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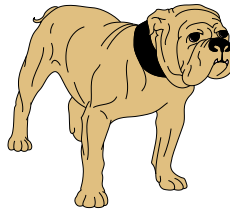
Every time I wonder about my worth, I ask my dogs.

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Bulldog: Dog of the Month



The perfect Bulldog must have a heavy, thick-set, low-slung body, a massive short-faced head,

wide shoulders, sturdy limbs, with a smooth coat and be of medium size.

The size for mature dogs is about 50 lbs. And for mature bitches about 40 lbs. The circumference of the skull in front of the ears should measure at least the height of the dog at the shoulders. The eyes, from the front, should appear to be placed low down in the skull, as far from the ears as possible. The most desirable ear shape is termed "rose ear". The ear should never be cropped. The coat should be straight, short, flat, close, of fine texture and glossy. It is to be of a uniform color and is preferred in the following order: (1) red brindle, (2) all other brindles, (3) solid white, (4) solid red, fawn, or fallow (5) piebald, (6) inferior qualities of all the previous colors. The gait has a characteristic roll.

Background

The Bulldog originated in England as a bull fighter and is often called the English bulldog. It is thought that many fighting dogs were probably involved in its development in Britain including the mastiff. The bulldog was later used in dogfighting when bull fighting came to be considered inhumane and was banned. After dogfights were banned in 1835, his ferocity was not needed. Breeders, concerned that the Bulldog would become extinct, decided to preserve

its many fine qualities while eliminating its ferocity.

The English Bulldog has some common ancestry with the French Bulldog. [To be discussed in a future article.]

Temperament

The Bulldog, whose admirers consider it the most British of all canines, possesses the qualities Britons display in their finest moments—tenacity, courage, and composure. According to the AKC, the disposition should be steady and kind, resolute and courageous (not vicious or aggressive), but calm and dignified.

Text from The Complete Dog Book (18th ed.) by AKC, Legacy of the Dog by T. Yamazaki, and Your Purebred Puppy: A Buyer's Guide by M. Lowell.

December Party

FOOD: Our December meeting will be held on Monday, December 21st and will be a DKC Christmas party. Do plan to attend and bring a very special appetizer. This will be a snack and drink party. The festivities will begin at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome: members, member-candidates, and guests.

PROGRAM: Please bring items to be shared with the local APS. They should be clean and in good repair, but don't have to be new. These can be towels, blankets, grooming items of all kinds, toys (no rawhide), collars, leashes, and of course food—canned and dry. If you wish to make a check donation, please put the check in an envelope. The gifts will go to dogs and cats, so don't forget the cats and kittens.

Minutes of the DKC Membership Meeting

Nov. 16, 1998 - Following a program given by DKC member, Adele Monroe, DMV, on nutritional support for cancer patients (human and dogs), the meeting was called to order by Diane Kessler, Vice President, in the absence of President, Sharon Pitz.

The minutes from the October 19th meeting were approved as printed in the club newsletter after the following correction was made. The January yard sale is scheduled for January 23rd not January 21st.

Treasurer's Report:

CBB checking	\$10,877.08
FTF	1,825.53
Fin. Mgt. Acct.	14,251.53
Bal. due on loan	40,000.00

President's Report: Welcome to club member, Stella Maunsell, who has not been able to be with us recently due to an accident.

Diane mentioned an article printed in a recent Durham paper regarding therapy dog visits at a local hospital. The article will be posted on the club bulletin board.

Corresponding Sec., Stella Maunsell, reported that she had received a note of thanks from the AKC for DKC volunteers who "manned" the AKC both at the State Fair.

Committee Reports: Joanna Burley (Awards) urged members to apply for year end rotating trophies as well as for plaques and certificates.

Betty Perschel (Fall Show) shared that she had received a note of thanks from judges, the Hartingers.

Stella (membership) stated that Ellen Granger was to be voted on for regular membership (she was accepted by written ballot) and Kelly Martin was voted in as a member-candidate.

Cecillia Reeder (Trophies for Dec. obedience trial) announced that all trophy donations are to be in her hands by December 1st.

