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# Durham Kennel Club Newsletter

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**Don't forget to send in your Awards Banquet Reservation Form.**

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### English Foxhound Group II: Hound Breeds



The appearance of the English Foxhound is far stouter than his American cousin.

The tendency today is to breed hounds that are slightly larger than in the past. They are active dogs with stable temperaments.

**Background:** There are records showing that the first English Foxhounds were imported from England in 1738. In England, as in America, these hounds have always been used for foxhunting. The majority of the packs today, though, are in England.

**Approved: 1935.**

**Show Ring: Ears:** Most English hounds are "rounded" which means that about 1½ inches is taken off the end of the ear. **Bite:** The teeth must meet squarely. **Coat:** Short, dense, hard, and glossy. **Color:** Not regarded as very important, as long as it is a good "hound color" -- black, tan, and white, or any combination of these three. The symmetry of the Foxhound is of the greatest importance, and what is known as "quality" is highly regarded by all good judges. **Legs & Feet:** Every Master of Foxhounds insists on legs as straight as a post, and as strong; size of bone at the ankle being especially regarded as all important. The desire for straightness had a tendency to produce knuckling-over, which at one time was countenanced, but in recent years this defect has been eradicated by careful breeding and intelligent adjudication, and one sees very little of this trouble in the best modern Foxhounds. The bone cannot be too

large, and the feet in all cases should be round and catlike, with well-developed knuckles and strong horn, which last is of the greatest importance. **Chest & Back Ribs--** The chest should girth over 31 inches in a 24-inch hound, and the back ribs must be very deep.

**Breeding and Whelping:** There are practically no whelping problems with this breed. The pups weigh about a pound at birth.

**Disqualifications:** Either pig-mouth (overshot) or undershot.

**Recognized Problems:** Researchers have not differentiated between the American and English Foxhound. These dogs have a strong physical body and are not susceptible to very many diseases. There can though be **bleeding conditions** that are inherited as an autosomal dominant or incomplete dominant trait.

**Old Age:** The average age of the English Foxhound is 13 years.

*From: Ross D. Clark, DVM & Joan R. Stainer. Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs; AKC. The Complete Dog Book (20th ed.) and the AKC web site.*

## February Meeting

**There is traditionally no meeting in February since that is the month that the Awards Banquet usually takes place.**

**Please check this newsletter for information concerning the Awards Banquet and for the Reservation Form and send it in if you have not done so already.**

**The Awards Banquet is a fun time for all the members where we can share and enjoy each other's successes.**

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

Conformation Classes/

Breeder Referral

**Nancy Adams**

Obedience Classes

**Carol Quinlan**

Spring Show

**Connie Howard**

Fall Show

**Peggy Schmidt Edwards**

Agility Trials

**Mary Whorton**

Obedience Trial

**Lynn Reagan Hull**

Tracking

**Jack Sappenfield**

Membership/Newsletter/Cheer

**Terri Toohil**

Rentals(building/land), Obedience equipment & Yard Sale

**Sharon Pitz**

Social

**Jeanne Stringaegetail**

CGC Program-/Maintenance (outside)

**George Beglane**

Librarian, Recycling & Agility classes

**Denise McDonald**

Education

**Kirk Ridge**

Legislative Liaison, Tail Waggers

**Joanne Harrar**

but due to several conflicts the Awards Banquet will be held March 3<sup>rd</sup> instead. However, we still will have no February membership meeting.

Lynn has resigned as the December Obedience/Rally Trial Chair. If anyone is interested in this position, please contact Roger Akers.

