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## Australian Cattle Dog: Dog of the Month



The Australian Cattle dog is a sturdy, compact working dog with the ability and willingness to carry out any task, however difficult. He has substance, power, balance and excellent muscle tone. He must be capable of quick and sudden movement. He is ever alert, watchful and protective of his herd and property. Although suspicious of strangers, the Cattle Dog is required to be agreeable to handling in the show ring.

**Background:** The Australian Cattle Dog was established as a pure breed in 1890 after a long period of experimentation by cattle owners and dog breeders to produce a type of dog suitable for conditions in Australia. They needed a working dog with the stamina to work and travel in all weather through very rough regions. Because there were no fences and a shortage of labor, cattle were often wild. For these reasons, it was necessary to breed a dog that was not afraid to tackle savage bulls but would not frighten wild cattle with continuous barking. To achieve this breeding goal, a number of crosses were needed. The Australian Cattle dog originated basically from the Blue merle Collie and the wild Dingo, modified by the Dalmatian and the black and tan Kelpie (or Culpa). They were first known as Queensland Heelers, then Australian Heelers and finally Australian Cattle dogs.

**Show Ring:** The desirable height at the withers for dogs is 18 to 20 in. (weight 45 to 55 lbs.) and for bitches is 17 to 19 in. (weight 40 to 50 lbs.).

The weather-resistant outer coat is moderately short, straight and of medium texture with a short, dense undercoat. The coat color can be blue, blue mottle, or red with an even speckle all over including the undercoat.

The jaws should grip with a scissor-like action, the lower incisors close behind and just touching the upper.

**Breeding and Whelping:** The pups are born white. Tails are not docked and ears are not cropped. There are generally no birthing problems.

**Recognized Problems:** Occasionally **eczema** arises and there is some tendency (12.7%) toward **deafness**.

**Old Age:** The Australian Cattle Dog, a breed selected for health and working ability, lives an average of 13 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.*

## May Meeting

**FOOD:** Our May meeting will be held on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner. The club will provide beverages. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM and everyone is welcome. Dogs are welcomed in the building during dinner, but should be crated or kept in Ring 2 until dinner is over.

**PROGRAM:** Our April meeting feature will **Arthritis Research** with **Terri Toohil**. There will be plenty of handouts. Please come and bring a friend.

## Minutes of the DKC Membership Meeting

Apr. 17, 2000 - None available.

### Membership Update

#### NEW ADDRESSES:

Lisa Roberts  
9708 Gallop Lane  
Bahama NC 27503

#### NEW CANDIDATE-MEMBER

Kira Attwood  
1311 Pulpit Rd.  
Chapel Hill NC 27516  
(Newfoundland)

### DKC DUES RENEWAL for 2000 - 2001

June 1 is the deadline for DKC dues. Dues will be accepted by mail or at DKC meetings only (Checks preferred). Payment may not be made at DKC classes or at shows. The form at the end of this newsletter must accompany your payment in order to assure that no errors are made. Please be sure that all information is complete.

### DKC Yard Sale



Please don't forget

our June 24th **Yard Sale** (Saturday) beginning at 8 AM. There will be no bake sale. Clothes cannot be accepted, but accessories such as purses, scarves, and belts are welcomed as will be all your other donations. All electrical item should be in good/safe working order.

The building will be open Monday through Thursday from 7-8:15 PM to receive donations for the sale.

Please come and encourage friends and neighbors to share the fun.

For more information contact :

**Sharon Pitz (919) 384-9071**

## Conformation Information

We've completed our last session of conformation classes till we offer more in the fall. Many thanks to the one and only, Peggy Schmidt, who was our teacher *extraordinaire* this session! I'm constantly impressed by the depth of knowledge possessed by DKC members, and their gracious willingness to share it, by instructing others. If you are an experienced show person and would be willing to instruct a class next fall, do please give me a call.

If several of you want to come out on Thursday night to practice those conformation skills from 7:30-8:30, give me a call after 6 PM weekdays at 528-2649.

Hug a puppy today, it's good for the heart!

