



Lancaster Kennel Club February 2010

# Don't Forget the Meeting!

Wednesday, February 10 Park City Community Room 7:00 PM

# Upcoming LKC Events

 February 10
 General Membership Meeting, Park City Community Room

 Narch 1
 Board of Directors Meeting, Stauffer Mansion

 Narch 17-21
 Celtic Classic, York PA

 April 12
 DATE CHANGE! General Membership Meeting, Park City Community Room

## Other Events of Interest

March 19-21 Reading Pet Expo

# From Bernie....

Well Ladies and Gentlemen we are on a short time calendar for The Celtic Classic and the Red Rose Classic 2010. It is time for the membership to step up and volunteer so when you are called to help please give it serious consideration since these Shows continue to benefit LKC in many ways.

If you can give a day to the Celtic Classic or the Red Rose you will have the answer to "What have I contributed to help the Kennel Club this year"

We are working on a number of things to keep LKC in the forefront of Responsible Dog Breeding and Ownership. Among them is the Non-Profit Fair at Park City Mall in April last year Deb Eckert did an outstanding job of putting that together. We have been invited back to have a table this year the event is scheduled for April 23 & 24 from 9 AM to 9 PM. Deb will once again be organizing this event and be contacting people to bring their dogs on a shopping spree to the Mall.

In March I expect to propose to the Board that we establish a Canine Health Day in conjunction with Responsible Dog Owners Day, offering an Eye Clinic, Heartworm Screening and Rabies Shots as a start. Suggestions on a location would be welcome, last year it was in Mt. Joy and the year before Lititz. My feeling is that we take it to another location in the county; we could focus on the Southern or Eastern areas. If you work within Veterinary Medicine or have an interest in helping this develop please let me know.

For those who don't read this newsletter online the "Members Only" section is now up and running thanks to Tom Mahoney's efforts. If you wish to have a Login and Password please email me or Tom and it will be sent to you. Early on in this process I had wanted to establish a Forum or Bulletin Board on the LKC site. I felt that the list serve would allow as much access as would a Forum so never pursued it. How do you feel about that? Would you use a Forum to answer and ask questions?

You will see in these pages that the time for Elections are getting close, the Nomination Committee will be pouring over the Roster for eligible members to contact and submit resumes. If you've never served here is your opportunity to steer the Club forward.

The June Meeting is always a good time so plan on attending more news will be in the April Newsletter.

At the April meeting a speaker is scheduled from UDS (United Disabilities Services- Lancaster) the presentation will focus on Service Dogs for the Disabled.

## **Paw Prints**

I pick up your leash And our Journey begins: Winding pathways Twisting roads City sidewalks Wherever I go You're by my side Through rain and sun Together we walk as one The team we make The bond we share Lets me know We can go anywhere Whether together or apart Your leave your Paw prints on my heart.

By Johna Lynn Nordin, Guiding Eyes graduate

# **Celtic Classic Update**

Everything is up and running for the March madness. The premium list should be out soon.

Here are a few things that are happening at the shows this year:

Dedicating the show in memory of Mary Bard Septic, water and propane tanks available Friday for those needing them Match show on Wed and Thurs evening Puppy Groups Wed Veteran Groups Thurs Eye and Heart Clinics on Sun Free crating without electric, nominal fee for electric to those needing Juniors seminar on Sun given by PHA Attending St. Patricks Day Parade in York the weekend before shows. FMI contact Tammy at 371-1945.

<u>We are always looking for volunteers.</u> We need people for all 5 days so please contact Cynthia Erb-Starkey at 938-9912 and let her know when you can help.

Thanks for your help in getting this show off the ground Tammy

# NOTICE

# ANNUAL ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES

The Constitution and By-Laws of the Lancaster Kennel Club states"

Article IV, Section 4a:

"The [Nominating] Committee shall nominate six (6) candidates for a three (3) year term for the three (3) positions on The Board......All candidates must have been members of the Club for at least three (3) years...."

Article IV, Section 4b:

"Upon receipt of the Nominating Committee's report, the Secretary shall notify each Club member in the April newsletter."

The Nominating Committee welcomes suggestions for eligible candidates who would be willing to serve the Club in this capacity. Please send your suggestions to:

Carolyn Vack (717 687-7855 or <u>cvack@aol.com</u> Joy Ellwanger (717) 492-1920 or <u>adare437@comcast.net</u> Margaret Crothers (717) 898-7448 or <u>jcroth1225@comcast.net</u> (or at the February General Meeting)

# **On the Front:**

# Six Things You Need to Know About The American Kennel Club Political Action Committee (AKC PAC)

1. What is the AKC PAC? The American Kennel Club Political Action Committee (AKC PAC) helps elect dog-friendly candidates. The purpose behind the fund is to protect your rights as a breeder, dog owner and fancier by helping elect leaders who share that commitment.

