



# Durham Kennel Club Newsletter

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*My goal in life is to be as good of a person as my dog already thinks I am.*  
*Anonymous*

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## Whippet: DOG OF THE MONTH



The **Whippet**, a member of the Hound Group, is the fastest domestic animal of its weight, capable of speeds up to 35 mph. They make excellent house dogs and are smart, obedient and responsive to training.

**Background:** The **Whippet** was developed in England as a racing dog during the middle of the last century. It first made its entry into the US in Massachusetts which was the center of Whippet racing. Later the sport moved to Baltimore.

**Approved by the AKC Aug. 10, 1993; Effective Sept. 29, 1993**

**Show Ring: Size:** Ideal height for dogs, 19 to 22 inches; for bitches, 18 to 21 inches. **Eyes:** Large and dark. Both eyes must be of the same color. **Ears:** Rose ears, small, fine in texture. **Coat:** Short, close, smooth and firm in texture. **Feet:** More hare than cat, but both are acceptable. **Tail:** long and tapering – carried low when dog is in motion. **Color:** immaterial.

**Breeding and Whelping:** Whippets are slow to mature. Bitches often do not have their first estrus until they are past 2 years of age. They breed easily and gestate normally. The average litter size is 6 – 8 pups, but 9 - 11 are not uncommon. The pups average 8 – 12 oz. at birth and grow quickly. They are very active and can be rough in play and destructive chewers. They need meat and high protein foods and need to be kept lean, strong and in hard muscle to look well. Dew claws may be removed.

**Penalties:** Yellow or light eyes. Lack of underjaw. Nose entirely black. A short thick neck, or a ewe neck. steep or flat croup. A steep shoulder, short upper arm, a heavily muscled or loaded shoulder, or a very narrow shoulder, all of which restrict low free movement.

Bowed legs, tied-in elbows, legs lacking substance, legs set far under the body so as to create an exaggerated forechest, weak or upright pasterns. Flat, splayed or soft feet without thick hard pads. Sickle or cow hocks. Lack of front reach or rear drive, or a short, hackney gait with high wrist action. Crossing in front or moving too close.

**Disqualifications:** *More than one-half inch above or below stated height limits. Blue or wall eyes. Undershot, overshot one-quarter inch or more. Any coat other than short, close, smooth and firm in texture.*

**Recognized Problems:** **Cryptorchidism** is a large problem for Whippets. They seldom have hip dysplasia or a tendency to bloat. Some pink-skinned, white and parti-colored dogs are prone to **demodectic mange**. They are inclined to **weak digestive tracts** and have a **variable tolerance for anesthetics**.

**Old Age:** Whippets that are well cared for live 12 to 16 years..

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

## February Meeting [AWARDS BANQUET]

This year the Awards Banquet will be held Feb. 26. The doors will be open at 6:30 and dinner will be served at 7. The cost is \$25 per person. Reservations must be made (check received by) Tues. Feb. 15. The banquet will be held at the **DKC building which will be closed all day February 25 & 26** for your committee to set up this wonderful dinner.

**There will be plenty of room and lots of great food, so come join us!**

## January Business Meeting

Durham Kennel Club Membership Meeting - January 17, 2005

Following a program by Kirk Ridge on the DKC Education program in the Durham County Schools, President Jack Sappenfield called the meeting to order.

“Welcome to all members and guests!! Welcome all guests and please stand up and tell us about yourself. Please remember to sign the attendance sheet.”

We will meet January through May then break for Summer...meetings will resume in the Fall. Thank you to the Board and every other member who have contributed this past year...all the hard work is very much appreciated.

Minutes of the November 15, 2004 meeting, were approved as published

**Corresponding Secretary:**

Correspondence about a Puppy Mill in Sanford. The dogs can't be released until it is cleared through the courts. If you would like to contribute items for this, please contact Molly Zaragoza & she will give you more information.

**Treasurer:** DKC Account Balances as of 11/15/04:

CCB Savings	\$42,530.50
Fowler Trophy	1,846.36
Financial Management	35,831.23

Net from the December Obedience Trials was \$924.81.

**Obedience Classes:** Classes started last week & all are full.

**Agility Classes:** Classes too started last week and all are full. In fact, we had to turn some students away. Since Lisa Connelly has had problems with her computer and answering machine, we now will have the applications being sent to Lisa Roberts. The information has been changed on the DKC web site and the DKC answering machine.

The “open” Agility work night during the break worked out very well & had high attendance each week.

**Tracking Test:** The next tracking test will be February 27<sup>th</sup>. We still need someone to help with the food. Please contact Jack Sappenfield if you are interested.

**Awards:** February 26<sup>th</sup>, Saturday night is the date of the Banquet. It will be at the DKC building and catered by Bella Rouge. The cost of the Banquet is \$25.00. The Reservation form will be in the DKC newsletter and on the web site. The deadline for the Reservation form is February 14<sup>th</sup>. Come on out & have a good time!!

**Newsletter:** Make sure you give Terri Toohil information to put in the newsletter!! We depend on you for information!! Thank you!!