**Betty McAllister**

## Obedience

### Reminders:

1. Two **obedience Show-n-Go** events are coming up soon, one in May and one in September. On Sunday, May 21, the weekend before the Greater Raleigh Dog Training Club Obedience Trials at DKC, we will have an obedience Show-n-Go. Registration starts at 8:30 AM. Another Show-n-Go will be held on Sunday, September 10, again starting at 8:30 AM. The cost is \$5.00 per run through.
2. We will also be having an informal **Obedience Open House** at DKC on Sunday, July 16 from 2 PM until 5 PM for DKC members and friends. The building will be open for independent obedience work. Run throughs will be available on request. DKC members who have paid their Year 2000-2001 dues will be admitted free. The charge for DKC members who are not up to date on dues and for DKC friends will be \$5.00 for

the afternoon. We're trying out this format on an experimental basis. If it is successful another Obedience Open House could be held on Sunday, August 13 from 2 PM until 5 PM.

Contact:

**Jane Bergsten at (919) 967-2191 or JWBERGSTEN@aol.com** for more information about any of the above listed events.

## Upcoming Events

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**May 13 & 14, 2000**

DKC Building

### **Building Animal Health Workshop**

**Dr. Adele Monroe (919) 693-0442**

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**May 21, Sept. 10, Dec. 10, 2000**

(All are on Sun.), DKC Building

### **SHOW-n-GO**

**Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191**

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**June 24, 2000 (Sat.)**

DKC Building - 8 AM

### **YARD SALE**

**Sharon Pitz (919) 384-9071**

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**July 16, 2000 (Sun.)**

DKC Building - 2-5 pm

### **Obedience Open House**

**Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191**

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**October 21, 2000 (Sat.)**

Riverside H. S.,

Rose of Sharon Rd.

### **FALL SHOW**

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**November 19, 2000 (Sun.)**

Quail Roost

### **TD/TDX Tracking Match**

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**Dec.16 & 17, 2000 (Sat.&Sun.)**

### **OBEDIENCE TRIAL**

**Denise McDonald 336-364-7996**

## Canine Good Citizen Test Results

The CGC test was held at the DKC building on April 1, 2000. A total of thirteen dogs entered the test, with all thirteen passing the test.

I would like to thank the following workers for volunteering their time and effort: Jane Bergsten, Jodi Telander, Lucia Welborne, Carolyn Wolfe, Joanne Harrar, Emilie Beglane, Dee Wallis and Cathy Gottlieb.

Thanks guys for a great job!

**George Beglane**

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### Building Animal Health

Greetings,

This is just a friendly reminder for those of you who are interested in my Building Healthy Animal Companions Seminar, May 13 & 14, in Durham, NC. Details can be found at my web site.

This seminar is a condensation of all I have learned in the past 10 years about maintaining exceptional vigor and health into old age, a topic that is not really taught in veterinary schools. There's plenty of room left for participants. The only participation restriction is on the Acupressure workshop Sunday afternoon. If you have expressed interest in the Acupressure workshop, but have not sent a deposit, contact me by email or phone ASAP to confirm your interest. I have not been flooded with out-of-town registrations so I'll go ahead and accept registrations from triangle-area residents.

I will provide healthy refreshments (bagels, fruit, etc.; various flavors of hot tea; coffee drinkers please bring your own) during registration check-in and breaks. (The building has a Coke machine.) Participants will receive a handout with the "take-home" messages for each topic. I'm asking for a non-refundable \$10 deposit to reserve your place at the seminar (any part), so that I can get an accurate count for purchasing/printing purposes. Please make your

check payable to Dr. Adele Monroe and mail it to 4122 Pecan Drive, Stem, NC 27581. Thank you.

Registration check-in starts at 8 a.m. both days, with the sessions starting promptly at 8:30.

Plan to bring a comfortable chair; the chairs at the building are metal folding chairs.

Adele C. Monroe, DVM, MSPH  
North Carolina, USA

Holistic Health Information for  
Companion Animals Web Site

<http://holisticdvm.gloryroad.net/index.html>

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### Dog News

**Saint Bernard Nears Record With 16 Puppies** - April 10, 2000

PHILMONT, N.Y. (Reuters) - A Saint Bernard dog in upstate New York gave birth to 16 live puppies, tying for the second-largest puppy litter in recorded history, her owners said on Sunday.

The 2 1/2-year-old dog, King Triton's Ariel, originally delivered a litter of 17 full-blooded Saint Bernard puppies during 12 1/2 hours on Friday, but one of the puppies died shortly after birth, said her owner and breeder Greg Howard.

"She is doing great and all puppies are doing fine," said Howard, who has only been breeding Saint Bernards in Philmont, south of Albany, New York, since last year. He said the pups are "feisty and hungry."

