

DKC UPDATE

May - 2019 Newsletter Durham Kennel Club Member Meeting: Sunday, May 20, 2019 Durham Kennel Club Building, Durham, NC

6:30 PM Potluck Dinner7:30 Member Meeting

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Durham Kennel Club Information

Meeting Agenda

- Call to Order
- Approval of the minutes of the April 28, 2019 member meeting as published
- Report of the President
- Report of the Recording Secretary
- Report of the Corresponding Secretary
- Report of the Treasurer
- Report of the AKC Delegate
- Reports of the Committees
- Election of New Members
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
 - Elections for Board Members and Officers
- Brags
- Adjourn

Draft Minutes for the March 18th. Member Meeting

Click here to view

Dues Notice for FY 2019 - 2020

Dues for the fiscal year 2019-20 are due NOW. They will be late on June 1.

Yearly dues are

- Family \$40.00
- Individual \$30.00
- Junior \$10.00

Dues can be paid on our website or by a check made out to the DKC and sent to:

Terri Toohil, 5017 Pine Trail Dr. Durham, NC 27712.

It's painless to use DKC website and if you have PayPal no need to print the form or mail the check, it's all done with a couple of clicks......Try it, you'll like it **guaranteed**.

DKC Membership Renewal Form

And a big thanks to all those who have sent in their dues.

Terri

2019 Durham Kennel Club Nomination Bios

Candidate for President: Thomas Wrath



Thomas Wrath and his wife, Michele have lived in Hillsborough, NC. for the past ten years. They moved to Hillsborough from Northern California. They have bred and exhibited Dalmatians under the SunnyOaks kennel name for over 20 years. SunnyOaks Dalmatians have been recognized at the National level with multiple National Specialty winners, Top 20, Best in Specialty and Best in show winners. Their dogs are always breeder owner handled. Thomas has served as President of the Dalmatian Club of the Piedmont for 4 years and has served on the Board of Directors for the Dalmatian Club of America's Health Foundation and currently serves on the Dalmatian Club of America's Judges Education Committee and Website Development Committee.

Thomas is currently serving on The Durham Kennel Club's Board of Directors, as a Board Member and a Conformation Instructor for DKC on Thursday Night.

Thomas is the owner of Tallyho Equestrian Outfitters, a manufacturer of Equestrian English style riding boots and saddles. Prior to starting his own company, Thomas worked for over 25 years in executive management for several high technology companies in the Silicon Valley, Northern California. He specialized in Manufacturing Operations, Procurement, Supply Chain Management and Logistics.

Other interests include Horses, Brewing Beer, Competitive Target Shooting, College Sports, Genealogy and American History. He also enjoys cooking and entertaining with friends and family.

Candidate for Vice President: Nancy Akers



Nancy Akers has been a DKC member for 20 years.

When she was 7 years old she got her first dog, a Border Collie she found and brought home. "Rex" was her constant companion and lived to be 17!

Nancy has owned Shelties since college, and she has also had German Shepherd Dogs with her husband Roger.

DKC is where all her dog sports started. She first saw agility on TV, then trained "Chollie" with Denise McDonald.

Nancy then got "Shep" and began Obedience work and competition, earning his UD and MACH2. Lisa Roberts helped get Shep's Herding Championship. Nancy's proudest moment was Shep getting "Best All Around" at the Sheltie Specialty.

She is an instructor and a competitor. Her favorite sport being agility, where she feels part of a "dog/trainer team" with Tupper. Tupper has his herding Championship, Utility Excellent, and MACH4. She is now bringing along her 2 year old sheltie, Mac.

Nancy enjoys the DKC because of the friendships with members having similar interests. "Dogs were always in my heart."

Candidate for Vice President: Jack Sappenfield II

I have been a member of the Durham Kennel Club for twenty-three years, served on the Board and was President of the kennel club for four years. For the past eighteen years, I have volunteered as an instructor in the senior puppy classes, the past eight years in the puppy classes, and for many years I have been a regular instructor for the Thursday night conformation classes.

