for the upcoming trial on February 10.
- Agility:** No report
- By-laws:** David Miller reported that the Committee is still working on changes.
- Nominating Committee:** At the January Board meeting, a nominating committee was appointed (Mari DeCuir, Chair, from the Board and Carol Goodrow and Pat Doan from the general membership). There was discussion about which monthly meetings would see published nominations, nominations from the floor, and voting by members.
- Correspondence**
- President DeCuir received letters from AKC closing out the January agility trial and applications for next year's events. There was discussion about whether agility trials would be held on three days next year, and about how club members could help more during this physically demanding weekend. Outgoing mail was the Secretary of State Corporate report (due in May) sent with \$20.
- Old Business:** None
- New Business:** Methods to advise members of cancellations for training classes and monthly meetings were discussed. It was determined that the announcement would be posted on the ORKC web page and would be sent to individuals who receive their *Wocfers* via e-mail.
- Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

**Club members,**

I want to thank each and every single one of you for the excellent job that you did Friday and Saturday at our third tracking dog test. It is so nice to have people to pull together and help each other. Wasn't it fun? and cold?! :-) I admire the judges because they had to walk every single track on Friday, and it was a very long cold day for them. I appreciate their efforts.

The food was wonderful. I thank Mari for getting together the hot lunch and I appreciate each person that pitched in and brought food. It was delicious after a hard day in the field. Thank you, Mary Jo for bringing the lunch on Friday. Great job.

Thank you, Vicki for being head tracklayer. You did an excellent job as usual. You always had an answer for us when we would ask you what to do next. Great job.

The tracklayers (Jane, Sally, Jean, Dan, Mary Jo, Cheryl) did an excellent job knowing where their tracks were. The field was so clean that it was very very hard to find markers. Thank you for walking your tracks on Friday until you knew where the markers were. Jane and Cheryl were new tracklayers this year. Great job.

Thank you flag carriers (Pat, Joyce, Julie, Linda -Fri, Karen, Beverly) very much. You did your jobs in a very timely fashion. I don't know of anyone who had any complaints about how their dogs

got to the tracks. It means a lot to the entrants to know who they can go to to ask any question they might have. Karen and Beverly were our new flag carriers this year. Great job!

Thank you, Lone for keeping the crowd under control and quiet. Great job.

Thank you, Barb for transporting the judges. I know they appreciated it, and you were always there so they didn't have to hunt you up. That means a lot to them! Great job.

Thank you, Karen for the nice pictures. I hope you got lots of sales. Great job.

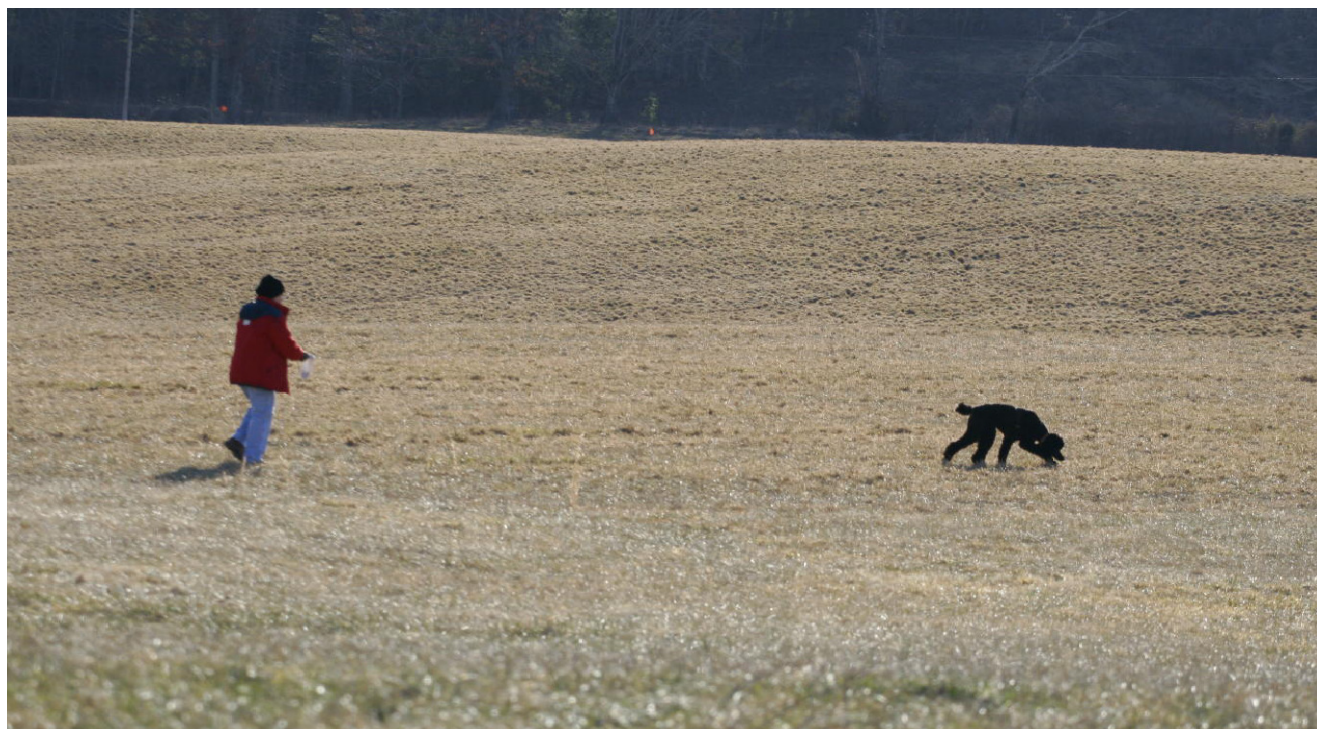
Thank you, Marv for holding the maps for the gallery. It may seem like a minute job to you, but it is very handy. I noticed lots of people coming to you to see in what direction the next leg went. Great job.

