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OHBIS BISS GCHG Bolding Sir Lancelot of Chedon

Winners Bitch 5 Pt Major! **Thank You** Judge Joao Machado For Recognizing **Our Girl "Jules"** Major **Vinners Bitch**

Yosemite Kennel Club Woofstock Show - November 5, 2021

Woofstock

Breeder/Owner: Penny Tuominen ° Skyline Chihuahuas Handler/Owner: Belinda McCormick ° A Legacy Chihuahua

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Thank you to respected chihuahua fancier, judge Sharon Newcomb

H&H Sundae in Wrigleyville at Wigal Chis Reserve Winners Dog – Contra Costa County Kennel Club November 2021 Breeder is Michelle Herod, H&H Chihuahuas ° Owner Kathy Wigal and co-owner Michelle Herod CHI CHATTER 3



Multiple BIS ° Multiple BISS

GCHP CH Timeless Stella By Starlight At Aero



#1 Long Coat Chihuahua*

*Canine Chronicle January 2022

Bred by Kyle Potts. Owned by Kyle Potts & Lynnie Bunten

Handled by Lois Delhers



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ON THE COVER

OHBIS BISS GCHG Bolding Sir Lancelot of Chedon

Gance ||

Lance is the dog I dreamed about owning but had no idea was happening. Breeder Gary Bolding gifted Lance to Ricky and I and he is the love of our home and we could never repay Gary enough. He has taken us to levels we never thought we could achieve. Lance has won a Best in Specialty Show and Owner Handled Best In Show. He has achieved Grand Champion Gold and NOHS Silver and is #5 NOHS Lifetime points. But the thing I am most proud of is the number of juniors he has guided to wins in the junior's ring and the breed ring. Lance is a fun little compact dog that loves to show. Although semi-retired, you will find him in shows off and on. He continues to be a stud in the whelping box also. He is one shy of achieving his ROM which should happen this year. He also produces more girls than boys. Lancelot is available at stud to approved bitches. Breeder: Gary Bolding

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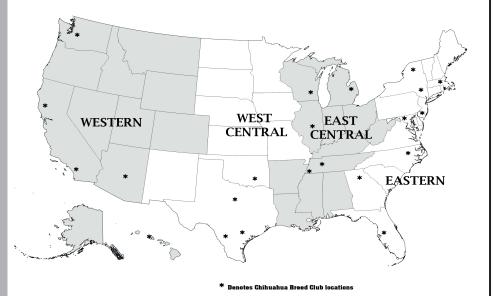
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From-the-President



We are into another year and are hoping things continue to improve in the dog show and Chihuahua world. Your board has been working hard to fill all the committee positions and you should see the list in this issue. We also have the correct map of the CCA regions. They were changed at the Chihuahua Club of America General Meeting by a unanimous vote of the club members present and voting.

The Board is also working to improve communication. We asked Michelle Brislin to take over the CCA website. It's been a problem for a while. You should see positive changes soon. And our amazing Chi Chatter Editor has been producing an amazing magazine which has been making a profit for the Club. She asked if we could try to do six issues a year instead of four. Some different topics would run in different issues.

We are also working on providing timely notice of various deadlines for various events concerning club operations. Look for a calendar in each issue as well as on the website, and CCA Members Facebook page.

By the way, if you are a member and would like to join the CCA official members page, let someone on the Board know. Oh, and plans are in the works for the 2022 CCA Regional and National Specialty Weekend. And, we are also beginning to plan for the Centennial Year of Chihuahua Club of America in 2023. CCA was established in 1923. We will be looking for help and ideas from any of our members to make it a celebration to remember.

Oh, and we still have some openings in some committees and we need someone to take over the AKC Gazette Chihuahua column. It is published a few times a year. Contact me if you want more information.

Lynnie Bunten

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Editor's Pen

Great News! The Chihuahua Club of America has voted to make the Chi Chatter a bi-monthly newsletter! This means two more additional issues each year for our members, subscribers, and our judges.

We are certain everyone will show their support by taking out an ad this year; you will have two more opportunities! So send in your photos and I will design an ad for you. Don't forget, there is no additional charge for having me design your ad.

May all your ribbons be blue or better!

Michele Misurelli Gillis

Michele Misurelli-Gillis, Chi Chatter Editor





CCA TREASURER'S REPORT

Sherrie L. Shirky, CCA Treasurer

- BALANCE IN CHECKING ACCOUNT = \$98,095.32 Includes \$70,311.08 from Ameriprise account, which was closed. Ameriprise account was not making any money, so we closed the account, & transferred the account balance into the CCA regular checking account. Several years ago, all monies in Ameriprise were combined into one single account, resulting in the Health Fund no longer being a stand-alone item. We have determined that the Health Fund would have been approximately \$25,000. We are currently researching other investment avenues; when we determine where we want to invest the money from Ameriprise, there will be two separate accounts -- \$25,000 for the Health Fund, and \$45,311.08 for the balance.
- The first week in December, I sent out 200 snail mail dues renewal reminders for members and member clubs that had not yet renewed at that time. This was at no expense to the Club, as I donated the stamps and printing. I felt it was an opportunity to familiarize myself with the membership, and to make any necessary corrections to the Membership Roster. In the last week of December, I sent out email reminders to the remaining members & member clubs who had yet to renew. Currently we only have a few 2021 members who have not renewed their membership.
- We received a couple of NSF checks in the last few months. I'd like to remind our members that we have a Standing Rule, regarding checks and payments. It reads as follows "Any check, submitted to the CCA by an individual or club, which is refused due to insufficient funds, must be replaced with a money order or cashier's check for the original amount, plus a \$35 returned check fee." In other words, we don't want another check to replace a bad one; and whenever a check is returned NSF, the Club is assessed a fee by our bank, and this fee then becomes the responsibility of the party issuing the NSF check. Just a reminder for all of us.
- During the last couple of days in December, there was a glitch on the CCA website, resulting in several members being forced to pay \$40 via PayPal, rather than the \$35 amount if renewing before the end of 2021. I've reached out to those members involved, giving them the option of a reimbursement of the \$5 overcharge, or a donation of the \$5 to one of the 4 funds Health, Rescue, Juniors, or Trophy. While several of them opted to donate the extra \$5 to one of these funds, others have yet to respond. As such, I will be issuing refund checks to those members in the coming days.
- I also wanted to report that the Chi Chatter has a profit of \$11,608.06 for 2021. Initially, I reported to Michele that the income from advertising and subscriptions was just over the amount paid out for publishing and printing. I later realized that our initial plan was to have membership dues, member club dues, and new member dues cover the cost of printing and mailing the Chi Chatter. And when I included the dues income, it showed the highest profit we've had since 2013 2013 being the earliest figures I could obtain. I also discovered that in 2021, we generated the most income from new member dues than any other year in that same time frame. So, kudos to our Chi Chatter Editor, Michele Misurelli-Gillis, and our Membership Committee Chair, Belinda McCormick.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherrie L. Shirky, CCA Treasurer CCA TREASURER'S REPORT January 20, 2022



VP & Committee Winter Reports

Eastern Region VP Report



Bill Block Eastern Region VP

Eastern Region VP Report Another season is underway and will undoubtedly get busier as the nice weather rolls in across the country. By the time you read this we will be worrying about the summer heat being upon us. As most of you know, the Westminster Show was postponed from January to June. That is probably not as good for the cold weather dogs, but I think our Chihuahuas prefer it.

You might notice that the new Regions map has been updated in this issue. I'd like to welcome

Pennsylvania members into the Eastern Region. Please know that the regional members can contact me for help with anything.

West Region VP Report



Beverly LaFleur CCA West Region VP

Our Show season has started in the Western Region. Chihuahua Club of Greater Phoenix will have already held their Specialty on March 5thand the Hawai'i club will have had theirs on March 6th. The Southern California will be holding their Specialty April 6th they invite everyone to attend.

Members of the Southern California Club are not only busy with prepping for the Specialty they recently

volunteered and did a meet the breeds booth at the Del Mar shows. AKC has several Meet the Breeds planned and are looking for Clubs to present their breed to the public. If interested check the AKC website for more information.



Christie Foulk CCA Sunshine Chair

Dear Members,

It was so very nice to see so many of you at our 2021 National Specialties last Fall. I am already looking forward to next year!! And Your CCA BOD and our wonderful Show Chair Connie Williams are already busy setting things in motion!

Since my last report, I have sent out a total of ten cards. Get Well cards were mailed to Evelyn Perreault, Donna and Ricky Bledsoe, and Connie Williams. A Thinking of You card was sent to Annette Waldkoetter. Her husband Tom was hospitalized with Covid. I am happy to report that he is doing much better.

Sadly, six Sympathy cards have been mailed to our dear members who have lost a loved one. They were sent as follows: to Kris Musgrove who lost her husband, Kathy Hulstein at the passing of her mother, to Dail Corl whose husband was recently killed in a tragic accident, Gloria Lambert lost her father, Pam Gaskin lost her dear aunt and finally Joie Chandler has just recently lost her husband. We are so very sorry to hear of these lost loved ones. Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers. Please let me know of members that you would like me to send a card to. My contact information is below. I can also be found too much of the time on Facebook.

Sincerely, Christie Foulk CCA Sunshine Chair

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Dear Chihuahua Club of America Members,

As we approach our 300-member goal, I am so appreciative of our committee, our board, and all of our members hard work and efforts to Make this possible. Thank you, you are the best!

A little note to let you know, the Applications that are sent from photos are sometimes necessary to make the chi chatter deadline. However, many are not legible. You can help with this by using a black Sharpie fine ink or a very black ink pen. If the committee and board cannot read the applications or sponsors forms, they will be returned to original sender by email with a request for a hard copy to be mailed. This action delays publishing so also delays the members packet getting to the board for approval.

Thank you so much for all your support. We have just started, so keep those new members coming in. Remember, if each member would just sponsor one new member this year, we could double our membership. Our goal for this year is to bring membership to 400 members. A special thank you to the hard workers on our committee and the members who are always working to build our club with new member applications. I cannot thank you enough.

Your Membership Committee applauds you,

Belinda McCormick Annette Waldkoetter Tina Bregman Sarah DeVilla Sheryl Wineburner

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS Fall 2021

Betty Stockdale Kim Wermuth	Ann Thomas	Derek Swick, PHD	Christopher Wangsgard Brittany Wangsgard	
Kimberly Bling	Sande Weigand	Patricia Coyle		
7 0	Cynthia Carver	Mariah Hycenko	Douglas Johnston	
Eduardo Paris Lima	Martin Roach	Tonie Stephens	Elizabeth Johnston	
Kazuyuki Yama Regina Peterson	Mariah Hycenko	Gio Velazquez	Imelda Hum	
	Nathaniel Renquist	David Lenavitt		

Membership



NEW PENDING MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Layna Landers Sponsors: Kyle Potts Sheryl Wineburner

Jean Nelson Sponsors: Joao Machado Donna Bledsoe

Linda Hoffman Sponsors: Karen Fields Josie Ornum

Tammy Parris Sponsors: Audre Cardenas Craig McCormick

Patricia Trish Stancil Sponsors: Evelyn Rutledge Barbara Chamberlain

Bob Gentile Sponsors: Mack Williams Tom Widlick-Eckery

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NOTICE TO CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:

Members are entitled to provide feedback on the above applicants. Correspondence must be received by the Membership Chair within 45 days of publication in the Chi-Chatter. Please send correspondence to Belinda McCormick demaree559@yahoo.com

AKC Delegate Report



By CCA AKC Delegate Joao Machado

American Kennel Club Delegate Meeting December 16-17, 2021

Hello All Chihuahua Aficionados!!

I just want to say HOW WONDERFUL it was to be, once again, at a face-to-face Delegate Meeting. While Zoom filled an important Covid gap, being together was much preferable for obtaining the information and being able to chat with other Delegates and AKC Staff. So great!! And I am always appreciative of CCA to support my participation, as a Delegate, in this forum!

Joao Machado

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: December 16, 2021

All Breed Clubs Committee

Election of Committee Chair & Secretary

 Nancy Fisk, Chair, and Margaret DeCorleta, Secretary, were re-elected for this Committee.

Board Liaison Report

- Karolynne McAteer, AKC Board Member, cited the following:
 - The dog world's recent history, and celebration for the AKC National Championship Show this week, with an entry of over 5000 for the weekend.
 - The new partnership of AKC with the US Protection Dog Association for detection dogs.
 - Fly Ball Event at Indiana State was filmed and received very positive feedback.
 - AKC support provided for the return of dogs from Afghanistan.
 - Gave credit for the work of AKC Staff with the increase of dog registrations and events.

Staff Liaison Report

- Mari-Beth O'Neill shared:
 - Gratitude to having staffing back.
 - Veterinary Outreach Program conducted 28 Virtual Forums with veterinary students at a number of Veterinary Schools. Also there are 4 Veterinary Resident Students coming in to be recognized at the Canine Health Foundation event.
 - There have been dog show tours successfully arranged for Veterinary Students in California, Florida, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts.
 - Juniors:
 - 141 juniors are entered in the Show who has met the requirements that include academic, community service, etc. There will be a reception for them during which the awards and scholarships will be presented.
 - Delegate Junior Subcommittee – Developed -"Best Practices – A Living Document". The Delegate Junior Subcommittee commended on their excellent work, healthy informative discussions, and work they have completed, which includes a Best Practice Document and a Video, viewed at the Delegate Meeting.

- Guy Fisher, Manager for Club Development:
 - Thanked staff for working through some difficult Covid times.
 - Mentioned the Board adjustments made to dog shows, (Option for 3 points in a single day which has been successful for some clubs; length of distance between shows; Specialties granted and combined out of their service area, etc.) some of which will be ending soon.
 - Indicated that 70-75% of show chairs are new each year, and that Club Development is there to help and assist them. It is important to note that Club Development is a BRIDGE to all other AKC Departments.
 - Emphasized how successful the community "Mix and Mingle Events" have been very successful in engaging new people to the support and attracting new members to clubs.
 - Mentioned that the Events Blog is a good resource and can be accessed on the AKC Website under Club Resources. Click on Blog and enter email for inclusion.
 - It was also noted that Guy's daughter is a new employee of AKC and is working directly with MariBeth Oneill.