The Finance Committee has 3 volunteers so far: Jack Sappenfield, Carol Quinlan and Joyce McHenry. If you are interested, please contact Roger Akers. Mary Whorton, Joanne Harrar and Maria Walker volunteered from the meeting. Again this is a committee that will work on things like detailed financial reports, balance sheets, cost accounting, developing a budget process, policies and procedures of all kinds for the Durham Kennel Club, such as whose meal DKC pays for at Event Judge's Dinners and anything over x amount of \$ needs Board approval & etc. It is important to know what we make money on and what we don't make money on, developing policies and procedures such as how to compensate instructors to help improve and make them better instructors and policy for capital purchases. Roger is still working on appointing a Chair for this committee. Volunteers with a financial background are welcome. Please contact Roger Akers. Committee Chairs are welcome to help with this committee, too.

The Nominating Committee has selected the following individuals for DKC offices in 2007 – President: Roger Akers, Vice President: George Beglane, Recording Secretary: Denise McDonald, Corresponding Secretary: Ann Carter, Treasurer: Emily Beglane, Board of Directors: Terri Toohil, Tracy Fletcher, Linda Kerr, Jan Gray. Respectfully Submitted, Betsy Pethick, MF Davis, Sharon Pitz, Sue Ivy, Stella Maunsell.

If you want to run or want to nominate someone, please get in touch with Betsy Pethick.

**Treasurer:** DKC Account Balances as of 1/15/07:

<b>First Citizens Money Market</b>	<b>\$27,689.70</b>
<b>Fowler Trophy</b>	<b>\$1,909.86</b>
<b>Financial Management Account</b>	<b>\$40,497.46</b>
<b>Loan Balance</b>	<b>(\$64,121.22)</b>

**December Obedience/Rally Trials: Financial Report**

<b>Income</b>	Entries	\$8,903.00
	Trophies	322.50
	Miscellaneous	440.70
	Subtotal	<b>\$9, 666.20</b>
<b>Expense</b>	Miscellaneous	\$3,859.95
	Trophies	892.82
	Judges	2,098.19
	Subtotal	<b>\$6,850.96</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	Income	\$9, 666.20
	Expense	6,850.96
	Net	<b>\$2,815.24</b>

**Delegate:** The meeting was held the first week in December. The All Breed Committee continued its discussion of the Veterinary Outreach Program encouraging all-breed clubs to include veterinary students in their programs, shows, etc. to help them understand what breeders and the fancy are about. The importance was stressed in getting them involved and perhaps inviting a student to a breeding and/or to a whelping.

Robin Stansell, Director of Event Operations, presented proposals submitted to the Board of Directors concerning Chapter 2, Sections 3 and 5 of Rules applying to Dog Shows as it applied to club territories. A club not holding a show in its territory for two consecutive years would lose its sole privilege to that territory, allowing another member or non-member club access to show sites. A club may be reinstated in its territory by holding a show. If no licensed or member club holds a

**Jan. Meeting Minutes**

Durham Kennel Club Membership Meeting – January 15, 2007.

Following a presentation by Glen Lycan of the American Kennel Club on the DNA program at AKC, President Roger Akers called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the November 20, 2006 meeting, were approved as published.

**President:** Welcome to the meeting. Please remember to sign the attendance list on the table by the foyer doors. Welcome to all of our visitors. Please stand & tell us about yourself.

I understand that the Holiday Social was well attended and all had a good time. February is the time that we usually have our Awards Banquet,

show for four consecutive years, its territory may be reassigned.

A proposal is being submitted to increase the number of activities a member club, including specialty clubs, must complete during a calendar year to be able to hold future dog shows. The AKC is encouraging clubs to man First Time Exhibitor Booths and to hold New Exhibitor Briefings at shows — 1/2 hour before group judging has proven to be a successful time. The average number of shows a new exhibitor enters is three. It is easy to attract exhibitors; hard to keep them in the sport.

Beginning January 2007, the in-ring Judge Observation program will be eliminated. It will be replaced with a Ringside Mentoring Program. A prospective judge will be required to complete three separate ringside observations. Mentoring requirements include twelve years as breeder/exhibitor, twelve years judging experience, or anyone the parent club says is qualified. A list of Parent Club approved mentors is available on the AKC website. At the present time, 18 percent of approved judges judge 80 percent of the dogs. The AKC receives 700 judging applications a year, 77 percent are approved for 100 percent of applications.