I have been a weimaraner owner for thirty-nine years and a vizsla owner for twenty-one years. I involve my dogs in conformation, obedience, hunt tests, tracking, and other non-AKC breed related activities. The championships my dogs have earned have all been owner-handled. I am currently a member of the Weimaraner Club of America, Tarheel Weimaraner Club, and the Wirehaired Vizsla Club of America.

My professional experience was in the financial industry for thirty-three years with sixteen of those as President and CEO. With the opportunity to retire early, I became a high school teacher as my second career and taught business related courses.

I have been a tracking judge since 1998; have been the tracking chairperson for the WCA National Specialty on four occasions, and within the past year was approved to judge the 4-6 month puppy classes, and the Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds.

I continue and will continue to support and volunteer for the DKC because the club supports its members and the public as they train and compete in a wide variety of dog activities.

Candidate for Treasurer: Jodi Labombard (Incumbent)

My husband and I raise Mastiffs and Rottweilers. Most have earned AKC championships and have obedience and rally titles. Four of our Rotties have been Therapy dogs and provide weekly visits to the local rehabilitation center. We also have done some training in agility and scent work, as well as earning titles in carting. I have previous and current experience on other dog club BODs. I held positions in an all-breed KC as Vice president and Treasurer, in the Mastiff parent club as Recording Secretary, and membership chair. I am currently the Treasurer in a regional Rottweiler Club. I have taught several rally classes for DKC over the past few years.

I think the Durham Kennel Club is a great club and that has so much to offer due to its great members and their involvement. I would like to continue to serve the club to further enable our club to continue to be successful, and to be the club that many people want to be part of because of the positive experiences that our club can offer. I plan to be a positive member of our BOD to help manage the club's activities for the benefit of our dogs

Candidate for Board of Director: Michele Meloy

I have been a DKC club member for the last five years. My husband and I have lived in Durham for 24 years and last summer moved to Hillsborough. I feel fortunate to be close to such an active kennel club that has so many hard-working, dedicated members that make it possible to host seminars, events and classes.

I am fascinated by how training techniques have evolved since I trained my first dog 27 years ago. We have so many training resources available to us from peers to amazing seminar instructors to all that is available online.

I would be excited to join the DKC board and help with its continued growth and success.

Candidate for Board of Director: Rose Mary Pries DrPH

A little about me and my life with Irish Wolfhounds

- My husband Bob (also a DKC member) and I share our lives with 6 IWs (one CH and another GCH, a yearling and 2 puppies)
- Recently retired Doctor of Public Health (DrPH from UNC-CH School of Public Health)
 who headed a national preventive medicine program
- IWs entered my life in 1973. My 1st two IWs earned CD titles, uncommon in the '70s. I breed infrequently and selectively; spent 10 years studying the breed, and in 1983, bred my 1st of only 7 total litters. Goal: to produce healthy IWs that meet the Irish Wolfhound Club of America (IWCA) breed standard with correct structure, type and ability to function. The puppies I bred achieved conformation (including BW at an IWCA national specialty from the 12-18 class), obedience, coursing and rally titles; One of my bitches, CH Wild Valley Footlights, was a top producing bitch
- Two of my IWs were regular visitors at a Veterans nursing home even before therapy dogs were popular and certified. "Fred" was invited by the residents to move in when a bed became available; he declined the invitation but remained a regular visitor. "Sadie" was the best friend of a resident and a volunteer and who were members of the Wolfhound Unit during WWII. They shared stories of Wolfhound bravery and courage, and said that "Sadie" was one of them!

Breed Club Activities

- Active member, IWCA
- Past member of the IWCA Board of Directors
- Currently listed on IWCA's website as a reliable source of info on IWs
- IW Association of the Mid-South (IWAMS)
- IW Association of the West Coast (IWAWC)

DKC Activities

- Support, volunteer for and participate in DKC conformation shows
- Attend a majority of DKC meetings each year; Bob and I perform our annual services for the Club
- Our IWs participate in all levels of DKC puppy classes, and attend DKC weekly conformation classes
- "Snowflake" and I participated in an early version of Dr. Brian Hare's Dognition Program at Duke University. At Peggy Baucom, DKC Program Chair's request, arranged a presentation by Dr. Hare which was very well received. Alerted DKC members to a subsequent Canine Cognition presentation at Duke. Will inform DKC members about opportunities to participate in Duke's canine cognition research and their Puppy Kindergarten Program which just received five year funding by the National Institutes of Health. Will continue to alert members to Dr. Hare's programs.