2. What makes the AKC PAC different from other AKC funds such as the Canine Legislative Support Fund? Canine Legislative Support Fund (CLSF) contributions are used to educate officials on a federal, state and local level to ensure that your rights as a responsible owner and breeder are protected. Without dog-friendly officials in office; however, the CLSF cannot do its job. AKC PAC funds are used to help elect dog-friendly leadership in Congress and state houses across the country. PAC funds can only be used as campaign donations and not to lobby or educate an official on a particular position.

**3. Who can contribute to the AKC PAC?** Any individual may contribute to the AKC PAC. Although clubs may not contribute, they may hold fundraisers for the PAC or provide opportunities for their members to contribute. For example, a club may allow members to include a PAC contribution when paying their regular dues. The club may then forward the contribution to the AKC PAC. Clubs may also choose instead to contribute to the Canine Legislation Support Fund. Contributions to the AKC PAC and Canine Legislation Support Fund are not tax deductible.

4. How does the AKC PAC benefit dog owners? The PAC allows the AKC to support dog-friendly candidates and elected officials. The more dog-friendly officials in office, the more assured you can be that your rights will be protected.

**5. May I recommend candidates for AKC PAC contributions?** You may advise the PAC about officials who have assisted in either promoting dog-friendly legislation or opposing anti-dog measures. You may also suggest new candidates who you believe will support dog owners. Names of those you feel are deserving of PAC funds may be submitted to the AKC PAC Board through the AKC Government Relations Department. Contributions may not be given on behalf of a specific candidate.

6. How can I help the AKC PAC acquire donations? You can make a personal donation or encourage club members to each contribute to the PAC. You may also ask clubs to hold a fundraiser for the AKC PAC or allow members to include a PAC donation in their dues. Remember- without donations to the AKC PAC, we cannot support the campaigns of dog-friendly candidates!

For more information, and to contribute online, visit <u>www.akc.org/pac</u>.

# Thank you

To the people at Lancaster Kennel Club,

Thank you very much for your donation to United Disabilities Services. Mary Bard was a wonderful woman and will be sorely missed.

We here at UDS are aware that dogs were a very large part of Mary's life and dear to her heart. For that reason, your donation will be used to help provide a service dog to someone with a disability.

Thank you again,

Jill Harris, Program Manager, UDS Service Dogs

## **Health Matters**

Dogs are capable of getting hypothermia and frostbite so it is best not to leave your dog unattended when temperatures drop. Wind chill factors can unquestionably alter the accuracy of a thermometer, so keep your dog healthy and warm this winter with these useful guidelines.

## **Extra Calories**

Feeding your dog additional calories throughout the winter months will help him regulate his body temperature, particularly if your dog spends a good deal of time outdoors. If you have a thick coated breed, you may need to feel through the thick fur to make certain your dog is receiving enough calories to maintain his ideal body weight.

### Water

Provide plenty of clean, unfrozen drinking water at all times. Most farm stores and pet catalogs carry electrically heated outdoor waterers. This is an ideal method for preventing your dog's water from freezing in the most frigid conditions.

### Arthritis

Like humans, cold temperatures and wet climates can cause your dog's joints and muscles to become painful. If your dog has already been diagnosed with arthritis you may reconsider keeping him out doors for the winter. You may also need to consult with your dog's veterinarian about making him a little more comfortable with either an over the counter or prescription medication.

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# **Cute Pictures!**

I thought I'd try something new. I don't get many show pics for the newsletter, but I'm sure everyone has sweet or funny candid shots of their fur kids to share! Here's one from the editor!

Who needs the expensive doggie bed when you can bunk in the toy box!



## **Brags and Wags!**

From Charlene Mazepink regarding Patrick Mazepink:

Here are the two champions Patrick finished this year. We are very proud of him. He is doing so well and really enjoys the dogs. Patrick owns both German Shepherds.

Champion Kebre-Kaleef's AJ Von Hornberger - 4/26/09

Champion Von Hornberger's Miss Sunny "D" - 1/18/09

Congratulations Patrick!