The Obedience, Rally and Tracking Committee has submitted application in conjunction with the Herding Committee to the Board of Directors to exempt their events from the AKC's Conflict of Interest Policy covering judges. Agility events have already been exempted.

The AKC International Obedience Class has been approved for implementation January 1, 2008. The possibility is being investigated of holding regional competitions with scores being cumulative. Dogs would not need to have a title to compete; the exercises would be a combination of open and utility ones and are ones preformed by 98 percent of international countries. The exercises are posted on the AKC website. The AKC International

Obedience Invitational has not yet been approved, but has been presented to the Board. The AKC has committed to sending a team to Crufts in 2007; it is unlikely a 2008 team will be approved (approx \$35K to send team).

The 2007 Obedience Advisory Committee is considering two immediate changes to the program. The first having Pre-Novice be a titled class and the second is the Obedience Master Program. It is hoped that these programs will help to stop the decline in obedience entries. From 1999-2006 entries have been decreasing 1.4 percent per year. In 2006 entries are down 4.3 percent January through December.

The Obedience Master Program is geared for those in Utility competing for OTCH points, but not placing in the top four and consistently scoring 190 or better. Each Obedience Master Level would require 200 points and after completion of the tenth level, the title of Obedience Grand Master would be awarded. Points may be obtained in either or both Open B or Utility B classes. For example, a dog scoring 190 to 191 1/2 would receive 3 points, dogs scoring 192-194 1/2, 5 points, 195-196 1/2 10 points, 197-199 1/2 15 points, and 200, 20 points The final proposal would be to have regional obedience competitions to include three shows in a row which would be identified and publicized. The top 40 dogs would be invited and the winning four dogs from each regional competition would receive an invitation to the AKC Obedience Invitational along with OTCH titleholders. The first year of the program, circuits would be chosen by the AKC, in successive years clubs would be able to apply for the privilege of holding the qualifying events.

The AKC is strengthening their legislative arm in 2007. A legislative analyst is being added to staff, regional legislative seminars are being scheduled and available materials are being expanded in conjunction with the Public Education Department to educate pet owners and to

increase available sample legislation materials.

Canine Legislative Services now available include: *Taking Command* (an e-newsletter to which members can subscribe), Legislative Alerts (available on website), Information Packets, Brochures — *Make your Contact Count and Disagree Diplomatically, Assistance with Legislative Process, Letterhead Lobbying, Talking Points for Breeding Restriction Legislation, Dangerous Dog Legislation, and Breed Specific Legislation.*

Highlights of the President's and Chairman's Reports include:

YTD Revenues-\$45.5 million, Operating Expenses-\$52.0 million, showing a \$6.5 million deficit from operations. With alternative revenues and investments bottom line shows \$3.5 million surplus.

Litter registrations are down 1.3 percent compared to 2005.

Individual dog registrations are down 5.6 percent from last year.

Royalties are up 13 percent.

Recording fees are up 4 percent mainly the result of agility and rally entries.

All 165 breeds were represented at the AKC Eukanuba Invitational. Bred-by Exhibitor entries represented 40 percent of the total 3000 dogs. Sixteen countries were represented and 145 Parent Clubs.

Events are up 12%; entries have topped 3 million. Rally is up 60% from 2005.

Responsible Dog Inserts are being placed in the new Disney releases, Air Buddies, 8 Below, and Shaggy Dog.

Discussion of the New Exhibitor Orientation Program to address dropout rate of novices.

If an event is to be cancelled, an exhibitor can now call the event cancellation number 877-252-3229. Information will also be posted on the AKC website and/or an exhibitor can sign up for email notification.

