



DURHAM KENNEL CLUB

P.O. BOX 15566 DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA 27704

***** NEWSLETTER *****

MAY, 1989

DINNER:

Our May meeting will be held on Monday, May 16th. 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 program for the May meeting will be a presentation by Beverly Franklin from Danville, Virginia. Beverly and her husband, Burt operate the B-B Agility Center and her program will pertain to agility training for dogs. The program will begin at 8:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The DKC annual picnic will be held on Sunday, June 25, 1989 from 1:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Lunch will be served at approximately 2:00 p.m. and will be bar-b-qed beef. A \$2.00 charge for the beef will be collected and DKC members are asked to please bring a dish to share.

A gymkhana (games for dogs) will be held at 3:30 p.m. and will be divided into two canine age groups. Puppies (under one year) will be in one group and dogs one year and older will be in the other.

Susan Boos is in charge of the picnic and Susan must have your reservation for the picnic by June 16th. Please call 383-6142 after 6:30 p.m. and not later than 8:30 p.m. If it is more convenient, you may mail your reservation to Susan at Route 1, Box 248-A, Durham, N. C. 27705, indicating your name and the number of persons attending in your party.

Susan will need two or three persons to come out at noon on the day of the picnic to help set up the tables and take care of arrangements. If you are able and would like to help, please call the above number and let Susan know.

2. A Reminder: DKC members who have keys to the building have a responsibility to see that every door is locked when they leave the building. Even if you think that no one has used a particular door, every door should be checked before the building is left. Several times, recently, the building has been found to be open and considering the value of not only the building, but the contents, this is courting disaster.

3. The Murdoch Center in Butner would like to have volunteers (with dogs) to visit the center, on a regular basis, two Thursday nights a month. The Murdoch Center is a residence for retarded individuals and there may be as few as 3 in the group or as many as 9 or 10. Obviously, the dogs must be quiet and have a stable temperament and must be under control. This is a most worthwhile activity and these patients have always been extremely appreciative of our visits. If you are able to participate, please call Carol Huntsman at Murdoch Center. Her office number is 575-7920 and her home phone number is 682-8216.
4. A reminder that the DKC will be participating in Pet Day at the Museum of Life and Science in Durham on Saturday, May 13th. The hours are from 10-4 and you are asked to sign up for a specified two-hour shift or whenever you can come. There is a sign up sheet at the DKC building or you may contact Marge White at 477-5211. We will be chatting with people about our breeds (you are invited to bring your "child-proof" dog or puppies), passing out educational information, doing whatever obedience demonstrations space allows and just in general helping people to be aware of the responsibilities involved in dog ownership.
5. On June 3rd and 4th a special event is scheduled to be held at Quail Roost Farm on Roxboro Road just this side of Rougemont. The National American Sighthound Field Association will hold an International Invitational Lure Coursing Event. This, annually, is the largest gathering of sighthounds and is open to all sighthound breeds. Top running dogs from all over the country will participate and the dogs must be pointed in order to compete. The time is approximately from 7:30 to 3:30. Spectators are welcome and there is no admission charge. This also will be a Fun-March for the American Azawakh, which is a desert breed of running dog. The Azawakh is featured in the May, 1989 issue of Dog World on page 26, if anyone is interested in more information on this unusual breed. If you would like additional information on any of the above, please contact Maureen Lucas at 477-9432.
6. On Saturday, June 24th, Dr. Kathryn Settle, D.V.M., from the Sanford Animal Hospital, will present a program on Canine Reproduction. This will be a seminar addressing breeding problems in male and female dogs, the advantages of using chilled or frozen semen and laboratory practicum in performing vaginal smears. The seminar is to be held at the Holiday Inn, I-40 at the Airport Exit, Raleigh/Durham RTP. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the program will be from 9:00 to 5:00, with questions and discussion following. The cost is \$125.00 per person and includes: registration fee, breeder's work-book, kit for performing vaginal smears, hand-outs, coffee breaks and luncheon. Dr. Settle graduated from Ohio State Veterinary School and specializes in breeding and infertility problems in dogs. More information can be gained by calling Dr. Settle at (919) 775-7946.
7. Anyone who has not signed up to donate a trophy for the fall show and wishes to do so, should contact Diane Kessler at 929-1955 as soon as possible. It seems early to already be thinking of the fall show, but the premium list must be sent to Moss-Bow well in advance of the date of the show, so the time for trophy commitment is now.

Those of you who would like to see/hear more of Diane Bauman & Ruth Rosbach, they will be in Knoxville, Tenn. on July 15th and 16th. \$60.00 per person-- Contact: Linda Cowell, 1811 Holston River Rd., Knoxville, Tn. 37914. Phone number (615)523-9282 or Janet Constable, Phone number (615)586-4450.