Club Membership

• Many clubs have reported a significant drop in membership affected by the need for virtual, rather than direct meetings. Many clubs are now reporting that face-to-face meetings are now, once again, being scheduled.....but attracting new members continues to be a challenge.

Stewarding

- It was discussed that many club members are very unaware of how a show is planned and operated. Members need to be educated, and learning to steward is a great way to get them engaged. Clubs should have stewarding education programs, and include juniors.
- There is a webinar on stewarding available on the AKC Website.

 Eduardo Fugiwara reported on the Breed Heritage Project, which is to "emotionally" connect the public with the origins of different breeds. The original presentation is contained in the September Minutes of the All Breed Committee. He also cited a document on AKC Website Education re: "Dogs of the World", which Ashley Jacot has on the site.

Update - Event Analysis Subcommittee

- John Ronald reported on the project.
 - Originally the focus was to determine and collect information on how Clubs responded to Covid. And what lessons could be learned from responses to catastrophic events. The Subcommittee is now shifting the emphasis from just Covid, and will be addressing best practice and strategy in the event of any dramatic changes/events at local, state, or national levels. Laurie Maulucci will be the new chair.

Legislative Update

- Sheila Goffe, AKC Vice President, Governmental Relations [GR] shared:
 - Staff continues to expand their tracking of bills at the local, state, and national levels.
 - Clearly there has been an upward trend of legislation addressing working dogs; Animal Control and leash laws, etc; Rescues and Shelters; and legislation impacting AKC events such as FastCat, etc.
 - GR has hired additional staff in Texas and is looking for staff members in California and New York.
 - In 2022 it is anticipated that there will be increased bills aimed at care of animals and animal wellness. Animal Rights (AR) organizations continue to be very active with a focus on "animal rights".
 - Sheila emphasized the importance of education of lawmakers at every level and that we all have responsibility to do that wherever, whenever, whatever we can. Of course, additional funds also aid in in getting lawmakers more educated and involved in the issues. New ideas for involvement will be coming,

Update-Breed Heritage Project

even a college course.

 The focus of AR seems to be shifting a bit from "guardianship" to straight animal rights, even to the extent that they have pushed the idea that animals must be given the right to have legal counsel to defend what an animal thinks and wants!!

Parent Club Committee

Election of Interim Chair

• In Pat Lauran's absence, Peter Pious was appointed temporary Chair. Don James, Secretary.

Google Groups

• All eLists (Parent Club, PSD, PC Rescue) are being updated to Google Group Lists.

Dock & Crop

The Dock and Crop Sub-Committee is meeting with a presentation on Dock and Crop by the Doberman Club. There is an increasing shortage of Veterinarians who will do dock and crop, and the Doberman Club is supporting training for new Veterinarians on safe and correct procedures.

Legislative

- In addition to the report given by Sheila above, she mentioned positive gains at the Federal level including:
 - Imported Puppy Act that prevents unhealthy dogs from coming to the U.S.
 - Healthy Dog Act which requires better labeling of dog foods, including toxic ingredients
 - No specific breed restrictions in Public Housing.
- She also mentioned the New York legislation, signed by the Governor, which prohibits insurance companies from breed specific policies.

ParentClubHealthstatementsforAKC.org

 Two additional breed health statements met criteria, and have been posted to the AKC Website.

Pet Disaster Trailer

• To date 440 Clubs are involved in the Trailer Project which has raised \$2.3+ million.

Campaign to get more Parent Clubs to Member Status

• Reported that two new clubs are in the application pipeline to become AKC Member Clubs, Boerbel Club being one of those.

Veterinary Outreach

• See report above in All Breed Clubs

Juniors

• See report above in All Breed Clubs

Specialty Show Site sub-committee report

- A short survey issued previously had limited response primarily because of Covid.
 Another letter is planned to be sent out to clubs in the near future.
- Clubs looking for Site Locations are referred to the information on the AKC Website which lists sites which have been used.

PCC Best Practices Subcommittee report

- The Committee continues to meet via Zoom every two weeks, and is focusing on developing a document of Best Practices for new and existing Parent Clubs. Webinars on the main topics are also planned and will be publicized when ready. The Committee is focusing on ten areas:
 - Website and Social Media
 - Corporate Structure and Elections
 - Committee Structure
 - o Staging a National Specialty
 - Healthy Regulations and Enforcement
 - o Judge Education and Mentoring
 - o Membership
 - Finances and Insurance
 - o Juniors
 - The Future

Parent Club Breeder Development Subcommittee

- The Subcommittee is working with parent clubs, AKC, and Breeders to develop a set of Best Breeder Practices.
- AKC is working toward a new "EDDY" Award, with the criteria coming back to the Committee for review.
- Survey has been sent out to Parent Clubs.
- Clubs will be requested to review their Breed Fliers after the Holidays.
- The Committee has proposed a Breeders Education Forum to be held prior to a Delegate Meeting.

Archives

- It is reported that Brynn White, Librarian/Archivist, will be leaving AKC for another position. Brynn has overseen the move of the AKC Library to the current AKC location and established systems and space for archival records. A replacement for Brynn has not been named at this time.
- Any inquiries regarding the Library/Archives should be directed to: Library@AKC.org.

AKC Delegates Parent Clubs Membership Growth Subcommittee

- The survey issued by the Committee will be closed next Tuesday.
- To date, 125 clubs have responded, with 35% reporting growth; 45% less growth; and 20% reporting no change.
- 70% of respondents to date report they have an appeal process for rejected members
- 75% of respondents to date indicate membership is open to all
- Once all survey data is received and analyzed a full report will be issued

AKC Purebred Preservation Bank

- Charlie Garvin indicated that work is continuing on the AKC Preservation Bank with further work focusing on:
 - Governance Legal, AKC, and Not for Profit
 - Parent Clubs will be critical further PC information will soon be requested
 - Issues of donation and storage under discussion with Banks and development of assurances
 - The work is being informed by the initial work on the topic by the Otterhound Club.

- A Q/A document is attached at the end of this report.
- Further information can be accessed at PreservationBank@AKC.org.

PupDate for Parent Clubs

 34 Parent Clubs are currently participation in the PupDate Program

New Business

• Two topics were mentioned: The "Ripple Effect Paper" authored by Carmen Battaglia; and the new flier for judges by the Scottish Terrier Club.

Delegate Meeting: December 17

Introduction of persons on dais – Tom Davies, Board Chair, and Dom Carrota, Vice Chair.

Delegates seated since last meeting;

introduction of Delegates attending their first meeting.

Approval of minutes.

Vote for new Member Club

Dogue de Bordeaux Club

Chairman's Report

- Tom Davies
 - Wished Happy Birthday to former Chair Ron Menaker
 - Celebrated the National
 - Championship Show this weekend
 Indicated that there will be a television Broadcast of the National
 - Championship on January 2, 2022
 - Recognized the alliances and partnerships of AKC
 - Events, Protection Dogs, Canine Human Bond
 - Work to ensure supply of Working Dogs/Breeds
 - Governmental Relations
 - Breeder Education

President's Report

- Dennis Sprung
 - Emphasized breeding to preserve breeds, concern about gene pools, etc.
 - Nature and variety of sports/events

available for purebred dogs

 Must work together to ensure the sustenance and strength of purebred dogs and the sport itself.

Financial Report

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- Ted Phillips, CFO reported:
 - Dog registrations and Event are up for 2021, compared to 2020
 - Litter registrations: 2021: 245,718 compared with 209,756 in 2020
 - Events: 2021: 15778 (Entries of 2,299,84) compared with 7876 (Entries of 1,213,574) in 2020
 - Revenues are also up:
 - Registration/Events: \$56.3m
 - Sponsorship: \$11.9m
 - Product/Royalties: \$9.2m
 - Operating Expenses
 - Staff: \$24.4m
 - Professional Fees: \$11.9m
 - Fulfillment: \$7.7m
 - Donations: \$2.6m
 - o "Healthy overall financial picture"

Vote on the proposed amendment to **Article VII**, **New Section 3**, of the *Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club*, which moves the statement concerning Board Elections from Article VIII which discusses the nominating committee to Article VII which addresses the election of the Board members. ADOPTED

Vote on the proposed amendment to Article VII, Section 9, of the Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club, which removes language that is superfluous and not necessary to understand the specific power entrusted to the Board. (The amendment to Article VII, Section 5, 6 and New Section 7 was approved at the September 2021 Delegate Meeting, so this section was renumbered. When read in September 2021 this was Article VII, Section 8.) ADOPTED

Vote on the proposed amendment to **Article X**, **Section 7**, of the *Charter and Bylaws of The American Kennel Club*, which removes language that is superfluous and not necessary to understand the specific power entrusted to the Board. ADOPTED

Vote on the proposed amendments to **Chapter 3**, **Sections 2**, **4** and **5**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Dog Show Classifications, which inserts language from Chapter 3, Sections 4 & 5 into

Chapter 3, Section 2 pertaining to how age is calculated for the purpose of entry into an AKC event. It removes language from Chapter 3, Sections 4 & 5 as to how age is calculated to eliminate redundancy. As the determination of age for entry relates to all classes and not just Puppy and 12-18 Months, insertion into Section 2 applies it globally. This also provides examples for benchmark ages – 6 months, 12 months and 18 months. ADOPTED

Vote on the proposed amendment to **Chapter 3**, **Section 8**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Dog Show Classifications, which provides clubs the opportunity to divide the Bred-by Exhibitor Class by age: Puppy and Adult. This follows the same logic as the Puppy and 12-18- month classes. Dividing the BBE class by age would be an option for clubs and not a requirement. An entry from any division of class awarded winners would be counted toward the BBE medallion as it advanced from the BBE class. ADOPTED (Note: Start date not given; Option for Clubs)

Vote on the proposed amendment to **Chapter 3**, **Section 11**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows* – Dog Show Classifications, which revises language for consistency, defining that 1st place undefeated dogs of the same sex from the defined classes defined by the rules and all division of them (age, color, markings, etc.) are eligible to compete in the Winners Class. Adds language to clarify that the only required classes to be offered are American Bred and Open, and all others are at the option of the club. ADOPTED

General Orders New Business

- Canine Health Foundation
 - \$3.4m given in new research, of which \$1.3m for cancer, which has identified new genetic mutations not previously known
 - CHF given a high, 4 star rating
 - Three new Clinical Scientific Residencies established
 - Darrin Collins, DVM was introduced as CEO for CHF. Formerly with the Seattle Zoo. Also Jennifer McLeary introduced as the Chief Scientific Officer.
 - o 2021 Awards:
 - Australian Shepherd Health and Genetic Institute, Distinguished Research Partner
 - Retriever News, Revenue Partner

Dr. Duane and Connie Butherus, President's Award.

- Short Video on AKC PAC, emphasizing importance of giving and support for proactive legislation
- Video on Juniors which would be helpful for clubs to show, encouraging meaningful involvement for children and youth in the Sport

Meeting Adjourned

Report submitted by: Joao Machado Chihuahua Club of America Delegate to the AKC

As always, if any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at: joao.machadoTX@gmail.com

ATTACHMENTS

The American Kennel Club Purebred Preservation Bank (AKCPPB)

Introduction

You probably know the serious concerns AKC has about low entry and small population breeds. The AKC Purebred Preservation Bank is being developed to address those concerns and provide support and encouragement for preserving the genetic heritage of all purebred dogs.

Beginnings

Following discussion at the January 2021 AKC Board meeting, Mr. Sprung recommended that AKC explore establishing a frozen semen program which would increase gene pools, ensure saving of quality producers, and make it easy for each Parent Club to take this step for their breed. Ultimately, this will assist the breeds and the breeders of today and in the future.

The goals of the workgroup are as follows:

Encourage the development and use of Parent Club

authorized reproductive banking

Maintain Parent Club authority for breeding decisions

Consider all possible legal, economic, administrative, and organizational factors

- Mission Statement The Mission of the AKC Purebred Preservation Bank (AKCBBP) is to ensure the viability of purebred dogs. This valuable service is necessary to salvage or restore endangered dog breeds now and in the future. While coordinating efforts with non-profit breed-specific clubs, the AKCPPB will educate breeders, clubs, and the public about the importance of safeguarding frozen semen and protecting purebred dog breeds for future decades.
- Why is this necessary? Preservation of dog semen is not just for the breeds with lower-than-average levels of breeding activity. Any breed could be susceptible to genetic bottlenecks or difficulties as the discovery of new diseases emerges. Storing diverse semen could address unknown future health concerns and rejuvenate breeding programs, e.g., provide genetic repair by using frozen semen that pre-dates the existence or evolution of the disease in the breed. Imagine if it were possible to add the conformation quality or health traits of an outstanding specimen of your breed from 50 or more years ago to today's gene pool.

Where does the semen originate?

The AKCPPB will accept frozen semen donations from individual owners and semen storage providers and AKCPPB will then own this semen. Currently, frozen semen is often abandoned due to the owner's death or incapacitation, or because storage fees are no longer being paid.

How does the bank work?

The AKCPPB will be able to take immediate ownership of donated or abandoned semen. AKCPPB will fund the storage of frozen semen and manage the transfer process to individuals or Parent Clubs, as directed. Protocols and criteria will be established by Parent Clubs to make acceptance and release decisions for the stored semen. AKCPPB will use these criteria to make decisions regarding which donations to accept, which donations to retain in storage, which donations to destroy and which donations to transfer to breeders or groups of breeders for use in planned breedings.

Will the Bank be in conflict with stud owners?

No, the AKCPPB will not directly participate in breedings or whelpings and will not own dogs, litters or individual get. Frozen semen owned by AKCPPB will not compete with any semen owned by the stud owner .

Can litters be AKC-registered?

Yes, provided all other AKC litter registration criteria are met.

What health information will be required/available for the dog?

The Parent Club for each breed will provide required health testing acceptance criteria. For example, see https://www.ohcareprobank.org/participation.html

Parent Club recommended health testing

CHIC, OFA

Pertinent carrier information

When can the semen be used? The Parent Club's defined criteria will determine when the semen will be available for use.