Details are being finalized on the establishment of an AKC Member

Club Outstanding Sportsman Award. All member clubs will be able to present to the AKC one member they feel should be recognized for sportsmanship.

The Board of Directors will be looking for member input regarding the implementation of a listing of Mixed Breed Dogs. Initially, the thought would be that mixed breeds could be registered with proof of spay or neuter. These dogs would be able to compete in separate Companion Events. Additional information will be forthcoming after the first of the year.

The Ninth Annual AKC Open House will be held at the AKC offices on Madison Avenue, NYC, Sunday, February 11, 2007.

The next Delegates' meeting is the Annual Meeting and will be held March 12 and 13, 2007 in New York City, NY

**Seminar Committee:** We have a number of seminars booked and scheduled already. Names, dates and topics will be available soon. The only one not tied down is Agility. Please complete the questionnaire so that we will know the appropriate topics, price & etc. Give these forms to Jan Gray, Denise McDonald or Dana Mackonis.

**Agility Classes:** We have just started this session. We are offering an Obstacle Familiarization class and a Short Sequence class. We are looking forward to being able to use the site behind the building for classes.

**Fall Show:** It is the Saturday of Labor Day. We Love volunteers!! If you have any ideas for trophies, please let Peggy know your trophy ideas or if you want to volunteer. We need a Rally and Obedience Chair, a Safety Person who will make sure all of the cords & etc. are taped down and other people for necessary positions. Ms. Schafer will still be doing Advertising for us. Also let Peggy know about any judges that you want or don't want. Anyone with artistic talent specifically drawing, please contact Peggy!!

**Agility Trials:** The Spring trials are April 20-22 and they open March 5<sup>th</sup>. They are random draw. Our Fall trials will be in late September.

**Dec. Obedience/Rally Trials:** Our trials went very well. We had more trophy expense as we did these trials in memory and honor of Jane Williams Bergsten. The notes of appreciation from exhibitors & judges will be posted on the bulletin board. Thank you to everyone who helped with the trials. Lynn is resigning as Chair because of health issues. So if you are interested in becoming the new Chair contact Roger Akers. Most of the committee has agreed to stay on in their positions.

**Spring Show:** The date is March 23<sup>rd</sup> and we always need volunteers!! We are offering Puppy Groups so bring your puppies out!! Obedience and Rally will be in the Dorton Arena. A sign up sheet is going around for Stewards. We do not know the number of rings and order yet. We really need experienced Table Stewards!!

**Tracking:** Our next test is February 25<sup>th</sup>. It is a TDX test. March 18<sup>th</sup>, we will have 7 TD tracks. Please let Jack Sappenfield know if you are able to help at these tests. **Without your help, these tests cannot be put on!!**

**Membership:** Congratulations to Laurie Pakel & David Moore, Tiffany Wade and Will & Deb Hanley for becoming new Candidate Members.

**Building Rental:** We are renting the building left & right. We are continuously receiving requests.

**CGC:** March 24<sup>th</sup> will be the next test. Information will be on the web site.

**Outside Maintenance:** George will put something in the newsletter; he wants to have a clean up party: clean out the gutters of the building, clear the brush & etc. from driveway and other outside projects. Keep looking for more information.

**Awards:** The Awards Banquet will be March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Reservation forms are available online and at the

building. Rick's Diner is going to be our caterer and Marge White has volunteered to supply all of the desserts!!! The price is \$25.00 and the forms need to be received by Lisa Roberts by February 23<sup>rd</sup>!!! Dinner includes flank steak, chicken and a vegetarian entrée plus sides. You do not have to choose an entrée. PLEASE NOTE: ADD A 2 BEFORE LISA'S ZIP CODE ON THE RESERVATION FORMS!!! WE DON'T WANT THESE BEING LOST IN THE MAIL!!! [Note: The ZIP code was corrected in this newsletter form.]

**Yard Sale:** The date is June 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to help with everything!! Also we need items to sell. Remember items must be usable and electrical items should be safe. There will be more information in the newsletter.