**Spring Show:** Everything is going well so far!! Though the Lab judge had to cancel. Lynn Regan-Hull and Vanna Conday have volunteered to be the Obedience Chairs...they will need stewards, please contact them to help. There will be a CERF Clinic and Moore County will hold a Match on Friday night.

**December Obedience Trial:** Thank you to all the committee members and everyone who helped. Please get involved & stay involved! These trials have a great reputation and everyone loves coming to enter and to judge!!! Please help us continue our tradition and keep up the good DKC name!!

**Spring Show:** Need trophy donations. Peggy is working on doing slip leads as prizes.

**Programs:** Instead of a February meeting, the DKC Awards banquet will be held Saturday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Confederacy of Tailwaggers:** The new name is the North Carolina Federation of Dog Clubs. The organization is being revitalized & Joanne Harrar is the Durham Kennel Club Delegate. The main focus is on legislation & NC is a key state. The Federation will work on getting local club members active in the

legislation. They will not hire a Lobbyist right now. Also, they are working on bringing the Mighty Match back to the status that it once had.

The NC Federation of Dog Clubs has just issued its “Purebred Breed Directory and Informational Resource Guide: 2005”. Copies are available at \$5.00 per copy, plus shipping charges. In addition to the listing of breeders, this 56-page publication provides information on the Federation, the Clubs which are members of the Federation, an introduction to canine legislation and related topics is also included.

If you would like to purchase one or more copies, please send Joanne Harrar your name, mailing address and the number of copies that you want by February 10. Thank you!!

**New Business: Canine CPR Class:** Remember.....If you have signed up the class is from 1pm – 5 pm Saturday the 22nd.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Denise McDonald*

Denise McDonald  
Durham Kennel Club  
Recording Secretary

## SHOW-N-GO

**February 19 & 20, 2005**

**Fee: \$5.00 per entry.**

**Sat., Feb.19: NOVICE: 2 rings;**

**Sun., Feb. 20: UTILITY: 1 ring;**

**OPEN: 1 ring**

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*Each day*

**Registration: 8:30AM to 10:30 AM**

**Run-throughs start at 8:40 AM**

**(Preference to first run-throughs)**

**DKC Show-n-Go Calendar  
for 2005**

**Feb. 19 & 20, May 14 & 15,  
Sept. 24 & 25, Dec. 3 & 4**

**For additional information:**

**Saturday:**

Marge White (919) 542-1718,  
[markelgsd3@aol.com](mailto:markelgsd3@aol.com) or

Linda Kerr (919) 554-2065  
[lindakerr@mindspring.com](mailto:lindakerr@mindspring.com) ;

**Sunday:**

Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191  
[JWBergsten2@aol.com](mailto:JWBergsten2@aol.com)

**UPCOMING ELECTION  
SLATE**

**To be voted on at the  
May meeting**

|                                |                        |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>President</b>               | <b>Steve Wallis</b>    |
| <b>Vice-President</b>          | <b>Carolyn Wolfe</b>   |
| <b>Recording Secretary</b>     | <b>Denise McDonald</b> |
| <b>Corresponding Secretary</b> | <b>Molly Zaragoza</b>  |
| <b>Treasurer</b>               | <b>Emilie Beglane</b>  |
| <b>AKC Delegate</b>            | <b>Lisa Connelly</b>   |
| <b>Director</b>                | <b>George Beglane</b>  |
| <b>Director</b>                | <b>Sharon Pitz</b>     |
| <b>Director</b>                | <b>Linda Wozniak</b>   |

All Committee Members agreed to the above slate of officer nominations

**Nancy Adams, Committee Chair;  
Helen Sanderford; Carolyn Wolfe;  
Ken Nelson; Stella Maunsell**

Please join us for the  
**DKC AWARDS BANQUET**

**Saturday, February 26, 2005  
Durham Kennel Club Building  
Doors Open at 6:30  
Dinner at 7:00  
\$25.00 per person**

A reservation form for the banquet is enclosed with this newsletter. Reservations must be made (check received by) Tuesday, February 15. Please mail your completed form and check to: **Lisa Roberts 4036 Abbey Lane, Stem, NC 27581.**

Belle Rouge will be the caterer. The menu will be Fresh Fruit & Vegetables, Tossed Salad, Vegetable Medley, Rosemary Red Potatoes, your choice of Chicken Roulade with mushroom, herb & white wine sauce **or** Beef Forestiere with herb port demi glace, **or** Balsamic Roast Portabella Mushroom melt (vegetarian) and assorted cheesecakes & cakes for dessert.

The DKC building will be closed all day Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> so we can prepare for the banquet.

Come join us for fun, food and to congratulate fellow club members for their accomplishments!

**FDA slams Novartis on  
dog painkiller**

**Agency says drugmaker withheld data showing deaths with drug similar to Vioxx.**

December 28, 2004: 12:54 PM EST  
WASHINGTON (Reuters) - Novartis AG failed to give the government prompt, accurate reports about deaths of dogs treated with a painkiller in the same class of medicines now linked to heart problems in humans, U.S. regulators have charged in a letter.