The Albany Times-Union reported that Ariel's litter tied the record for the second-largest litter of surviving puppies in recorded history. The latest Guinness Book of World Records noted that 16 Great Danes were born in June 1987 in Little Hall, England. That litter originally totaled 23 but seven puppies died after birth.

The largest litter ever was recorded on June 19, 1944, in Ambler, Pennsylvania, when 23 American foxhounds were born, the Times-Union reported.

Howard said he and his wife, Renee Wendover, were taking turns with three-hour shifts to satisfy the

insatiable new puppies. Ariel is recuperating from her laborious birth on a blanket in a blue kiddie pool and the puppies are brought to her for nursing eight at a time.

"She's a great mom and so is the daddy," said Howard, who said the dad was very interested in the birth of his 10 sons and six daughters.

Last year, Ariel's first litter yielded eight puppies, which will grow to 180 pounds (82 kg) each when they are fully grown. They will be sold for \$600 when they are 8 weeks old.

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### Dog Rules, Simplified For Humans

**Visitors:** Quickly determine which guest is afraid of dogs. Charge across the room, barking loudly and leap playfully on this person. If the human falls down on the floor and starts crying, lick its face and growl gently to show your concern.

**Barking:** Because you are a dog, you are expected to bark. So bark -- a lot. Your owners will be very happy to hear you protecting their house. Especially late at night while they are sleeping safely in their beds. There is no more secure feeling for a human than to keep waking up in the middle of the night hearing you protective bark, bark, bark...

**Licking:** Always take a BIG drink from your water dish immediately before licking your human. Humans prefer clean tongues. Be ready to fetch your human a towel.

**Doors:** The area directly in front of a door is always reserved for the family dog to sleep.

**The Art Of Sniffing:** Humans like to be sniffed. Everywhere. It is your duty as the family dog to accommodate them.

**Dining Etiquette:** Always sit under the table at dinner, especially when there are guests, so you can clean up any food that falls on the floor. It's also a good time to practice your sniffing.

**SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION**

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	PTS	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
Susan Jones	Pepper (Min. L. H. Dachs)	Fla. East Coast Dach Club (3/10/00)	BBX		RWD to Major	
"	Emma (Min. L. H. Dachshund)	"	BBX	3	WB/BOS/Best BBX all Coats	
"	Rudy (Min. L. H. Dachshund)	Louisville Dachs Club (3/18/00)	12 to 18 mo.	4	WD/BW	
"	Emma (Min. L. H. Dachshund)	"	Open		RWB to Major/ Best Open Mini all Coats	
"	Locket (Min. L. H. Dachshund)	Atlanta Dachs Club (4/16/00)	BBX	5	WB/Best BBX all Coats - retired WB challenge trophy	
"	Pepper (Min. L. H. Dachs.)	Baltimore Dachs Club (4/21/00)	BBX	5	RWD	
"	Emma (Min. L. H. Dachshund)	"	Open	5	WB/BW	
"	Pepper (Min. L. H. Dachshund)	Washington Dachs Club (4/22/00)	BBX	5	RWD	
Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance	Duncan (Border Terrier)	Danville KC	BOB		BOB	
"	"	Furniture City KC	BOB		BOB	
"	"	Alamance KC	BOB		BOB	
"	Grace (Border Terrier)	Alamance KC	Bred-by	1	WB	
"	"	Durham KC	Bred-by	2	WB	
"	"	Raleigh KC	Bred-by	3	WB	New CH from Bred-by
"	"	Montpelier Border Terrier Rally	CH Bitch			BOS entry - 60 Borders
Mike & Joanne Wright	Tresa (Irish Setter)	Lumberton KC	9 - 12	1	WB	
"	Quinn (Irish Setter)	Beaufort KC	Open	2	BOW	
Emmy Wolters	Nicholas (Bouvier)	Lumberton KC	BOB		BOB	
Betty McAllister & Mary Valkenaar	Marval Caught Red Handed (Parti Cocker)	CSC of RI, Boston (12/99)	6-9		Sweeps Parti Variety	
"	"	Danville KC (3/21/00)	Open	3	BOW	11 months old!
"	"	Carolina KC (3/22/00)	Open	4	BOW	"
"	"	Perry, GA (4/13/00)	Open	3	BOW	
"	"	Perry, GA (4/15/00)	Open	2	WD	
"	"	Old Dominion KC, Leesville VA (4/22)	Open	3	WD	4 <sup>th</sup> Major - Championship!
Nancy Burka	Judge (Belgian Tervuren)	Fayetteville KC	Open Dog	2	WD	Championship!

