

**DKC Newsletter**  
**February 2000**

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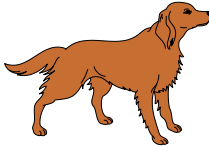


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T** We know we are growing older when we realize we will not be able to own every breed we might have wished to enjoy.

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## Irish Setter: Dog of the Month



The Irish Setter requires play, exercise, love and above all, patience and acceptance. It can be a snob or a clown, but is always loyal to its owners. These dogs may be supersensitive or hardheaded, but rarely lack intelligence. They often like to play dumb, and few dogs are as adapt at acting as the Irish Setter.

The Irish Setter was bred for the country and some do not do well as city dogs. A house-bound Irish Setter may act like a “crazy dog” because the owners do not realize how much exercise he needs. If he is properly trained, he will make a wonderful companion. The Irish Setter’s combination of intelligence and independence can cause problems if he is not properly controlled.

**Background:** The Irish Setter first became popular early in the 18<sup>th</sup> century and less than 100 years later, its reputation was firmly established in its native Ireland and throughout the British Isles. Its origins are guesswork. There is no breed which has a clear title to this honor. Some believe that he was developed from a Irish Water Spaniel–Irish Terrier cross, but most believe that it was an English Setter-Spaniel-Pointer blend with a dash of Gordon thrown in.

**Show Ring:** The ideal Irish Setter dog is 27 inches at the withers and weighs about 70 pounds; the ideal bitch is 25 inches tall and weighs 60 pounds. The body is slightly longer than tall and the legs should be sturdy with plenty of bone.

**Breed Disqualifications:** There are no disqualifying breed faults.

**Breeding and Whelping:** Bitches have very erratic estrous cycles. Some bitches regularly come into heat at 6 month cycles and others can go as long as 2 to 3 years between periods. First estrus may not occur in some until they are 3 years old. Mastitis is seldom a problem, but they can become hyperactive after whelping. A litter of 14 is not uncommon. Birth color varies and the adult coat cannot be determined until the puppies lose their baby fuzz and develop a dark streak down their backs. Often, though, the fringes of the ear tips show adult color.

**Recognized Problems: Broken bones** are common in puppies up to a year and one-half. Growth disturbances have become more common and may be related to over-nutrition. **Hip dysplasia** is estimated at 35 %, but seems to be decreasing.

**Old Age:** Strokes are common in aged dogs and bloat increases dramatically as the dog grows older. The average life span is 11.1 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.*

## February Meeting

**There is no meeting in February.** This is the month to enjoy our **AWARDS BANQUET - Feb. 25.**

Please see the information in this newsletter and join us for a fulfilling and fun-filled evening where all the guests are dog lovers. The evening will be as interesting and diversified as usual.

# Membership

**DURHAM KENNEL CLUB  
VOTED IN ON JANUARY 17,  
2000:**

## NEW CANDIDATE MEMBERS

### **Jan Barnett**

5 Creekside Dr.  
Danville VA 24541

### **Elizabeth Ruben**

201 Nancy Rhodes Dr.  
Durham NC 27712

### **Barbara and Donald Schwartz**

4602 Kemp Rd.  
Durham, NC 27703

### **Rebecca Burke**

39 Lake Village Dr.  
Durham NC 27713

### **Elizabeth Perry**

3611 Hope Valley Rd.  
Durham NC 27703

## NEW REGULAR MEMBERS

### **Phyllis Campbell**

1863 Turner Rd. Lot 40  
Mebane NC 27302

### **Linda Kerr**

3648 Sleepy Hollow Rd Wake  
Forest NC 27587

## CHANGES

### **Mrs. Jane Ferguson**

c/o Layton & Carraway  
Attorneys at Law  
4600 -250 Marriott Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27612

## **DKC Membership Meeting Minutes**

01/17/00: Following a program presented by DKC member, Phyllis Campbell, on canine acting; the meeting was called to order by President Sharon Pitz. Guests who were in attendance were welcomed. Minutes from the Nov.15, 1999 meeting were approved as submitted.