## **Food for Thought:**

An article (10/15/09) by Mark Threlfall of the UKC

When I was a youngster in the sport of dogs, most of the people I knew belonged to at least one dog club. Many people belonged to two or three. People would be involved in their local kennel club (or two) as well as a regional breed club and their National breed club. Attending these various club meetings was a commitment they accepted willingly. It was part of who they were and part of their devotion to dogs and their chosen breed. Many of the most successful people in the sport today (and by that I mean the real movers and shakers, not the self-professed ones) were present at club meetings and functions 40 or 50 years ago. They were at handling classes and match shows. They ended up at the top of the sport

because they had started at the bottom. They'd built a solid foundation, upon which they'd built a reputation. Today we are witnessing the demise of dog clubs. Oh, the National breed clubs are still in existence, but they suffer from a lack of support internally from their members. Many National clubs are starved for members, especially when the number of yearly registrations is taken into consideration. Local breed clubs aren't faring any better. But the clubs most in need of life support are the local kennel clubs. Along with shrinking memberships the numbers of clubs is diminishing just as rapidly.

Clubs lucky enough to have more than a handful of members usually are populated by members "in name only." These are the members who pay their dues each year but don't actively support the club in its efforts. Yes, the club makes full use of their dues money, but when it comes to sustaining the club through working at their events, many members are just as absent from these functions as they are from club meetings. It's next to impossible to find people willing to work at club functions.

Why? We've all heard the old saw that people are just too busy; don't have the free time that people used to, both spouses work, yadda, yadda, yadda. It's not that. People today make time for the things they want to do. Being snowed under with work or responsibilities doesn't stop them from pursuing pleasant endeavors; it only provides them with an excuse not to participate when they choose not to.

People today lack the sense of obligation to the sport that used to drive folks to belong to clubs and participate in the clubsponsored functions. They don't think they owe the sport something; to them, the sport exists to provide them rewards, be it ribbons, trophies or notoriety. To them, it's not about giving to the sport; it's about getting something out of it. If they belong to a club at all, they reside at the club's periphery, just a dues payer and perhaps an attendee at the annual Christmas banquet.

We've lost a lot of the "old guard" of the sport of dogs; people who belonged to clubs and ended up running them. These people attained positions of prominence in the sport. They did so because they'd earned the respect of others and consequently were elected club presidents by virtue of their reputation as givers, not takers. And by "positions of prominence in the sport" I mean real prominence. Not someone who won a breed at a big show or a National specialty. These were people whose opinions were sought and whose opinions mattered. They influenced the sport.

I can remember going to shows where these people were club members. At their shows, they were working to make the show better. They did the jobs that today, many people feel are beneath them and are unwilling to sign on for. At their show, these influential people were doing the menial tasks associated with the operation of the dog show. They were getting their hands dirty because that's part of what being a club member is. It's not about self-aggrandizement. It's about putting the club and its event first. I thought it was great seeing these giants in the sport doing the everyday jobs that make even a small difference in a show. I never thought that they were demeaning themselves. I always thought how great it was that they thought that they were never too high and mighty to do the "grunt" jobs. It made me respect them all the more.

Today we have too many Chiefs and not enough Indians. The people only want to work if they can get the credit, be the boss. If there's not recognition and plaudits being handed out, or if they don't get to rub elbows with the judges, they want no part. What these people are missing is the keys to success. They're not building themselves a foundation. They're not getting the enjoyment the old guard found in being a part of something bigger, something better. They're missing out on some of the best things the sport has to offer; friendship, camaraderie and shared experiences. Add dogs to the mix and you have the time of your life.

Submitted by Earl Acker



# LANCASTER KENNEL CLUB, INC P.O. BOX 7511 LANCASTER, PA 17604-7511 (717) 293-9819

Dear Advertiser,

The Lancaster Kennel Club will be holding its 66 th Annual Red Rose Classic All Breed Dog Show on the grounds of the Lebanon Exposition Center on May 16, 2010. We are anticipating over 1000 entries to this perennial favorite Dog Show.

The Lancaster Kennel Club has expanded our outreach programs over the past year in no small part with the support of advertiser in our Red Rose Classic Catalogue. Your support is needed to help defray costs in the expenses of this show allowing the Kennel Club to direct funds to further our support and education of the community as it applies to Pure Breed Dogs.

In 2008 the Lancaster Kennel Club participated in the distribution of First Aid Kits to all Pennsylvania State Police K9 Teams. We also hold educational activities such as Responsible Dog Owners Day, Dogs of Lititz and Meet the Breeds. All this was done in no small part with the support of advertiser such as yourself.

