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**Sussex Spaniel:
Dog of the Month**
Sporting Group

The **Sussex Spaniel**, has short legs, a massive build, a long body and a habit of giving tongue when on scent making the breed ideally suited to penetrating the dense undergrowth and flushing game within range of the gun. The breed has a somber and serious expression, but despite this, it is friendly and has a cheerful and tractable disposition.



Background: The Sussex Spaniel was among the first ten breeds to be recognized and admitted to the *Stud Book* when the AKC was formed in 1884, originating in the kennels of a Mr. Fuller in Sussex, England. It continues today essentially unchanged from those 19th century sporting dogs.

AKC Approved: April 7, 1992
Effective May 27, 1992

Show Ring: Size: 13 to 15 in.
Weight: 35 to 45 lbs..
Eyes: Hazel in color, fairly large & soft..
Ears: Thick, fairly large and set moderately low.
Coat: Abundant, flat or slightly waved, with no tendency to curl.
Feet: Large and round with short hair between the toes.
Tail: docked from 5 to 7 inches and set low.
Bite: A scissors bite is preferred.
Color: Rich golden liver is the only acceptable color.
Trimming: None is acceptable except to shape the foot feather. Enough feather should be left to cover the nails.

Breeding and Whelping: They are not easy breeders because of the

large variation in time of ovulation and disinterest on the part of the male. Bitches often make no effort to open the sac or cut the cord, but once the pups are clean and breathing well, they usually make excellent mothers. There has been much inbreeding in the past 60 years and it is not unusual to lose half of a litter during the first 2 weeks of life. Litter sizes are from 2 to 8 with pups weighing from 4-6 oz. Dewclaws, may be removed and tails should be docked on the 3rd to 4th day. Male pups are generally stronger with respiratory problems common to all.

Faults: Major: Dark liver or puce coat color. White on any part of the body other than the chest.

Minor: Any deviation from the height measurements. Any deviation from a scissors bite. White on the chest.

Disqualifications: None.

Recognized Problems: Heart murmurs, Enlarged hearts and Intervertebral disc syndrome.

Old Age: The average life span is 10 to 12 years. Carcinomas are common, especially in unneutered dogs and bitches.

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.

November Meeting

The next meeting of the DKC membership will take place on Mon., Nov. 21. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner. Dinner is served at 7:00. and everyone is welcome. Furry friends at 7:30

The **November Program** will feature **Dr. Sherman** whose specialty is Canine Rehabilitation Therapy.

October Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Durham Kennel Club Meeting October 17, 2005.

Steve Wallis called the meeting to order. He welcomed guests and reminded everyone to sign the attendance sheet.

Michelle Lennon introduced Donna and Hal Shaffer who presented a program on feeding a natural raw dog food diet. It was very well received with lots of questions and comments.

The minutes as presented in the newsletter were accepted.

Reports

The **Corresponding Secretary** read a thank you note from Maria Walker.

Treasurer's Report: DKC Account Balances 10/17/2005:

Sun Trust Savings	\$84,381.85
Fowler Trophy	\$1,867.05
Financial Mgt. Acct.	\$16,906.28

Committee Reports

Tracking: Jack Sappenfield reminded the members that there will be Tracking at Quail Roost next week-end and he encouraged members to come out and watch all sizes and shapes of dogs track.

Membership: Terri Toohil read the names of seven Candidate Members [Cathy & Scott Wells, Dr. Lisa Heath, Jayne Isbell, Roger & Gwen Boyles and Edwin Robertson, Jr.] and the four new Regular Members [Sue Ivy, Amanda Stipe and John & Paulette Hicks] to be voted on.

Newsletter: Terri asked that the members keep sending in information for the newsletter.

Spring Show: Connie mentioned that the Spring Show is March 24, 2006 and that Mary Bell was passing around a list to sign up for trophies which needs to be completed by November 10th. People are, also, needed for committees and volunteers for the show.

Unfinished & New Business: All proposed new members were voted in. There was no other unfinished or new business so Steve called for brags.

