

DKC Newsletter

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Durham Kennel Club - News

From the President

COVID-19

Dear DKC Members:

Out of concern for everyone's safety and health and well-being. The DKC Board of Directors as a precautionary measure. Has decided to cancel our upcoming general membership meeting scheduled March 16, 2020. Judy Wagaman our program chair will be rescheduling our program for another date with Dr. Katie Withowski at the NCSU Canine Health Symposium. She is a 2nd year resident in Theriogenology (reproduction) and involved in a program at NCSU offering genetic counseling to breeders, pet owners, and veterinarians.

We will not be restricting classes or other club activities at this time. Your class instructor will be advising class status moving forward if things change. However, if a person is a high-risk individual with respiratory problems, compromised immune system's or is experiencing symptoms similar to seasonal flu. We encourage you not to participate in our club for the next several weeks for everyone's health and well-being. If you are affected and have paid for a class no worries. We will provide you with a refund or class credit for a future class.

If you are participating in activities at the Durham Kennel Club. Please take extra precautions to protect yourself and other members around you.

Avoid close contact.

Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.

Stay home when you are sick.

This will help prevent spreading your illness to others.

Cover your mouth and nose.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick. Flu and other serious respiratory illnesses, like respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), whooping cough, and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), are spread by cough, sneezing, or unclean hands.

Clean your hands.

Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.

Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.

Germs are often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.



Practice other good health habits.

Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work or school, especially when someone is ill. Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.

Thank you in advance for everyone's cooperation. We don't want our members to be overly alarmed. We are just taking precautionary measures by looking out for your health and well-being and our most vulnerable members at risk. I have provided below this email the latest Info from the NC health officials.

Best regards, Thomas Wrath
President, Durham Kennel Club
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Program to be rescheduled

Genetic Counseling at NCSU

Dr. Katie Withowski at the NCSU Canine Health Symposium. She is a 2nd year resident in Theriogenology (reproduction) and involved in a program at NCSU offering genetic counseling to breeders, pet owners and veterinarians.

DKC 2020 Slate of Candidates:

Thank you for the contributions you have made for this 2020 nomination election ballot. Approximately 50 people were contacted since January for the open positions. We are now in the last stage of finalizing the ballot. If you have anyone else who should be contacted, please let me know no later than eod Monday, March 16th. This information must be included in the March DKC newsletter which is very close to finalization.

Here is the ballot:

Durham Kennel Club Slate of Candidates - 2020

- Recording Secretary
 - Linda Wozniak
- Corresponding Secretary
 - Lori Grove
- Board of Director (2 positions open)
 - Lisa Roberts
 - o Kittie Rue Deemers
 - Cyndi Swanson
 - o Beth White
- AKC Delegate
 - Jodi LaBombard

Best regards, Susan Cicone shc@nc.rr.com

Draft Minutes for the January Member Meeting

Proposed New Members

Candidate Membership

- Amy & Neil Dean; Youngsville, NC; Great Danes and Pointers; participates in Conformation, Obedience and Therapy; Ch titles; Has kennel - Dogma Danes and Pointers; learned about the club through a workshop and friends in the club; seeking membership to become involved in multiple dog sports and to get to know more dog people.
- Sarah Lennon; Hillsborough, NC; Boston Terrier; participates in Obedience and Conformation; learned about the club through referral by AKC customer service; seeking membership to find fun ways to bond with her dog and to meet new people with similar interests.
- Cameron Mahan; Cary, NC; All American; participates in Obedience, Rally, Agility and Tracking; many titles; learned about the club by attending trials; seeking membership to have opportunities to learn about setting up events, being able to help my local club, and having more information on topics such as training and handling at events.
- Ann and Rob Partin; Chapel Hill, NC; Labrador Retriever; participates in Obedience and Therapy; learned about the club by AKC affiliation and web site; seeking membership to continue training and to be involved with a community of people and dogs with similar interests.
- Susan Sheets; Durham, NC; Golden Retriever; participates in Conformation, Obedience, Agility, Hunt/Field trials and Tracking; many titles; learned about the club from her breeder, Marcia Stedman; seeking membership because she is moving to Durham and wishes to continue training her Goldens.

Full Membership

- Paula & Spencer Botkin; Wake Forest, NC; Cardigan Welsh Corgi, Border Collies and Swiss Mountain Dog; Has requirements; Sponsors: Susan and Dick Cicone.
- Dolores (Do) Kennedy; Charlotte, NC; Shetland Sheepdogs; Has requirements;
 Sponsors: Lisa Roberts and Cathy Wells.