For example, requirements may be in place that semen cannot be used until the stud dog owner no longer has any other semen available and until applicable health testing has been performed and submitted to AKCPPB.

How does the transfer process work and is there a fee? The AKCPPB will be able to to transfer semen to individual breeders or Parent Clubs through a fee-based application approval process. Once an application is approved, the transfer process will include a Usage Fee to cover any additional storage time and shipping. All or some of the application fee may be applied to the Usage Fee upon transfer.

Who makes the selection decision of the sire? Once the Parent Club has established the criteria, the owner of the bitch will make this breeding decision and proceed to the appropriate application process. The AKCPPB will then review the application according to the Parent Club derived acceptance criteria.

What is the organizational structure? We intend to create a 501(c)3 not for profit organization, a separate affiliate similar in structure to AKC Reunite and the AKC Humane Fund. We have established an advisory committee comprised of AKC delegates and staff members, breeders, veterinarians, and scientists to assist in policy formation and decision-making until a formal structure is established.

Where do we stand now? The workgroup is in the process of developing appropriate policies and procedures, negotiating with storage providers, and working through a multitude of legal and organizational details. As we continue our work, periodic updates will be provided. We welcome your input and questions as we continue to move forward on this important initiative; please send them to preservationbank@akc.org. ** Note that all this information is subject to modification as the program develops.**

CCA HEALTH STATEMENT



The Chihuahua Club of America is dedicated to the health of our beloved breed.

The Chihuahua on the whole is a healthy breed that often lives into their mid to late teens; some have been known to live until age 20! But like all dogs, the Chihuahua can have health issues. Health and DNA testing can empower breeders to screen for health conditions to make informed breeding decisions to strive for excellence in their breeding program.

<u>OFA</u>

The Chihuahua Club of America (CCA) believes it is important to breed dogs that are both beautiful and healthy. Therefore, we have partnered with the Orthopedic Foundation of America (OFA) in their Canine Health Information Center (CHIC) program. In order for a dog to be issued a CHIC number the dog must be permanently identified (microchip/tattoo) and must have the following tests/forms completed <u>after the age of 1 year old</u>: OFA Cardiac, Eye and Patella. The completed Health Testing Forms are sent to OFA with payment and you will receive your registered CHIC number by email.

- Cardiac Testing: Breeders/owners are screening for early onset of Degenerative Mitral Valve Disease, a common older age disease in many small dogs. Basic Cardiac Exams are essentially auscultation only exams. The exams can be performed by any licensed veterinarian. The expertise of the examiner will continue to be noted by a suffix in the clearance number: P for general practitioners, S for specialists, and C for cardiologists. This test is recommended to be done on an annual basis while the dog is part of your breeding program.
- Eye Testing: An examination of the eyes for ophthalmic disease. A board-certified veterinary ophthalmologist (ACVO) must perform the eye exam.
- Patella Examination: This exam will involve gently manipulating the dog's patella to classify them on a grade scale of (0) zero to (4) four. This exam must be done by a board-certified veterinarian.

Forms for the Cardiac Testing and Patella Examination are available to fill-in online or download to take with you to your veterinarian. OFA http://www.ofa.org/application-forms

In addition to the CHIC number which is issued by the OFA, the Chihuahua Club of America (CCA) would like to recognize our Breeders that are screening their breeding stock. We will publish all Chihuahuas that are awarded a new CHIC number and also annual update testing once a year in the Chi Chatter.

Embark DNA Testing

The Chihuahua Club of America is also offering another tool to our members. We have partnered with **Embark DNA Testing**. <u>https://my.embarkvet.com</u> This is a relatively new tool we are able to use in our breeding program. It allows DNA testing by using a cheek swab to find out a variety of health issues that we were unable to do before. The Embark for Breeders dog DNA test kit provides breed-relevant disease screening for your purebred dogs. The kit also includes traits testing, (including coat color, body size, and more), DLA diversity testing, breed ancestry breakdown, and genetic Coefficient of Inbreeding (COI) score. Embark's test results are accepted by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) for all conditions where OFA has an established DNA registry, as well as the UK Kennel Club and many other international organizations.

The Embark Chihuahua Breed-Relevant Conditions Tested for Chihuahuas are:

- Progressive Retinal Atrophy, prcd
- Progressive Retinal Atrophy, crd4/cord1
- Neuronal Ceroid Lipofuscinosis 7, NCL 7
- Spinocerebellar Ataxia with Myokymia and/or Seizures
- Intervertebral Disc Disease (Type I)
- Chondrodystrophy and Intervertebral Disc Disease, CDDY/IVDD, Type I IVDD

EMBARK Discount Code for CCA Members, is found on the Chihuahua Club of America Website - MEMBERS ONLY Section.

AKC Canine Health Foundation

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) <u>https://www.akcchf.org</u> is the largest nonprofit funder of health research focused solely on dogs. Donations from individual dog lovers, dog clubs, foundations and corporations are invested in a diverse portfolio of innovative canine health research grants that aim to find better treatments, more accurate diagnoses, and an improved understanding of the mechanisms that cause disease in dogs. CHF works closely with AKC Parent Clubs, dog owners, breeders, veterinarians and researchers to identify and address health issues in dogs.

Grants submitted to CHF for funding consideration are carefully reviewed by expert peer reviewers as well as by CHF's Scientific Review Committee, a panel of veterinarians, medical doctors, researchers, and canine health experts. Grants are reviewed for scientific merit, impact in the field of study, and the significance to dogs and their people. Through defined research program areas, CHF considers areas of unmet need and immediate opportunity, while looking to apply recent advancements in science and technology to canine health research. This stringent review process allows CHF to be confident that research is doing the best for the most dogs, and making the best use of our donors' contributions.

We, as the Chihuahua Club of America Health Committee, are given the opportunity from an AKC Fund that awards CCA money each year to use towards CHF Research Studies that we feel are important to the future of the Chihuahua breed.

The CCA Health Committee:

We, as the CCA Health Committee, would like to bring Chihuahua Breed information, testing, and research to our members.

AKC & DOG JUDGES ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA O ADVANCED JUDGES INSTITUTE FOR TOY BREEDS CHIHUAHUA SEMINAR





Orlando, Florida December 15, 2021

Presentation: Joao Machado, assisted by Racheal Miller. Rachael also mentored during the Hands-on experience following the Seminar.

Chihuahuas for "hands-on" evaluation were provided by:

- Deborah Long
- Stephanie Schultes
- Kara Gordon
- Bill Block
- Rachael Miller
- Emily Buller
- Lo Wolfson

35 Judges were registered, with 27 participating.

Seminar provided a 90-minute CCA Presentation on the Chihuahua, followed by "hands on" examination by the Judges participating.

It was well received by the attending judges with many positive comments about the information presented. We have had a wonderful time going over many important features of the Chihuahua breed and ensuring a positive and impactful education experience for the prospective judges. It was interesting to note that attendees were able to identify that our breed is way more than just a apple domed head. Proper examination of the Chihuahua was also emphasized repeatedly during the presentation and the demonstration at the outset of the hands-on examination.

It was reassuring to have that number of aspiring Chihuahua judges participating and very interested in the Breed, as part of the ongoing effort to improve the quality of judging and thereby the quality of the experience of our sport.



Member Club Reports



Greetings from the Chihuahua Club of Greater Phoenix!

Spring will be upon us soon and with it our March 5th, 2022 specialty show with Judge Glen Lajeski in Phoenix Arizona at the Arizona State Fairgrounds. The team has been working hard to put together a fabulous event and we hope you can join us – especially those of you who may need a break from the colder regions of the country!

We are also turning our attention to some fund-raising efforts in partnership with Heaven Scent Aluminum Products and can't wait to announce the recipient of the new show trolley! These efforts benefit not only the development of our conformation shows, but also our support of local and regional charities that will be determined by the club for 2022.

We are looking forward to a fabulous year together and are grateful to be able to spend time enjoying the company of our members and our wonderful dogs once again.

Dear CCA Members,

It has been looking a lot like Summer out west in Southern California! We hope you will come on out and join us April 23,2022 for our 88Th annual Chihuahua Specialty! Our wonderful club members are busy planning our raffle baskets and trophies ! This year we have an independent show secretary, Mr. Gerald Ryser. He can be contacted at 702-876-1951 and his email is NVSpringer2@gmail.com. Our Show chair, Ms. Dale Van Camp has been busy making a mailing list for our premium list. Be watching for it in your mailboxes!! We will also upload the premium list to available Facebook Groups. We placed an ad in the last Chi Chatter so be sure to take a look at that.

Our Specialty will be concurrent with the Conejo Kennel Club. Information on that show can be found online at Jack Bradshaw Dog Show Superintendent. Events will be held at the Industry Hills Expo Center, City of Industry, Ca.

For the meantime, our meetings are continuing via Zoom. We are all looking forward to the time when we can finally get together in person! Several of us have met for puppy play dates, and for a crate pad assembly line work party under the direction of our expert crate pad seamstress, Kathy Smith!! For any further Show information, feel free to contact me at 619-665-1058.

Hope to see you soon, Christie Foulk SCCC Vice Pres.



Chihuahua Club of Hawaii

From the Aloha State

On March 6, 2022, the Chihuahua Club of Hawaii is poised to hold our very FIRST SPECIALTY! We are so excited and happy to announce that our Club was first informally established in 1998, and now we have obtained formal AKC approval in 2020. The pandemic delayed our plans to hold a specialty, but finally our plans have come to fruition. Our specialty will be judged by Keiko Shimizu.





Evergreen Chihuahua Club

Evergreen Chihuahua Club is looking forward to back-to-back Specialties on Friday July 8, 2022, in Puyallup WA. There will be three All-Breed shows Sat, Sun, and Monday. That's five chances for points! We are offering the regular Conformation classes, 4-6 month Puppy classes, Junior Showmanship, and Sweepstakes (Puppy and Veteran). NOHS will also be offered. Our judges are Judi Shurb from Canada, Richard Miller from Illinois, Jeff Nokes from Oregon for Sweepstakes, and Anna Quigley from Chehalis, WA for Juniors and 4-6 month puppies. Hope to see many of our friends who didn't care for our October dates just prior to CCA. Write to Helena Benson

Texas Chihuahua Club

The members of Texas Chihuahua Club have been busy preparing for our March Specialty shows here in San Antonio. Life is beginning to normalize a bit. We had our first in person meeting in February and it was great seeing everyone.

We are exploring ways to encourage Juniors wherever we can and really looking forward to seeing the marvelous kids we usually see at the shows. We will report our results in the next issue.

Allynid "Lynnie" Bunten







New Champion: Jet CH Who's Can't Jet Enough – S CH Who's Toby Or Not To Be-S

X GCH West Texas Belle Of The Ball

<u>New Champion:</u> Levi CH who's Cast Off My 501s - S

GCHS Who's Love Was Outcast-S X Who's Didn't Color Me Blue-S



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BEST OF WINNERS

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CHI CHATTER 26

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Bred by Joyce & Arvind DeBraganca

Co-Owned by Joyce DeBraganca

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Karen E. Street Reno, Nevada

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The Juniors Journal

Donna Bledsoe, Chair CCA Juniors Committee



Marilyn Dempsey and GCHS CH Terlingua Dark Side Dazzler took Best Junior at the Central Florida Kennel Club show at the AKC National Championship Dog Show in Orlando December 2021.

They competed with over 70 Junior teams in the Open Senior class with 130 total Juniors entered that day. All the Best Juniors from that week competed in The Best of the Best competition where Marilyn and Vader took 2nd place and received a \$1500 scholarship.



Special thank you to judge Jennifer Harper for recognizing Luke's talent in a tough line-up of lots of very talented kids. Also, a huge thank you to Texarkana KC for their support of our juniors, Cully Leck for creating such amazing rosettes for their Club, and Melia Photography for your amazing support of our juniors as well.

JUDGE MR. JUAN MIRANDA BOV CENTRAL FLORIDA KC

JUDGE MS. SANDRA BINGHAM-PORTER BOV SPACE COAST KC

JUDGE MS. LOREN A. PAYNE BOV AKC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

JUDGE MRS. ELAINE L. WHITNEY BOV BREVARD KC

JUDGE MR. RAMON VALENZUELA PODESTA GROUP 4 SPACE COAST KC

JUDGE MR. JASON HOKE BOV / GROUP 1 SUWANNEE KC

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A TOP RANKED LONG COAT CHIHUAHUA

MULTIPLE **RESERVE BESTS IN SHOW**

MULTIPLE **BESTS IN SPECIALTY SHOW**

MULTIPLE GROUP WINS

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"Finished with Limited Showing"

Bred and Owned by: Sherrie L. Shirky & Kyle E. Potts

Timeless Chihuahuas

Kachina Chihuahuas

CHI CHATTER 34

San Antonio, Texas

PERFORMANCE





The Chihuahua Club of America congratulates the agility Chihuahuas and their owners for their huge successful runs at the AKC National Championship in Orlando, Florida December 2021. Thank you for showing everyone just how versatile Chihuahuas are. We are so proud of you all!

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2		08165	395	132.846	Ashley Coo	k /Ashley Cook	
	08	MACH2 H	i-Jinx Twis	sted On The F	Rocks! BN RE M	IXS MJG PJD MXF T2B2 FCAT CGCA CGCU TKN	
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4		08155	390	169.215	Daniela Flor	res /Daniela Flores	
	08	MACHKa	Lynn's Flower Prince Pico MXB MJB NF TKN				
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Zoot and Rizzo belong to Brenda Landis. Photo Credit: Brenda Landis





thank you to Judge Carolyn Herbel for the Wonderful Wins!



CHI CHATTER 36



GCH JOELLE'S NEVER GIVE UP

Handled by Jennifer Keiver ° Owner handled by Lisa Nave Thank you judge Charles Olvis for this memorable win!

GCHB JOELLE'S MORE MONEY

Thank you breeder judge Steve Hayden for recognizing my Mo

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Joelle's Chihuahuas

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CHI CHATTER 37

GETTING TO KNOW YOU...