After many brags the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Zaragoza

DKC Corresponding Secretary

DKC Fall Agility Trials

DKC hosted 3 days of all breed agility trials Sept 30, Oct 1 and 2. The weather was lovely (no rain or excessively hot or cold days), and the courses were great fun. We had just under 200 runs on Friday and almost 300 runs Sat and Sun. Everything went smoothly as there were plenty of exhibitors and club members on hand to help. We had 43 different breeds represented. 18 Shelties topped the list followed by 16 Border Collies, 12 Aussies, 10 Border terriers, 9 Golden Retrievers, 8 Dobs, 7 Pembroke Corgis, 7 Belgian Tervurens, 5 Labs, 4 each of Portuguese Water Dogs, Springer Spaniels, Parson Russell Terriers, and Cardigan Corgis, 3 Vizslas and many other breeds including one American Foxhound for the first time.

Tracy Fletcher once again orchestrated the course building for all 14 courses and made a difficult job look simple. Richard Whorton handled all the secretarial paperwork and Peggy Schmidt cheerfully handed out ribbons and prizes to the delighted recipients. George Beglane supervised the trailer loading and unloading and reloading and hauling and unloading...again... A back-breaking job for sure, but he did have lots of help from other club members. Roger Akers once again outdid himself with the food preparations and kept us all well fed with his fantastic salads and sandwiches. Sharon Pitz took care of all the worker snacks and drinks plus the judge's hospitality.

Thanks to everybody who helped make these trials fun and success-

ful. Our spring trials will be April 21-23, 2006.

Mary Whorton
Agility Trial Chairman

Rally Show-N-Go

DKC/ Dec. 2

\$5.00 per entry

Registration: 6:00 until 7:30

ADV./EX.: 6:30 - 7:15 PM

NOV.: 7:45 - 9:00 PM

Walk throughs: 15 min. before

DKC Rally & Obedience Trials

Rally

Friday evening, Dec. 16th
Saturday evening Dec. 17th

Obedience

Saturday, Dec. 17
Sunday, Dec. 18th

Premiums can be downloaded from DKC website.

Limited entry -- so enter soon!

**Contact Show Chairman,
Lynn Reagan-Hull for more
information or to volunteer
(919) 676-0983**

Stewards Needed

Stewards are needed for the DKC December Obedience Trial - 12/16, 12/17 & 12/18. We are doing Rally Obedience on Friday evening, 12/16 at 6:00 p.m. and Saturday evening, 12/17 at 6:00 p.m. in addition to our regular daytime obedience trials on Saturday 12/17 and Sunday 12/18.

Please contact me for further information or if you can volunteer to help for either evening for Rally or during the day for the regular obedience trials.

Thanks!

Linda Kerr

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Awards Night

The end of the year is fast approaching and it is not too early to be thinking about those title plaques and year end awards! In order to apply for awards and plaques you need to be a regular member and have performed 2 services for DKC.

If you still need to do a service for the club before the end of the year, there is still an agility trial, a tracking test and the December obedience trial to get those done!

Banquet announcements will be in future DKC newsletters. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Lisa Roberts, Awards Chair
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DKC Awards Overview

Each year DKC holds an awards banquet to recognize and honor its members for their achievements throughout the award year. The awards year runs from January 1 to December 31 and the banquet is held in February the following year.

In order to apply for awards you must be a regular member in good standing and perform two services for the club during the award year. Applications for awards will be available at the building and on our website November 1 of each year. The following is an overview of the awards. If you have any questions or need further information please contact Lisa Roberts at 919-602-5788 or wonderdogs@earthlink.net.

Canine Good Citizens

DKC presents a certificate to each member that earned an AKC Canine Good Citizen during the award year.

Breeders Certificate

DKC presents a certificate to each member for each dog that they bred who earns an AKC title during the awards year.

Title Plaques

DKC presents each member with a plaque or similar item that recognizes the AKC titles the dog earned during the award year

The following are traveling trophies. The recipient holds the trophy for one

year. It is then returned to DKC to be awarded for the next year.

Fowler Show Bitch

This trophy was donated by W. Herman Fowler, Jr. It is to be awarded annually to the member's bitch with the most impressive show record during the past year.

Haines Show Dog

This trophy was donated by Vivian and Howard Haines. It is to be awarded annually to the member's dog with the most impressive show record during the past year.

