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A true spirit of the holidays is a true spirit of a dog who only wants to share his love.

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Durham Kennel Club Newsletter

Siberian Husky: Dog of the Month



The Siberian Husky should be friendly, gentle, alert, and outgoing. They do not display the possessive qualities of guard dogs. Mature dogs may show a certain amount of dignity and reserve. Their intelligence and eager disposition make them agreeable companions and willing team workers. Their instinct to roam may endanger them and they should be kept on a lead or in a confined area.

Background: Siberian Huskies have been bred by the Chukchis of Northeastern Asia for thousands of years. They required a dog of great endurance who could pull a sled over great distances with a minimum expenditure of energy and the ability to be able to do this on a small amount of food. A sturdy, yet graceful, dog gradually evolved with moderate bone structure.

Show Ring: The coat is double and medium in length. A long, rough or shaggy coat is considered a fault. All color coats and eyes are permissible. Eye color is neither a true recessive nor a dominant trait. Blue-eyed dogs do not always produce blue-eyed dogs. This is one of the few breeds in which blue, brown and hazel eyes all occur, as well as different colored eyes in the same animal. The eyes may not even be a solid color; a blue eye can have a wedge of brown in it. Dogs may be from 21 to 23 ½ inches at the withers and bitches from 20 to 22 with a weight of 45 to 60 lbs. for the dog and 35 to 50 for the bitch.

Full dentition and a scissors bite are normal.

Breed Disqualifications: An aggressive temperament is undesirable and should not be bred, but the only breed disqualification is being **over-size**.

Recognized Problems: Serious breeders started an extensive campaign against **hip dysplasia** in the early 1960s and now the breed is the fifth least affected of all breeds. **Hemophilia A** is reported in Huskies, as is **ventricle septal defect**. **Progressive retinal atrophy** and **discooid lupus** are also found in this breed. Alaskan breeds, as a group, are found to be more susceptible to **zinc deficiency** resulting in skin problems than other breeds. They have relatively few birth problems or defects.

Old Age: Siberian Huskies often live 12 to 14 years.

From: Ross D. Clark, DVM & Joan R. Stainer. Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs and The Complete Dog Book (18th ed.) by AKC.

December Party

FOOD: Our December meeting will be held on Monday, Dec. 20th 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. **PROGRAM:** Please bring items to be shared with the Durham County Shelter. 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. The gifts will go to both dogs and cats. Please remember everyone.

President's Message

So many thanks are due to so many people who helped to get the DKC ready for the mats; then worked long and hard to get them down. We couldn't have done the job without your help...MANY THANKS.

I know individuals will be named elsewhere, I just wanted to express my appreciation... What a club!

We also got a head start by painting our obedience equipment for the December Obedience Trial, so we'll really look good.

Just a reminder to anyone using the club..... a lot of work and funds have gone into our building to upgrade and improveplease treat it with the same respect as your home.

We will have a yard/bake sale in Jan...hang on to those no longer needed items taking up space. We'll make every effort to sell them .

Sharon Pitz

DKC Membership Meeting Minutes

11/15/99: Following a program presented by DKC member, Mr. Jack Sappenfield, on TRACKING; the meeting was called to order by Vice - President, Diane Kessler.

Marge White - For the Tracking test this Sunday, there is a food list going around the room. Let Cathy Fogel, Linda Kerr or Marge know what you would like to bring.

The minutes for the October 18, 1999 meeting were read and approved as read.

Recording Secretary: New Member Candidates: Anne McLeary, Jennifer Colly, Catherine & Andrew Gottlieb, Niki Camera and Lisa Nicholson. They were all approved by membership.

Regular Membership Candidates: Ginger & Joshua Bevan, Deborah Schweers and Barbara Schumanfang. Congratulations all four were voted in as Regular Members.

The new membership list is out!! Any changes will be sent in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: As of 11/15/99

CCB Checking	\$10,180.77
Fowler Trophy	1,847.25
Financial Mgt.	16,757.34
Loan Payoff	33,123.91

Financial Report on Fall Show was discussed. The \$1,000.00 of gravel came out of a different pot.