By Joao Machado

I'm so grateful with the opportunity of getting to know so many of our amazing members and other Chihuahua fanciers from all over the world. Donna's background and experience combine a concise view of our sport and breed. It's my pleasure to share this interview with you:



Member Donna Bledsoe

How long have you been a member of CCA?

Ricky and I joined CCA in 2016. I have been able to attend the National in every year since 2017. I am the Juniors Chairman for the club. CCA has been through a lot of changes since I joined. I like the direction the club is moving.

How long have you participated in the Purebred Dog World?

I bought my first Yorkshire Terrier in 1986 and bred and showed Yorkies until my second daughter was born. As the girls got involved in sports and activities of their own, we decided it was time to quit traveling and raise the two-legged kids. After they were off to college, I realized how much I missed it and called Barb Beissel to inquire about Silky Terriers. I had no desire to go back to the care Yorkies took to show and thought this might be the best alternative. Unfortunately, Silkies are slim to none in Texas, and I was having to travel long long distances to find points. Paula McSwain kept telling me to check out Chihuahuas, but I pictured the breed in a bad way. My husband Ricky had always had a chihuahua and was all for it. So, in 2014 I watched four litters grow up in Paula's home and brought home, she who started it all, Elsa.

Which breeds have you owned and/or bred?

I have owned and bred Yorkshire Terriers, Pugs, Pointers, Silky Terriers and Chihuahuas. My first go round with purebred dogs while I had Yorkshire Terriers my husband, Tom, had Pointers and my mom, Cheryl Cunningham, had Pugs. I owned, a Papillion, Bull Mastiff (who thought he was a lap dog) and an Australian Terrier. Do you know how hard it is to hand strip? That was not for me. Seriously, I thank the breeders who helped me get started with beautiful chihuahuas, Paula McSwain, Kyle Potts, Jackie Breazeale, and Gary Bolding. Also, Jack Phariss and Linda George for taking a chance on me in my early breeding choices with beautiful studs.

What is your kennel name?

My kennel name is CHEDON. It is a combination of my mom's first name Cheryl with my first name Donna. Even though she had passed away when I returned to purebred dogs, she is the one who inspired me to get involved and therefore I wanted to keep the name to honor her.

Which one of your dogs is your all-time favorite and why?

I really have two. Of course, Elsa, previously mentioned as the one who started it all. My daughters call her FC for "favorite child." But Lance has an incredibly special place in my heart. I was against having boys in the house until Gary Bolding decided I needed one. Lance has taken me to places I had not dreamed I would attain. He has a fan club of juniors who have shown him also. He loves being in the ring, although sometimes a little too much.

What win in conformation are you most proud of to date? And with which dog?

My very first trip to Eukanuba, now Royal Canin in Orlando would be the win I am most proud of. I went to take my Silky, Cinderella, to participate in the Silky Terrier Show, just have fun, and see what the show was all about. I went with no expectations that year. Elsa was just 14 months old; I took her along just to have fun and went Select Bitch in the Chihuahua Club of America regional under Dr. Anthony DiNardo. I bawled like a baby when he pointed to us. Erika Lanasa was so sweet, she came, hugged my neck, and told me my girl deserved the win and showed so beautifully. While taking our picture, Dr. DiNardo went on and on about how beautiful she was and how nice she moved. I will never forget that day. IF I was not hooked on the breed before that, it was the moment that I knew I would not look back.

The other win I am most proud of was Lance's BISS. I was in a position that I was not going to be able to attend shows for a few months. Since I was preparing to retire Lance, I asked Sharon Boyd to show him a few shows which included the Houston Chihuahua Club, the Dallas Chihuahua Club shows, and then to finish the year with him. I was over the moon excited when she took the variety with him the second day of Dallas Chihuahua Club shows, which is my club. I totally forgot he would have to go back in for the breed, but when he did, he really showed his heart out and asked for it. I was so glad his breeder, Gary Bolding, and I could both be there to watch. I would have loved to have been on his lead, but Sharon did an outstanding job with him, and I was such a proud owner.

Has COVID 19 resulted in any changes to your dog-related pursuits?

Unfortunately, yes. During 2020 when we had so few shows, I decided to breed. Instead of the normal three litters a year, I had six. The problem was being able to socialize puppies like I was doing before Covid 19. No handling classes, not going to shows, no RV trips really hurt being able to get the puppies out and socialized. I was overly cautious, taking a regime of supplements and always wearing my mask through 2020 and 2021 till our 2021 National last October. As the decision was made to not have to wear masks, I let my guard down. I was dressing up and showing my top dogs and did not want to be one of the few in the ring with a mask. That was not my wisest choice. I had a wonderful time, but a week after attending I ultimately came down with Covid and was hospitalized a week after that. I cannot thank Holly Norman enough for all she did for me during my illness along with everyone else who helped. This shows what a community of friends does to help one another. But as I healed and was able to go back to shows, I became scared. So, as I return to shows, I will continue to be overly cautious and continue to wear my mask whether required or not. I want this pandemic to end, it is an incredibly stressful time in our lives.

What do you enjoy most about our Sport?

There is not just one thing I most enjoy, but several. I enjoy the comradery and friendships I have made within our breed and within the dog show world community. Some of my best friends have been made at the shows. These friends are who make going on the weekends and being away from home fun. Because when this is not fun anymore, I will cease to participate.

I enjoy the challenge of studying the pedigrees of dogs I see in the ring and ones in our magazine. I love taking the time to match the pedigrees of studs available with my girls and see where I can better my line.

My most enjoyable thing is the juniors. I love, not only watching them show in our breed, but in an extremely competitive junior showmanship ring. These kids are so talented, I love to mentor them and share my dogs with them. Juniors are my passion. I know not everyone sees it like I do, but I believe they are the future of the sport. Without keeping them and our younger members involved, our sport will die.

What is the hardest part of the standard to breed for consistency?

This is the hardest question, and I needed to really go study the standard one more time to answer. I think, to me, the hardest part is the size. Having the DQ over six pounds really puts the breeders into an exceedingly small window for breeding females. I look for my bitches to be four $\frac{1}{2}$ pounds before I breed them. That leaves us only a one $\frac{1}{2}$ pound window of weight. Another hard part of our standard is the length to height ratio. I like to see a well-proportioned dog and I see so many with long legs or no legs. It is hard to get it right

What do you see as trending in the breed today - good and bad?

Attitude is so important in the breed. Even though the chihuahua is small, they are to have a terrier like attitude. I see judges bringing these dogs nose to nose in the ring and most could care less. I want to see the dog stand up and not back off. I would also like to see more judges checking weights. If our standard is going to call for a DQ over six pounds, let's make sure we are keeping within the standard. I know you cannot tell how much a dog weighs by eyesight, so I would like to see the weight checked more often.

What has been the most significant change in our sport since you got your first dog? Knowing what you know now, would you do this all over again?

When I started in 1986, there was just one level of championship and no Owner Handled series. I like both of these changes, but they have their positives and negatives.

The levels of championships are fun, but it keeps some dogs out longer just to achieve higher levels of championship. We see champions being campaigned as a special for 3-5 years at a prominent level and judges continuing to put them up, so they continue to stay to break records. That is fun and all, but I like to see new dogs be given a chance to be on top too.

The Owner Handled Series has been fun to participate in. Although, I have had judges tell me that they do not like it and hate to participate. They see it as a chore to have to judge which does not make it fun for us owners. I wish the same emphasis were put on the Owner Handled Series as the Regular groups. I think people deserve to earn the same Rosettes and prizes that are awarded to the regular groups. I really enjoy competing against my peers.

Would I do it all again? I already did. I took time off to raise my daughters and came back some 18 years later. I think I will continue to show until it is not fun. My breeding career and buying dogs will eventually start to slow down as I get older.

How do you spend your non-dog time?

I love spending time with my kids and grandkids the most. This year, I made the decision to not show as many weekends so that I can spend more time with them. I also like to go to live theatre shows and live sports events. I really like to travel, and my favorite place is Disneyworld.

When it comes to dogs and/or personal life what one thing is still on your bucket list?

Don't we all dream of a Best In Show? And to drive an 18-wheeler. LOL Seriously, I am hoping to have a huge family trip to Disneyworld in the near future. I want to see my grandkids light up at what is the happiest place on earth.

ICB

Are We Watching the Extinction of a Breed?

(or why are we focused on consequence instead of cause?)

The dogs we love are dying. Biologists can tell you why this is happening, and in fact even animal breeders 100 years ago could have told you why this is happening. I've written dozens of blog posts on the ICB website explaining why this is happening. Inbreeding affects health. At low

levels of inbreeding, say 5% to 10%, there are effects on fertility, litter size, puppy mortality, and "vigor". There are also increases in the number of genetic disorders. The higher the level of inbreeding, the more negative the effects.

This is not folklore. This is fundamental, basic genetics. Inbreeding increases the expression of genetic disorders and has a negative effect on health in general. These are facts. If somebody is trying to convince you otherwise, you need to find a different mentor. Inbreeding is necessary to fix type and improve consistency in domestic animals. This is how the breeds were created. These benefits can be appreciated at levels of inbreeding less than 10%. Among purebred, recognized dog breeds, type was fixed long ago. The Dobermans above might not win in the ring, but they are recognizably Dobermans.

Here is the elephant in the room. Our dogs are dying of inbreeding. Decades of inbreeding in a quest for the ever more perfect dog has resulted in the loss of genes that are essential to life. However perfect and beautiful the dogs might be on the outside; on the inside they are broken.

What are we doing about this? We seem to be doing a lot. There are research studies, DNA tests, health seminars, disorder-specific Facebook groups, and so on. But our dogs are dying of inbreeding. None of the things we are doing will cure inbreeding. Scientists can't cure inbreeding. Inbreeding must be cured by breeders.

I founded ICB four years ago because there was an increasing number of research papers being published about the negative effects of inbreeding on the health of dogs, but breeders didn't seem to be getting the message. There was really no place for breeders to go to get information, and they didn't have access to the resources and expertise they would need to address the growing problem. So ICB was born.

By Carol Beuchat PhD The Institute of Canine Biology

Four years on, thousands of students have taken ICB courses, but still, it's just a trivial fraction of the number of breeders. A surprising number of ICB students are not breeders themselves but are considering breeding in the future or are concerned about the growing health crisis in purebred dogs. For the most part, the "mainstream" breeders are not in these courses. Perhaps this is why we seem to have settled into a standard approach in dealing with genetic disorders in dogs.

1) Dogs begin to turn up that suffer from some new disorder.

2) Breeders avoid breeding to dogs in the suspect lines.

3) Nevertheless, more dogs are afflicted, and it becomes clear that the problem might be widespread.

4) Breeders acknowledge that there is a new genetic problem in the breed.

5) Breeders collect money and cheek swabs to initiate a research project to study the new disorder or to identify the faulty gene.

6) In the meantime, breeding continues, and new cases continue to appear.

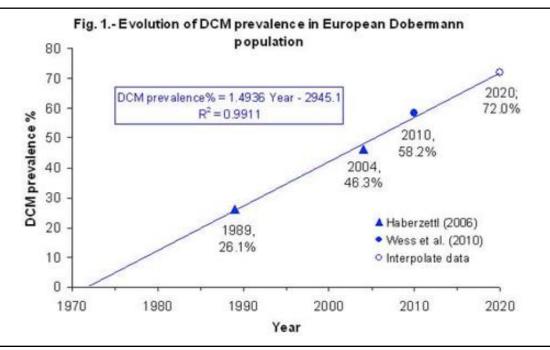
7) In the best case (but relatively rare) scenario, a single mutation is identified, a DNA test is developed, and a new test is added to the health screening list.

8) More often, a faulty gene is never identified, and study of the disorder does not offer useful insight into control measures.

9) The disorder is acknowledged as a "problem in the breed".

10) Breeding continues. Individual breeders adopt the strategies they believe will reduce their risk of producing affected animals (e.g., remove affected individuals and their close relatives from breeding; avoid breeding outside lines that are believed to be free of the problem). But nobody really knows what to do.

11) Eventually, a new problem will emerge, and the cycle will repeat.



(Note that I have left out the steps for rumors, fingerpointing, witch-hunting, and blame.)

To the breeders, celebrity psychologist Dr Phil would ask "And how's this been workin' for ya'?"

The honest answer is that it's not.

dropping dead of heart failure and have been for decades, while breeding continues.

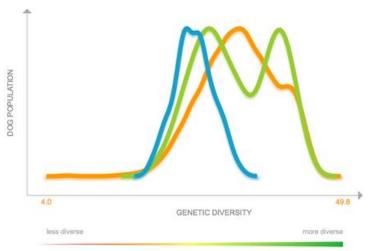
Look into the future. What scenario do you envision for how this will end? Science can help you with this. Doberman lover and scientist Dr Sonia Garcia Herdez put the information together to do a projection. Using published information about the frequency of DCM (dilated cardiomyopathy) in Dobermans, she created this

DNA testing does not make somebody a "responsible" breeder. Caring for the heritage of your breed does not make you a "preservation" breeder.

What's the problem here? Breeders are looking to science for solutions to health problems, and the scientists study genetics and disease. But the dogs are dying of inbreeding, and that is the problem we need to fix. We are focused on consequence when the solution lies in the cause. We are continuing to enjoy our cigarettes while we toss money at lung cancer research and assume that with hope, prayer, and patience things will get better. We are learning a lot about the problems that are caused by inbreeding, but we are not solving the problem.

The daily obituaries of dogs that died before their time clash with the proud announcements on Facebook about a young dog taking a five point major in stiff competition, or a dog achieving Grand Champion status, or a breederhandler winning the group. Even more grating are the pronouncements about "responsible breeders" and more recently "preservation breeders". Dobermans are nice graph of the known and projected frequency of the disease. The graph shows that if we extrapolate from the past incidence rates into the future, by 2020 (that's four years from now!), 72% of European Dobermans will be afflicted with DCM. She provides the equation for the line, so I am able to do a bit of math and tell you that in 2039, essentially 100% of European Dobermans will have DCM. Anybody that breeds or loves Dobermans and is not already well into their sixties should be able to witness the sad extinction of this breed. Can't we make this better through selective breeding? We don't seem to be making much progress so far, and the available genetic data paint a grim picture.