Kartye Brood Bitch

This trophy, one of a pair donated by Peter Kartye, is awarded annually to the DKC member/owner, or co-owner, of the brood bitch whose sons and daughters, in the opinion of the Awards Committee, have compiled the most notable record of achievement. This award can apply to conformation, obedience or tracking, and can be based upon titles earned during prior years.

Kartye Stud Dog

This trophy, one of a pair donated by Peter Kartye, is awarded annually to the DKC member/owner, or co-owner, of the stud dog whose sons and daughters, in the opinion of the Awards Committee, have compiled the most notable record of achievement. This award can apply to conformation, obedience or tracking, and can be based upon titles earned during prior years.

Hill Breeder's Trophy

This trophy was donated by Frances Hill. It is awarded annually to a member in recognition of their breeding program. The criteria for this award are:

- number of show champions bred during the preceding FIVE years
- number of breed or better placements during the PREVIOUS year (award year)
- number of studs active during the year
- number of brood bitches active during the year
- number of puppies whelped during the year
- national rating of dogs of the breeder

Grimson Tracking

This trophy, to be awarded annually, was donated by Keith and Mozelle

Grimson. It is to be awarded to the dog or bitch that has most distinguished itself in tracking activities during the preceding twelve months. The winner is to be selected on the basis of encouragement as well as achievement.

Luster Novice Obedience Trophy

The Novice Obedience Award donated by Dr. and Mrs. Michael Luster is awarded each year to the dog or bitch, owned or co-owned by a DKC member, earning a CD during the year with the highest average for the three qualifying legs.

Telander Open A Obedience Trophy

This award is donated by Jeff and Jodi Telander. It is to be awarded annually to recognize the dog or bitch, owned by a DKC member, earning a Companion Dog Excellent title with the highest three qualifying legs in Open A classes.

White Utility A Obedience Trophy

This award is donated by Marjorie J. White. It is offered annually to recognize the dog or bitch, owned and handled by a DKC member, who during the year earned a Utility title from the Utility A classes. The *first three* qualifying scores upon which the UD title is earned are the only scores to be considered in awarding this trophy.

Thompson Obedience Trophy

This trophy was donated by Mrs. M. J. Thompson. It is awarded to the member's dog or bitch excelling in obedience during the past year.

The trophy can be earned for CD's and up and is based on performance

Roberts Novice A Agility Trophy

The Roberts Novice A Agility Trophy was donated in 2003 by Lisa Roberts. It is to be awarded each year to the dog or bitch, owned or co-owned by a DKC member, earning a Novice Agility and Novice Agility Jumpers from the Novice A classes. The trophy will be awarded to the dog with the highest average score of the first three qualifying legs for both titles.

Schmidt Novice B Agility Trophy

The Schmidt Novice B Agility Trophy was donated in 2003 by Peggy Schmidt. It is to be awarded each year to the dog or bitch, owned or co-owned by a DKC member, earning a Novice Agility and Novice Agility Jumpers from the Novice B classes. The trophy will be awarded to the dog with the highest average

score of the first three qualifying legs for both titles.

Barnett Open Agility Trophy

The Barnett Open Agility Trophy was donated in 2003 by Jan Barnett. It is to be awarded each year to the dog or bitch, owned or co-owned by a DKC member, earning an Open Agility and Open Agility Jumpers title. The trophy will be awarded to the dog with the highest average score of the first three qualifying legs for both titles.

The One Ash ST. Pauli Girl Excellent Agility Trophy

Donated by Denise & Mark McDonald in 2003 to the dog or bitch, owned by a DKC member, with the highest average score earned in the Excellent classes which qualified him/her for the AX and AXJ title.

Whorton Agility Trophy Most Consistent Agility Dog Award

Donated by Mary Whorton in 2003, this trophy is being offered in the memory of the first dog to earn the MACH title at DKC, OTCh MACH3 Tystar Little Dipper UDX. This trophy is to be awarded to the agility dog who earns the most double Qs from the excellent B regular classes throughout the year.

