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**Our Fall Show
will be the
100th All Breed
Show for the
Durham Kennel
Club.**

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Lhasa Apso: Dog of the Month



The **Lhasa Apso**, a member of the Non - Sporting Group, is keen, bold, assertive, lively, playful and strong-willed. He can be suspicious of strangers and should be accustomed to people at an early age. He is a good warning dog with a gentle and even temperament. He is easily trained by those he trusts and responsive to kindness. He's adaptable and makes an excellent companion.

Background: The Lhasa Apso originated in Tibet where he is called "Bark Lion Sentinel Dog." In village huts, around the sacred city of Lhasa, he barked when strangers approached, notifying the huge Tibetan Mastiffs who would then lumber over to investigate. The Lhasa Apso was first accepted for registration by the AKC in 1935. It was originally shown in the Terrier Group, then reassigned to the Non-Sporting Group in 1959. Approval was given to the Lhasa Apso by the AKC on July 11, 1978.

Show Ring: The length from point of shoulders to point of buttocks is longer than the height at withers, well ribbed up, strong loin, well-developed quarters and thighs. Size is variable, but about 10 inches or 11 inches at the shoulder is acceptable for dogs with bitches slightly smaller. Dogs will weigh between 17 and 20 lbs.; bitches between 15 and 18. The preferred bite is either level or slightly undershot. The muzzle is of medium length; a square muzzle is objectionable. The coat is heavy, straight, hard, not woolly nor silky, of good length, and very dense. All colors are equally acceptable with or without dark tips to ears and beard.

Breeding and Whelping: While the bitch is usually a free whelp, the delivery should be attended. The undershot bite does not permit the bitch to

sever the cord easily. Lhasa Apso puppies average between 5 and 7 ounces at birth. Formerly puppies were born with a kink at the tip of the tail. Today, this trait has almost disappeared.

Growth is steady with the dog reaching his mature weight at 12 to 15 months. Average weight seems to be increasing in the breed and some dogs may reach 25 lbs.

Breed Disqualifications: There are **no breed disqualifications**.

Recognized Problems: The major congenital defects of the breed are **umbilical and inguinal hernias, patellar luxations and medial entropion. Renal cortical hypoplasia** is a serious cause of uremia in some lines where symptoms begin at about 1 year.

Old Age: Decreasing interest in physical activity often results in weigh gain. Because of the short muzzle, respiratory difficulties are sometimes experienced by the older dog.

From: Ross D. Clark, DVM & Joan R. Stainer. Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs; AKC. The Complete Dog Book (18th ed.); Michele Lowell. Your Purebred Puppy: A Buyer's Guide and the AKC web site.

April Meeting

FOOD: Our April meeting will be held on Monday, Apr. 16th. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner. The club will provide beverages. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. Dogs are welcomed in the building during the pot luck dinner before the meeting, but should be crated or kept in Ring 2 until dinner is over.

PROGRAM: **Marlene Anton** will be presenting the program in April entitled: **Search and Rescue**. Please come and bring a friend.

DKC Membership Meeting

3/19/01: The meeting was called to order by Vice-President, Jack Sappenfield. Jack welcomed guests and/or those who have not been here before. Minutes from the January 15, 2001 meeting were approved as published.

Treasurer's Report:

DKC Account Balances (3/19/01)

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|-----------------|-------------|
| CCB Savings | \$10,636.08 |
| Fowler Trophy | 1,835.41 |
| Fin. Mgt. Acct. | 6,764.78 |
| Loan Payoff | (25,024.56) |

Conformation: Classes are half-way into this session and all classes are full. The next session will be in the Fall.

Agility: A trailer has been purchased to store and haul equipment. This will keep the equipment safe and secure.

Tracking: The next test is April 1, 2001. There are 10 TD slots, which are all filled. The test starts between 8:30 and 9:00 am. Please come out and watch.

CGC: A successful test was held March 4th with 20 dogs entered and all 20 passing! Another test is planned at the end of the next session of Obedience Classes which will be at the end of May. Watch the newsletter for details.

Newsletter: Terri Toohil wants the membership to know how appreciative she is of all the information that she is receiving. Please keep sending her information.