My goals as a DKC Board Member are to:

- Promote DKC's events and training to enhance the relationship between people and their canine companions
- Ensure DKC facilities remain at the current high level
- With Board and member input, create an electronic new member orientation program, and possibly a buddy program for new members to help them quickly appreciate and participate in the wide range of DKC activities
- Support dog activities in the community which can also promote DKC

New Members

Candidate Membership

- Linda Lee Hobbet; Durham, NC; Sealyham Terrier; CH, GCH, CD, JWW; Participates in Conformation and wants to do Obedience, Tracking, Earthdog and Nosework; Was member in 1971, but no record or person who knew her; Seeking membership because she wants to participate in dog sports and in giving back and wants to know other dog people in the area.
- **Barbara Moore**; Chapel Hill, NC; Border Collies; Flyball; Participates in Agility and hopes to do some herding; Learned about the club from one of her instructors (Penny Leigh); Seeking membership to be better apprised of events in our area and to participate and assist in club events.
- Pam Rocque; Raleigh, NC; Chesapeake Bay Retriever; U-ACH, UD, RAE, NA, NAJ;
 Participates in Conformation and Obedience; Learned about the club because of
 knowing members and taking classes; Seeking membership to interact with people that
 have similar interests. Kids at college and wants to get back in the dog show game.

Show Handling Class Registration - Opening Soon

The next 6-week session of the Daytime Conformation Show Handling Class will open soon. Class is Noon-1pm, Thursdays, one ring, Judy Harris, Instructor. Limited to 9 handlers.

Open to dogs/handlers of all abilities. Due to area conformation shows, July 4th holiday and DKC's obedience trial at the building, the class dates are hopscotching around a bit. Please note the dates are: May 30, June 6, June 13, June 27, July 18, July 25.

This is not a drop-in class. All dogs MUST be pre-registered for this class via the on-line Conformation page sign up. Handlers may bring 2 dogs to class, or alternate 2 dogs, but both dogs must be pre-registered and you must bring shot records for both dogs the first day of class.

Thursday Evening Conformation classes at 7 pm are drop-in, \$7 per handler. Open to beginners and experienced handlers and dogs. Please check the calendar on the Conformation page to be sure we're having class that night! We take the month of July off.

From DKC Member: Lynn Reagan-Hull lrhull@mindspring.com

Thank You Volunteers

Agility Trial

Thanks to all of you that came out to participate in the spring Durham Kennel Club Agility trial on your Easter weekend. The weather on Friday was not ideal, to say the least, and we ended up having to cancel the trial at 11:30 due to heavy rain and strong wind gusts. But the competitors and judge took it all in stride and made the best of the situation. The speed at which the fields were made secure and tent tarps were brought down was amazing! Thankfully, Saturday and Sunday provided us with great agility weather.

Agility trials are very dependent upon the work of many volunteers. Throughout the days of the trial many exhibitors and DKC members helped out, including many that were new to agility. Support from exhibitors and members alike help make the DKC trials such a success. The rings run very smoothly and efficiently, thus keeping the judge and the exhibitors happy.

The preparations for the trials begin many months ahead of the actual event. A big THANK YOU to Tommy Wood for having the fields in such great shape. The grass was thick and cut to perfection. Thanks to Roger and Nancy Akers and Tommy Wood for setting up the ring fencing and the tents and bringing equipment up to the fields on Thursday morning before the trials began. Stewart Morris, Barbara Carper, Susan Bankauf, Melissa Hoppes, and Laura Boyce all helped set up the first courses on Thursday evening.

We appreciated the services and products of our vendors: Jennie Jones, masseuse; Lisa Busko, DVM, chiropractic and laser work; Irene Cotter, action photographer; Gaella Materne, Pet portrait artist; and The Barking Bedlie Dog Treats.

The following teams completed titles this weekend. Congratulations to you all!