The drug, Deramaxx [known generically as deracoxib. ], is a COX-2 inhibitor approved for relieving arthritis and post-surgical pain in dogs.

The Food and Drug Administration, in a warning letter dated Nov. 29, said Novartis Animal Health Services should have forwarded complaints about deaths and health problems in dogs given Deramaxx within 15 working days, but in some cases delayed as long as 10 months. Some reports, including ones involving deaths, appeared to have incorrect dates, the FDA said.

The company also failed to submit proper information about post-approval studies of Deramaxx, the FDA charged.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

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**Feb. 19 & 20, May 14 & 15,  
Sept. 24 & 25, Dec 3 & 4 (DKC)**

**Show-n-Go**

Jane Bergsten 919-967-2191

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**Feb. 26 (Sat.) (DKC)**

**Awards Banquet**

Lisa Roberts

[wonderdogs@earthlink.net](mailto:wonderdogs@earthlink.net)

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**Feb. 27 (Sun.) (Quail Roost)**

**Tracking Test**

Jack Sappenfield 919-598-5318

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**Mar. 25(Fri.) (Raleigh)**

**Spring Show**

Connie Howard 919-309-9014

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**Apr. 22,23,24 (Rougemont)**

**Agility Trial**

R & M Whorton 919-471-1405

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**CONFORMATION SHOW REPORT** Please Note: **ONLY AKC WINS ARE LISTED.** Show wins can be sent by e-mail to [ttoohil@duke.edu](mailto:ttoohil@duke.edu) [with info as below] or put on the forms in the lobby of the DKC building.

| OWNER'S NAME                      | DOG'S NAME (Breed)          | SHOW & DATE                    | CLASS          | PT | HIGHEST WIN | SPECIAL MERIT          |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|----|-------------|------------------------|
| Lynn Lake                         | Cosmo (Cavalier KC Spaniel) | Monroe KC                      | Puppy/ 6-9 mo. | 3  | WD, BOW     |                        |
| Michelle Lennon & Caroline Davies | Jada (Rottweiler)           | Middlesex County KC (12/02/04) | Open Bitch     | 3  | WB          | <b>NEW CHAMPION!!!</b> |

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

| OWNER'S NAME        | DOG'S NAME (BREED)          | SHOW & DATE                        | C L A S S       | SCORE  | L E G | PLACE | SPECIAL AWARD                                                   |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|--------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nicki Camerra       | Molli (Mastiff)             | DKC (12/12)                        | Nov B           | 196.5  | 3     | 1     | <b>HS Working and new CDI!!!</b>                                |
| Thomas Givens       | Yoda (Pembroke WC)          | Oak Ridge KC (1/1)                 | JWW EX B        | 100    | 3     |       |                                                                 |
| "                   | "                           | Oak Ridge KC (1/1)                 | STD EX A        | 100    | 3     | 1     | <b>AX!!!</b>                                                    |
| "                   | "                           | Oak Ridge KC (1/2)                 | JWW EX B        | 100    | 4     |       |                                                                 |
| Lorri Givens        | Nyland (Lab)                | Oak Ridge KC (1/2)                 | JWW EX A        | 100    | 2     | 1     |                                                                 |
| Tammy Abernethy     | Belle (Labrador Retriever)  | Tarheel Weimaraner Club (1/9)      | TD test         | Passed |       |       | <b>UDT!</b>                                                     |
| "                   | Skye (Labrador Retriever)   | Roanoke KC (1/28)                  | Novice B        | 194    | 3     |       | <b>CD!!!</b>                                                    |
| Linda Kerr          | Sofie & Abbie (Pembroke WC) | Charleston KC (1/29)               | Brace Obedience | 194    |       | 1     |                                                                 |
| Sallie Eure Redding | Tate (Border Terrier)       | AKC Agility Nationals Jan. 15 & 16 | EX STD          | 100    |       |       | <b>Finals Run NQ but ended up 11th overall out of 203 dogs!</b> |
| "                   | "                           |                                    | EX JWW          | 100    |       |       |                                                                 |
| "                   | "                           |                                    | HYBRID          | 100    |       |       | <b>7th place out of 203 12" dogs!! Made the Finals!!!</b>       |
| "                   | "                           | Stokesdale (11/20)                 | Master Earthdog | Q      | 2     |       |                                                                 |
| "                   | "                           | Stokesdale (11/21)                 | Master Earthdog | Q      | 3     |       |                                                                 |

# AWARDS DINNER RESERVATION

## Saturday, February 26, 2005

Durham Kennel Club Building

Doors Open 6:30 Dinner 7:00

\$25.00 per person

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Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ places in the name(s) of:

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Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to **Durham Kennel Club**

Mail check and reservation form to: Lisa Roberts, 4036 Abbey Lane, Stem, NC 27581

*Dinner preferences:*

Would you prefer the chicken entrée Number of servings\_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer the beef entrée Number of servings\_\_\_\_\_

\* Would you prefer your entrée without sauce? Number of servings\_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer the vegetarian entrée? Number of servings\_\_\_\_\_

No alcohol will be provided

**Reservations due Tuesday, February 15, 2005**