

DKC Newsletter
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A happy and healthy summer to all our members and their canine friends.

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Durham Kennel Club Newsletter

Australian Cattle Dog: Dog of the Month



The Samoyed is a "people dog" and receives his happiness from being near his master. While they are superb watchdogs and gentle companions, they do not make good yard dogs and can develop habits such as barking, chewing and digging if left without human association. The Samoyed is very intelligent and friendly with children and dogs. This friendliness can even extend to puppies or other males.

Some bloodlines have a predisposition toward weak hocks or cowhocks. Also seen are some light boning or "snipy" muzzles that are similar to those of a Spitz. Light or liver colored noses may be the result of heredity, age or climate. Noses often lighten during winter months and become darker with exposure to more sunshine.

Background: The Samoyed is the most numerically popular of the arctic shepherd dogs. Through the centuries, it has bred true. Of all modern breeds, the Samoyed is most nearly akin to the primitive dog; no mixture of wolf or fox runs in the Samoyed strain. It has been used as a hardy sled dog, a reindeer herder and a guard for the huts of the Samoyed people.

Show Ring: The desirable height at the shoulder for dogs is 21 to 23.5 in. (weight 60 to 75 lbs.) and for bitches is 19 to 21 in. (weight 50 to 60 lbs.).

Any coat color other than pure white, white and biscuit, cream or all biscuit is disqualifying. Blue eyes are also a disqualification

and, since this is an inherited factor, dogs with this fault should not be bred.

Scissors bite or level bite is correct and usual. Generally the breed does not have missing teeth.

Breeding and Whelping: Most breedings are accomplished without difficulty. Birth defects are very rare. The pups dark, slate blue eyes open at about 9 days and change to brown at about 8-10 weeks. A thick, short white coat appears about a week after birth. The bitches take their maternal duties seriously and enthusiastically.

Recognized Problems: Hip dysplasia is found in the breed. Affected male Samoyed dogs with **x-linked nephritis** rapidly develop renal failure within the 1st year of life. Renal failure is never seen at such an early age in carrier females. Many other conditions are reported, but rarely seen. The coat is subject to sunburn, resulting in brown spots.

Old Age: The average life span is 10 to 12 years, but today's better care and nutrition can frequently extend this span to 15 or more 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.

September Meeting

Our September meeting will be held on Monday, September 18th. 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.

Please come to our first meeting of the new DKC year.

President's Message

Beginning June 20th, with the exception of July 4th, DKC will be open every other Tuesday morning to members and non-members on a trial basis. Training time will be 10:00 - 12:00 noon.

Non-members (and members who are not in good standing with dues) will be asked to pay a \$5.00 training fee. Non-members will be required to sign a waiver releasing DKC from responsibility in the event of injury to person or dog.

In addition, anyone needing help with a specific problem may request a SHORT training session from Gwen Millner. A \$5.00 fee will be charged for each session. Proceeds for training and instruction will go to DKC.

For those who have been in Agility classes, the building will be open Monday evenings beginning June 5th, from 7 - 8:15 PM. No charge for members; \$5.00 for non-members. Be prepared to help set-up and take down equipment at the end of the evening. This is not for those without prior training.

Sharon Pitz

DKC Membership Meeting Minutes

5/15/00 - Following a program presented by DKC member, Terri Toohil, on Pulsed Signal Therapy; the meeting was called to order by President Sharon Pitz.

Minutes from the 4-17-2000 meeting were approved.

Corresponding Secretary: Stella Maunsell - Member Candidate applicants: Tom Stewart, Kathy Dragon, and Jane Hawkins. All were approved. Ann Standen - An old regular member was approved to come back as a regular member. Jan Barnett was voted on and approved as a regular member.

Treasurer's Report: DKC Account Balances as of 5/15/200

CBB Checking	\$10,204.07
Fowler Trophy	1,849.40
Fin. Mgmt. Acct.	26,787.06
Loan Pay off	(27,086.35)
Spring Show	9,727.83
April Agility Trials	6,661.45

Conformation Classes: If interested in coming out on Thursday's ...Call Betty McAllister.

Obedience: Joyce McHenry - Classes are about half way through and going well.

CGC: George Beglane -Test will be June 3rd ...Registration starts at 8:30am.

Library: Cathy Fogel - There are a number of overdue books. Letters will be sent out reminding these folks. Send any requests for items to be added to the library to Cathy Fogel.

Newsletter: Terri Toohil - The 20th is the deadline for items to get into the next newsletter. Can send wins or articles to Terri via e-mail.

Fall Show: Betty Perschel - APS will do Food Booth. Need Ring Hospitality people. If you want to volunteer for anything, please contact Betty.

Tailwaggers: Marge White - Tailwaggers is a group composed of representatives from clubs in NC, SC and VA. They are involved in Dog Legislation and started the Mighty Match.

Agility: Completed first three day trial. Sharon Pitz thanked every club member who helped with this.

Show N' Go: This Sunday May 21st is the next one.

Nominations: Cathy Fogel made a motion to accept the slate as is. Phyllis Campbell seconded. The membership voted to approve.

President - Sharon Pitz
Vice-President - Jack Sappenfield
Recording Sec. - Denise McDonald
Corresponding Sec. - Stella Maunsell
Treasurer - Emilie Beglane
AKC Delegate - Lisa Connolly

Board Members:
Richard Perschel
George Beglane
Mike Wright

Unfinished Business:
June 24th is the Yard Sale. No clothing, electrical items must be in good working order. Building will be open Mon. - Thur. 7pm - 8:30pm the week before the yard sale for members to drop off donated items for the yard sale. May also drop items off on Friday evening as volunteers will be at the building for pricing and set up. Let Sharon Pitz know if you want to help with the yard sale. There will not be a bake sale this year.