Upcoming DKC Events/Trials

April 10-11, 2020 DKC Scent Work Trial will be cancelled

April Durham Kennel Club Scent Work Trial Exhibitors:

The April 10-11, 2020 DKC Scent Work Trial will be cancelled. This cancellation will occur before our Closing Date of March 20th. These are difficult times. All exhibitors will have 100% of their entry fees refunded. Exhibitors that paid through PayPal will be refunded through PayPal. Those who paid by check and have had their check deposited will be mailed a

reimbursement check. Those who have not had their check deposited, will be contacted on how they would like this to be handled: check destroyed or check returned.

The Durham Kennel Club wants to thank their Members that have already spent months planning an incredible Event for you at Emerson Waldorf School:

- Mira Jones Advisor, Judges Liaison, Trial Site Planner, Lead Scheduler
- Jodi LaBombard Trial Secretary (Entries, Move-Ups, Wait List, Communication, and Entry Fee Reimbursement)
- George Beglane Communication and Webmaster
- Cathy Wells Lunch Organizer
- Nancy Akers and Paige Wiseman Volunteer Coordinators
- George Beglane, Joel Carlin, Jodi LaBombard, Helen Sanderford, and Paige Wiseman -Committee Members

Please address questions/comments about the Trial Closing to me and notify Jodi LaBombard, Trial Secretary regarding reimbursement issues:

Laura Boyce

April 2020 Scent Work Chairperson

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Thank you to our Volunteer Village:

Agility Show N Go

We held a DKC Agility Show N Go on Saturday March 7th. and in spite of the wind and chill, we had lots of participation. It takes a village, from building courses, to setting out trash cans, to running leashes, to setting bars, to clearing the fields. These events wouldn't be possible without dedicated volunteers.

Thanks to the setup crew: Nicole Moore, Nancy Akers, Roger Akers, Cathy Wells, and Beth White.

Thanks to the ring help and cleanup help: Stacy Garvin, Anne Truesdale, Pat McLaren, Carolyn Maddox, Lori Grove, Susanne Hughes, Debbie McCellan, Kathy McLaren, Sharon Pitz, Laura Boyce, Anthony Vanderlinden, Mary Vanderlinden, Stephanie Spencer, Mary Whorton, Melissa Hoppes, Alice Chou, and Vicky Gillow.

Tracy Fletcher funshelties@gmail.com

March Conformation B Match

We had a great afternoon at DKC's March B Match. Each group and Junior Showmanship was well represented, and our judges, Jack Sappenfield, Maureen Lucas, and Amy Gardner Dean did a wonderful job moving through the breeds, groups and finally Best In Match.

Susan Jones once again donated wonderful home-made soaps to the Group 1 winners and RoseMary Pries donated grooming shears to the Best in Match winner, Teresa Vila and her Dalmatian. Yummy sweet treats were available thanks to Floranne Etheridge.

Huge thanks to everyone who stewarded, set up, sorted ribbons, cleaned-up and pitched in --Jimmy and Cathy Stutts, Teresa Vila, Susan Jones, Floranne Etheridge, Rose Mary Pries, Neil Dean, Jack Sappenfield, Connie Howard and Ed Wozniak,

From DKC Member: Linda Wozniak oswicks@att.net

Combined TD/TDX tracking test

The Durham Kennel Club held a combined TD/TDX tracking test over the weekend at the beautiful Cedar Creek Farm, owned by club member Barbara Grubb. The weather could not have been more perfect! I am pleased to announce that we had one TD pass, one TDX pass, and one certification (club member Paige Wiseman). Our volunteer judges, Jack Sappenfield (club member) and Michele Gillette had wonderful, fair tracks.

There are so many club members who helped make this test such a success. Barbara Grubb opened her house and farm to all of us. She also took some amazing pictures of the tracking teams! Diane Divine was my go-to person for anything that needed to be done, from helping with exhibitors and the luncheon, to cleaning up afterward. Brona Hicks drew the beautiful trophy maps for the passing teams. Beth White created special breed specific decals as a thank you to our primary track layers, greeted exhibitors, and worked in the kitchen during the test and helped clean up afterward. Lois Evans organized the luncheon and cooked delicious pork and mac and cheese. Cathy and Scott Wells contributed to the luncheon with their famous slaw and new favorite chocolate cake recipe. Roger Akers helped transport equipment to and from the farm, and greeted exhibitors at the DKC building before the test.