Jack Sappenfield (Tracking) reminded us that there will be a tracking test this coming weekend. Representatives from the DKC field staff will be present to observe a tracking test on Sunday.

Joanna Wright (Dec. obedience trial) requested volunteers for ring stewards. Mike Wright reminded us that help will be needed in cleaning the building before and after the trial and announced, too, that all crates must be moved out of the building. Cathie Fogel stated that help is needed in the kitchen.

George Beglane thanked all volunteers for assisting with the CGC test. Fourteen dogs were entered with 8 passing.

Lisa Connelly (AKC Delegate) announced that the issue of whether the AKC will get involved with registration or co-owner disputes is to be put to a vote by the delegates; Lisa invited input from the members. Lisa also told the members that Jim Pitts, from Winston-Salem, is a newly appointed AKC obedience and tracking representative.

Unfinished Business: Diane reminded members that the annual Christmas party will be held on the 21st and will begin at 7:00 p.m. members are urged to be generous with their donations for the APS and members are also urged to remember the date of January 23rd as the yard sale.

Richard Perschel shared concerns about building security. The building has been left unsecured recently and Stella has drafted a letter reminding all key holders of the importance of building security. This is an important issue and if it cannot be corrected some key holders will be asked to give up their keys.

New Business: Emilie Beglane presented the proposed budget for 1998 - 1999. Richard Perschel made a motion that the budget be accepted; Judy Ortiz seconded and the budget was accepted.

A new kennel club (Union County KC) has been formed in Monroe, NC and they are having a fun

match/obedience Show-N-Go on November 22nd and asked for the support of other clubs.

Betty Perschel introduced a Boxer puppy that has been with them for several weeks after having been found as a misplaced puppy. His name is Oliver Twist and after much TLC, he is growing and doing well and is indeed, a very lucky puppy.

Following several very impressive brags, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by *Marjorie J. White,*
Recording Secretary

Membership Update

NEW ADDRESSES:

Jack E. Sappenfield II
515 Olive Branch Rd.
Durham NC 27703

NEW CANDIDATE-MEMBER

Kelly Martin
720-C Shawnee Dr.
Burlington NC 27715

NEW MEMBER

Ellen Granger
1109 Queensbury Cir.
Durham NC 27713

President's Note

With colder weather and earlier darkness, dogs will be allowed in the building during the meal before our meetings. They are asked to be kept in crates or in the ring other than the one in which we are eating. We hope this will allow more people to share in the meal before the meeting.

MEMBER TO MEMBER HELP

[A new feature limited by available space]
KENNEL AIRE #238 CRATE WANTED! These are no longer available and if you are willing to sell yours, PLEASE call **Jeff Telander** (919-477-4093)

AKC Delegate's Report

I will be attending the Delegates Meeting on Tuesday, December the 8th and would appreciate input from club members on an issue that is coming up for a vote. There is a proposed amendment to Chapter 3, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline, clarifying what is required for the registration of a dog or a litter. If the amendment passes, all current language in Chapter 3, Section 6 will be deleted and replaced with the following statement: "The American Kennel Club must be presented with properly completed paperwork, including all required signatures, in order to register a litter and/or dog. When a disagreement occurs, the parties must resolve it themselves. AKC will abide by the decision of a court." AKC feels that they should not be in the business of interpreting and enforcing private contracts, and enforcing co-owner contracts frequently causes AKC to be drawn into costly civil actions. If the amendment passes and a stud dog owner refuses to sign a litter registration, or a co-owner refuses to sign a registration for an individual dog, the parties involved would have no choice but to hire attorneys and go to court if they could not resolve the issue themselves. If you feel strongly about this issue, please contact me before December 6th and tell me what you think -- 471-8402 or vance003@acpub.duke.edu.