AKC Delegate: Canine Heath Foundation video & the yearly report is now in the Library. Our club contributes so take a look at all the studies going on.

Agenda for December Delegates meeting will be put in the newsletter.

Before starting Committee reports, Diane stated how wonderful the building looks with the new matting & new paint job. Thanks to Jeff Telander for his efforts.

Jeff Telander stated that about 40 club members helped and thanked all of them. Pictures on the wall show the process of the installation of the mats.

Conformation: Betty McAllister - Last week of classes, next ones start in February. If you want to teach or know of someone, please let Betty know.

Obedience: Joyce McHenry - Classes are winding down; also, the next session will start in January.

Tracking: Jack Sappenfield - Test is scheduled for this Sunday. Drawing will be at 8am. There will be two T's and five X's. Everyone is welcome to come out. A food list is being circulated.

CGC: George Beglane - Test was held this past week end; had thirteen entries and all passed. Thanks for all the help.

Awards: Joanna Burley - Awards are coming in. Please fill them out and send them in. Banquet date is the 25th of February. More information will be out soon. Don't forget to apply for trophies. Whoever has last year's trophies, it is time to turn them back in preferably polished condition.

Fall Show: Betty Perschel - 2000 on hold right now, any new information will be given as it arises. A report of the Fall 1999 show will be in the next newsletter.

Spring Show: Connie Howard is not able to be here tonight. But show date is March 24th. She is looking for volunteers to do a variety of things. One thing in particular is Judge's Transportation. Please give Connie Howard a call if you can help out.

Trophy Sheets are circulating if anyone is interested.

Obedience Trial: Dates are December 18th & 19th. Utility is just about full. Premium lists are on the table in the foyer if anyone still needs to enter. Closing date is November 24th.

Trophies: Cecilia Reeder & Margaret Fox brought a variety of the trophies to show where your donations to the trophy fund goes. The list is being passed around. If you leave trophies at the building, please put them in the box in the storeroom and mark what they are for. Sign up sheets for volunteers is on the blue table near the double swinging doors.

Agility: Classes start January 10th. There will be Beginners at 6:30, Intermediate at 7:30 and Advanced at 8:30. Applications are in a folder on the wall in the lobby. For Beginner class, contact Mary Whorton for testing.

Old Business: Emilie reported that Pat Lawrence had an update on the Vet School's effort to help the animal victims of Floyd. They started adopting out the animals November 1 and were able to close down 1 of 2 buildings that were housing the animals. They still are looking for volunteers particularly around the 7am and 6pm feeding times. They are possibly still looking for foster homes. They are looking at ways to help the Tarboro Shelter which was hit very hard by Floyd.

Reminder: December 20th is the Christmas Party instead of a program. Bring hors d'oeuvre and a gift for the animals at the Durham County Shelter.

January 22nd is the **DKC Y2K Yard Sale!**

Carol Saur - Looking for someone to do Pet Therapy for a homebound patient, if interested in doing this, please contact Diane Kessler for more information.

Several guests were introduced and welcomed.

New Business: None.

Following several brags, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.

Submitted by *Denise McDonald*,
Recording Secretary.

Membership

New Applicants:

Barbara and Donald Schwartz
4602, Kemp Rd.
Durham NC 27703

Elizabeth Ruben
201 Nancy Rhodes Dr.
Durham. NC 27712

Jan G.F. Barnett
5 Creekside Dr.
Danville VA 24541

New Candidate Members:

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650 Lane Mill Rd.
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Anne M. Cleary
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Morrisville NC 27560

Jennifer A. Cowley
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Morrisville NC 27560

Catherine and Andrew Gottlieb
5022 Simmons Branch Trail,
Raleigh, NC 27606

Lisa Nicholson
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Raleigh NC 27614

New Regular Members:

Ginger and Josh Bevan
Debbora Schweers
Barbara Shumannfang

Corrections and Changes:

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Leslie Southerland
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Award Applications



Road, Bahama, NC 27503; fax 479-9954; phone 479-7011, or to any committee member.