Spring Show: The number of entries has increased from last year! Volunteers are needed for almost everything. We need help manning the phones. The phone (919-834-6929) is used for everything from finding out when a particular breed shows, to looking for a person! We need help with hospitality for stewards and judges. This includes going to the rings and asking if they want refreshments and providing them. Our club provides a lunch menu to the Judges in the morning...they mark off what they

want at lunch, volunteers bring the lunches to the Judges in the Judge Lounge instead of having the Judges stand in line. And at the end of the day we will need volunteers to provide transportation for the Judges. Ridley is passing around a sign-up sheet for you to sign up for one or more of these jobs. Denise is also looking for 2 or 3 more stewards for obedience. Please contact Denise regarding this job.

There will be Breed Seminars on Saturday, an Eye Clinic on Friday and other events...All extra activities will be in the Sales Arena Room.

Delegates Report: The March meeting consisted of the election of the Board of Directors and a couple of amendments that were discussed and voted on. There will be a full report in the newsletter stating the outcome of the elections and the amendment votes. The AKC Annual Report will be on top of the filing cabinet near the library if you would like to review it.

Membership: Judith Herman, Lynn Regan-Hull, Kenneth & Elizabeth Nelson, Judy Messinger and Peggy Wilkinson were all voted on and approved as new Candidate Members!!

Tammy Abernethy, Alvin Godwin, Joanne Harrar and Dan Shelton were all voted on and approved as Regular Members!!

New Business: We have a Pet Photographer scheduled to come to the building Saturday, June 16, 2001. Look to the newsletter for further information. We do need a couple of volunteers for crowd control; please **contact Emilie Beglane** if you are interested in volunteering.

There will be a George Alston Handling Clinic at the DKC on March 31st - April 1st. There are one or two beginner working slots available and Audit slots open. This is being sponsored by the Triangle Judges' Study Group.

Please **contact Connie Howard** for more information.

Our next program will be **Search and Rescue**.

Following several brags, the meeting was adjourned by Vice President, Jack Sappenfield.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise McDonald

DKC Recording Secretary

Membership

New Candidate Members

Judith Herman

4 Pine Tree Lane, Chapel Hill, NC 27514, 919-489-7325
Setters English, Obed., Conf. Eng. Setter Assn.

Lynn-Regan-Hull

871 Bromley Way, Raleigh, NC 27615, 919-676-0983
W. Highland White, Doberman, Obed., CD + U-CD

Kenneth and Elizabeth Nelson

313 Azalea Drive, Chapel Hill, NC 27514, 919-933-5161
Border Terrier, 5 CD, 2 CDX, 1 UD
Border Terrier Club of America
St. Bernard Club of America

Judith Messinger

500-13A Woodcroft Pkwy., Durham, NC 27713, 919-419-0192
Flat Coated Retriever

Peggy Wilkinson

560 Bob Daniel Rd., Oxford, NC 27565, 919-603-0075
Eng. Setter and Mixed Breeds
1 U-UD, 1U-CDX, 1 leg in UD
Triangle Obed. Club, APS Dog Training Club

Applications for Regular Membership

Tammy Abernethy (Sponsors: Sally Gleib & Jane Bergsten)

Alvin Godwin (Sponsors: Norma Williams & Lisa Connelly)

Joanne Harrar (Sponsors: Emilie Beglane & Joyce McHenry)

Dan Shelton (Sponsors: Norma Williams & Lisa Connelly)

Change of Address

Marie Inman

BossKees is changed to
Roses4BR@AOL.com

Renaë Crosby

901 Hardscrabble Dr.
Hillsborough, NC 27278
919-479-4892

Stella Maunsell (3/19/01)

TO ALL DKC MEMBERS

I am getting more e-mail requests from the community on breed referral and training, classes, agility, tracking. etc. I have asked a few members to let me forward and/or pass on their names to answer these questions. To save me time, I would like to forward these messages straight on to other members who would be able to answer correctly. If there is any member who does NOT want me to do this please let me know.

Many thanks,

Stella

President's Note

In consideration of groups renting our building, instructors who need to set up for their class, others who train at non-class times, and for the care of our equipment; just a reminder to all who use DKC:

PLEASE return all equipment to it's proper place before leaving the building; even if it wasn't where it should have been when you came in.

-Agility jumps belong on the wall in matched pairs,

-Obedience broad jumps, boards and/or bar for the high jumps, belong on the wall shelves at the back of the building,

-Nothing is to be stored in front of the mirror.

-Etc.

Thanks,

Sharon/Pres.

Pet Photos

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Pet Photographer, Eric Lupton from Greensboro, will be at DKC June 16th for those of you interested in having photos of your dogs. He will begin working at 10 AM., scheduling 2-3 dogs every 10 minutes. An additional 10 minutes will be reserved for those of you having more than 3 dogs. No drop-ins, the sessions will be by appointment.

