

DURHAM KENNEL CLUB

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DURHAM KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER ----- SEPTEMBER 1996

Where, oh where has the summer gone? Here it is, already September and time for all of us to get back to work.

DINNER: Our September meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, 1996 and our program and business meeting will be preceded by a pot luck dinner. If you plan to join the group for dinner please remember to bring a dish to share and the club will furnish beverages. There is no charge for dinner which will be served at 7:00 p.m. All of our members are urged to attend and guests, as always, are welcome. For the enlightenment of all (and a tid-bit for those who collect incidental data), September 16th heralds the beginning of "National Farm and Animals Awareness" week. And who said this wasn't an educational publication!!!

Mary Bell, who is our new Social Chairperson, asked that the following be added to the dinner information. "A prize will be given for the HOMEMADE dish voted as FAVORITE DISH OF THE EVENING. Please label what you bring with a cute "doggy name" so we will know what to call it when voting. A prize will also be awarded for the DISH WITH THE CUTEST DOGGY NAME. So whip up and bring that POODLE NOODLE CASSEROLE or MUD PUPPY PIE for a great evening beginning with good food and fellowship to catch up on just what everyone's been doing all summer.

NAME TAGS will be available at the door for you to fill in your name and breed of dog(s). A prize will also be awarded for the person with THE BEST NAME TAG. (These can be HOMEMADE, too!)"

PROGRAM: The program for our September meeting will be a history lesson for our newer members and a trip down memory lane for our members of longer duration. Marge White, who definitely qualifies as one of our members of "longer duration" will try to bring our membership up to date on how and when the DKC was started and the road that was traveled to get us to where we are today. It is hoped that this topic will be of special interest to all of us who think of the Durham Kennel Club as our "doggy home." Marge gives special and sincere thanks to Joyce McHenry and Pat Lawrence for the effort they put into compiling the DKC Archives, which were of invaluable assistance in preparing this program. Our pro-

gram will begin at 7:45 p.m.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS;

1. From Marie Inman, with regard to conformation classes: The fall conformation class will begin on Thursday, September 5, 1996. Puppy and intermediate will take place at 6:30 p.m. and advanced and beginner at 7:30 p.m. The intermediate class is for those who primarily want to socialize their dogs in a class situation and for those who are beyond the level of beginner but not yet ready for the advanced class. Please call Betty McAllister at (919) 538-2649 or Marie Inman at (919) 528-3433 for more information about these classes.

Also from Marie, appreciation is expressed to the following club members for their hard work and dedication in teaching and/or assisting with the conformation classes. This group is truly BEST IN SHOW!!!

Lisa Connelly
Mary Francis Davis
Joanna Burley

Mary Bell
Peggy Davis
Kathy Rubens

Also, thanks to Betty McAllister and to Marie for organizing our conformation classes and seeing that everything runs smoothly.

Elsewhere in the newsletter is a report from both Betty and Marie on the success of the recent Sue Lackey show handling seminar. 'Sounds like another great DKC event weekend!!

2. Reminder: Our fall show will be held on October 19th at the Durham County Stadium again this year. Betty Perschel is the lady "at the helm" and welcomes any and all volunteers. Betty's phone number is 477-4381. This is an important club event and Betty will be happy to hear from anyone who would like to help.

3. Speaking of club events--One that seems to have become annual is our January yard sale. In the past we have done well, financially, from these sales and we hope to do the same again in 1997. Please be thinking ahead and when you remodel and/or do fall house cleaning don't throw any of those treasures away. What you think of as junk may be just what someone else has been looking for to put the finishing touches on their decor. This sale will, of course, be held in our building. Don't forget the bake sale that will be held along with the yard sale.

This year we are also going to accept good, clean clothing to

sell and it would be a big help if someone would volunteer to be in charge of just that part of the sale. If you are interested please call Richard Perschel at 477-4381.

4. Please note that included in this newsletter is a new membership list. Look it over carefully and if you see errors that need to be corrected please contact Stella Maunsell at 929-8377.

5. Change of address: Effective September 3rd Sharon Pitz' address will be 3124 Marywood Drive, Durham, N. C. 27705. Sharon's phone number will be 384-9071.

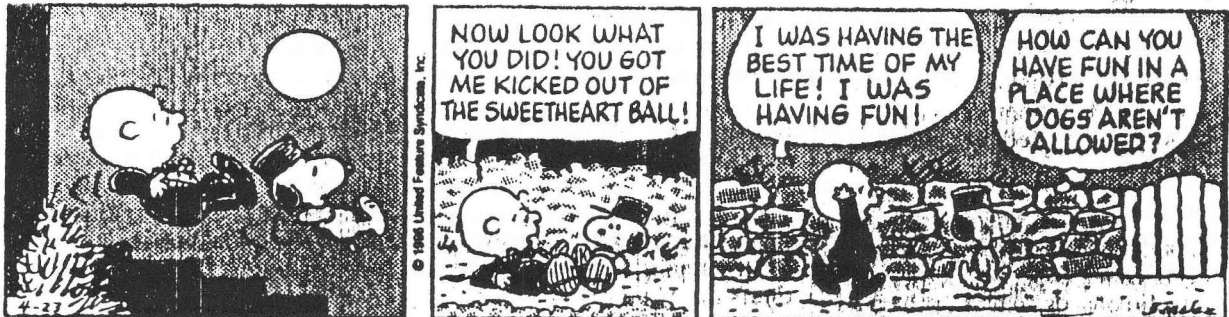
6. A direct quote from ACCENT AKC: "Ground breaking for the new AKC location in Durham, N. C. is anticipated in late 1996 with construction completed in 1998. The AKC site is at the southeast corner of the intersection of Interstate 40 and State Highway 751." Yea, for Durham!!!