**New Business:** The Spring Show will be dedicated to Ridley Kessler. Sharon Pitz will contact Connie Howard to arrange this.

If the telephone rings while you are at the DKC building, please answer it.

**Announcements:** The Triangle Herding Club is putting on a Herding Seminar February 24<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested, contact Michelle Lennon.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Denise McDonald*

DKC Recording Secretary

**Ridley R. Kessler, Jr.**  
**January 11, 2007**

*He was a long time  
member of the DKC  
who was loved by all  
who knew him.*



## Awards Banquet

Each year, the Durham Kennel Club holds an awards banquet to recognize its members' accomplishments and titles from the previous year of showing. Plaques are given for titles earned and many perpetual or traveling trophies are awarded for outstanding achievements in breed, obedience, tracking, agility and versatility.

**Make plans to join us for this year's banquet at the Durham Kennel Club building on Sat. March 3rd at 6:30 PM.**

Dinner will include a selection of beef, chicken and/or vegetarian entrees, salad, choices of vegetables, bread, desserts, tea and coffee.

**A reservation form is attached to this newsletter. The cost is 25.00 per person and reservation forms are due by Friday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

Please plan to join us in recognizing and celebrating the accomplishments of the wonderful dogs, handlers and trainers that make up the Durham Kennel Club!

*Lisa Roberts*

DKC Awards Committee

## 2007 SHOW-N-GOs

There will be four SHOW-N-GOs in 2007: Feb. 17&18 (Sat.-Sun.), May 12 & 13 (Sat.-Sun.), Aug. 11 & 12 (Sat.-Sun.), Dec. 8 & 9 (Sat.-Sun.).

They will all be held at the DKC building.

If you have questions or can help, please contact: Linda Kerr at [corgimom4@nc.rr.com](mailto:corgimom4@nc.rr.com), Marge White at [markelgsd3@aol.com](mailto:markelgsd3@aol.com) or Linda Kay @ [lbkay@bellsouth.net](mailto:lbkay@bellsouth.net).

**Novice is always on Saturday and the Open/Utility on the Sunday following.**

## U.S. Approves New Pfizer Obesity Drug For Dogs

Fri Jan 5, 2007 12:31pm ET

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - U.S. health officials have approved the first obesity drug aimed at treating Americans' increasingly plump pooches, the Food and Drug Administration said on Friday.

The drug, Pfizer Inc.'s Slentrol, helps decrease appetite and fat absorption to help the roughly 5 percent of U.S. dogs that are obese lose weight, the FDA said. Another 20 percent to 30 percent are overweight, it added.

Also known as dirlotapide, the drug can cause various side effects, including vomiting, loose stools, diarrhea and lethargy.

## 2006 AKC® Registration Statistics

### Ten most popular breeds

	In the US	In Raleigh
1.	Labrador Retriever	Labrador Retriever
2.	Yorkshire Terrier	Golden Retriever
3.	German Shepherd Dog	Yorkshire Terrier
4.	Golden Retriever	Poodle
5.	Beagle	Beagle
6.	Dachshund	Boxer*
7.	Boxer	German Shepherd Dog
8.	Poodle	Shih Tzu
9.	Shih Tzu	Dachshund
10.	Miniature Schnauzer	Shetland Sheepdog
		* Tied with #5

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### Raleigh Statistical Snapshot

The Shetland Sheepdog appears on only four cities' top 10 lists this year. Known as an obedient and responsive breed, it is the only top 10 breed in Raleigh that is not a top 10 breed in the nation.

The diminutive Yorkie, which made Raleigh's top 10 for the first time last

year, continues its ascent to the top, moving from 7th to 3rd place.

The "City of Oaks" shows no size preference when it comes to favorite breeds, displaying an equal number of small and large breeds in its local list.

The Miniature Schnauzer, ranked 10th nationally, is ranked 16th in Raleigh.