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

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	SCORE	LEG	PLACE	SP. AWARD
Kelly Martin	Dakota (Sheltie)	ASSA Sheltie Nationals (3/26/00)	Started (Herding)	91.5	2	1	And HIT!!
"	"	ASSA Sheltie Nationals (3/27/00)	Excellent A (Agility)	100		1	Title
"	"	ASSA Sheltie Nationals (3/28/00)	Open A (Obedience)	96.5	2		

<b>PERFORMANCE SHOW REPORT (Cont):</b>							
<b>OWNER'S NAME</b>	<b>DOG'S NAME (BREED)</b>	<b>SHOW &amp; DATE</b>	<b>CLASS</b>	<b>SCORE</b>	<b>LEG</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>SP. AWARD</b>
Judy Ortiz	Zima	Charlotte DTC	Open A	194	1		
"	"	"	Open A	192	2		
Lynn Michael	Carmen	Greensboro DTC	Nov. B	188.5	2		
"	"	"	Nov. B	189	1		
Jane Bergsten	Larkin (Golden)	Charlotte DTC	Nov. B	194.5	3		
Sharon Pitz	Michael (Golden)	Raleigh KC	Nov. B	190.5	2		
"	"	PVGRC Eastern Regional (4/14/00)	Nov. B	182.5	3		CD!
"	Mariah (Golden)	PVGRC Eastern Regional (4/13/00)	Open JWW	92	3	4	OAJ!
"	"	PVGRC Eastern Regional (4/13/00)	Excel. - B	100	1	4	
Joanna Burley	Sophie (Cocker Spaniel)	Raleigh KC	Nov. B	180.5	3		CD!!
George Beglane	Bentley (Labrador Retriever)	Durham KC	Nov. B	190	2		
"	"	"	Nov. B	183	1		
Fran Hoffman	Kahlua (BC)	Aust. Shep. Assoc. Mid FL(3/26,27)	A Course	92		2	3pts) Herding
"	"	"	Advanced	89.5		4	1 pt )Champion!
M & J Wright	Patrick (Irish Setter)	Beaufort KC	Utility	182.5	3	1	New UD!!!!
Lisa Connelly	Maggie (Border Terrier)	Greater Columbia Obedience Club	Excellent Standard	98	3	1	New AX!
"	"	Durham KC Agility	Excel. B Standard	97	MX	1	MX leg
"	Eddie (Border Terrier)	"	Nov. B Standard	87	NA	1	NA leg
"	"	"	Nov. B Standard	95	NA	2	NA leg
Norma William	Maggie (Stan. Dachshound)	Danville Agility Trial	Novice Jumpers	187	3	1	Title
"	"	Blue Ridge Agility Trial	Novice Jumpers	100	4	2	
"	"	HROTC	Open JWW	186	1		
Nancy Burka	Judge (Belgian Tervuren)	WSDCT	Nov. B	186	1		
"	"	DKC	Nov. B	189	2		
"	"	Raleigh KC	Nov. B	193	3	3	CD!
"	"	Danville KC	Open JWW	195	2	1	
Debbora Schweers	Jo	HROTC	Open JWW	95	2		Title!
"	"	DKC	Excel. A Standard	100	1	2	
Stella Maunsell	Toddy (Standard Poodle)	DKC	Nov. Std.		1		N. Title
"	"	DKC	Nov. JWW		2		N. Title
"	"	DKC	Nov. Jumpers		3		
Mary Whorton	Thriller (Border Collie)	Danville KC	Nov. B Standard	100	1	1	
"	"	Danville KC	Nov. B Standard	100	1	2	
"	"	Danville KC	Nov. JWW	100	1	1	
"	"	Berryville KC	Nov. B Standard	100	1	3	NA
"	"	Hampton Rds	Nov. JWW	100	1	2	
"	"	Merrimac KC	Nov. JWW	100	1	3	
"	"	Durham KC	Open	90		1	
"	"	"	Open	93	2	2	
"	"	"	Open	100	1	3	OA

**Check the AKC Web page. New Obedience rules from AKC starting October 1000**

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