Below is a graph based on DNA genotyping of Dobermans done by the Finnish company MyDogDNA (MDD). (I have compiled these graphs for all breeds for convenience here.)



The graph is a frequency distribution of "heterozygosity". Heterozygosity is the fraction of loci in a dog's genome that have two different alleles. Inbreeding decreases heterozygosity; that is, inbreeding increases homozygosity, meaning both alleles are the same because an animal inherited the same allele from both parents. On the graph, the dogs with the lowest inbreeding are to the right and those with the highest inbreeding are to the left, indicated by the color scale from green to red under the graph. The orange line on this graph is for "all dogs" in their database and the green line is for a selection of similar breeds (pinschers, schnauzers, etc).

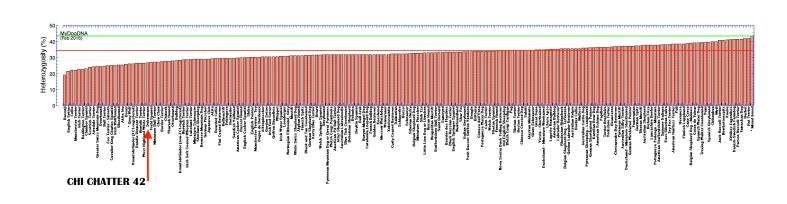
The blue line is for Dobermans and includes dogs from the US, UK, Finland, Russia, Australia, and Ukraine. The median level of heterozygosity reported by MDD for Dobermans is 27% (that should be close to the peak in the blue line). This is quite a bit lower than the median for all dogs, and it's even worse than the comparison population.

But is this really all that bad? Have a look at the graph below. I have compiled the data for median heterozygosity of most of the breeds in the MDD database, and they are ranked here from worst (left) to best (right). The Doberman is indicated by the red arrow, well down in the rankings. half the breed is afflicted with DCM. For Doberman lovers, I think there is much heartbreak in the future.

I've talked to a fair number of Doberman breeders about this. I even went to the Doberman National Specialty a few years ago to talk to more breeders. I found that most Doberman breeders love their breed with a passion, and for many people Dobermans are their life. I am convinced that breeders will continue to battle diligently against DCM until the last dog dies. But there is no solution to this problem in what we are already doing.

In A Christmas Carol, Scrooge is spirited into the future, where he sees how the consequences of his actions have affected many lives. The grim picture is enough to get him to change his ways and become a better man. Unless there is some unanticipated scientific breakthrough, the future of the Doberman is grim. Dogs will continue to be snatched from life by sudden heart failure, and owners will continue to come home from work to find their dog dead on the floor. The Doberman DCM Facebook group will continue to grow. The Rainbow Bridge will widen to accommodate the souls of the dogs that are dying too young.

I've presented you with the data. Here is where I am going to offer my opinion. DNA testing does not make somebody a "responsible" breeder. Caring for the heritage of your breed does not make you a "preservation" breeder. Pride and love and dedication are all terrific, but they will not prevent the heartbreak that awaits thousands of Doberman owners in the future. Breeders need to DO something about this. Breeders need to step up to the plate and acknowledge that continuing to breed dogs that are likely to die of a genetic disorder is irresponsible, unethical, and inhumane. That is certainly how the average, everyday dog lover feels. This is also how I feel.



The Doberman was not created in its present form by a dog-loving God. It is a "blender" breed, created by a man who mixed a bit of this and a bit of that until he had the dogs he wanted. The breed was "recognized", the studbook closed, and the gene pool has been getting smaller ever since. Can the breed be saved by a crossbreeding program? Who knows, but certainly it is worth a try and there is little to lose. But time is running out.

How many of you just read the last paragraph and thought to yourselves "But breeders will never do it". Really? Not the "responsible" breeders? Not even the "preservation" breeders? Is there nobody who loves this breed enough to save it?

Go back and watch that video of the Doberman dropping dead in the middle of a game of fetch. Where are the breeders - those most devoted Doberman lovers - who will do something about this? This isn't my breed, but it's breaking my heart. If you're thinking that you're glad you aren't a Doberman breeder, you should have a look at the data for your own breed. There are unfortunately many breeds in which dedicated (responsible, preservation) breeders are likewise pursuing solutions by supporting research to study the health condition or searching for causative genes. Huge sums of money are being spent, breeders are becoming experts about esoteric veterinary disorders, and Facebook is burgeoned with groups for information, commiseration, and condolences. But the path is the same, and the consequences probably are too. There is only one way to cure the diseases that result from inbreeding. Breeders are the only ones that can fix this. The problems have become obvious and undeniable in many breeds: Berners, Goldens, Flatcoats, Irish Water Spaniels, Cavaliers, Akitas, Dogue de Bordeaux, Bulldogs, Scotties, Westies, and the list goes on.

There are a lot of breeds in trouble, with high inbreeding, low diversity, a growing list of genetic disorders, and plans to start another research study. Science can learn about the problems caused by inbreeding, but the "cure" for inbreeding will have to come from the breeders. If you want to preserve your breed, this is the problem you need to address.



The American Kennel Club formally and strongly condemns the invasion of Ukraine by the Russian Federation. We are devastated at the ongoing horrors, and our hearts go out to the Ukrainian people. Please know that we stand with you in solidarity against this horrific invasion.

This crisis has deeply affected the Ukrainian dog community, with many in harm's way fleeing in fear for their lives with their pets in tow, taking care not to leave their animals behind regardless of the sheltering situation. The sacred human/canine bond remains strong amid relentless fear, uncertainty, and the violation of human rights.

The AKC has reached out to the Ukrainian Kennel Union to assist dogs and their owners and stands ready to assist other organizations directly connected to assisting dog breeders, exhibitors and owners affected by this crisis.

Signed,

Dr. Thomas M. Davies, Chairman Dominic P. Carota, Vice Chairman Dennis B. Sprung, President and CEO An Update on AKC and the Crisis in Ukraine By Jessica Rice Mar 10, 2022 | 1 Minute

The American Kennel Club is opposed to the ongoing crisis in the Ukraine. In solidarity with the Ukrainian people, effective immediately, judges from the Russian Federation will not be approved to judge at AKC sanctioned events. Additionally, new requests for imported dog registrations (AKC Foreign Registration) from the Russian Kennel Federation will be denied effective immediately.

We continue to explore options to provide assistance to the Ukrainian people and their pets during this crisis.

The AKC and AKC Reunite have donated \$25,000 to Equiwent https://www.equiwent.org/, a German organization with operations in Poland and Romania. Equiwent is assisting in the humanitarian effort by helping with the Ukrainian refugees and their pets. Clubs and fanciers may donate to the cause by using this Equiwent link.

In addition the AKC Store is also selling "Peace for Ukraine" apparel with all proceeds going to Casa lui Patrocle animal rescue, located 25 miles outside of the Ukraine offering shelter, veterinary care and emergency assistance to anyone crossing the border with pets. This fundraiser will remain active for the entire month of March. To date, \$15,000 is being donated.

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Understanding Giardia

By Dr. Anne Vargo, DVM CHPV Associate Veterinarian, Certified Hospice Palliative Care Veterinarian Chihuahua Club of Michigan President

Giardia is a single-celled protozoal parasite that can affect dogs, especially puppies, with severe diarrhea.

LIFE CYCLE

Giardia has two forms: the trophozoite and the cyst. The trophozoite is the form that lives within the host intestinal tract, swimming around and attaching to intestinal cells (parasitic stage). Once attached, Giardia causes damage, resulting in functional changes and leads to maldigestion, malabsorption, and diarrhea. Trophozoites and cysts may be passed in fresh feces but only the hard-shelled cysts can withstand the conditions of the outside world (contagious stage). The cysts live in the environment, potentially for months as long as the soil is relatively cool and wet, until they are consumed by another host. Contaminated water is the classical source of a Giardia infection and the animal will accidentally swallow a cyst when drinking from a puddle, toilet, or when licking fur.

After infection, it takes 5 to 12 days in dogs for Giardia to be found in the host's stool. Diarrhea can precede the shedding of the Giardia. Infection is more common in kennel situations where animals are housed in groups.

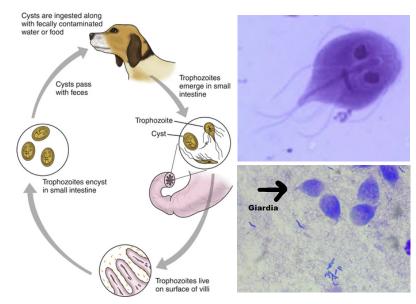
SIGNS

Giardia presence in the host intestine can cause diarrhea, though some hosts are symptom-free carriers. Infection seems to cause problems with normal intestinal absorption of vitamins and other nutrients. Diarrhea is generally not bloody.

PREVALENCE

Giardia duodenalis infection is common in dogs. Infections in dogs with clinical signs averaged 15% in dogs in the US. Animals in shelters, breeding facilities, and kennels are more likely to carry Giardia, and studies have found an increased prevalence among dogs that visit dog parks.

The percentage increases to 25% of dogs attending urban parks.

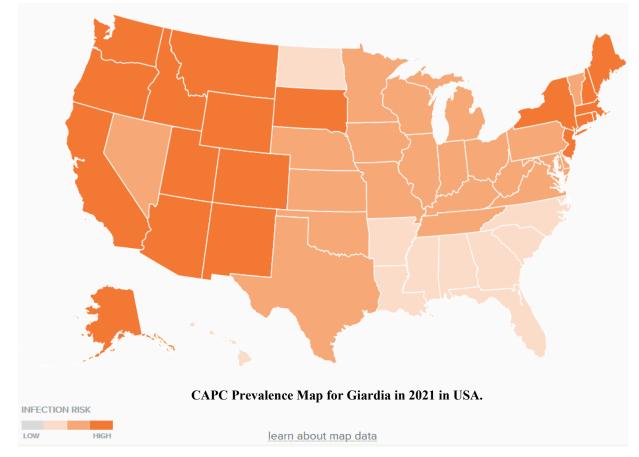


DIAGNOSIS

Diagnosis of giardia is through fecal examination under a microscope. Giardiasis is commonly misdiagnosed or underdiagnosed because of intermittent shedding and difficulty identifying cysts and trophozoites. The Companion Animal Parasite Council (CAPC) recommends testing symptomatic (intermittently or consistently diarrheic) dogs with a combination of direct smear, fecal flotation with centrifugation, and a sensitive, specific fecal ELISA optimized for use in companion animals. The stool sample being examined needs to be fresh. Giardia is shed intermittently and may be difficult to detect. Sometimes pets must be retested to find an infection and asymptomatic carrier animals are common.

TREATMENT

All symptomatic dogs are recommended to be treated. No drugs are officially approved for treatment of giardiasis in dogs in the United States.Current evidence suggests that giving metronidazole in combination with fenbendazole concurrently for 5-6 days is more effective than each single medication, resulting in better resolution of clinical disease and cyst shedding. Treatment combined with bating and proper feces removal is paramount to prevent reinfection. Bathing at the beginning and end of the medication treatment is recommended to remove cysts and help prevent re-infection.



Ronidazole is starting to be used and more information is gained about it's efficacy against Giardia spp.

It is generally accepted that asymptomatic dogs may not require treatment. Factors to consider in the decision to treat include contact with vulnerable or immunocompromised humans or dogs, lifestyle of the dog and prior treatment history. In a kennel setting, I typically recommend treatment of breeding dams, since puppies are more at risk of developing diarrhea with underdeveloped immune systems.

Follow up testing may be done 24-48 hours after the completion of therapy if clinical signs have not resolved. It is recommended to perform a fecal flotation with centrifugation primarily for detection of cysts in solid or semisolid stools. ELISA tests may remain positive even after treatment for variable periods of time and should not be used as a guide to determine reinfection or failure of treatment.

Environmental areas (e.g., soil, grass, standing water) are difficult to decontaminate, but surfaces can be sanitized by steam-cleaning or use of commercially available disinfectants. Allow surfaces to dry thoroughly after cleaning.

Treatment failures may result from: reinfection, inadequate drug levels, immunosuppression, drug resistance and Giardia sequestration in the gallbladder or pancreatic ducts. The presence of immunosuppression, reinfection, or sequestration can usually be determined in a clinical setting. Reinfection is common in endemic regions with high environmental contamination.

PUBLIC HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS

Humans can suffer from giardia infections, however strains are species specific and are primarily acquired from other humans; transmission from dogs to humans appears to be very rare. Maintaining good hygiene practices such as regular handwashing and removing fresh pet fecal matter promptly is still recommended.

Environmental Decontamination

Giardia cysts are killed in the environment by freezing temperatures and by direct sunlight. If neither of these are practical for the area to be disinfected, a chemical disinfectant will be needed. Organic matter such as dirt or stool is protective to the cyst, so on a concrete surface do basic cleaning before disinfecting. Quaternary ammonia compounds can be used to kill Giardia cysts.