We ask that you help us continue this valuable outreach by purchasing space in our Dog Show catalogue. Below is a list of fees for space that have not been increased from last year the Front and Back Covers are sold on a first come first served basis. To reserve these spaced please call 717.669.2375 in advance. Included please find an Advertising Reservation and Submission Form. Please review the requirements for ad reproduction explained on the submittal form: *you must provide Copy/Photo Ready advertisement including a check in the full amount.* Please make checks payable to Lancaster Kennel Club with a notation Red Rose Classic Ad. Thank You For Your Support!

Deadline for advertising submittal is March 1, 2010

**Catalogue Prices are as follows:** 

1/4 page –Business card size- 4 1/2 x 1 7/8 - \$15.00 1/2 page 4 1/2 x 3 5/8 - \$25.00 Full Page 4 1/2 x 7 3/8 - \$40.00 Inside Back or Front cover – \$60.00 each Back Cover \$ 75.00

## **\$ 20.00 Photo Reproduction Charge**

Lancaster Kennel Club Members in good standing receive a 50% discount

Please Mail Completed Form, Photo/Copy Ready Ad and Check to: Amy Dieter LKC Advertising Chairperson 1423 Brunnerville Rd. Lititz,Pa 17543

## LANCASTER KENNEL CLUB, INC. TROPHY PLEDGE – 2010 POINT SHOW

We are always seeking ways to make our show better. Below you will find instructions on how to make trophy pledges for our upcoming 2010 Show. Please be generous and sponsor a trophy for your favorite breed, obedience class, or rally. This year the club will offer embroidered items as indicated below.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. You can either specify the type of trophy you would like to donate or you can allow the Trophy Committee to purchase a trophy for you.

2. Three streamer rosettes can be purchased through the club for \$5.00.

3. Please fill out a separate form for each donation and mail the check and form to the appropriate chairperson.

4. The absolute deadline for all trophy pledges is March 1, 2010.

Listed below is the price list for all items being offered.

Grooming Towels w/grommet & hook

(T60G) Finger Tip, 11" x 18"	\$7.00	(5202) Large Tote Bag, white w/green trim	\$15.00
T68T) Trifold Golf Type 16"x26"	\$10.00	(5201) Small Tote Bag, white w/green trim	\$12.00
(4350) Grooming Apron	\$16.00	(1820) Small Tote Bag, green w/black trim	\$14.00
Grooming Table Towel		(641) Zippered Tote, white w/green trim	\$15.00
LKC Logo on Long Side	\$16.00	(1701) Small Sport Bag, green w/black trim	\$16.00
LKC Logo on both ends	\$24.00	(1702) Med. Sport Bag, green w/black trim	\$18.00
Sports Chair w/side tray	\$65.00	(1703) Large Sport Bag, green w/black trim	\$20.00
(8803) Brief Bag, green	\$14.00	(5060) Fleece Blanket w/plastic storage bag	\$20.00
(BG96) Brief Case, green black trim	\$17.00	(5065) Fleece Blanket w/water resistant	\$20.00
		taffeta back and storage bag	
(8817) Portfolio – Green (New)	\$11.20	(8811) Tote with Pockets (New)	\$14.40

### ALL ITEMS EMBROIDERED WITH LANCASTER KENNEL CLUB, INC LOGO

### LKC 2010 TROPHY PLEDGE

I (we) agree to donate the following to the Lancaster Kennel Club, Inc. for the purchase of the specified trophy:

Trophy Description:		
Breed:	Class:	Event:
Donated By:		
Address & Telephone:		
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	Please make check	s payable to: Lancaster Kennel Club, Inc.
Please send form and payment to:		
	Deb Eckert 219 N. P.	resident Avenue Lancaster, PA 17603
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# PLEASE NOTE: PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED WITH PLEDGE FORM IN ORDER TO BE PRINTED IN THE SHOW CATALOG.