Reminder: Award Applications are due **Wednesday, December 20, 1999** at the **DKC building** or to **Joanna Burley** (committee chair), 9719 Rougemont

From the Awards Committee:

Don't be shy about applying for TROPHIES!!! If everyone thinks someone else has better scores, or more titles, or better whatever....then no trophies will be applied for and none will be awarded!!!!

A DKC TROPHY gathering dust in a closet is a very sad sight indeed! MARK YOUR CALENDARS for **Friday, February 25, 2000**. This is the date of the annual Awards Banquet, and it will be held at the Regal Hotel in Durham. A wonderful meal (for both meat and veggie lovers), great conversation, and hearty congratulations are on the agenda! **Cost is \$25.00** per person (no increase from previous years!) **Checks** should be made payable to DKC and **mailed to:**

Joanna Burley, 9719 Rougemont Road, Bahama, NC 27503. More information in the January newsletter!

Upcoming Events

December 12, 1999 (Sun.)
DKC

Show-N-Go

Jane Bergsten 919 67-2191

December 18, 19, 1999 (Sat., Sun.)
DKC

Obedience Trial

Mary Whorton 919-471-1405

December 20, 1999 (Mon.)

Award Applications DUE

Joanna Burley 919-479-7011

Jan. 10, 2000 (Mon.)
DKC Building

Agility Classes Begin

Mary Whorton 919-471-1405

Jan. 15 & 16, 2000 (Sat./Sun.)
DKC Building

Agility Seminar

Tracy Fletcher 919-460-7944

January 2000
Quail Roost Farm

TD / TDX Tracking Match

Jack Sappenfield, 919-598-5318

Jan. 22, 2000 (Sat.)
DKC Building

Y2K YARD SALE

Sharon Pitz 919-384-9071

February 25, 2000 (Fri.)
Regal Hotel in Durham

AWARDS BANQUET

Joanna Burley 919-479-7011

March 24, 2000

SPRING SHOW

Connie Howard 919-309-9014

Fall Show "Mudville"

Oct. 23, 1999: Everyone who was at "THE SHOW" last Saturday knows all that went on. I still dream of it. It was truly a show for the books and one we shall remember for years to come.

The four inches of rain Rougemont received on the Wednesday before the show was the forerunner of things to come. Earlier in the month, we had been the recipient of three hurricanes. Real trouble began Friday morning when the first vehicles arrived on the site and became stuck in the mud. From then on things just became worse. Stories will be told and retold and many will have different spins to them. I cannot begin to give all the details of what happened from one minute to the next.

The show did go on and "best in show" finished only about an hour late. Weather that day cooperated beautifully, sunny and cool. It was a perfect day for all the dogs.

There is no way to thank all who worked so hard and for so long on all that needed to be done. If you were there, you worked and helped to do what needed to be done. The security people we have each year were true god-sends. Wayne Watson, David Frey and his son David are true "dog people." As Wayne said to me later, "not all police officers could have done the job." But after all, Wayne has been doing this for us for thirty-eight years.

I will not try to mention names. Each committee head and their people did over and beyond what their job description called for. All members of our club are dedicated folks AND I SINCERELY THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU.

I need to share this information with you. When we arrived home Thursday night, there was a call from a person in Beckley, WA. I returned her call and was told she was coming to the show. The Beckley KC knew of the "Floyd" damage and all the people in need and wanted to send clothing and things. She did come with a van full and both she and her

husband put it all in our station wagon. All of it is at the DKC. This is just one more indication of how good "dog people" are.

No more can be said. THANK YOU ALL ONCE MORE. There is always next year to think about and it has got to be better.

Betty Perschel

Fall Show Chair

CGC Test

The CGC test was held at the DKC building on November 13, 1999. There were a total of thirteen entered with all passing. **Congratulation** to all! I would like to thank the following people who contributed their time on Saturday: Jeff & Jodi Telander, Jane Bergsten, Jack Sappenfield, Stella Maunsell, Dee Wallace and Emilie Beglane. Again guys thanks for all your help.

George Beglane

Conformation

I'd like to sincerely thank Jan Gray and Peggy Schmidt for teaching our last session of conformation classes. Our next class will begin February 3rd, and run through March 9th, 2000. We'll be offering a beginner class from 7:30-8:30 PM for \$50. Peggy has again agreed to teach this class.