We do need a couple of volunteers for crowd control; please **contact Emilie Beglane (919-477-8874)** if you are interested in volunteering.

Obedience Stewards

Thank you very much for taking the time to volunteer for Obedience Stewarding at the March 23, 2001 DKC Spring Show!! The Judges were very complimentary to all of you! Things went very smoothly and we also had compliments from exhibitors!!

Thank you, Sharon Pitz and Deirdre Luttrell, for keeping the Judges and Stewards watered and fed!!

Again, Thank You Very Much... Obedience Stewards (in no particular order):

Carolyn Wolf, Lynn Regan-Hull, Jan Barnett, Linda B. Kay, Barbara Shumannfang, Emmy Wolters, Adele Monroe, Terri Hamrick, Tammy Abernethy, Shirley Sanders, Eileen Bassett, Mary Frances Davis, Sandra Curtis-Powell, Nancy Burka, Cecillia Reeder, Margaret Fox, Catherine Gottlieb, Jill Gleib (from AKC), Sydney Peters (from AKC), and Delores (from AKC Customer Service).

AKC Delegate's Report

will appear in the next newsletter.

SHOW-N-GO EVENTS

Many thanks to all of you who have helped at the past DKC Show-n-Go events.

Most have been very well attended. When we do have a heavy turnout, we often run short of help, particularly in the afternoon. So, let me again issue a request for volunteers. Our next Show-n-Go will be on Sunday May 6, two weeks prior to the Greater Raleigh Dog Training Club AKC obedience trials that will be held in the DKC building. Please e-mail me at **JWBergsten@aol.com** if you can help.

We'll be changing the order of run-throughs for this Show-n-Go. We'll start as usual at 8:30 AM, but with one Open ring and one Novice ring. Utility runs will start whenever there is a free ring, perhaps not until afternoon.

For Utility, priority will be given to first run-throughs and workers. Second Utility run-throughs will be available only if there is time after all first Utility runs.

Jane Bergsten

Upcoming Events

Apr. 20- 22, 2001 (3 days)

Spring Agility Trials

Mary Whorton 919 471-1405

May 6, Sept. 23, Dec. 9, 2001

SHOW-N-GOs

Jane Bergsten 919 967-2191

CRUFTS POSTPONED

The Crufts 2001 was postponed and did not take place as planned on Mar. 8 – 11 due to the situation with Foot and Mouth disease.

Spring Agility Trials

DKC will again be hosting 3 days of agility trials at the Harris Road property in Rougemont. The dates of these trials are Friday April 20, Sat April 21, and Sun April 22. Judging begins at 8 am all 3 days and will be completed by around 3 or 4 pm. Two rings will run simultaneously - one for the standard classes and one for the jumper classes. There will be concessions available and vendors.

Many club members will be needed to work at these trials. If you are willing and available for any or all of these days, please contact Mary Whorton 919-471-1405 whort002@mc.duke.edu. E-mail is preferred if possible.

Experience is not necessary. We will especially need help Sunday afternoon.

Agility Height Cards

We will have an AKC measuring judge available all 3 days of our agility trials to officially measure dogs for agility height cards. As of January 2001, all dogs competing in agility must be measured prior to competition. Once they have an official height card they only need to present that card or submit a Xerox copy of it with their entry. Anyone who wishes to have their dog measured and is not entered in the trial may still do so. This height measurement will only be good for agility, not obedience or breed. You must bring the dog's registered name, date of birth, and AKC number. To receive a permanent card the dog must be 2 years of age. If the dog is less than 2 years, he will receive a temporary card which will expire on the dog's 2nd birthday.

Agility Classes

Several agility classes are underway at this time. On Monday night starting March 26, we have an in-

termediate class at 7 followed by a beginner class at 8.

On Thursday nights starting 7 pm on April 12, but skipping April 19, there will be a run through class with a different course set up each week. This class will run until May 31. For anyone interested in applying for these classes, contact Lisa Connelly at Lisa Connelly <Vance003@acpub.duke.edu>

Any handler and dog enrolling in a DKC agility class must be pre-approved and demonstrate off lead control around other dogs *and* must not show any signs of aggressive behavior in the presence of other dogs.

Singing Dogs

If any of you are ever in the Birmingham area, they have 2 New Guinea Singing Dogs. They are not on display, but live with caretakers and travel two times a day to the zoo to put on a singing show.