Patty Rigney & Sophie MACH 1
Eleanor Hawkins & Pax: MACH 4
Susan Bankauf & Thruster: MACH 2
Andrea Arbogast & Samba: OAJ
Leslie Watkins & Kyra: OAJ
Do Kennedy & Fia: NAJ
Randall Carty & Whisper: NA

My apologies to those that earned titles that I have not recognized.

A final thank you to the people that make the trial run: the trial committee members, the trial secretaries, and the judge! Committee members Tracy Fletcher (chief course builder), Beth White (volunteer coordinator), George Abell (worker snacks and lunch coordinator), and Lori Grove (vendor coordinator and worker raffle) worked hard each and every day doing their jobs and any other tasks that needed attending to. Trial secretaries Tina Eastman and Robin Early efficiently and cheerfully processed class results in a timely manner to keep things moving. Finally, thank you to judge Dan Wolfson of Florida for great courses that everyone enjoyed. If you have any feedback (positive, negative, or otherwise) about the trial, the classes that should be offered, or the class sequence, please contact me at attruesdale@gmail.com. We hope to see you again for the fall trial held Sept. 27 -29, 2019 with judge Greg Beck. Happy trialing!

Anne Truesdale

DKC Annual Open Show

DKC held its annual Open Shows. We were fortunate this year that the Russian Tsvetnaya Bolonka Club of America held its National Specialty in conjunction with our Saturday shows.

The events could not have been successful without the support of club members who volunteered their time and energy at the four shows held over the two days.

- Tommy Wood, Floranne Etheridge, and Susan Jones who helped set up on Friday
- Jack Sappenfield, Kate Bremser, Shelley Miller, Lynn Reagan-Hull, and Connie Howard who volunteered their expertise as judges.
- Lynn Reagan-Hull who put together breakfast and lunch both days.
- Rose Mary Pries who served as Chief Ring Steward
- Ed Wozniak who made an extra trip delivering BIS and RBIS rosettes which had been forgotten.

• Jack Sappenfield, Susan Jones, et al who reset ring-gating, vacuumed, and tidied up on Sunday afternoon putting the building back to its regular configuration.

Open Shows are vital to the FSS and Miscellaneous breeds who are working toward obtaining regular status with the AKC, as points awarded by judges at these events count toward required CMs.

Thanks to each and everyone who volunteered their time.

From DKC Member: Linda Wozniak oswicks@att.net

Obedience Instructors Needed

We have a few current instructors who would like to have a summer break.

Please respond (just to Kirk, not to all), if you are interested in teaching one of these two evening classes:

- Beginner Adult Obedience
- Novice CD

These are six weekly classes beginning Wednesday, June 5, 7:30-8:30pm

In your response give a brief listing of Obedience titles you have achieved and teaching experience (if any).

Thank You!

Kirk Ridge, Obedence Chair

AKC Reports

Delegate's Report - April 2019

Click here to view.

AKC Legislative Update

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) recently unveiled a new online licensing and registration tool that helps businesses and individuals identify their regulation needs under the Animal Welfare Act (AWA).

Regulations established under the AWA set standards for the humane care and treatment for certain animals that are exhibited to the public, sold for use as pets, used in research, or transported commercially. Each year, USDA issues licenses to nearly 6,000 people, and is responsible for ensuring that these regulated facilities are complying with the AWA's humane standards of care.

By answering a few anonymous questions, groups and individuals such as breeders, dealers, exhibitors, transporters, and research facilities, will be able to see what type of license they need to start a new business or check if they are in compliance. The tooldoes not require users to log in or sign up to access it. After recognizing what licenses are needed, the website will provide links to download those applications.

As a reminder, the USDA will accept comments through May 21, 2019, on a proposed rule to "promote compliance, reduce licensing fees, and strengthen existing safeguards that prevent individuals and businesses who have a history of noncompliance from obtaining a license or working with regulated animals" under the AWA. Please refer to AKC's previous alert for more information on this proposed rule and how you can submit your comments.

For more information, contact AKC's Government Relations Department at doglaw@akc.org.