Bless you Peggy!! Since this class filled completely before starting our last session, I urge you to call me ASAP to register.

In the meantime, if several of you want to come out on Thursday night and **practice** those conformation skills, **call me at 528-2649, after 5 PM.**

Bless you all this holiday season. May you all enjoy good health, lots of laughter, and soft, warm fur attached to a cold nose and a wagging tail, to keep your heart warm, and your mind sane during the hectic weeks ahead.

Betty McAllister

Spring Show Advertisements Due!

Yes, it seems a little early to be thinking about this, but Spring Show ads are due Feb 1st, 2000!

Full page ads without a picture are \$35, with a picture for \$45. 1/2 page ads (no picture) are \$20. Booster page are \$10 per name.

What an easy way to support the club and advertise at the same time!

For more information: **Call or e-mail Chris Rasmussen - 382-7591 or chris.rasmussen@usa.net**

Agility Seminar

DKC is hosting a Jane Simmons-Moake agility seminar on Jan 15 and 16. At this time we still have a few slots available.

Cost **\$135 for both days**. We very much need someone to coordinate the lunches for this. There will be a maximum of 50 people each day and the seminar price includes lunch. If you would be interested in helping with this, please contact:

Mary Whorton 919-471-1405
or e-mail mhwhor@duke.edu

Jan. Agility Classes

Beginning January 10, DKC will hold 3 levels of agility classes - Beginner (self explanatory), Intermediate (for those who have been through a beginner class, but are not yet jumping full height or performing all the obstacles correctly including weave poles), Advanced or Competition (designed for those who are ready to compete at the Novice agility level or above). To enroll in any of these classes contact Lisa Connelly 919-471-8402. All dogs who have never taken an agility class at DKC are required to be tested to demonstrate off lead control and to assure they do not exhibit any aggressive behavior around other dogs. To request testing call:

Mary Whorton 919-471-1405

A MESSAGE FROM THE DURHAM KENNEL CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We hope you like all of the improvements that have been made to the DKC building over the past months. A great deal of effort from many club members and their families, and a great deal of money, have been invested in cleaning the building, in repairing and painting the walls, doors, and woodwork, and in installing the new floor. We are very proud of our facility, and would like to keep it looking as nice as it is now. To this end, we request the cooperation of all club members and any other groups using the building in following a few simple rules:

- **If you spill it, clean it up.**
- **If it smells, put it outside in the dumpster.**
- **If you groom your dog in the building (stripping, clipping, trimming toenails, etc.) sweep it up and put it in the trash.**
- **If you use it, put it away in the proper place when you are finished. This applies particularly to obedience and agility equipment.**
- **Do not leave half-empty cans of soda on the chairs or anywhere else.**
- **Do not put cheese on the walls.**
- **Do not put your feet on the walls.**
- **Do not drive in the building.**
- **Do not use chalk on the flooring. Use removable adhesive dots if you need to mark spots.**

- **Do not put objects in front of the mirrors.**
- **Do not throw dumbbells near, or in the direction of, the mirrors. They can take crazy bounces on the rubber flooring.**
- **If you leave a crate in the building, leave it in one of the two designated crate areas only.**

Basically, we ask that you treat this building with the same respect that you would give to your own home.

Thank you.

Delegate's Report

November, 1999 - I will once again be privileged to represent the Durham Kennel Club at the December AKC meeting on Tuesday, December 14th in New York City. According to the meeting agenda, there will be a discussion of the disciplinary sections of the AKC Bylaws, and an update on AKC's registration re-engineering, which should prove very interesting. There aren't any new items up for a vote, but there will be readings and discussion of two proposed amendments to the Field Trial Rules for Pointing Breeds. The first proposed amendment, to Chapter 14, Section 2, would allow an Amateur to run up to three dogs owned by other Amateurs in Amateur Stakes. The second proposed amendment, to Chapter 14, Section 7, addresses correct terminology for the Puppy and Derby Stakes held by Pointing Breed Field Trial Clubs, and would allow for championship points to be awarded to the second place dog when there are 25 or more starters. If anyone has any questions or concerns about these issues, please contact me by December 12th.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Connelly