Good Sportsmanship, Service Award, and Dog World Nominations

The **SPORTSMANSHIP** Award is be given yearly to a DKC member who exemplifies the word *sportsmanship*. The recipient should be a person who is unselfish; who shares his/her time and resources willingly with others; who is happy for another's wins and sorry for losses; who is a gracious winner and loser.

Two (2) **SERVICE** Medallions are awarded annually for outstanding service to the club. This does not have to be a high-profile person and is often given to a member who is not in the spotlight but who is always serving the club.

The **DOG WORLD** Award is given every 2 years. It is awarded for outstanding service and involvement in dog activities (DKC, individual breed clubs, dog training clubs, education, rescue, teaching, showing, mentoring, therapy work, etc.). It will be given in 2006 for the 2005 calendar year.

Special Recognition Awards

These awards appear on the large wall plaques at the DKC building.

BEST IN SHOW BEST IN SHOW AT NATIONAL SPECIALTY

PERFECT 200 OTCH

MACH HIGH IN TRIAL AT A NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Holland Versatility Trophy

This trophy, first awarded in 1983, was donated by Hank Holland in honor of his wife. Mary Holland was a very active member of our club right up until her death in 1982. This trophy is awarded annually to a member's dog or bitch who achieves its *championship* and a *tracking, obedience, or agility* title during the same 12 month period.

The Gray Versatility Trophy

This trophy was donated in 2003 by Jan Gray for the dog who has exhibited the most versatility over its lifetime. A conformation Championship is *not* required to earn this trophy. This will be decided based on a point system.

Missing

First, our large split top cooler was missing from the DKC storage closet. It was needed for our Agility Trial.

It was suddenly back and then a Rally Card that was needed went missing. This is very frustrating for those who are responsible for making these events function smoothly.

Just a reminder, none of DKC's property is to be removed from the building unless used for a club function, then promptly returned.

Thank You,

Sharon Pitz

Editor's Note

Approximately, **110 of our members still receive newsletters which are sent in the mail.** Many of these same people use the internet and are able to receive attached files.

The **cost to the DKC** for printing [paper and toner] and stamps is nearly **\$650 per year** and this could be much higher if it were necessary for a commercial firm to do the printing.

If it is at all possible, please think about changing your way of receiving the newsletter to an internet attachment.

And if this is possible, please let me know.

Terri Toohil

Membership Lists

Online updated membership lists are always available to DKC members.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 2 (DKC)

Show-N-Go-Rally

**Michelle Lennon
RottwylrNC@aol.com**

Dec. 3 & 4 (DKC)

Show-N-Go –Obedience

Jane Bergsten 919-967-2191

Dec. 16, 17, 18 [DKC]

**Rally & Obedience Trials
Rally**

**Friday evening, Dec. 16th
Saturday evening, Dec. 17th**

Obedience

**Saturday, Dec. 17
Sunday, Dec.18th**

Lynn Reagan-Hull (919) 676-0983

Feb. 2006

Awards Banquet

Lisa Roberts 919-602-5788

March 24, 2006

Spring Show

April 21-23, 2006

Spring Agility Trials

CONFORMATION SHOW REPORT Please Note: ONLY AKC WINS ARE LISTED.

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (Breed)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	PT	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
Vern & Mary Bell	Melody (Westie)	Gr. Hickory KC (8/14)	12-18 Mos.	1	WB, BW, BOS	
"	Newbee (Westie)	WHWTCA Sweeps (10/8)	6-9 Mos.		1 st out of 13/ Her 1st show/ Vern handling	
Sharon Pitz	Rusty (Golden Ret.)	Golden Ret. Nat. (10/1)			BOB	JAM
Emmy Wolters	Georgia (Bouvier)	Columbia (10/1)	9-12 mo.	1	BOB	