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	K Potts/D Tatro/T Potts		С
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	K Gordon/J Fisher/E Lima		R
6.	CH Sheppard's King Of Versailles	6.	G
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	L Nilges/B Coleman		J
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- 7. GCH CH Jen-Jeans Tophat Look At Me Now J Icenogle
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- 9. Matajes This Magic Moment At Valley High S Proffit
- 9. CH Bk's Conemara El Cid B Smith/C Robinson
- 12. GCHB CH Randenn's One Punch Knockout B Stockdale/A Thomas
- 12. GCHB CH Krispin Hi Roller M Held
- 14. CH Joli Yaba Daba Doo C Paul/E Paul
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12.	GCH CH Lyon's Toys All In The Game P Smith/M Martin/P Lyon	11.	Matajes This Magic Moment At Valley High S Proffit
13.	Dazzles Of Mister Dynamite E Sicurello	13.	GCHB CH Krispin Hi Roller M Held
14.	CH Teva Rufino Tamayo (Vazquez) <i>P Martinez</i>	13.	GCHB CH Randenn's One Punch Knockout B Stockdale/A Thomas
14.	Windsong's For Elise C Lisi	15.	GCH CH Inspired By A Dream <i>L Strecky</i>
16.	Stardom's What A Gem L Nilges/B Coleman	15.	CH Joli Yaba Daba Doo C Paul/E Paul
17.	CH DiLusso's Ruby M Krivolapova	15.	CH Mar-El-To's Shake Your Shamrock J Dunlap-Snyder
17.	GCHB CH Bellastaff The Candy Man Can <i>G Dattilo</i>	18.	GCH CH Majestic's Harley S Fausel
17.	GCH CH Fantasy's Irresistible Prince Charming <i>F Lynn-Kuhlman</i>	18.	GCHS CH Terlingua Dark Side Dazzler <i>M Dempsey</i>
20.	GCH CH Timeless Now You See Me H Tatro/D Tatro	20.	Victory Shake It Shakira K Hulstein
20.	CH Loucan Dressed To Kill At Tlc L Thompson	20.	Loucan's Kiss My Ace At Roxmar M Roach/C Henry

NATIONAL OWNER-HANDLIED STATS

Starting from September 22, 2021 up to and including January 31, 2022 Source: Canine Chronicle

LONG COAT

SMOOTH COAT

1.	GCH CH Fantasy s Irresistible Prince Charming Fran L Lynn-Kuhlman	1.	GCHG CH Dazzles - Benaha s They Call Me The Streak <i>Callie Hernandez Terry Hernandez</i>
1.	GCHB CH Cavahua s I Showed Up In Boots Rita Bush	2.	GCHS CH Guichon s Having A Riot Junko Guichon
3.	GCHG CH Vista Lafleur s Lotus T Seas Mi Stephanie Schultes Deborah Long Beverly M Lafleur	3.	GCH CH Majesty s Making The Fur Fly Shawn Christine Jones
4.	GCH CH King s Fashionista Kimberly BLING Colleen Cramer Bryant Janetzke	4.	GCHS CH Terlingua Dark Side Dazzler Marilyn and Kathleen Dempsey
5.	GCHB CH Guichon s Woke Up Feeling Dangerous Linda Krawczonek	5.	GCHB CH Dazzles T Seas Mi Vista Hey Gigi Stephanie Schultes Deborah Long
6.	GCH CH Lynn Creek's Indian Outlaw At Benaha Callie Hernandez Callie Coughran Lynn Thompson	5.	GCHP CH Dartan Diamonds Are Forever At Viva Cecilia Bozzo
7.	CH Dnds All American Girl Donna Marie Ryder	7.	GCHS CH Kingsa s Taking A Wild Chance Pam Gaskin
8.	GCH CH Lyon s Toys All In The Game Patricia Smith Marcia Martin Patricia Lyon	8.	GCH CH Starry Night Wicked Warden Patty Vargas
9.	GCH CH Victory Cream Of The Crop At Mtnview Catherine E Jones	9.	GCH CH Firebird Farms Monsters Boss TammyL Judith L Hesser Marty Housley
9.	GCHS CH Chedon s Stuart Little At Cabaret Donna Bledsoe Kyle Potts Holly Norman Avery Conant	10.	CH Bravo s Let s Dance At Joelles Lisa Nave
11.	GCH CH Majesty N Calmont's Excellence I Am ENRNFDC03CA030JTK Sylvia M Mattson	11.	CH Knockout I Will Always Love You Gina Dattilo
11.	CH Wystas Ezekiel At Heavenly RN Toni Ruddach Joe Ruddach	12.	GCH CH It s Gold D Areta Dareta Barbara Pendergrass
11.	CH Loucan Dressed To Kill At TIc Laurie D Thompson	12.	GCHB CH Starry Night Dr. Drake Ramoray Shelia Weisman Walker Christine Randall
14.	CH Hi-C Miss Juju Bee Mrs. Susan F. Gartner	12.	GCHB CH Weestar I LI Remember You Christine L Foulk
14.	GCH CH Mcguire s Sweet Superstition Eve T Fogarty Christine McGuire	12.	GCH CH Conemara Racing Stripe Maria Pinto Smith

CORRECTION: NOHS Stats for smooths were incorrect in the last issue . The correct stats are listed below

Rank	Dog Name	Owner-Handled Name	Breed	OHS Points			
1	GCHG CH Kirana Malkanorah	Lo Wolfson Roz Maser	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	1005			
2	GCH CH Mar-EI-To s Throw Me A Kiss	Jennifer A Dunlap-Snyder Ryan N Snyder	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	895			
3	GCHB CH Starry Night Dr. Drake Ramoray	Shelia Weisman Walker Christine Randall	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	685			
4	GCHB CH Kingsa s Taking A Wild Chance	Pam Gaskin	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	455			
5	GCH CH Majesty s Making The Fur Fly	Shawn Christine Jones	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	445			
6	GCHB CH Jems Chicago Fire	Jessica Simon	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	380			
7	GCHS CH Dazzles - Benaha s They Call Me The Streak	Callie Hernandez terry Hernandez	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	365			
8	GCHS CH Terlingua Dark Side Dazzler	Marilyn and Kathleen Dempsey	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	275			
9	GCH CH Chihuahua Del Valle Call Me Olivia	Tea Rendic Dikan Rendic	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	270			
10	GCHS CH Guichon s Having A Riot	Junko Guichon	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	180			
11	GCHB CH Dazzles T Seas Mi Vista Hey Gigi	Stephanie Schultes Deborah Long	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	140			
12	GCH CH Krispin Hi Time	Dorene White Dail P Corl	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	100			
12	CH Kelane s Honey Badger At Cas	Susan Swords Christin Cease	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	100			
12	GCH CH Firebird Farms Monsters Boss	TammyL Judith L Hesser Marty Housley	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	100			
15	GCH CH Sheppard s I Walk The Line At Bellachi	Fran L Lynn-Kuhlman	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	95			
15	GCH CH Toltec Last Call S C FCAT2	Susan F Payne	Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	95			

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LONG COAT CHAMPION	Owner	ST	Breeder
CH Avalon's Soar Through The Sky	David H Graber	IN	Jean Nelson & Betty Nelson
CH Bcr I Walk The Line	Holly Maxwell & Shea O'Connell	NC	Holly Maxwell & Shea O'Connell
CH Bling Crosby	Ms. K. Bling /Ms. C. Cramer	MI	Kimberly BLING & Colleen Cramer
CH Candela (Sandoval)	Angel Sandoval	DF	Angel Sandoval
CH Chedon's Breaking New Diminsions	C. Wangsgard /D. Bledsoe /R. Bledsoe/B. Wangsgard	ОК	Ricky Bledsoe & Donna Bledsoe
CH Dnds Get Over Yourself	Donna M Ryder & Crystal Kaye	NV	Donna M Ryder
CH Dovanes Onemone Nemerosa	Brenda Diclemente & Anne Dunn	MI	Olga Dovane
CH Eva's King Julius Marcus Antonius	Dr. Brittany Nicole Parrish	ТΧ	Eva Peng
CH Glademist Highland Snow Prince	Layna Landers & Sheryl A Wineburner	KS	K.Wineburner/D. Bledsoe/S. Wineburner
CH H&H Lil Red Corvette	Michelle Irene Herod	AZ	Michelle Irene Herod
CH H&H Tesoro	Michelle Irene Herod	AZ	Michelle Irene Herod
CH Knockout Not Sure This Is Edible	Rachel K Green	CO	Rachel K Green
CH Kolibri Mini Dogs Nesquik	Sharon Massad	ТΧ	Alla Orlova
CH Loucan Dressed To Kill At Tlc	Laurie D Thompson	IA	Candace Henry
CH Lynn Creek's Delaware's Faithful	Patricia Lynn Stancil	DE	Lynn Thompson
CH Majestic's Jamaica Me Crazy	Sarah Fausel	CA	Sarah Fausel
CH Merwin San Saba Songdog	Ramona Craddock	ТΧ	Ramona Craddock
CH Pinewood Acres Been There Done	Marsha Henderson	ME	Marsha Henderson
CH Rafina Tanzanite Of Jetstar	Joie Chandler	WA	Barbara Pendergrass
CH Shar's Just Gi Gi	Sharon Massad	ТΧ	Sharon Massad
CH Skyline Such Conceit	Penny Lynn Tuominen	MN	Penny Lynn Tuominen
CH Sunrize Don'T Make Me Wet	Mr. Jessy Bechert	IN	Tammy Caswell
CH Sunset's Edweirdo Murphy Lcm	G Curran	ME	G Curran
CH Sunswept's A Perfect Delight	Shane Lorene Roley	NC	Pamela Corsa
CH Sweet Bean's Original Outlaw CGC	Jane Graham & Leah Graham Christine Randall	PA CO	Tracy Beman Jacob Torres
CH Torro N Starry Night Tropical CH Wildheart's Carbon Copy		NH	Cathy Lisi
	Cathy Lisi		-
SMOOTH COAT CHAMPION	Owner	ST	Breeder
CH Diamond Amulet Legend About Love	Ashley Thomas	PA	Olga Emelina
CH Happi Daze Storm In A Shotglass	Pat Schwab & Susan D Ritenour	VA	Susan D Ritenour
CH Hidden Valley Burning Like	Brenda Diclemente & Anne	MI	Brenda Diclemente & Anne Dunn
Dynamite	Dunn		
CH Hurd N Tlc's Halley's Comet	Mr. Max E Hurd & Laurie Thompson	IA	Mr. Max E Hurd & Laurie Thompson
CH lilan Kirin's Spot On	Doreen Blank & Barbara	CA	Doreen Blank & Barbara Gossett
CH Jilan Kirin's Spot On	Gossett		
CH Knockout Platinum Punch	Rachel K Green	CO	Rachel K Green
CH Knockout Tila Tequila	Rachel K Green	CO	Rachel K Green & Lana Bowes
CH Lavida Flying Ace	Bettina Marie Oborny	FL	Kathryn Sue Sunnenberg
CH Moonhill's Remembering The Red White	Susan Purdue	NY	Susan Purdue
CH Natelsong's Special Blend	Michelle Smith	CA	Michelle Smith

CH Stardom's Charmed I'M Sure	Brittany Coleman	FL	Brittany Coleman
CH Stardoms I.F.L.Y	Melissa Schnyder & Kora	PA	Brittany Coleman
CH Superiority Complex S Lipetskih Ozer	Yosmany Velazque & Natalia	FL	Dmitrii Kostin
CH Terlingua Majestic Legacy's Son Of	Sarah Fausel & Belinda Demaree	CA	Cara Ryckman
CH Valkyrie's Welcome To The Carnival	Jeri Johnson	WI	Jeri Johnson
CH Who's Can'T Jet Enough - S	Heather A Bondra	MI	Heather A Bondra
CH Work Hard Dream Big S Lipetskih	Natalia Kostina	SPA	D I Kostin
LONG COAT GRAND CH	Owner	ST	Breeder
GCH CH Bann Idol's Nuclear	Olena Johnson	LA	Kanchisa Chatrodvanit
GCH CH Dazzles Victory In Motion	Donna Jensen	ТΧ	Donna J Jensen
GCH CH Guichon's Pixie Dust	Junko Guichon	VA	Junko Guichon
GCH CH H&H's Mi Corazon De Leon Of	Carol Johnson	CA	Michelle Irene Herod
GCH CH Hangover's Just Couldn'T Call Em	Lauren E C Baugardner &	OH	K Snearey & N. Denny& M. Bowling
Cain	Kimberly Snearey		
GCH CH King's Fashionista	Ms. K. Bling / Ms. C. Cramer / Mr.	MI	Debra S King
GCH CH Somoco Jet Propelled	Ms. Jean B. Headley	AL	JeanHeadley
CH Sweet Bean's Above The Law	Christine McGuire & Carol A	NY	Tracy Beman
	Leslie		
SMOOTH COAT GRAND CH	Owner	ST	Breeder
GCH CH Hidden Valley Itz'Za Burning	Brenda Diclemente & Anne	MI	Brenda Diclemente & Anne Marie
Desire	Marie Dunn		Dunn
GCH CH Knockout Lyin' Eyes	Kjersti Bryson	UT	Rachel K Green
GCH CH Omega's N' Gato's Lil'Bits Of	Mrs. Petra Pinkham	SC	Sandra Murdock
GCH CH Pasco Wesann's Southern Cross	Pamela S Scott	GA	Pamela S Scott
LONG COAT CH GCH	Owner	ST	Breeder

Gina Dattilo

Joie Chandler

Graham

Owner

Donna Schroeder

Marsha K Henderson

Mrs. Cecilia Bozzo & Andrew

Regina Keiter & Tina Bregman

GCHB CH Bellastaff The Candy Man Can GCHB CH Furry Love Iceberg GCHB CH Linbrooke's Pale Ale Of Jetstar GCHB CH Schroeder's Twilight Sparkle GCHB CH Viva Bless Your Heart