My sincere appreciation to all our club members who spent two days in the field to make this test happen for our exhibitors. Jeanne Simmons was our TD track layer (and helped with clean up each day). Carol Rives and Joe Zawadowski were our TDX track layers. Donna Wesemann, our chief track layer, lost her opportunity to lay a TDX track at the last moment when an exhibitor withdrew, but she stepped up to lay cross tracks with Lucy Sappenfield and shuttled people around from field to field in her new jeep. Paige Wiseman and Linda Blalock carried flags and learned about cross tracks.

Tracking is a sport small in numbers but huge in passion. None of our test workers exhibited a dog this weekend. Everyone volunteers for the love of the sport, and to keep tracking alive in our community. I could not be more thankful to them all!

AKC Temperament Test

DKC held its first AKC Temperament Test. Tamara Dunn and I evaluated the dogs as they completed social, auditory, visual, tactile, proprioceptive, and unexpected stimuli stations. We were delighted that every dog entered was successful and earned their TT title.

Sincere thanks to Phyllis and Tommy Wood, Christie and Patrick Murphy, Floranne Etheridge, Lauren and Margot Williams, Joyce McHenry, Dee Wallis, Lynn Reagan-Hull, and Amber Rogers for all their help blowing whistles, squeezing bike horns, using walkers, dropping chairs, shaking streamers, pulling wagons, opening umbrellas, and wearing a Harry Potter cape. Thanks, too, to Ed Wozniak for being Test Secretary and a huge help in loading and unloading all the equipment.

From DKC Member: LC Wozniak oswicks@att.net

DKC Scentwork - Sanford

It's a wrap! I am delighted to report DKC hosted an exciting and successful AKC Scent Work Trial in Sanford this weekend. There are two extraordinary people who worked hard to make our trial special: Jodi LaBombard, Trial Secretary, and Laura Boyce, Volunteer Coordinator. Thank you both for the many hours you put into this labor of love. It has been a joy to collaborate with you!

To Helen Sanderford, Renae Crosby, Kathleen Downs, and George Beglane, your contributions were invaluable. You came through in so many ways, doing so many different tasks - what an outstanding team. I am lucky to have worked with each of you, and appreciate you so much!

To Roger Akers, a million thanks for hauling all that stuff and for spending the entire weekend being such a willing, kind helper. You made things so much easier! And to Emmett Wiggins, you deserve a ton of thank you's for being there and graciously helping out wherever needed.

A record breaking number of people joined us in Sanford to volunteer. We absolutely could not have done it without each and every one of you. Much gratitude goes to members Tamara Dunn, Amanda Stipe, Nancy Akers, Jessica Gainey, Sue Evenson, Donna Goldstein, Penny Leigh, Paige Wiseman, Cyndi Swanson, Mary Opperman, Anne Truesdale, Kim Tyndall, Lori Grove, Patty McEwen, Kathy McLaren, Patrick McLaren, Laura Anne Welch, Boo Donoho and Donna Wesemann. Thank you also to Trish Koontz for contributions during the planning stages. Other Scent Work enthusiasts who volunteered included many familiar faces from other clubs and areas. A thunderous round of applause goes to Stephanie Kennerly, Julie Berke, Marla Bowman, Debbie Burgess, Ann Cantrell, Christi Cooper, Lori DeCarlo, Robin Early, Marsha Fuzia, Debbie Golden, Kristie Klein, Connie Kniseley, Sue Krom, Laura Lankford, Isabele Lea, Karen Neymark, Isabelle Nilsson, Marsha Penner, Julie Rice, Sara Tagget, Paul Urban, Karen Warda, and Cabell West. Astounding, right?

Our judges Jen, Janie and Penny were as incredible as we knew they would be, it was an honor to have them. The Wicker Center management team and our caterer, Kathy's Java Express exceeded our expectations, no small feat! In addition to familiar teams from our club and

around our state, Exhibitors traveled to our trial from Wisconsin, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Kentucky, Georgia, South Carolina and Virginia. We also attracted an impressive number of brand new exhibitors! This is especially delightful to see in this young AKC sport. DKC's own Nancy Akers and Tupper Q'd 8 out of 8 runs, earning "High in Trial Novice A" on Sunday. I hope more DKC sniffers will be inspired to meander off the sidelines, head to Source, and join us!

With much sincerity, Mira Jones

January 25th Sniff N Go

DKC held another successful Scentwork Sniff N Go on Saturday January 25. Thanks to Mira Jones, Renae Crosby, Nancy & Roger Akers, Laura Boyce, and George Beglane for their help. Our next Sniff N Go will be Saturday March 28, and we will probably offer Exteriors and Containers for \$5 per run. Look for the notice soon to register and pay online.