IMPORTANT NOTICE-PLEASE LOOK AT THE ADDRESS LABEL ON THIS NEWSLETTER.

If you find these three signs after your name---\$\$\$---then you have not paid your dues for 1996-97 Please send them as soon as possible to: Stella Maunsell, 116 Stoneridge Dr. Chapel Hill, NC 27514. Family \$30. Single \$20. Candidate \$10. Junior \$1.

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Peanuts



CHEERS to Durham Kennel Club for another successful educational opportunity for our membership as well as other interested dog fanciers!

This past weekend, August 16,17, and 18, the Sue Lackey Handling Clinic was held at DKC, beginning with a Friday night kick off session before the intensive two day show handling seminar. Sue's vast knowledge of all breed handling and grooming astounded and challenged each of us to use the tools she provided to better ourselves in this sport we love. As most of us know breed specific techniques are often elusive unless you have a very experienced mentor who has been in your breed many years. Sue took each of us and our various assortment of breeds. and pointed out problems and solutions, as well as providing polished techniques to present our canine counterparts and ourselves. The coated breeds also somehow found themselves on the grooming table, and grooming was not just discussed, but done by Sue's flying scissors.

One of our attendees had noticed a physical problem from time to time with a young dog. The experienced breeder of the dog, as well as the dog's vet had been unable to determine the problem. Sue identified the problem and explained its cause and effect, much to our attendee's surprise.

Many thanks to our club's past and current president and our club's board for its support and encouragement of this venture.

Special thanks to those attendee's who offered helping hands throughout the weekend, and even stayed to help clean the building. Now that's dedication, folks! Barbara Hawkins, Bill Pitzer, Helen Glenn, Natalie Rowntree, and Pat Lawrence, many thanks!

But most of all, thanks to Marie Inman, our conformation head, who from inception to reality made this weekend possible.

Betty McAllister

The Sue Lackey clinic held at Durham Kennel Club, August 16th through 18th was an experience that I find myself bubbling over to share. From the Friday night talk session, to the final locking of the door on Sunday, was crackling with excitement. The excitement never stopped, the learning never stopped, Sue Lackey never stopped. The woman was truly amazing in her talents and knowledge. From the youngest to the oldest, from the smallest to the biggest, every team was transformed into a work of art in showing.

From the snipping of scissors and hair flying, ice packs, bait, toys, and health, no stone was left unturned. Problems were solved, and laughs were plenty, from Betty McAllister tripping and sitting on her bottom, to myself, Marie Inman, taking around our mascot "Spot", {a stuffed, un - pedigreed cur, who "hung around" all weekend}, and a little Boston named Spanky whom learned to "kill a rat" in the ring, the fun went on from start to end.

An Afghan hound named Labean is finding courage, and will soon be a magnificent show dog. Charlie, a Westie, Helen Glenn, knows which buttons now work. Lexie, a German Shepherd puppy had many new and wonderful experiences. The Cockers, Major, Raven, and Abby, with their elegance. Tina, my Keeshond adds to her many accomplishments, can now unzip zippers. There was Sara, Katie, Molly, Sable, Zack, Betsy, Lacey, and the Cocker Lacey.

But the best was yet to come, Pat Lawrence and Tristan, won first place at our show on Sunday, they learned movement and baiting, so well, so fast. We were all very, very proud of them, they accomplished alot, congratulations, you deserved it! Second place went to Barbara Hawkins and Cocker Major. Third place went to Ed Foster and Vizsla Sable, fourth place went to Bill Pitzer and Boston Terrier Spanky.

I wish to thank the DKC board members for making this clinic happen. Our past President Fran Hoffman. Our present President Richard Perschel. Maureen Lucas for letting me lean on her shoulder and is still "teacher", Emilie Beglane for letting me lean on her shoulder. Mary Bell, Lisa Connelly and M.F. Davis for their input. Marge White for letting me ramble on in the newsletter. Pat Lawrence, Helen Glenn, Bill Pitzer, Natalie Rowntree, Barbara Hawkins, and Betty McAllister for their great jobs in cleaning up. {Barbara and Bill even vacuumed the floor}, Nancy Youtsey and Joyce McHenry for their beautiful jobs in cleaning before Friday night.

And a very special thank you to Betty McAllister, for all your time and work in setting up this clinic, without you, it would not have been possible. And to Sue Lackey, a wonderful lady, whom gave her all, thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Marie I Inman

The following are two items of interest that are shared with us by Fran Hoffman from "America Online: Dog Haus."