Oral Cleansing Gel

Have you heard of Maxi/Guard® Oral Cleansing Gel? - It claims to be the industry's most user-friendly and effective oral cleanser and freshener for dogs, cats, horses and exotics.

I've been using it with my crew and am really pleased and amazed at the results. They come running when I call "toothbrush" and the results have been exciting in just a few weeks. It's not necessary to brush, but only to apply it to the back of the mouth. Maxi/Guard® contains zinc ascorbate/taurine, is free of alcohol and chlorhexidine and is sold in many veterinarian offices, but does not require a prescription.

Terri Toohil

New 3 in 1 Test

March 28, 2001 12:00am, Source: PR Newswire: The USDA approved the new, in-clinic Canine SNAP(R) 3Dx test, which tests

dogs for three important vector-borne infectious diseases -- Lyme, heartworm and Ehrlichia canis (E. Canis). Therefore, for the first time ever, veterinarians can routinely screen dogs for these three diseases using a single blood sample.

The SNAP(R) 3Dx test is the only triple diagnostic test in animal health that has the capability to detect Lyme and E. Canis antibodies as well as heartworm antigen within eight minutes -- quick enough for dog owners to wait in-clinic for the results. This test is also the only Lyme diagnostic that can distinguish infected dogs from those that have received any of the currently available Lyme vaccinations.

For more information try the web site: <http://www.idexx.com/>

Pet Support Site

Petworking.com, a website designed to support people in their efforts on behalf of pets, has launched their website. The site, found at www.petworking.com, enables organizations involved in pet rescue, adoption, health care and welfare to use the web more efficiently in support of the work in which they are involved.

The main feature of the site is an online resources locator that individuals can use to find assistance for 10 different pet-related areas by selecting the area of interest and searching by zip code to find resources closest to them.

The Resource Locator is free to users as well as listing eligible organizations.

Petworking.com also offers a free online discussion area for anyone interested or involved in the areas with which [Petworking.com](http://www.petworking.com) is involved.

For more information contact: fido@petworking.com

SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION

| OWNER'S NAME | DOG'S NAME (BREED) | SHOW & DATE | CLASS | PTS | HIGHEST WIN | SPECIAL MERIT |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----|-------------|--------------------------|
| Emmy Wolters | Bandit (Bouvier) | Hendersonville KC (2/16/01) | 12 - 18 mo. | 3 | BOW | |
| " | " | Spartanburg KC (2/17/01) | 12 - 18 mo. | 3 | WD | Champion at 12 months!!! |
| " | " | Greenville KC (2/18/01) | 12 - 18 mo. | 3 | BOW | |
| Joanna Burley | Pepper (Black Cocker) | Alamance KC (3/22/01) | Open Bitch | 4 | WB | New Champion!!! |

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 |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|-------|-----|-------|----------------|
| Tammy Abernethy | Belle (Lab. Retriever) | Winston Salem DTC (3/03/01) | Utility A | 175.5 | 3 | | UD!!! |
| " | " | Carolina DTC (3/18/01) | Utility A | 189.5 | 4 | 1 | |
| Anne Fitzgibbon | Sassy (Bouvier) | Charlotte DTC Agility Trial | Standard Open | 100 | 3 | 3 | OA-Open Title |
| " | " | Charlotte DTC Agility Trial | Novice JWW | 100 | 3 | 1 | NAJ-Novice JWW |
| Betty McAllister | Lisa (Black Cocker) | Carolina DTC (3/17/01) | Novice B | 193.5 | | 3 | |
| " | " | Carolina DTC (3/18/01) | Novice B | 194 | | | CD!!! |
| Sharon Pitz | Mariah (Golden Retriever) | Danville Agility Trial (3/18/01) | EXC B Std | | 10 | 2 | MX!!! |

If a Dog Was Your Teacher

If a dog was your teacher, you would learn stuff like...

When loved ones come home, run to greet them.

Never pass up the opportunity of a joyride.

Allow the feel of the wind and the fresh air in your face to be pure ecstasy.

When it's in your best interests, practice obedience.

Let others know when they've invaded your territory.

Take naps often and stretch before rising.

Run, romp and play daily.

Thrive on attention and let people touch you.

Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.

On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.

On hot days, drink lots of water and sit under a shady tree.

When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.

No matter how often you're scolded, don't buy into the guilt thing and pout...run right back and make friends.

And most of all... When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle them gently.