The Chihuahua's popularity continues to slide locally, going from 4th in 2004 to 10th in 2005 down to 12th this year.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**Feb. 25 (Sun.) [Quail Roost]**

***TDX Tracking Test***

***Jack Sappenfield 919-598-5318***

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**Feb. 17&18 (Sat.-Sun.) [DKC]**

**May 12 & 13 (Sat.-Sun.) [DKC]**

**Aug. 11 & 12 (Sat.-Sun.) [DKC]**

**Dec. 8 & 9 (Sat.-Sun.) [DKC]**

***2007 SHOW-N-GOs***

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**March 3 (Sat.) [DKC]**

***Awards Banquet***

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**March 23 (Fri.)**

**[Raleigh Fairgrounds]**

***Spring Show***

***Connie Howard 919-309-9014***

***Linda Wozniak 919-942-5818***

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**March 24 (Sat.) [DKC]**

***CGC Test***

***George Beglane 919-477-8874***

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**April 20-22 (Fri.-Sun)**

***Agility Trials***

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**June 23 (Sat.) [DKC]**

***Yard Sale***

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**CONFORMATION SHOW REPORT** Please Note: ONLY AKC WINS WITH AKC TITLES ARE LISTED IN SHOW REPORTS.

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	C L A S S	P T	HIGHEST WIN	SP. MERIT
Linda Kerr	Cruiser (Pembroke WC)	Charleston (1/27/07)	6-9 mo puppy		1 <sup>st</sup> Place	
Barbara Nelson	Evie (Sheltie)	Sara Bay KC (1/10/07)	Open Sable Bitch	2	BW	
"	"	Manatee KC (1/12/07)	"	1	BW	
"	"	Inverness KC (1/13/07)	"	3	BW	1 <sup>st</sup> Major!!!
Emmy Wolters	Joy (Bouvier)	Inverness KC (1/13/07)	Open	4	WB	Champion!!!
"	"	Inverness KC (1/18/07)	BOB		BOB	Over top 10 Bouviers !!!

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

OWNER/Handler NAME	DOG'S CALL NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	C L A S S	SCORE	LEG	PLACE	TITLES & AWARDS
<b>OBEDIENCE</b>							
Paulette & John Hicks	Milo (Dobe)	DKC (12/16/06)	Novice A	192	2	2	
"	"	DKC (12/17/06)	Novice A	191.5	3	2	CD !!!
Meagan Hamblen	Butch (Boxer)	James River (1/27/07)	Novice A	191	3	1	CD !!!
<b>RALLY</b>							
Ken Nelson	Squirt (BT)	Charleston OTC (1/28/07)	Excellent B	98	1	1	
Paulette & John Hicks	Milo (Dobe)	DKC (12/15/06)	Novice A		3		RN!!!
"	"	DKC (12/16/06)	Advanced A	100	1	1st	
<b>AGILITY</b>							
Amanda Stipe	Weaver (Am Foxhound)	BT Club of Amer. (1/21/07)	Exc A JWW	100	2	1	
"	"	BT Club of Amer. (1/21/07)	Open Std	100	3	2	OA !!!
"	"	Blue Ridge (1/27/07)	Exc A JWW	100	3	2	AXJ !!!
Ken Nelson	Squirt (BT)	BT Club of America (1/20/07)	Excellent A	88	1	3	
"	"	BT Club of America (1/21/07)	Excellent A	97	2	2	

# ***AWARDS DINNER RESERVATION***

***Saturday, March 3, 2007***

Durham Kennel Club Building

Doors Open 6:30 Dinner at 7:00

\$25.00 per person

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Dinner will include a selection of beef, chicken and/or vegetarian entrees, salad, choices of vegetables, bread, desserts, tea and coffee.

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 [Zip code is correct here.]

No alcohol will be provided.

**Reservations due Friday, February 23, 2007.**