LONG COAT CH GCH

GCHS CH One Love Hashtag Not Vanilla



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Cecilia Bozzo

Breeder

Donna Schroeder

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Tina Bregman & Grace Sette

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LONG COAT CHAMPION (CH)	Owner	ST	Breeder			
CH Bramver's Kiss Me	Beverly Quilliam & Wayne Baker	PA	Chizuru Kadowaki & Yokka I Chishi			
CH Chedon's Prince Charming	Donna Bledsoe & Richard Bledsoe	ТΧ	Donna Bledsoe & Richard Bledsoe			
CH Dazzles Moonlight Sonata Allegro CH Gizzy Rocky	Lorian Block & William Block Ms. Carol A Waters	FL FL	Linda Evans/Sandy Hanson/Donna Tonie Stephens & Sandra			
CH Prestige's Tell Me Something Boy	Stephanie VanGilder & Lana Bowes	FL	Stephanie VanGilder & Lana Bowes			
CH Promenade's Huckleberry Kid	Linda Hughes	ТΧ	Linda Hughes			
CH Sette's En Sanonofre Tengo Suerte	Grace Sette & Mary J Esquivel	NY	Grace Sette			
CH Stardom's Platinum Blonde	Brittany Coleman	FL	Brittany Coleman			
CH Torre Del Pilar Queen Of South	Shea O'Connell & Holly Maxwell	NC	Antonio Pilar Ruiz			
SMOOTH COAT CHAMPION (CH)	Owner	ST	Breeder			
CH Granello D'Oro-Pc Di San Gimignano	Cindy Carroccio	OR	Francesco Cochetti			
CH Jubilee Urban Pride Its All About Me	Ms. Penny L Urban	ΙL	Joann Doubrawa			
CH Knockout Tangerine Dream	Rachel K Green	CO	Rachel K Green			
CH Krispin Ever Body Nose Yur Name	Dail P Corl	PA	Dail P Corl			
CH Miso Miss Demeanour	Paula J Race & Amanda	ON	Paula J Race & Amanda			
CH Natelsong's Riot Act	Michelle Smith	CA	Michelle Smith/Kelee Hirn-			
CH Regalchis Lil' Surfer Girl	Kelee Hirn-Sheppard/John Sheppard	OR	Terry Nii & Martha Yoshizawa			
CH Sheppard's Magically Delicious	Kelee Hirn-Sheppard/John Sheppard	OR	Susan Molash			
CH Uriel Malkanorah	Sandra Ludmir Fleishman	PE	Sandra Ludmir Fleischman			
LONG COAT GRAND CH (GCH)	Owner	ST	Breeder			
GCH CH Chedon's Glademist Ghostly Spirit	Autumn M Smith & Tammy L Smith	ТΧ	K. Wineburner / D. Bledsoe/ S. Wineburner			
GCH CH Chedon's I Hope You Dance	Donna Bledsoe & Michele Shute	ТΧ	Donna Bledsoe & Richard Bledsoe			
SMOOTH COAT GRAND CH (GCH)	Owner	ST	Breeder			
GCH CH Halo's Spunky Queen Bee Stassi	Dana Baker	OR	Kristen Blackwell			
GCH CH It's Gold D'Areta Dareta	Barbara Pendergrass	MI	Celio Goncalves/Areta Rafaela			
GCH CH Mataje's Rising Star	Tanya C Wisler & Dr. M	ТΧ	Tanya C Wisler & Dr. M Wisler			
LONG COAT CH GCH BRONZE	Owner	ST	Breeder			
GCHB CH Bright Lights Rich Cousin	K. Gordon/J. Fisher/E. Paris	ТΧ	Ms. Kara Gordon			
SMOOTH COAT CH GCH BRONZE	Owner	ST	Breeder			
GCHB CH Dazzles Raising Cain	Laura Strecky	FL	Donna J Jensen			
GCHB CH Terlingua Trumped Up Romance At	Kelee Hirn-Sheppard/John	OR	Cara Ryckman			
LONG COAT CH GCH SILVER	Owner	ST	Breeder			
GCHS CH Sparklchi Eskimo Joe Buttons	Heather A Bondra	MI	Susan Sparkman			
LONG COAT CH GCH GOLD	Owner	ST	Breeder			
GCHG CH Sette's To The Moon And Back At	Tina Bregman	NJ	Grace Sette			

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LONG COAT CHAMPION (CH)	Owner	ST	Breeder
CH Dazzles Shar's Easy Rider	Donna Jensen & Sharon Massad	ТΧ	Linda Evans/Sandy Hanson/Donna
CH DiLusso's Ruby	Marina Krivolapova	NC	Marina Krivolapova
CH Feathurquest Dream With You	Patricia Ann Barnard	IN	Keiko Shimizu & Masaki
CH Sheppard's King Of Versailles	Miho Uchiyama	JPN	Kelee Hirn-Sheppard & John
CH Teva Rufino Tamayo (Vazquez)	Paula Martinez	MEX	Lilia T Vazquez Salinas
CH Timeless-Kachina Marty Mcfly	Sherrie Shirky & Kyle E Potts	ТΧ	Sherrie Shirky & Kyle E Potts
CH Weechis Spicing Things Up	Chrissy Lee Counts	FL	Clarissa D Buxton
SMOOTH COAT CHAMPION (CH)	Owner	ST	Breeder
CH Bk's Conemara El Cid	Barbara Smith & Conni Robinson	CA	Barbara Smith & Conni
CH Bravo's Let's Dance At Joelles	Lisa Nave	CA	Emily Buller & Lisa Connell
CH Chihuahua Del Valle Bliss Bliss	Lana Bowes	SC	Carla Mocete Talamantes
CH Destiny's Buzz Kill	Lana Bowes	SC	Lana Bowes & Shellie Venglar
CH Ga-To's Angel In Aspen By Tito	Tonie Stephens	SC	Tonie Stephens
CH Joli Yaba Daba Doo	Chelsay Paul & Evan Paul	OH	Lisa Knop
CH Mahogany's Blondie At Promenade	Lo Wolfson	FL	Lo Wolfson & Roz Maser
CH Roundabout Anna Maniac	David Brock & Michael Sweeney	NM	David Brock & Michael
CH Schroeder's Shirley	Donna Schroeder	MO	Donna Schroeder
CH Southern Hills Lil Miss Smarty Pants	Barbara Sikes	GA	Barbara Sikes
CH Stardom's Pistol Pete	Linda Nilges & Brittany Coleman	SC	Brittany Coleman
LONG COAT GRAND CH (GCH)	Owner	ST	Breeder
GCH CH Dazzles Dreams In Motion	Kazuyuki Yama	JPN	Linda Evans/Sandy Hanson/Donna
			Jensen
GCH CH Southern Hills Oopsey Daisy	B. Sikes/D. Sikes/ D. Robertson/ B. Harper	GA	Jensen Barbara Sikes & Doug Sikes
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· · ·	D. Robertson/ B. Harper	-	Barbara Sikes & Doug Sikes
SMOOTH COAT GRAND CH (GCH)	D. Robertson/ B. Harper Owner	ST	Barbara Sikes & Doug Sikes Breeder
SMOOTH COAT GRAND CH (GCH) GCH CH Bramver's Frank	D. Robertson/ B. Harper Owner Laura Strecky	ST FL	Barbara Sikes & Doug Sikes Breeder Chizuru Kadowaki
SMOOTH COAT GRAND CH (GCH) GCH CH Bramver's Frank GCH CH Inspired By A Dream	D. Robertson/ B. Harper Owner Laura Strecky Laura Strecky	ST FL FL	Barbara Sikes & Doug Sikes Breeder Chizuru Kadowaki Laura Strecky
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PERFORMANCE EVENTS

NOVEMBER	Dog	Owner	ST.	Breeder
Rally Novice	Schroeder's Greta The Game Changer RN NA NAJ TKN	Mrs. Brenda Landis	PA	Donna Schroeder
Rally Intermediate	GCH CH Destinas One & Only Chance Del Stack RI FDC RATO	T. Stackhouse & N. Dominguez / K. Dominguez	NV	Sarah Stackhouse & Terry Stackhouse
Rally Advanced	Rillito Sweet N Saucy RA CGCA CGCU	Teri Pursch & John	AZ	Jessica Kay Bennett
Rally Master 6	RACH2 Temple & Phipps' Angel Gets Her Wings RM6 RAE4 CGC TKP	Donna Brittain	TN	Karen Temple
Novice Agility	Companero Muy Picante NA NAJ	Karin Orman	AL	Karin Orman
Novice Agility	Demyan's Jazzy Giada Del Stack FDC NA OAJ ACT2	Terry Stackhouse/Jeanne Demyan/Susie McNeely	NV	Terry Stackhouse & Jeanne Demyan
Novice Agility	Schroeder's Greta The Game Changer NA NAJ TKN	Mrs. Brenda Landis	PA	Donna Schroeder
Agility Excellent	GCH CH Da Ya Think I'M Sexy? Del Stack FDC AX AXJ OF	Terry Stackhouse & Jeanne Demyan	NV	Terry Stackhouse & Jeanne Demyan
Master Agility	PACH7 Rossmoyne's Rizzo The	Brenda Landis	PA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
Excellent Preferred	Renowned MXP20 MXPC2 MJP21			
Master Century Agility Preferred 2	PACH7 Rossmoyne's Rizzo The Renowned MXP20 MXPC2 MJP21	Brenda Landis	PA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
Novice Agility Jumper	Destiny's Hombre Mas Interesante	Lorene K Sage	OR	Lana Bowes & Chanel
Novice Agility Jumper	Schroeder's Greta The Game Changer NAJ TKN	Mrs. Brenda Landis	PA	Donna Schroeder
Open Agility Jumper	Demyan's Jazzy Giada Del Stack FDC OAJ ACT2	TerryStackhouse/ Jeanne Demyan/Susie McNeely	NV	Terry Stackhouse & Jeanne Demyan
Open Agility Jumper	Schroeder's Greta The Game Changer RN NA OAJ TKN	Mrs. Brenda Landis	PA	Donna Schroeder
Master Gold Jumper	MACH2 Hi-Jinx Twisted On The Rocks! BN RE MXS MJG PJD MXF T2B2 FCAT CGCA	Ashley Cook	MD	
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 22	PACH7 Rossmoyne's Rizzo The Renowned MXP20 MXPC2 MJP22	Brenda Landis	PA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
Agility FAST Novice Preferred	Kiamichi's Ruff N Tuff Of Kyfo Manor NA NAJ NAP NJP NFP	Barbara Jeleski & Mr. Kyle Ralph Foster	ОК	Mr. Kyle Ralph Foster & Clarence Lee
Preferred Agility	PACH Carazo's Archangel MX MXJ	Nicolette Carazo &		
Champion	MJB MXP4 MXPB MJP6 MJPS PAX	Stephen Carazo	CA	
Preferred Agility	PACH8 Rossmoyne's Rizzo The	Brenda Landis	PA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
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Preferred Agility	PACH Carazo's Archangel MX MXJ	Nicolette Carazo &	CA	
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BCAT	Cavahua's A Dandy Little Kiss BCAT CGC	Adria K. Kelley	FL	Rita Bush & Jennifer Newton
BCAT	Hangover's Penny Lane BCAT	Mary Elizabeth Johnston	СА	K. Snearey & L. Baumgardner
DCAT	Annabella Boo DCAT	Dawn Malvasio Kuras	FL	UNASSIGNED
FCAT2	Pooh Corner's Boquillas FCAT2	Peggy Mitchell	VA	Alicelee Edgerton
Scent Work Container Advanced	King's Louisville Slugger FDC SWN SCA	Angela King	ОН	
Scent Work Interior Advanced	Tin Swirl N Blue SWN SCA SIA TKI	Tami Lynn O'Connell	VA	Deedra Jenkins
Canine Good Citizen	Weechi's Matilda Wrapped N Sable CGC	R. Slocum & W. Slocum	TN	Clarissa Buxton
Advanced Canine Good Citizen	CH Harborlights Up Up And Away CGCA TKN	Ms. Bonnie Raymond	ME	Bonnie Raymond
Advanced Canine Good Citizen	Rocky Balboa CGCA CGCU	Sarah Bradford	WI	
Canine Good Citizen	Rocky Balboa CGCU	Sarah Bradford	WI	
DECEMBER	Dog	Owner	ST.	Breeder
Beginner Novice	Victor Roo Bear BN	Jessica Destree & Grace Lynne	WI	
Rally Novice	CH Sweet Bean's Original Outlaw RN CGC TKN	Jane Graham & Leah Graham	PA	Tracy Beman
Rally Intermediate	CH Confetti's If This Is Heaven BN RI CGCA CGCU TKN	Lindsey King & Karen King	ТХ	Paula L McSwain
Rally Intermediate	Schroeder's Greta The Game Changer RI NA OAJ TKN	Mrs. Brenda Landis	PA	Donna Schroeder
Farm Dog Certified	GCHG CH Lf's Coconut Mojito Terlinga FDC TKN	Marilyn Dempsey & Kathleen Dempsey	ТХ	Josee Picard & Melanie Tailly
Open Agility	Schroeder's Greta The Game Changer RI OA OAJ TKN	Mrs. Brenda Landis	PA	Donna Schroeder
Master Agility Excellent	Walker's Ivy RI FDC MX MXJ NF FCAT10 THDA CGCA TKE	Jennifer Walker & William Walker	IL	UNASSIGNED
Master Agility Excellent Preferred	MACH Harley Jane Royce CDX PCD BN RE MXS MJS MXP MJP OF T2B	Paula Royce	LA	UNASSIGNED
Master Agility Excellent Preferred 2	MACH Attack Of The Bouncin Blueberry MXB MJB MXP2 MJP2 MJPB OF OFP T2 B	Jamie Novotny	ND	
Novice Agility Jumper Preferred	CH Confetti's If This Is Heaven BN RI NJP CGCA CGCU TKN	Lindsey King & Karen King	ТХ	Paula L McSwain
Master Excellent	Charley Harlow AX MXJ CGC	Janet Harlow	CA	
Master Excellent Jumper	Walker's Ivy RI FDC AX MXJ NF FCAT9 THDA CGCA TKE	Jennifer Walker & William Walker	IL	UNASSIGNED
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred	MACH Harley Jane Royce CDX PCD BN RE MXS MJS MJP OF T2B CGC	Paula Royce	LA	UNASSIGNED
Master Excellent Jumper Preferred 7	PACH Carazo's Archangel MX MXJ MJB MXP4 MXPB MJP7 MJPS PAX	Nicolette Carazo & Stephen Carazo	CA	
Master Bronze	MACH Attack Of The Bouncin Blueberry	Jamie Novotny	ND	
Jumper Preferred	MXB MJB MXP2 MJP2 MJPB OF OFP T2B			
	Cavahua's Belle Of The Ball BCAT	Adria K Kelly &	FL	Rita Bush
BCAT	THDA CGCA CGCU TKN	Richard Kelly		