**Corresponding Secretary:** Stella Maunsell - New member candidates: Jan Barnett, Elizabeth Ruben, Barbara and Donald Schwartz, Rebecca Burke and

Elizabeth Perry. They were all approved by membership. To be voted on for regular membership: Phyllis Campbell and Linda Kerr. Congratulations, both were voted in as regular members.

### **Treasurers Report:**

As of 1/17/2000

CCB	\$18,546.24
Fowler Trophy Fund	1,847.97
Financial Mgt. Acct.	9,993.05
Loan Balance	(32,954.73)

Obedience Trial + \$1,811.14  
Yard Sale made about \$800.00  
Agility Seminar made about \$1,100.00

**AKC Delegate:** There will be some negative publicity about AKC on one of the Journal TV shows. AKC has an article on their web site about it.

**Conformation Classes:** Contact Betty McAllister. Classes start in February.

**Tracking:** Jack Sappenfield - TDX Test scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> of February at Quail Roost Farms. Need Volunteers to help with cross tracks. Please call Jack if you can help. Contact Cathy Fogel about bringing food for the Tracking test.

**CGC:** George Beglane - A test will be held after the completion of Obedience classes in about 9 weeks.

**Awards:** Joanna Burley - Banquet will be the 25<sup>th</sup> of February at the Regal University Hotel. Cost is \$25.00. There is a wonderful selection of food available. Bar opens at 6:30pm. Need the money by February 18<sup>th</sup> to Joanna. Sharon Pitz complimented the committee on the excellent job that they have done in the last few years.

**Nominating Committee:** Slate of Officers will be presented in the February newsletter. Nominations from the floor or if you nominate

someone, please make sure that you check with these people first.

**Library:** Cathy Fogel - Some stuff has been added and as of yesterday the 3 tape set by Jane Simmons-Moake on Agility has been added. Does anyone have a cure for mildewed books? Please let Cathy Fogel know - Thank you.

**Program:** No February meeting because of the banquet. March program will feature Vicky O'Rourke speaking on Canine Legal Issues.

**Obedience Trial:** We had another successful trial!! Thank you all the help this year. Dates for this year are December 16 and 17, 2000. We will need help again. Our Awards Chairs have retired and we need someone to help with this. We also have other positions open; Please contact Denise McDonald.

**Newsletter:** New date for submission of items is the 20<sup>th</sup>. Let Joanna Burley know if your name and address is incorrect on the newsletter.

**Fall Show:** Date is 10/21/2000 and the site will be the Riverside High School on Rose of Sharon Road.

**Spring Show:** Will be held at the Raleigh Fairgrounds. Date is Friday, 3/24/2000. Contact Connie Howard as there are lots of jobs available. Obedience will be held in the Kelly Building.

**Spring Show Advertising:** February 7<sup>th</sup> is the deadline. Contact Chris Rassmussen for more information.

**Agility Seminar:** Just completed a 2 day seminar that was a success. Sharon Pitz wanted to Thank (They are not here tonight) Tracey Fletcher & Mary Whorton who did a wonderful job planning, organizing, setting up the program and Richard Whorton for providing and setting up lunch and breaks for the seminar. They all worked very, very hard. It was a very food club effort and all seminar participants really enjoyed it.

**Show-N-Go:** Jane Bergsten is working on more dates so watch the newsletter for more information.

**Announcements:** There are some Ring Gates that are no longer at the building. If you have borrowed these, please return. Please do not feel that you can borrow equipment from the building. None of the equipment, ring gates and etc. can go out of the building unless it is an official Durham Kennel Club function. If you know of anyone who has borrowed Ring Gates, Please let them know that we would like them back.

Diane Kessler will be handling the calls for the building rental. Diane is taking care of the Key Distribution and Sharon the scheduling. It will run smoother having one person handle both functions. This will probably start next month.

**New Business:**None

Following several brags, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.

Submitted by

*Denise McDonald*

Recording Secretary

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## From the Awards Committee

The envelopes are sealed and the trophies are at the engraver and the list of award winners goes on and on! DKC members had another wonderful year in 1999, and the versatility of our club's members continues to be outstanding.

