



DURHAM KENNEL CLUB

P.O. BOX 15566 DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA 27704

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FEBRUARY, 1989

DINNER:

Our February meeting will be held on Monday, February 20, 1989. A Pot Luck Dinner is planned and will begin at 7:00 P. M. The club will furnish beverages and you are asked to please bring a dish to share.

PROGRAM:

Jordan Goldblatt, Program Chairman, reports that our guest speaker for the February meeting will be Geraldine Fleming, Ph. D., who will present a program entitled, "Dog Genetics Made Simple". Dr. Fleming earned her doctorate at Duke University in Molecular Biology and is presently doing post doctorate work at U.N.C. in Biochemistry.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Connie Howard, Show Handling Chairman, announces that Show Handling classes will begin on Thursday, February 16th and will continue until March 16th (will run for 5 weeks). The cost will be \$7.50 to qualified DKC members and \$15.00 for non-members. There will be classes offered for beginners and for advanced handlers. If you are interested in reserving a place in these classes, call Connie Howard at 477-1719 during the evening hours.
2. Stella Maunsell, Obedience Director, advises that the next Instructor's Workshops are scheduled for Monday, February 2, 1989, Monday, February 22, 1989, Monday, March 6, 1989 and Monday, March 27, 1989. Those interested, please mark these dates on your calendar. The workshops begin at 7:30 P. M.
3. Officers and Board Members: Please note that the next scheduled Board Meeting will be held at the DKC Building on Monday, February 13, 1989 at 7:30 P. M. If you will not be able to attend, please contact George Hand at 595-1940. The DKC Board meetings are open to the membership and members are welcome to "sit in".
4. If you have not paid your dues, you are currently in arrears. Dues should be sent to Sharon Pitz at 3775 Guess Road, T-3, Durham, N. C. 27705. Single membership is \$10.00 and family membership is \$15.00.
5. The DKC Building is open on Thursday mornings for anyone wishing to come out and work their dog(s). The hours are from 10:00 until approximately 11:00. All DKC members are welcome.

OBEDIENCE REGULATIONS:

Please note, that effective on March 1, 1989, the new and revised Obedience Rules and Regulations will take effect. All obedience exhibitors and people stewarding in our obedience rings should be aware of what these changes are. Space does not allow that all of the changes be printed herein, but a complete copy of all the changes is posted inside the main area at the kennel club and the changes are published in the October issue of the AKC Gazette and also the December 1988 and January 1989 issues of Front and Finish. Please make it a point to bring yourself up to date on what the new changes are.

AGILITY FOR DOGS:

A growing interest has been evident in the sport of agility for dogs. There is talk that this might, one day soon, become an AKC approved event, but whether that happens or not, it is fun for the dogs and handlers alike. There is an agility training center in Danville, Virginia and a notice about workshops held at this facility is posted on the large bulletin board at the kennel club building. If you are interested in learning more about this sport, call Burt or Beverly Franklin, BB Agility Center, P. O. Box 2243, Danville, Va. 24541, phone number (804)685-7337. Please call before 9:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Those of you who missed our annual Christmas party last December missed a very nice time. Emilie and George Beglane, Sharon Pitz, M. F. Davis and Joyce McHenry, and whoever else worked toward the success of the party, are to be congratulated and thanked for their efforts. The building was beautifully decorated and how nice it was to see our club members so handsomely "turned out" too. Thanks too, to all of you who contributed so generously to the Durham and Orange County Humane Societies. It was a very enjoyable evening!

BAUMAN/ROSBACH CLINIC:

As the time gets closer, the wheels are beginning to turn a little faster toward the success of this important event on April 15th and 16th. Applications are coming in every day and things are progressing well. Help is needed in a couple of areas, however. On the weekend of the clinic two bar stools will be needed for our two clinicians to use during the seminar. The stools should have backs, foot rests and if possible, be padded and arm rests would be nice. If anyone has two nice bar stools that they would be willing to share with the kennel club for that weekend we would be most grateful. Also, a wireless (clip-on) microphone system for two people is needed and if any of our members know of such a system that can be borrowed or rented, again, we would be most grateful. Please call Marge White at 477-5211 if you can help with either of these items.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:

The nominating committee, consisting of Marge White, Ch., Marcia Majors and Diane Kessler has met and submits the following slate of officers and board members for your consideration:

President:	Ken Killinger	
Vice President:	Brenda Adams	
Recording Secretary:	Patty Ashmore	
Corresponding Secretary:	Marge White	
Treasurer:	Al Howard	
A.K.C. Delegate:	George Hand	
Board Members:	Richard Whorton	Carolyn Bowers
	Mary Bell	Marcia Stedman
	Cynthia Speed	

According to our by-laws, this slate of officers and board members will, verbally, be presented to our membership during the March meeting, in April nominations will be accepted from the floor and our election will take place in May.

Thanks to Marcia Majors and Diane Kessler for agreeing to work on this committee and also to Mary Whorton who agreed to serve as alternate.

TD/TDX TRIAL:

Sharon Pitz would like to thank the following for their help during our November tracking trial:

Pat Lawrence	Buddy Amos	Carol Parron
Emilie Beglane	M. F. Davis	Kay Williams
Elise Geary	Brona Hicks	Lee ?(sorry, no last name)
Mary Griffin	Terri Hardwick	Mary Opperman
June Minton	George Beglane	

Also, thanks to all of our members who so generously and deliciously contributed food for the post trial luncheon.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

Please welcome the following as new regular members:

Jan Hansen
Renaë Crosby and Jim Sigafos
Terri Hardwick
Alice Dawson and Jim Kessler
P. Lynn Michael

New applicants for associate membership:

Kimberly Reid
3309 Alabama Avenue
Durham, N. C. 27705
477-0675
Breeds: Rottweiler, Cairn Terrier, Pekingese

Associate Membership Applicants continued:

Geraldine H. Fleming
101 Wheelwright Common
Chapel Hill, N. C. 27516
942-1362
Breed: Labrador Retriever

Sally Hernoon Malek
1917 Glendale Avenue
Durham, N. C. 27701
682-6953
Breed: German Shepherd Dog

Sharon Lynn Trivette
905 Spruce Pine Trail
Durham, N. C. 27705
383-1395
Breed: Chinese Shar-Pei

WARNING:

Zinc nuts, used to secure some brands of airline and portable dog crates, can be toxic to dogs. Several cases of zinc poisoning have resulted when dogs swallowed the nuts. Stainless steel or nylon nuts (sold with car licence plate bolts at any hardware store) should be substituted.

TRAVELING TO CALIFORNIA??

We all know that not many hotels urge you to bring your dog along for the night, but at the Cypress Inn Hotel in Carmel, California, dog beds are offered in all sizes to accommodate all breeds and the dining room has pet food available, too. 'Not too surprizing when you learn that the owner of the hotel is Doris Day, an animal lover extraordinaire.

CRAZY DOG LAWS:

In Wilbur, Washington it's illegal to bring an "ugly" dog into any public place or to walk with it through any public thoroughfare. Who makes the decision which dogs are ugly? The mayor!

In Burlington, Vermont it's illegal to make fun of a dog. The law states: "Anyone who shall point a finger at and ridicule a dog" is subject to a \$5.00 fine and/or three days in the town jail!