FCAT3	Bob Hope Poulin AX AXJ XF FCAT3 ACT2 CGC TKI	Margaret J Poulin	ОН	
FCAT3	GCH CH Toltec Last Call S C FCAT3	Susan F Payne	FL	Susan F Payne
FCAT10	Walker's Ivy RI FDC AX MXJ NF	Jennifer Walker &	IL	UNASSIGNED
	FCAT10 THDA CGCA TKE	William Walker		
Scent Work Buried	Bluestardragon Q SWN SHDN	Sarah Horr	IL	
Scent Work Novice	Bluestardragon Q SWN SHDN	Sarah Horr	IL	
Scent Work	Bluestardragon Q SWN SCA SHDN	Sarah Horr	IL	
Container Advanced				
Scent Work Interior	Pearl The Money Pit RN SWA	Stacie Strauss	AZ	
Advanced				
Scent Work	Pearl The Money Pit RN SWA	Stacie Strauss	AZ	
Trick Dog Novice	Cobbycorp Snooks Wonder Dog RA CGCA TKN	Christine Scinta	NY	
Trick Dog Novice	Weechi's Matilda Wrapped N Sable CGC TKN	Rebekah Slocum & William Slocum	TN	Clarissa Buxton
JANUARY 2022	Dog	Owner	ST.	Breeder
Beginner Novice	Walker's Ivy BN RI FDC MX MXJ OF FCAT10 THDA CGCA TKE	Jennifer Walker & William Walker	IL	UNASSIGNED
Rally Advanced	Walker's Ivy BN RA FDC MX MXJ OF FCAT10 THDA CGCA TKE	Jennifer Walker & William Walker	IL	UNASSIGNED
Novice Agility	Bluestardragon Q NA SWN SCA	Sarah Horr	IL	
Novice Agility	Cupcake's Play The Game Tonight	Carrie Griffen-	NY	Jaime Walker
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Master Agility	PACH8 Rossmoyne's Rizzo The	Brenda Landis	PA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
Excellent Preferred	Renowned MXP21 MXPC2 MJP22			,
Open Agility Jumper	Wild Blue Casual Friday OAP OJP	Rachel Shaw	VA	Rachel Shaw
Preferred	NFP			
Excellent Agility Jumper	Schroeder's Greta The Game Changer RI OA AXJ TKN	Mrs. Brenda Landis	PA	Donna Schroeder
Master Silver Jumper	Cupcake's Ob-La-Di Ob-La-Da Life Goes On BN RN FDC MX MXB MXJ MJS MXF T2B	Bridget Kennedy	FL	Jaime Walker
Master Excellent	PACH8 Rossmoyne's Rizzo The	Brenda Landis	PA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
Jumper Preferred 23	Renowned MXP21 MXPC2 MJP23			
Master Bronze	PACH8 Rossmoyne's Rizzo The	Brenda Landis	PA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
Jumper Preferred 3	Renowned MXP20 MXPC2 MJP22			
Agility FAST Novice	Starlyn's Dancing In The Moonlight OA AXJ NF ACT1	Lynne K Brady	FL	Lynne K Brady
Agility FAST Novice Preferred	Wild Blue Casual Friday OAP OJP NFP	Rachel Shaw	VA	Rachel Shaw
Agility FAST Open	Walker's Ivy RI FDC MX MXJ OF FCAT10 THDA CGCA TKE	Jennifer Walker & William Walker	IL	UNASSIGNED
Agility FAST Excellent	Destiny's Hombre Mas Interesante	Lorene K Sage	OR	Lana Bowes & Chanel
Scent Work Interior	Emily's Sweet Heart Of Okatoma	Emily Lambert &	MS	Patricia Lambert
Novice	SCN SIN SEN	Patricia Lambert		
Scent Work Interior	Rossmoyne's Kiddie Karz SCN SIN	Mrs. Sharon M	VA	Mrs. Joyce B Gutshall
Novice	SEN	Bolles		
Scent Work Exterior	Okatoma's Sir Oliver Doodle SCN	Patricia Lambert	MS	Ms. Patricia Ann
Novice	SIN SEN			Lambert & Miss Emily
Canine Good Citizen	Bamm-Bamm Of The Palm CGC	Mr. Robert Joseph Pierre Armand / Ms. Louise Le	FL	Candace Henry
Canine Good Citizen	Murphy's Irish Eyes Are Smilin CGC	Pamela O'Neil	FL	

Canine Good Citizen	Pebbles Of The Palm CGC	Mr. Robert Joseph Pierre Armand / Ms. Louise Le	FL	Candace Henry
Canine Good Citizen	Tawko Zeroni CGC	Isabel Alvarez & Antonio Alvarez	CA	
Canine Good Citizen	TwoJ's Prestissimo CGC TKN	Beth Tatigian	MI	Jackie Parisek
Canine Good Citizen	X Marks The Spot In Happy Valley CGC	Sarah J Slyter	NY	Amanda Homan
Canine Good Citizen Urban	Murphy's Irish Eyes Are Smilin CGCU TKN	Pamela O'Neil	FL	
Canine Good Citizen Urban	Zenglein's Bella Crystal Rose CGCU	Penny Zenglein	CA	
Trick Dog Novice	Dykstra'S Harper Leigh Anne TKN	Kimberly Sue	IL	
Trick Dog Novice	Galileo's Cosmic Wonder TKN	Kristin Morales	ТΧ	Kristin Morales
Trick Dog Novice	Ouachitah Sandstorm BCAT TKN	Jennifer Walker	IL	Linda George
Trick Dog Novice	TwoJ's Prestissimo CGC TKN	Beth Tatigian	MI	Jackie Parisek
Trick Dog Novice	CH Wystas Ezekiel At Heavenly RN	Toni Ruddach & Joe	WA	Stacy Wong
Trick Dog Novice	X Marks The Spot In Happy Valley CGC	Sarah J Slyter	NY	Amanda Homan
Trick Dog Intermediate	CH Sweet Bean's Original Outlaw RN CGC TKI	Jane Graham & Leah Graham	PA	Tracy Beman
AKC Temperament	GCHS CH Terlingua Fifty Shades Of	Marilyn Dempsey &	ΤX	Cara Ryckman
Test	Charlie Tango ATT	Kathleen Dempsey		
Virtual Home Manners Adult	TwoJ's Prestissimo CGC TKN VHMA VHMP	Beth Tatigian	MI	Jackie Parisek





DISPELLING THE MYTHS OF CROPPED EARS, DOCKED TAILS, DEWCLAWS, AND "DEBARKING"

Purebred dogs are purpose-bred dogs: They come in all shapes and sizes. The characteristics that make each of these dogs unique also help them perform the functions for which they were bred.

The physical appearance of the dogs illustrates this, and is also an important part of each breed's history. For example, the thick body and heavy fur on a St. Bernard make it the perfect dog for mountain rescue. The short legs and long, narrow body of a Dachshund (German for "badger hunter") allow it to burrow underground to hunt badger.

Many owners of specific breeds wish to maintain their dog's historic practical function by having their puppy's ears cropped, tails docked, or dewclaws removed.

While some people unfamiliar with the breeds believe that these practices are purely aesthetic and question their necessity, these procedures often actually enhance the dog's ability to perform the tasks it is meant to do, and in many cases protect the dog from serious injury later in life.

Bark softening (often inaccurately called "debarking") is another hotly debated procedure. This is not purely a procedure of convenience, but rather a viable option that allows a dog in certain circumstances to remain in its loving home rather than being sent to a shelter.

Ear cropping, tail docking, dewclaw removal, and bark softening are not procedures of convenience, but rather safe and standard animal husbandry practices designed to protect the safety and welfare of dogs.

Understanding the Procedures

Ear cropping, tail docking, dewclaw removal, and debarking are procedures that are increasingly debated in the general public and in public policy. To help gain insight on these issues, let's begin by defining these terms:

Ear cropping is a procedure by which a dog's ears are trimmed, or "cropped", so that they can stand erect rather than flop over. Common breeds of dogs with cropped ears include Great Danes, all three sizes of Schnauzers, and Doberman Pinschers. The American Kennel Club (AKC) currently recognizes 20 breeds with cropped ears.

Tail docking refers to the removal of a portion of the tail. The length that is docked varies depending on the breed. Dogs with docked tails include Cocker Spaniels, Rottweilers, and Yorkshire Terriers. Currently, 63 breeds recognized by the AKC have docked tails. Some dogs, such as the Old English Sheepdog and Australian Shepherd, may appear to be docked, but may have actually been born with a "bobtail", or naturally short tail.

Dewclaw removal is a procedure by which the dewclaws, which are essentially extra claws that are located higher up the leg than the rest of a dogs' claws and serve little to no purpose for the majority of breeds, are removed. Most dogs are born with dewclaws.

While a few dogs, such as the Norwegian Lundehund, use them to scale rocky cliffs, the dewclaw serves virtually no purpose for most dogs. Active dogs are prone to getting them caught and torn, causing extreme pain and significant injury. For these cases, it is better for them to be removed shortly after birth when little or no pain is experienced, rather than to risk serious injury and infection later in an injured mature dog.

Tail docking and dewclaw removal are performed shortly after birth, when the puppy's nervous system is not fully developed. As a result, the puppy feels little to no pain, has no resulting pain memory, and experiences no lasting negative health issues. Some lawmakers have sought to require anesthesia for these procedures. However, since they are performed so soon after birth, anesthesia should not be required, as this could be life-threatening for the young puppy. Waiting until they are old enough to handle anesthesia would actually result in a more painful and traumatic procedure.





"Bark softening" (often inaccurately called "debarking") is a veterinary procedure that softens a dog's bark by altering a dog's vocal cords with a laser or biopsy tool. The dog may still bark, but at a softer volume. When performed correctly by a veterinarian, the most common method is minimally invasive and takes just a couple minutes to perform.

Bark softening is a veterinary procedure that may ultimately prevent a dog from ending up in a shelter or euthanized. Both the American Kennel Club and the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) believe that this is a viable veterinary procedure that may be an option for some owners when other efforts to correct excessive barking have failed. This safe, viable procedure will soften the dog's bark to a level that will not be a disturbance to the neighborhood, thereby allowing an owner to keep a dog whose excessive barking could otherwise be considered a nuisance. The AKC and the AVMA also agree that this procedure should only be performed by a qualified, licensed veterinarian.

Much of the opposition regarding these procedures comes from a misunderstanding of why and how they are performed. Many believe that these procedures are painful, performed purely for convenience or cosmetic reasons, and have no value. This is completely false. In fact, when properly performed, these practices are significantly less painful and much less physically traumatic for the dogs than other common elective surgeries such as spaying and neutering. Each of these procedures is a safe, humane standard practice that serves a practical purpose, and in the case of ear cropping and tail docking, may preserve a dog's ability to perform its historic function.

Ear Cropping and Tail Docking: A Historical and Practical Perspective

All dogs recognized by the American Kennel Club (AKC) are placed in one of seven groups based on the functions for which they were developed and often continue to perform. Ear cropping and tail docking are historical procedures, performed in some breeds for over 100 years, that can help dogs better and more safely perform the functions for which they were originally bred.

Dogs in the Working Group, for example have traditionally been used for a number of important tasks including serving as guard, search and rescue, and seeing-eye dogs for the blind. As a working breed, the Doberman's cropped ears help enhance its hearing, thereby helping it perform its tasks to the best of its ability. According to the Doberman Pinscher Club of America, "An erect eared dog can localize the source of a sound to within a 5-degree cone, whereas a drop eared dog can only localize a sound source to within a 20-degree cone. Since Dobermans do search and detection as well as search and rescue, cropped ears are a decided advantage."*

Other dogs, such as the Bouvier de Flanders in the Herding Group, were traditionally used for many purposes on farms, and "tails and ears were routinely cropped because they were easy targets for farm predators."**

Sporting Group breeds, such as spaniels, often go into thick brush to track game. While some of these breeds (such as a Labrador Retrievers) have thick, strong tails or tails with thick hair, other breeds have weaker tails with often wispy hair that are prone to injury when they run through thick brush or brambles.

In the same way, a docked tail on a Terrier makes it stronger, which in some situations can help protect the dogs. For example, the bottom two-thirds of the Airedale Terrier's tail is incredibly strong and may be used to help pull this largest of the terriers to safety in certain circumstances when they are performing a variety of activities including hunting animals in the ground or water, or serving as a working dog. The last third, however, is very weak and fragile. When not docked, the tail is prone to breaking, splitting, or other serious injuries.***

Public Policy Considerations

The American Kennel Club and its local dog clubs throughout the United States are extremely concerned about animal cruelty and are dedicated to the breeding and raising of healthy, happy dogs.

We strongly support laws that target irresponsible owners and those who would mistreat or harm animals. Likewise, it is important that any legislation seeking to protect dogs not arbitrarily ban these or other procedures that can protect a dog's safety and welfare. Standard, safe animal husbandry practices that preserve the ability of purpose-bred dogs to excel at the functions for which they were bred should remain legal and never be construed as cruelty.

In the same way, bark softening ("debarking"), which can preserve the home and the life of a noisy dog when other remedies fall, should not be banned. This decision, like other health care decisions, is one best left to the dog's owner in conjunction with their veterinarian, and should not be subject to arbitrary government regulations or restrictions.

Clearly defining animal cruelty, neglect, and mistreatment in statute will protect the safety of dogs and hold owners accountable without placing arbitrary restrictions on safe, accepted procedures that allow dogs to excel at the tasks they were bred to perform and ensure their welfare, health and safety throughout their lives.



*Theresa Mullen, DPCA Public Education Committee, "Living with a Dobe", published on <u>https://dpca.org/publiced/living-with-a-dobe/ears/</u> **Kitty Korth for the ABdFC, "Beginner's Guide to the Bouvier", published on <u>https://www.bouvier.org/beginner-guide-to-the-bouvier.html</u> ***Letter from the Airedale Terrier Club of America, Inc. to the American Veterinary Medical Association, June 6, 2009.



This was at the Presidential inauguration for Harry S. Truman, in 1949. Xavier Cugat, the well-known bandleader, hands President Harry S. Truman a chihuahua named Mo. *Photo Credit: Getty Images*



Photo of Alice Roosevelt, daughter of US President Theodore Roosevelt taken in 1902 with her Chihuahua, Leo. Alice was The Original White House Wild Child. She smoked cigarettes in public. She wore pants. She chewed gum. She placed bets with bookies, stayed out late partying, and - gasp rode in cars with men. Her father famously said of her "I can either run the country or I can attend to Alice, but I cannot possibly do both." Photo Credit: Wikipedia

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