# **BERKS COUNTY KENNEL CLUB**

# ~~~~5-WEEK HANDLING CLASS~~~~

# ~~MONDAYS, MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22, 28

~~~\$60.00~~~

## CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT THE LEESPORT FARMERS MARKET, Rt. 61, Leesport, PA

| ~~Early Class: 6:30 – 7:30                                       | This class will be a bit slower-paced and good for beginner handlers or for young                                                                       |  |  |  |  |
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| puppies – more time will be spent on explanations of terms, etc. |                                                                                                                                                         |  |  |  |  |
| ~~Late Class: 7:45 – 9:00                                        | Faster paced, geared to the advanced handler (even those with inexperience dogs) – handlers will be expected to understand show terminology and process |  |  |  |  |
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| CLASS SIZE LIMITED | 10 for early class; 12 for late class |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>INSTRUCTOR:</b> | Cheryl Burns                          |

Cheryl has been showing Akitas for the past 10 years - both in the conformation ring as well as in performance. Prior to having Akitas, Cheryl was involved in conformation and obedience with Bichon Frise. Cheryl is an active member of the Akita Club of America, VP of the Garden State Akita Club, and a board member and show chairperson of the Berks County Kennel Club

IMPORTANT: Proof of vaccination & current rabies certificate required at first class.

FOR FURTHER INFO: Contact Nand

Contact Nancy Reiter, Berks County Kennel Club (610-779-8006) or email (karefreedals@yahoo.com)

| Name:         |                          |       |
|---------------|--------------------------|-------|
| Address:      |                          |       |
| Phone #       | Email:                   |       |
| Breed of dog: | Age:                     |       |
|               | Class: <u>Early</u> Late | 10.00 |

Checks payable to BCKC. Mail to: Nancy Reiter, 2942 Oley Turnpike Road, Reading, PA 19606

### Lancaster Kennel Club Membership Meeting, Holiday Dinner and Gift Exchange December 9, 2009 at Eden Resort

#### Call to Order at 7:03 p.m. with President Bernie Ferry presiding.

Attending were board members: Bernie Ferry, Joy Ellwanger, Deb Eckert, Gail Hillard, Hank Hillard, Ann Byrne and 22 members and one guest. President Ferry welcomed everyone to the holiday dinner and introduced the guest and potential member, Deb Radonovic. The meeting proceedings were suspended at 7:05 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 8:10 p.m.

#### Secretary's Report

Minutes – Ann Byrne moved that the minutes published in the December newsletter be approved; RainBear Mahoney seconded; motion carried.

Correspondence – Thank you from Hospice of Lancaster for donation for Dorcas Peters was read.

Applications – Second reading of applications from Allen and Pat Means. Motion to accept applications from the Means was made by Pete Byrne, seconded by Vicky Fry. Motion carried.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Treasurers' Report was presented; Motion was made by Jim Wright to accept; seconded by Jack Simm; motion carried. Copies of the audit were available and will be made available again to the membership at the next general meeting.

#### AKC Delegates Report

No report was available in the absence of Cindy Garman.

### Committee Reports

<u>Celtic Classic</u> – In the absence of Chair Tammy Selka, President Ferry reported that arrangements are moving along nicely. Royal Canin is expected to present a long term contract as a sponsor with a monetary contribution expected by the end of the year.

<u>Red Rose Classic</u> – Chair Lori Wright reported they are working with Chester Valley on judges with arrangements moving along nicely.

<u>Scholarships</u> – Margaret Crothers presented the scholarship winners and asked for distribution of the scholarship checks before the start of the semester. Description of the scholarship winners was presented. University of PA veterinarian scholarship for \$2,000 was awarded to Ann Cooper who is studying veterinary ophthalmology. Vet tech scholarships for \$500 were awarded to Jill Tonzola and Jessica Schnaufer, both from Lehigh/Carbon Northumberland Community College. Hank Hillard moved that the scholarships be awarded; seconded by Pete Byrne; motion carried.

<u>Agility Trial</u> – Hank Hillard reported that they are actively seeking a new site. Suggestions were made for possible sites including Canine Companions' facility in Bainbridge.

<u>Eye Clinic</u> - President Ferry thanked LuAnn Bicevskis for her years of service as chair and asked for a volunteer to chair for next year.

<u>Royal Canin Seminar</u> – Attendance was 64 registered for Saturday and a similar amount for Sunday, however Sunday's total was only 20 due to the snow storm.

Barnes & Noble Gift Wrapping – Donations were good.

#### Old Business

<u>Secure Web Site</u> – Tom Mahoney reported that a secure area on the website is being set up which will be password protected for Members Only. The intent is to post the financial information on the site.

#### New Business

<u>Rumors</u> - President Ferry reported that there are rumors circulating that the Delaware County Kennel Club is leaving the Celtic Classic and moving to Oaks and that the LKC has agreed to join the Blue/Grey show. Neither rumor is true.

<u>Thank You</u> – President Ferry thanked Deb Eckert and Eileen Bair for their efforts in arranging and decorating for the Holiday dinner and gift exchange.

Motion to adjourn was made by Ann Byrne, seconded by Amy Dieter; motion carried and the Chinese gift exchange began.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Byrne for Secretary Tammy Selka