New Business: Member brought up the possibility of holding microchip clinics.
Gwen Millner - Opening the building one day during the week every other week and having non members pay a fee. Marge White also volunteered to open. This would be mid morning and the day people would need to be out of the building by 3:30pm or 4:00pm. The member would be responsible for taking money and having waivers signed.

Announcements: Thank you for renewing your memberships!! If you have not, they are due by June 1st!!
Sharon Pitz Thanks all the Board Members and Committee members for all the hard work that they have done this year!!
If you are interested in participating on a particular committee or area, please let Sharon know.

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

Denise McDonald

Membership Update

NAME CHANGE:

Tina M. Thomas
(No longer Smith)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Liza Robert
9708 Gallop Lane
Bahama NC 27503

Phyllis Campbell
P.O. BOX 1
Graham NC 27253

NEW CANDIDATE-MEMBERS

Tom Stewart
270 Jeffreys Cove
Rocky Mount NC 77804
(253-454-0465)

Jeanne Hankins
224 Hepowil Trace
Hillsborough NC 27278
(919-479-0026)

Kathy Dragon
2104 Wren St.
Burlington NC 27215
(336-570-2016)

NEW REGULAR MEMBERS

Jan Barnett
5 Creekside Dr.
Danville VA 24541

REGULAR MEMBER REINSTATED

Anne Standen
2510 Jessup Rd.
Pilot Mt. NC 27041
(336-351-2519)

DKC DUES REMINDER

**Dues are due on June 1.
[Form is in newsletter.]**

**My thanks to the 54
members who have already
sent checks.**

Stella

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

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need Volunteers for the **December 16 and 17, 2000 Obedience Trial.**

And we really need someone to be in Charge of Prizes!! We have other jobs available, too.

For more information contact:

**Denise McDonald
336-364-7996**

COVER DOG SOUGHT

A national contest has been launched by Petopia.com to sniff out a new cover dog for its holiday catalog, In The Company of Dogs. If your dog possesses the necessary charm and photogenic qualities, its furry face could be famous. The top dog, and two of its human companions, will win a trip to New York City for the official photo shoot.

Three national finalists will be selected from all entries received, and their pictures will be posted on Petopia.com. Pet lovers across the country will then have the chance to vote for the grand prize winner through an online poll at Petopia's Web site. Each finalist will receive a \$100 gift certificate for Petopia's "In The Company of Dogs" catalog.

To enter, submit your candid canine photos either by logging onto <http://www.petopia.com> and attaching

a digital photo or via mail by sending your name, e-mail address, residence address, daytime phone number, with a color photograph, to: Petopia's "In The Company of Dogs", Cover Dog Contest, PMB #2193, 101 West 23rd Street, New York, NY 10011. Dogs must be alone in the photos (sorry no humans -- it's a dog's world).

Entries will be judged based on photogenic quality and charm. Entries must be received by June 15, 2000. For full contest details and regulations, visit [Petopia.com](http://www.petopia.com).

Web site: <http://www.petopia.com>

Upcoming Events

Sept. 10, Dec. 10, 2000 (All are on Sun.), DKC Building

SHOW-n-GO

Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191

June 24, 2000 (Sat.)

DKC Building - 8 AM

YARD SALE

Sharon Pitz (919) 384-9071

July 16, 2000 (Sun.)

DKC Building - 2-5 pm

Obedience Open House

Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191

October 21, 2000 (Sat.)

Riverside H. S.,

Rose of Sharon Rd.

FALL SHOW

November 19, 2000 (Sun.)

Quail Roost

TD/TDX Tracking Match

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

OBEDIENCE TRIAL

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SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	PTS	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
No reports available.						

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	PLAC E	SP. AWARD
George Beglane	Bentley (Labrador Retriever)	DOTC Lynchburg Agility	Novice A Standard	95	1	1	
Lisa Connelly	Eddie (Border Terrier)	DOTC Lynchburg Agility (4/29)	Novice B Standard	100	3	1	NA Title !
Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance	"	STCGWDC Earthdog Tests	Master Earthdog	100	4		New ME !
"	"	"	"	100	5		
Norma William	Maggie (Standard Dachs.)	Winston-Salem Agility Trial	Open Standard	87	1	2	
"	"	"	Open JWW	87	2	1	
Judy Ortiz	Bragg (Border Collie)	Dogwood Rottie Club, Perry GA	HA	80	1	3	
"	"	"	HA	94	2	2	Reserve HIT
Sharon Pitz	Mariah (Golden)	WSDTC Agility (5/7)	Exc. B	91	2	4	
M. F. Davis	Sandy (Border Terrier)	Earthdog Test	JE		1		
"	"	"	JE				New JE
Carol Parron	Covey (Weimaraner)	Assn. Greater Pittsburgh Field Trial (4/30)	Amat. Gun Dog Stakes	2pts		1	
Hope Sylvain	Joy (Frenchie)	Friends of Canadian Guide Dogs, Ottawa (5/6)	Novice B	195.5	1	2	
"	"	" (5/6)	Novice B	198	2	1	HIT (1st Frenchie in CKC history to get HIT)
"	"	" (5/7)	Novice B	197	3	3	New Title (Canadian CD)

The DKC Building will be open for training beginning June 13th on Tuesday mornings from 10 am to noon.