Thank you,

Lisa Connelly

Canine Good Citizen Test Results

The canine good citizen test was held on Saturday, November 14, 1998. A total of 14 dogs entered with 8 dogs earning the CGC certificate. I would like to thank the following individuals for giving up their Saturday morning to make the CGC test a success: Emilie Beglane, Stella Maunsell, Lisa Roberts, Jane Bergsten, David Groshans, Lucia

Welbourne and Norma Williams. Thanks again for all your hard work.
George Beglane

Thank You from Stella

Recently several new members have joined DKC. These applications, as always, gave "an interest in dogs" as the main reason for wanting to join our Club. I would like the new members to know that Durham Kennel Club is a very special group who cares not only about dogs but also about our members. Dear friends, I cannot thank you enough for all the cards, E-mail and calls. You did so much to make me laugh again. This was encouragement that came just when I needed it most. Thank you for the rides and offers of other help. I have just crossed off the fifth week of the twelve, which I hope will be the extent of wearing a halo. It is not a thing that endears itself to one. I love all the suggestions for decorations. Thank you again for all your kind thoughts and great support.

UPDATE
My Doctor was pleased with progress, does not want to see me for six weeks, when he hopes to take the Halo off. I'm keeping my fingers crossed.

From the Awards Committee

The Awards Applications are pouring in! Remember the deadline is Monday, Dec. 21, 1998. And don't be shy about applying for any trophy for which you and your dog are eligible! We'd like to highlight the Holland Versatility Trophy: your dog needs to have acquired a Conformation Championship as well as either an Agility, Obedience, or Tracking title in a 12 month time frame—not necessarily within the same calendar year! So check your records! Any questions regarding the qualifications



for trophies or plaques can be directed to Joanna Burley (479-7011), M. F. Davis, Joanne Wright, Jack Sappenfield or Jan Gray. Drop off your awards applications at the DKC building or mail or fax to: **Joanna Burley, 9719 Rougemont Road, Bahama NC 27503 (fax 919-620-0250)**

Upcoming Events

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
Dec. 6, 1998 (Sun.)

DKC., 8:30 AM – 11:00+ AM

Show-N-Go

Jane Bergsten, 919-967-2191

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
Dec. 12-13, 1998 (Sat. & Sun.)

DKC., 7 AM – 6 PM

Obedience Trial

Mary Whorton, 919-471-1405

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
Dec. 21, 1998

Award Application Deadline

Joanne Burley, 919-479-7011

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
Jan. 5, 1999

Obedience Classes Begin

For applications call:

Barbara Doerman, 644-1421.

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY Jan. 5, Jan. 4 or
11, 1999

Agility Classes Begin

For applications call:

Mary Whorton, 919-471-1405

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
Jan. 21, 1999

Conformation Classes Begin

For applications call:

Mary Whorton, 919-471-1405

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
Jan. 23, 1999 (Saturday)

DKC Building, 9 AM

Annual Yard/Bake Sale

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
Feb. 1999

DKC Awards Dinner

Obedience

Winter session **Obedience Classes** begin **Tues., Jan. 5, 1999**. All DKC members needing applications should call **Barbara Doerman, 644-1421**.

Conformation

I continually admire the giving spirit of DKC members. Especially those who do their "giving" on an on-going basis. I'd like to share my thanks to and admiration for Natalie Rowntree and Adele Monroe who stepped in to teach our conformation classes this session. Without those individuals who give their time and energies, there could be no classes offered, not conformation or obedience or agility. Why not take a moment to thank some of these hard working folks for their much appreciated efforts and dedication to this wonderful sport of dogs, and to the Durham Kennel Club?

And while you are at it, you might ask how you could be of assistance to any of these programs. If you are interested in teaching or assisting a conformation (show handling) class, give me a call at 528 2649, after 6 PM.

Our first session of handling classes is ending, and the next set will begin in January. However, on Nov. 19, Dec. 10 & 17, if there is interest, we can open the building for individuals wishing to come out and practice those conformation handling skills, from 7:30 to 8:30. To prevent us from being there alone, call and leave me a message of your intent to come. If no one needs to venture out, we too can stay home and watch ER. Peace to all, **Betty McAllister, 919-528-2649**.