From DKC Member: Linda Wozniak oswicks@att.net

Agility Committee Proposed Change

Agility Advisory Committee Proposed Change to lower A-Frame height to 5' for 12 inch Dogs:

The Agility Advisory Committee will submit the proposoed change to the AKC Board of Directors May 2019 meeting for further review.

Please share any comments on this proposed change to agility@akc.org

From DKC Member: Linda Wozniak oswicks@att.net

AKC Museum of the Dog Acquires Sgt. Stubby Bronze

BRONZE SCULPTURE OF 'AMERICA'S FIRST WAR DOG' TO BE HOUSED AT THE AKC MUSEUM OF THE DOG

New York, NY-The American Kennel Club Museum of the Dog is pleased to announce that the official bronze statue of Sgt. Stubby, a distinguished World War I war dog will be housed permanently at the AKC Museum of the Dog. The sculpture will be unveiled on May 23, 2019.

The statue, "Stubby Salutes," created by renowned sculptor Susan Bahary, is a life sized bronze of the bull terrier mix. Stubby is widely regarded as the U.S Army's first service dog. His service began in 1917 when he wandered on to the camp of the 102nd Infantry Regiment of the 26th Yankee Division at Yale. He formed a bond with a young solider named Robert Conroy who named him "Stubby." Conroy subsequently smuggled Stubby on his ship when it was time to ship out. Stubby served in France for 18 months and a total of 17 battles. His heroic feats included: warning his unit of looming mustard gas attacks, locating wounded soldiers on the battlefield and sitting beside them until help arrived, and capturing a German spy by grabbing at the seat of his pants. Over the course of his service, he was injured by mustard gas and a grenade. Stubby is remembered for his bravery and also as a treasured mascot who brought joy to embattled soldiers. As a veteran, he was awarded a medal for his bravery by General John J. Pershing and met three presidents.

This April marked the 100th anniversary of Stubby's return to the US to a hero's welcome.

"We are very excited to welcome "Stubby Salutes" to our Museum collection," said Alan Fausel, Executive Director of the AKC Museum of the Dog. "His courage and dedication to our country has laid the foundation for today's military working dogs and we look forward to sharing him with the public and educating them about his place in history."

Susan Bahary, an internationally acclaimed artist, was commissioned by the decendants of Robert Conroy to memorialize Stubby in his rare salute pose, a pose which won him the favor of his fellow soldiers and officers. Her other works include "Always Faithful," the United States first official war dog momument that commemorated the 25 dogs who perished in the taking of Guam during World War II. "Always Faithful" is a part of the Museum of the Dog's collection.

"It has been an honor to create this bronze monument to commemorate Sgt. Stubby," says Bahary. "His right paw represents his deeds for our country and his left paw represents his friendly and giving nature. His contributions to our military, along with his loyalty and bravery are symbolic of all the wonderful working dogs that protect us and service animals that benefit and enrich our lives today."

The AKC Museum of the Dog, founded in 1982, was originally housed in The New York Life Building located at 51 Madison Avenue as part of the AKC Headquarters. In 1987, the Museum was moved to West St. Louis County, MO. The Museum made its return to New York City in a new location in February 2019 and houses one of the largest repositories of canine art in the world, including paintings, porcelains, bronzes, trophies and digital displays. The Museum is dedicated to education and preservation of purebred dogs.

The original casting of the sculpture is on permanent display at the "Connecticut Trees of Honor" Memorial at the Veterans Memorial Park In Middletown, CT

Ms. Bahary and Mr. Fausel are available for interviews. Please contact brandi.hunter@akc.org

About the AKC Museum of the Dog

Founded in 1982, The AKC Museum of the Dog is dedicated to the collection, preservation, exhibition, and interpretation of the art, artifacts and literature of the dog for the purposes of education, historical perspective, aesthetic enjoyment and to enhance the appreciation for and knowledge of the significance of the dog and the human/canine relationship. Located in New York City, the Museum is home to several hundred paintings, drawings, watercolors, prints, sculptures, bronzes, and porcelain figurines, a variety of decorative arts objects and interactive displays depicting man's best friend throughout the ages. The AKC Museum of the Dog is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization funded mainly by private and corporate gift donations.