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

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	SCORE	LEG	PLACE	SPECIAL AWARD
OBEDIENCE							
Sallie Eure Redding	Tate (Border Terrier)	Raleigh KC	Open A		1		
"	"	Durham KC	Open A	191	2	2	
"	"	Montgom. All-Terr. (10/6)	Open A	193	3	1	CDX!!!
Lynn Reagan-Hull	Nigel (Westie)	All Terr. Obed. PA (10/6)	Nov B	193.5	Bonus	3	Hi Scoring Westie
"	"	Westie Nat. Spec. (10/8)	Nov B	193.5	Bonus	1	HIT! Nigel's 1st !
Ken Nelson	Squirt (Border Terrier)	Invit. to AKC/Euka Obed.					
Brona Hicks	QE Two (Staffie)	Labor Day Circuit	Util A	187.5	1	2	
Balynda Brown	Electra (Toy Poodle)	Lynchburg (9/18)	Util B	191.5	10		UDX!
"	"	Lynchburg (9/18)	Open B	192	1		
Linda Kerr	Abbey (P W Corgi)	Raleigh (9/5)	Util A	185	3	2	UD!!
AGILITY							
Sharon Pitz	Aurora (Golden Ret.)	Chatham (9/10)	Ex B JWW	100	5		
"	"	DKC (10/1)	Std Ex A	100	1	1	
"	Rusty (Golden Ret.)	Charlotte DTC (10/16)	Nov B JWW P	Q	1	3	
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/22)	Nov B JWW P	Q	2	1	
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/23)	Nov B JWW P	Q	3	1	NJP!
Stacy Garvin	Bond (Bel. Sheepdog)	DKC (10/01)	Open Std	95	1	1	
"	"	DKC (10/01)	Open JWW	98	1	1	
"	"	DKC (10/02)	Open JWW	100	2	1	
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/23)	Open Std	95	2	3	
"	"	Monroe Co KC (10/29)	Open Std	90	3	2	OA!
"	"	Monroe Co KC (10/29)	Open JWW	95	3	1	OAJ!
"	Shadow (Bel. Sheepdog)	DKC (10/01)	Nov B Std P	100	1	2	
"	"	DKC (10/01)	Nov B JWW P	92	1	1	
"	"	DKC (10/02)	Nov B Std P	100	2	1	
"	"	DKC (10/02)	Nov B JWW P	100	2	1	
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/22)	Nov B Std P	100	3	1	NAP!

"	"	Autumn Winds (10/22)	Nov B JWW P	100	3	2	NJP!
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/23)	Open Std P	100	1	2	
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/23)	Open JWW P	87	1	2	
Jeanne Simmons	Levi (Border Terrier)	Asheville (9/24)	Nov A Std	100	1	1	
"	"	Asheville (9/25)	Nov A Std	100	2	1	
"	"	DKC (10/1)	Nov A JWW	95	1	1	
"	"	DKC (10/2)	Nov A Std	100	3	1	NA!
"	"	DKC (10/2)	Nov A JWW	100	2	1	
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/23)	Nov A JWW	100	3	1	NAJ!
"	"	Autumn Winds (10/23)	Open Std	95	1	2	
Nancy Akers	Shepherd (Sheltie)	Chatham (9/11)	Ex B JWW	100			13th DQ!!
"	"	Chatham (9/11)	Ex B Std	100			
"	"	Warrenton (9/18)	Ex B JWW	100			14th DQ!!
"	"	Warrenton (9/18)	Ex B Std	100			
Brona Hicks	Semi (Staffie)	DKC (10/1)	Nov B Std	100	2	1	
"	"	DKC (10/1)	Nov B JWW	91	3	1	
George Beglane	Bentley (Lab. Retriever)	Asheville (9/24)	Ex A JWW	100	3	1	AXJ!!
"	"	Asheville (9/25)	Ex B JWW	100	1		2 MACH points
"	"	DKC (10/2)	Ex B Std	100	3		6 MACH points
Emilie Beglane	Keira (Lab. Retriever)	Autumn Winds (10/23)	Ex A JWW	100	1	1	
RALLY							
Lynn Reagan-Hull	Nigel (Westie)	Nat. Specialty (10/ 8)		97	1	1	
EARTHDOG							
Lynn Reagan-Hull	Nigel (Westie)	BTCA, NJ (10/ 10)	Sr. Earthdog	Q	Bonus		Leg toward Versatility Award

Dogs come into our lives to teach us about love and loyalty.

They depart to teach us about loss.
 We try to replace them, but never quite succeed.
 A new dog never replaces an old dog;
 it merely expands the heart.

If you have loved many dogs,
 your heart is very big.

Erica Jong