Thanks, Helen Sanderford

American Kennel Club News

Delegate Updates

AKC Delegate January Meeting Notes

AKC Delegate Update - January 2020

AKC Delegate Update - February 2020

AKC COVID-19

The American Kennel Club is closely monitoring the situation surrounding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. We encourage all staff, judges and exhibitors to follow the World Health Organization and Center for Disease Control's recommendations to maintain proper hand, respiratory and personal hygiene, practice social distancing and be mindful of any and all travel restrictions/guidelines. We further advise that show chairs and organizers have copious amounts of hand sanitizer and hand washing stations available to participants and exhibitors. Read more here.

New AKC Tool

AKC has made public a new tool that is now available on the AKC website(AKC.org) to view award corrections that were made after the publishing of event results. The tool allows users to filter the displayed data based on breed and a custom data range. The data range can be based on the data of the event or the data of the correction. The award corrections can be downloaded



to an MS Excel file to support additional sorting, searching, and formatting. The display of award corrections information is like what was previously available in AKC publications .

To access the tool from a PC/laptop, go to the main we.akc.org page, and

- 1. Click on the Sports and Events tab then
- 2. Click on the Award Correction option in the Resource for Dog Sport Participants column.

To access the tool from a mobile device, go to http://www.akc.org and:

- 1. Click on the Menu option in the upper right.
- 2. Click on the Sports and Events option.
- 3. Click on the Resources for Dog Sport Participants option.
- 4. Click on the Award Corrections option.

If you have any questions about using this tool, please contact AKC Event Operations at eventrecords@akc.org or (919)816-3538.

From DKC Member: Linda Wozniak oswicks@att.net

If It Barks - It's AKC

The American Kennel Club is excited to launch its first-ever nationwide digital brand marketing campaign "If It Barks, It's AKC." The campaign leverages AKC's 135 years of dog expertise and the desire to share this knowledge with all dog owners and lovers to help them create a long, happy life with their best friend. Read the press release here

Rally Class Photo

DKC members who attended the informal gathering of "get ready for the (Now Cancelled) Greensboro trial' practice session.



From left: Joel Carlin/Franklin, Susan Cicone/Moby, Spencer Botkin/Sparky, Dick Cicone/Audrey, Susan Bankauf/Thruster, Paula Botkin/Jeffery, Robin Broughton/Beaufort.

From DKC Member: Laura Boyce lboyce04@embargmail.com

This is interesting For Scent work Enthusiasts

How Super Sniffer Dogs Are Helping Detect Disease Around The World. Read more here



Performance Show Report Extract March 15, 2020											
Owner's Name	Dog's Call Name	Breed	Date	Show	Event	Class	Score	Leg	Place	Titles & Awards	
Vicky Gillow	Asher	Shetland Sheepdog	12/15/19	AKC Obedience Classic	Obedience	Master			First	Asher won the Master Class	
Vicky Gillow	Kylee	Shetland Sheepdog	12/15/19	AKC Obedience Classic	Obedience	Open	594.5		2nd	2nd Pl. Open Division	
Vicky Gillow	Kylee	Shetland Sheepdog	1/18/20	Moore County Kennel Club of NC	Agility	Master				MACH	
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	Hampton Roads Obedience Training Club (HROTC) - Courtland VA	Scent Work	Containers Advanced		3		SCA	
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	HROTC - Courtland VA	Scent Work	Advanced Interiors		5	2		
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	HROTC - Courtland VA	Scent Work	Exterior Advanced		4			
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	HROTC - Courtland VA	Scent Work	Buried Advanced		2			
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	HROTC - Courtland VA - Trial 2	Scent Work	Containers Advanced		4			
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	HROTC - Courtland VA - Trial 2	Scent Work	Interior Advanced		6			
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	HROTC - Courtland VA - Trial 2	Scent Work	Exterior Advanced		5			
Renae Crosby	Stella	All-American	2/23/20	HROTC - Courtland VA - Trial 2	Scent Work	Buried Advanced		3		SBA SWA	
Lori Lumpkin	Nikolaus	Norwegian Elkhound	1/22/20	Therapy dog	Therapy	Advanced				Therapy Dog Advanced Title	
Sharon Pitz	Delilah	Golden Retriever	2/7/20	PBCA	Agility	OPS-20"	95	3	1st	OSP	
Sharon Pitz	Delilah	Golden Retriever	2/8/20	PBCA	Agility	OPS-20"	93	4	1 st		
Sharon Pitz	Delilah	Golden Retriever	2/8/20	PBCA	Agility	NPJWW	100	2	1st		

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.