For more information on the AKC Museum of the Dog visit www.Museumofthedog.org

Become a fan of the AKC Museum of the Dog on Facebook at akcmuseumofthedog

From DKC Member: Linda Wozniak oswicks@att.net

AKC CHF Webinar Maternal Interaction

Join us for the latest installment of Canine Health Bytes – a free webinar series sponsored by the AKC Canine Health Foundation and presented by VetVine.

Register for this informative webinar here.

<u>Veterinary Professionals can earn CE credit (approved by AAVSB RACE, NY State, NJVMA).</u>

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Time:8:00 pm ET

Speaker: Emily Bray, PhD

<u>Topic: How mothers matter: The influence of early maternal interaction on offspring behavior and development</u>

<u>Learn about the ways in which maternal style, experienced over the first few weeks of life, has a long-lasting impact on later offspring development.</u>

<u>Included in this discussion:</u>

- The association between maternal behavior and later offspring temperament and cognition
- The association between maternal behavior and later success of the offspring as a guide dog
- The nuances of maternal behavior and how small amounts of stress in early life likely lead to resilience
- Ongoing research to investigate the influence of mothering across other types of working dogs

Previous webinars are available on demand here.

Thank you for your continued support of AKC Canine Health Foundation and your commitment to help all dogs live longer, healthier lives!

From DKC Member: Linda Wozniak oswicks@att.net

Stories from Dog Lovers

A dog's love knows no bounds.

How Our Sweet Pup Helped Us Say Goodbye

I found the lump behind my nine-year-old cock-a-poo's knee on Friday. She was diagnosed with stage four osteosarcoma on Monday, three days before Christmas.

At first, our vet was convinced the thickening around her knee was simply due to arthritic changes in the joint. Then she took an x-ray. Read the heart story here......

Dog Trains Owner

She wasn't the dog I expected, just the one I needed.

The plan was to buy a drop-dead gorgeous puppy to become my constant companion. We'd swan around the neighbourhood charming old people and children, and visit outdoor cafes where she'd draw tall, dark and handsome strangers to me. Read the story here....

Show Reports

Conformation Shows									
Owner's Name	Dog's Call	Breed	Date	Show	Class Placemen		Special Merit		
	Name								
Shelley	Clarissa	Clumber	3/21/19	Clumber	BOB and	Best of			
& Chip		Spaniel		Spaniel Club	Veteran	Opposite and			
Miller				Of America	Class	Best Veteran			
				National					
				Specialty					
Shelley	Molly	Clumber	3/22/19	Durham	Open	Winners	1st major win		
Miller		Spaniel		Kennel Club &	Bitch	Bitch			
John &				CSCA					
Pat				Supported					
Mazur				Entry					



Performance Shows										
Owner's Name	Dog's Call Name	Breed	Date	Show	Event	Class	Score	Leg	Place	Titles & Awards
Sharon Pitz	Delilah	Golden Retriever	4/20/19	DKC	Agility	NSP 20"	95	1	1st	Q
Sharon Pitz	Delilah	Golden Retriever	4/21/19	DKC	Agility	NSP 20"	95	2	1st	Q
Kathleen Downs	Ellie	Pembroke Welsh Corgi	4/13/19 4/14/19	DKC AKC Scentwork Trial at Mebane	Scent Work	Novice A				Novice interior Novice Exterior Novice Container
Shelley & Chip Miller	Lillie Mae	Clumber Spaniel	3/19/19	Clumber Spaniel Club Of America National Specialty	Obedience	Novice B	189.5	2	1st	High in Trial
Renae Crosby	Stella	All American	5/4/2019	Youngsville Agility Club Scent Work Trial	Scent Work	Novice A Buried	Q	2	3rd	

Instructions for posting your wins:

1. Post you show wins directly on the DKC website:

- 1. Navigate to "Show Wins Recording" page.
- 2. On the left of the screen, click either:
 - a. Report **Conformation** Show Wins
 - b. Report **Performance** Show Wins
- 3. Enter your information in the fields provided.
- 4. Click Submit.
- 5. You will then see a verification page of your posting

The website process described above requires you to repeat the process for each separate win.