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Canine News Online

Alternative Therapies in Vet. Med.
www.altvetmed.com/

Canine Eye Reg. Found. (CERF)
www.prodogs.com/chn/cerf/index.htm

Canine Health Naturally
www.prodogs.com/chn/index.htm

Orthopedic Found. for Animals (OFA)
www.offa.org/

School of Vet. Med. Purdue Univ.
www.vet.purdue.edu/~yshen/

Breeder Vet
users.neca.com/szeder/bveth.html

Vet Net
www.vet.net/rec.pets.dogs

Complete FAQ List
www.k9web.com/dog-aqs/lists/faq-list.html

Pet Alternative Companies
home.ican.net/~nowak/trina/links1.html

Advanced Veterinary Life Support
members.aol.com/henryhbk/avls.html

Veterinary Medicine Links
members.aol.com/henryhbk/linksv.html

Animal CPR
members.aol.com/henryhbk/acpr.html

Canine Hip Dysplasia resources
workingdogs.com/doc0090.htm

Ency. of Canine Veterinary Medical
www.vetinfo.com/dencyclopedia/deindex.html

Veterinary Reference
members.aol.com/henryhbk/linksv.html

Pet Alternative
home.ican.net/~nowak/trina/links1.html

Homeopathic Veterinary
www.fabra.nl/

Merck
www.merck.com/

Vet School Links
www.animalinstincts.com/finaniedu.html

Vet Web
www.vetweb.co.uk/index.html

List of Vet Documents
www.canismajor.com/dog/topic.html

www.acadvethom.org/avh/avhlist1.htm
www.petsandvets.com/index.html

www.pet-vet.com
www.naturalholistic.com

CONFORMATION SHOW REPORT

OWNER(S)	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE (1999)	CLASS	PTS	HIGHEST V
Sharon Pitz	Michael (Golden Retriever)	DKC (10/23)	Open	1	BOW
"	"	Alamance (10/24)	Open		Res. Winner
Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance	Grace (Border Terrier)	Alamance (10/24)	BBE	3	BOS
Emmy Wolters	Bizzy (Bouvier)	DKC (10/23)	Open	1	BOB
"	"	Alamance (10/24)	Open	1	BOB
Susan Jones	Jewel (Mini L Dachs)	DKC (10/23)	BBX	2	WB, BOS
"	Ted (Mini L Dachs)	Alamance (10/24)	BBX	3	WD, BW
"	Pepper (Mini L Dachs)	Alabama Dachs Club(11/20)	BBX	5	WD, BW
"	Penny (Mini L Dachs)	Misphillion KC (11/14)	BBX	1	WB, BOS
Jan Howe & Susan Jones	Rudi (Mini L Dachs)	"	Puppy	1	WD, BW
Mike & Joanne Wright	Tresa (Irish Setter)	Alamance (10/24/99)	6-9 Puppy	1	WB
Stacy Gavin	Shadow (Belg. Sheepdog)	Tenn. Valley KC (11/4)	Open	2	BOS
"	"	Chattanooga KC(11/5)	Open	2	BOS
"	"	Greater Hickory KC(11/6)	Open	4	BOS

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

OWNER(S)	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE (1999)	CLASS	SCORE	LE
Norma Williams	Maggie (Mini L Dachs)	Charlotte DT Club (10/16)	Nov. Agility	100	3
"	"	"	"	100	4
"	"	"	Nov. Jumper	99	1
Carol Quinlan	Reno (Sheltie)	Greater Charlotte SSC(11/14)	Novice B	192	1
Steve Hartman & Lynne Degitz	Riga (Weimaraner)	Wilderness Pointer Club of Virginia (Oct. 23, 24)	Open Derby	2 pts	
Kelly Martin	Dakota (Shetland Sheepdog)	Triangle SSC of NC (11/13)	Novice A	198	2
"	"	Greater Charlotte SSC(11/14)	Novice A	197	3
Cindy Luster	Benni (GSD)	Dauphin DT Club (11/14)	TD		
Stella Maunsell	Marti (Standard Poodle)	(11/19)	Utility		1