Agility

Winter session **Agility Classes** will begin early in Jan. The date is not yet set. Beginner and Intermediate Classes will be offered. If the

Intermediate Class is not filled from already existing students, it will be opened to other dogs on a first come first serve basis.

All agility classes will be held at the DKC building on Monday nights. Do bear in mind that there will no classes the evenings of DKC club meetings. Once again, bitches in season will not be permitted. Those handlers are encouraged to attend class and may opt to work an instructor's dog. Health certificates are required the first night of class.

It has now been approved, by the board, to allow instructors who have taught the past 3 sessions to enroll at no charge, and members with the appropriate service requirements can enroll at the \$50 reduced fee. The regular fee is \$80 for 8 weeks.

Dogs must be approved by Mary prior to enrolling in class. **Call Mary Whorton, 471-1405** for more information.

Health forms for all DKC classes will be available at the DKC building.



Durham Kennel Club Winter Conformation Classes

Show handling classes begin Jan. 21. — Feb. 18, 1999

6 weeks for \$50

7:30 - 8:30 PM

Puppy Socialization Class & Beginner Class

8:30 - 9:00 PM

Open independent floor work for all DKC members and class participants



DKC Health Forms completed by your vet must be brought the first night of class. DKC policy states that no dog can be admitted to class without first providing a completed health form. Do not come to class without it. NO EXCEPTIONS!

APPLICATION

Name of owner or handler.....

Name of Dog.....Breed.....Age.....

Address.....

Phone number.....(day).....(evening)

Mail the above application along with a check made out to **Durham Kennel Club** to: **Betty McAllister, 111 Moss Street, Creedmoor, NC 27522**

SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	PTS	HIGHEST
Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance	Eddie (Border Terrier)	DKC (10/17/98)	BOB		Grp I
"	"	Riverside West KC (10/24/98)	BOB		BIS
"	"	Louisiana KC	BOB		BIS
"	"	Augusta KC (11/ 7)	BOB		BIS
"	"	Fayetteville KC (11/15)	BOB		BIS
"	"	Lumberton KC (11/14)	BOB		Grp 1
Sharon Pitz	Michael (Golden Retriever)	Alamance KC (10/18/98)	12-18 mo.		1st
Mike & Joanne Wright	Quinn (Irish Setter)	Lumberton KC (11/14)	12-18 mo.		WD
"	"	Fayetteville KC (11/15)	12-18 mo.		RWD
"	Rita (Irish Setter)	Fayetteville KC (11/15)	BOB		BOS
Marie Inman & Bill Pitzer	Pug Nose Hearts Desire (Boston Terrier)	Fayetteville KC (11/14)			
"	"	Fayetteville KC (11/15)			
"	Blackmon's Highland Laddie (Boston Terrier)	Fayetteville KC (11/14)			

PERFORMANCE SHOW REPORT: OBED., TRACKING, HERDING, FIELD TRIALS, LURE COURSING AND AGILITY, ETC.

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	SCORE	LE
Norma K. Williams	CH U-CDX Georgia Dachs Bonifide MAX UD JE NA VC (Dachshund)	Garden State All Terrier Club	Senior Earthdog	Qualified	3
Cindy Kromer	Ch B'UD'S Blue Steele NA JE VC (Aust. Terrier)	Border Terrier Club of America, AL	Senior Earthdog	Qualified	3
Terri Hardwick	Willow's Meg (Border Collie)	GSDCA Herding Trial (11/2)	Advanced		
Margaret Fox	Corey (Standard Poodle)	Central Carolina Poodle Club (11/13)	Open A	193	2
"	"	Fayetteville KC (11/15)	Open A	191.5	3

Show-N-Go

There will be a Show-N-Go at the DKC building on Guess Road on Sunday, **Dec. 6th**. Registration will continue from 8:30 AM until 11:00 AM. The cost will be \$5 per entry and Novice, Open, and utility will be included in two rings on a first come, first serve basis. For more information call: **Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191**

Spring Show Trophies

It's once again trophy time for the spring show. If you can contribute a trophy, please call. **Diane Kessler 929-1955**