Come and join in celebrating the achievements of DKC members and their dogs at the **Regal Hotel February 25, 1999!** Please don't forget the **deadline for reserving your place at the Awards Dinner is February 18, 2000.** The menu is mouth-watering and plentiful, the conversation will be stimulating and genteel, and the entertainment most enjoyable. The bar opens at

6:30; dinner will be served at 7:00, followed by the presentations. \$25.00 per person for a wonderful evening social event! The Regal Hotel is located on Morreene Road in Durham, just off the Durham Freeway. See you there, Friday, February 25, 2000!

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## Report from DKC Nominating Committee

The DKC Nominating Committee reports that the proposed slate for the years 2000 and 2001 is as follows:

President	Sharon Pitz
Vice President	Jack Sappenfield
Treasurer	Emilie Beglane
Recording Secretary	Denise McDonald
Corresponding Secretary	Stella Maunsell
AKC Delegate	Lisa Connelly
Board	George Beglane, Richard Perschel, Mike Wright

The Nominating Committee included: Marge White as Chairperson, Joyce McHenry, Nancy Burka and Brona Hicks.

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## Spring Show Advertisements Due!

Spring Show ads are due **Feb 7th, 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**  
**chris.rasmussen@usa.net**

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## Upcoming Events

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**February 3, 2000**  
**CONFORMATION**  
**Classes Begin**

Betty McAllister  
528 2649, after 5 PM.

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**February 7, 2000 (Mon.)**  
**Spring Show Ads Due**

Chris Rasmussen 382-7591

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**February 18, 2000 (Fri.)**  
**Reservation Deadline**  
**for the**  
**Awards Banquet**

Joanna Burley 919-479-7011

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

Joanna Burley 919-479-7011

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**February 27, 2000 (Sun.)**  
Quail Roost Farm  
**TDX TRACKING Match**

Jack Sappenfield 919-598-5318  
March 24, 2000

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**March 24, 2000 (Fri.)**  
**SPRING SHOW**

Connie Howard 919-309-9014

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**October 21, 2000 (Sat.)**  
Riverside High School  
Rose of Sharon Rd.

**FALL SHOW**

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**March 24, 2000**  
**OBEDIENCE TRIAL**

Denise McDonald 336-364-7996

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## Online Show News

You can now see the **Best of Breed, Group Placements, the Best in Show, the name of the judge, the AKC number, the registered name, the breed, the owner and the agent just minutes after the win occurred.**

If you are interested in a preview the site is: [www.winnerview.com](http://www.winnerview.com)

The people who sent us this information are Winner View, Inc., P.O. Box 147, Ponca City, OK 74602 or 580/763-0717.

## Holistic Veterinarian

Natural and holistic medicine veterinarian Dr. William L. Farber has just been signed to act as a primary at: [Allpets.com](http://Allpets.com). He is a medical expert, providing site visitors veterinary advice with a focus on holistic pet medicine and non-traditional medical alternatives.

"Today's pet owners have never been more persistent in pursuing a wide variety of treatment and healthcare options for their pet," said Niloo Howe, Allpets.com CEO.

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## BOARD APPROVED FUS DNA PROGRAM

by *Sari B. Tietjen*

At its January 10th meeting, the Board of Directors of the American Kennel Club approved a **Frequently Used Sire (FUS)** DNA program, prior to registration of the next litter, for those sires with six or more registered litters and those sires producing three or more litters in a calendar year. Effective for litters whelped on or after July 1, 2000, the program requires stud dog owners of these dogs to submit their dog's DNA with the AKC. Owners should get the DNA Test Kit from AKC Fulfillment Department, 5580 Centerview

Drive, Raleigh, NC 27606 and return the dog's cheek swab DNA sample with the accompanying, required paperwork and the payment of a \$40 processing fee to AKC's DNA Operations in Raleigh. The sire's DNA will then become a permanent part of his AKC records.

Any stud dog whose DNA has already been collected through AKC's Voluntary Certification Program or the Parent Club Program does not need to be redone as his DNA is already on file and the requirement will be considered as having been satisfied. Every "DNA Certification" is valid for the lifetime and beyond of the sire.