Thank you, Mari and Marg for staying at the club and watching over the cooking and having everything ready, and being restroom monitor. :-) Great job.

Thanks to everyone who stayed and helped clean up.

I hope I haven't left anyone out. It was a great effort on everyone's part and I want you all to know that I for one appreciate it very much.

***Thank you, Jean***

**Which Dog Breed Is It?****Answers from pg 1****How Many Did You Know?**

- |      |      |       |
|------|------|-------|
| 1. G | 5. F | 9. L  |
| 2. C | 6. K | 10. J |
| 3. I | 7. H | 11. E |
| 4. B | 8. A | 12. D |

- 0-2 You'd better wait to enter the ring  
 3-5 You do not conform with the standard  
 6-9 You are Championship material  
 10 Best in Show

# CLUB NEWS

## Treasurer Report Jan. 2007

### INCOME

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Membership Dues | 317.00          |
| Class Fees      | <u>2,344.00</u> |
| TOTAL           | 2,661.00        |

### EXPENSES

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
| Woofer                                  | 122.00        |
| Spring Show                             | 21.00         |
| Reimbursements                          | 22.00         |
| Tenn. Sec. of State Corp. Annual Report | 20.00         |
| Clinton Armory Monitor                  | <u>300.00</u> |
| TOTAL                                   | 485.00        |

### Agility Trial JAN 5, 6, 7

|          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| Income   | 30,407.00 |
| Expenses | 21,129.00 |
| Profit   | 9,278.00  |

### Tracking Class

Starting March 10, Saturday, 9 am.

Roane State

\$30 for 8 weeks

Sign up in advance:

Jean Burdick - 423-369-2632 burdick@highland.net

Mary Jo Steger - 376-4785 jsteger@yahoo.com

## Oak Ridge Kennel Club Shows May 26th and 27th, 2007

An update on our spring show we have all our paper work in place and our judging panel, Best Puppy on Saturday also our Sanctioned match has been approved by AKC.

Our premium list is still being worked on and will be into Onifrio within the next week. We are in need of people to help with the Sanctioned Match. Stewards if you have stewarded before or would like to know how to steward please help on the Sanctioned Match which is a good learning place. If you know of anyone or you would like to judge at the Sanctioned Match let Teresa Pless know if you are willing to judge or help with the stewarding.

Patty Miller is accepting all ads up till April 4th meeting. Send all ad's to Patty Miller with payment (no ad without Payment accepted).

We are in need of people to collect and put together a Basket of Cheer for Saturday and Sunday, since we are not having a ways and means table. We will have a raffle of the baskets each day. We need several people to help sell raffle tickets during the show days. We also need several young men to help with setting up the grounds the day before the show anyone that can help give your name and number to Bob Bardof or Joe McDonald.

We have one person to man the unloading zone in the vendors entrance we need a couple of more people to help for a few hours apiece so not just one person to do it all day both days.

Jean Burdick's husband is growing mums for our picture and table decorations, we need someone to arrange and be in contact with Jean and set up a covenanted time to have the plants delivered to the show site.

David Miller will be taking over for Nell Johnson on the Ring Hospitality; Nell's husband is ill and needs her at home. He has some help but anyone that is available for a few hours can help with the ring running.

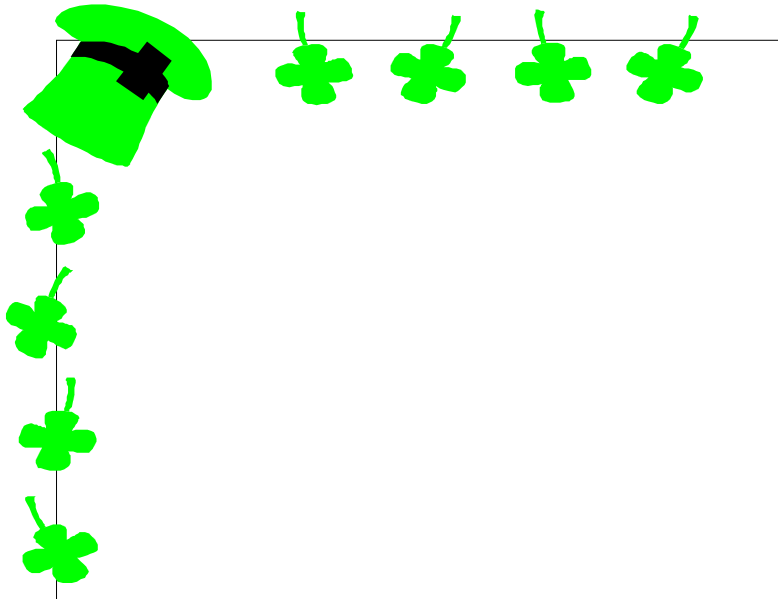
If I missed anything please bring it up at the March meeting. Please remember this is your club and as you can see it takes a lot of hands to put everything together to make a great show.

Hoping you can help

Sincerely, Donna Burchi, Show Chairman

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