JOGGING WITH YOUR DOG:

Exercise is a great way to get your body into shape, but jogging with your dog might not always be such a good idea. A Kansas State University veterinarian has some suggestions for those who want to begin an exercise program that includes their canine companion.

"The real problem is overdoing," said Dr. William Fortney, assistant professor of veterinary medicine. "Dogs want to please so they won't stop or whine when they are tired," Fortney said. "It is up to the owner to make a judgment on when to stop exercising."

Fortney suggests starting out slow and watching how the dog reacts. Take it a day at a time and see how the dog is responding to the effects of the workout. "In trying to please their owners, dogs will run through pain or even not notice it," Fortney said.

According to Fortney, weather is also a factor when taking your dog out for a jog. "Dogs cannot handle hot, humid weather," Fortney said. "Heat stroke can be fatal for a pet, so make sure clean fresh water is available."

Cold weather can also be hard on a dog's lungs, Fortney said. If the temperature is below 20 degrees, they should not be out for too long, he adds.

Despite the possibility for overexertion and problems with bad weather conditions, Fortney says exercise is a good way to keep your dog limber. "I recommend anything where the dog and owner are spending time together on a regular basis," said Fortney. "Walking is better for both owner and dog. It has better circumstances than running and it is easier to walk than run on a daily basis."

If jogging is still your thing, consider the size and age of your dog before heading out with your pet for a long run. Fortney recommends pet owners ask their veterinarian for recommendations on what age their dog should be before starting an exercise program, how far they can go at first, etc. "Size and breed are important because of the way bones mature in young dogs," said Fortney.

Also, making sure your dog is leash trained can save both owner and dog from potential accidents. "It is paramount

that the animal be well trained and the owner be cautious of the leash when jogging," Fortney said. Other hazards owners should avoid are riding bikes with dogs because the leash could get caught in the spokes, Fortney said. "Roller blades can be just as bad," Fortney said, recalling an incident where an owner ran over and broke the foot of his canine friend.

TICK BITE: GETTING THOSE ELUSIVE CRITTERS OFF YOUR SKIN

If, despite your best efforts at awareness and avoidance, a tick has burrowed its head into your skin or your dog's, here is how to get it off:

"Don't think that petroleum jelly, heat, lighter fluid, alcohol or any other kind of irritant will make the tick back out," said Don Mock, Kansas State University extension specialist. "Such methods only work if the tick is not securely attached."

And don't try unscrewing the tick or squeezing the tick's body, both methods could make the tick regurgitate under your skin and cause infection, Mock said.

"The best way to get a tick off is to place fine-tipped tweezers close to the skin and grasp the tick's head," Mock said. "Then pull, gently and patiently, directly away from the skin surface. Never sideways and don't twist." After the tick is removed, disinfect the bite site.

Put the tick in rubbing alcohol with the date and the victim's name on the container and save. Mock recommends being especially watchful for the first 10 to 14 days after a tick bite.

"If signs of illness such as flu-like symptoms, headache, fever, lack of balance, skin rashes, muscle or joint pain or nausea develop, see a physician," Mock said, and take your tick along with you.

Remove a tick as soon as you see one, Mock said. "Ticks require several hours to become firmly attached. Disease is rarely transmitted within the first eight hours of attachment, seldom even within the first 18 hours."

SHOW REPORT

CONFORMATION

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	POINTS	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
Lisa Connelly and Charles Vance	Eddie (Border Terrier)	Columbia KC	BOB		BIS	#2
" " " "	" "	Pasco, Fla. KC	BOB			Group I
Joyce McHenry	Spice (Belgian Tervuren)	Forsyth KC	Open Bitch	1	WB	
Betty McAllister and Marie Inman	Tina (Keeshond)	" "	" "	1	BOW	
Fran Hoffman	Tazz (Manchester)	Amer. Manchester Terrier Club (National)	Veterans		1st place	BOS
Cecillia Reeder	Flirt (Irish Water Spaniel)	Fargo-Moorhead	Bred-By	3	WB/BOS	} 3 different shows
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Lisa Connelly and Charles Vance	Dot (Border Terrier)	Border Terrier National Specialty	Bred=By	5	WB/BOW	New champion
" " " "	Molly " "	" " "	Working Bitch		1st place	Best working dog in show
" " " "	Eddie " "	" " "	BOB			Award of Merit
***** OBEDIENCE, WORKING, ETC. *****						
Shirley Sanders	Dreamboy (Sheltie)	Magic Valley	Utility A	182.5	3rd leg	4th placing
Jane Bergsten	Molly (Golden Ret.)	Williamsburg	" "		3rd leg	2nd "
Fran Hoffman	Ali (Manchester)	Amer. Manchester Terrier Club	Open B Utility B		1st place/ both classes	HIT/High Combine
Cheryl Ward	Ceilidh (Border Collie)	W-S Agility			2nd place	OA title
Lisa Connelly	Maggie (Border Terrier)	Border Terr. Nat. Specialty	Open A		2nd leg	3rd placing
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