The discipline policies of the Compliance Audit Program will also be applied to this program. Any litter found to be excluded from 7/1/2000 forward based on DNA testing can either be corrected or, if not corrected, will be cancelled. Owners of stud dogs who signed the litter application attesting as to the sire of the litter may be subject to suspension of all AKC privileges if two or more litter applications are submitted to AKC within a three-year time period certifying the incorrect sire.

Every stud dog that falls in the above parameters must have his "DNA Certification" on file with the AKC prior to the registration of its seventh or higher litter or his fourth or more litter within a calendar year.

Any excess funds accumulated as the result of the FUS program will be set aside and used to fund a future registration integrity programs.

Stud dog owners with any questions about this program may send an email to [dna@akc.org](mailto:dna@akc.org).

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## Obituaries (AKC)

**James H. Moran** - Multi-group judge (Toy and Non-sporting and some Sporting breeds, BIS) and

former Pug breeder, Jim Moran died of natural causes while on a judging assignment in Sarasota, Florida on January 11th, 2000. Jim had been president of the American Dog Show Judges Association at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife, Grace, and resided in Oregon.

**Sunny Dutton** - Longtime breeder and multi-group judge (Sporting, Toy & No-sporting) passed away of natural causes on January 13th, 2000. She was a resident of Illinois.

**James Cavallaro** - Very active, multi-group judge (Toys, Non-sporting & provisional Working, & BIS) and former Pug breeder died on January 16th, 2000 as the result of a inoperable brain tumor that was discovered just two months ago. Jim lived in Florida and was active in the Greater Daytona Dog Fanciers Association.

**Quentin LaHam** - Popular lecturer on anatomy and movement, all-breed Canadian judge, multi-group American judge (Sporting, Working, Herding and some Terrier breeds, BIS), was killed on January 17th, 2000 in an automobile accident that occurred in front of the hotel where the judges were staying for the all-breeds shows in Brookville, Florida. He was a resident of California at the time of his death and reportedly was looking for property to relocate to Florida with his wife, Betsy, at the time of the accident.

**Betsy LaHam** - Former AKC Field Representative and Afghan Hound breeder, multi-group judge (Herding, Working, Shih Tzu & BIS), seriously injured in the automobile accident that killed her husband, Quentin. Betsy died the following morning, January 18th, 2000, while undergoing a second surgery in an attempt to save her life.

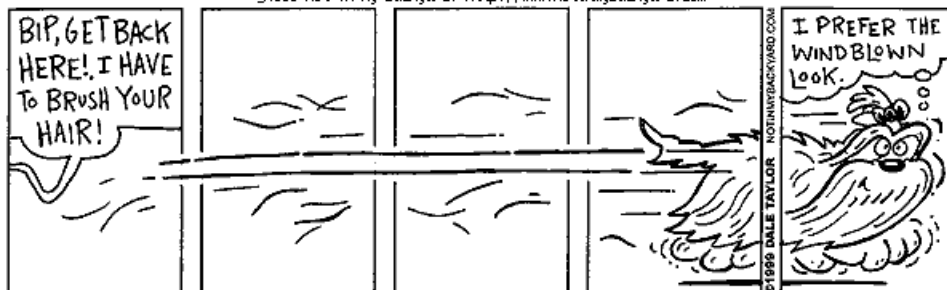
**CONFORMATION SHOW REPORT**

OWNER(S)	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE (1999)	CLASS	PTS	HIGHEST V
Emmy Wolters	Abken's Bizzy (Bouvier)	Upper Marlboro KC (11/99)	Open	3	WB
"	"	Northeastern MD KC (11/99)	Open	3	WB
M F Davis	Fox Run Silver Spoon (Border Terrier)	Forsyth (12/11/99)	6-9 Puppy	1	BOS

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

OWNER(S)	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE (1999)	CLASS	SCORE	LE
Lynn Michael	Proton (Sheltie)	Triangle Shetland Sheepdog Club	Nov B	196.5	1
"	"	Greater Charlotte Shetland Sheepdog Club	Nov B	188.5	2
"	"	DKC	Nov B	195	3
"	"	DKC	Nov B	194.5	4
J & M Wright	Patrick (Irish Setter)	DKC	Util A	175	1
"	"	DKC	Util A	192	2

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