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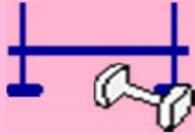


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Upcoming Events

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DDTC Events and Building Rentals

September 7-8 (set-up Sept. 6)—DDTC Agility Trials

September 19-21—Hamilton DTC Agility Trials

September 27-29—Unleashed Agility Trials

October 12-13—ASCA Agility Trials

October 17—DDTC C-Match

October 18-20—DDTC Obedience & Rally Trials

October 25-27—DDTC Agility Trials

December 7-8—Lessons with Sandra Ladwig

Class Schedule—Late Fall Session

Tracking Classes begin September 21

Agility Classes begin October 7 (*No classes the week of Oct. 14*)

Thursday Obedience Classes begin October 10 (*No Classes Thurs., Oct. 17*)

All other Obedience Classes begin October 14

Conformation Classes begin October 15

Rally Classes begin October 16

Scent Work Classes begin October 21

Board Meetings

Generally the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Building Cleaning

Thursdays; no equipment set-up for practice



AKC News

The following items are arbitrarily-selected highlights from the secretary's pages following recent AKC board meetings.

American Service Dog Access Coalition service dog program update

The AKC's Government Relations Department's Sheila Goffe provided an update on AKC's participation and leadership in the American Service Dog Access Coalition, a group of military service dog organizations that is developing an authoritative, voluntary, verifiable testing and credentialing program for service dogs.

The goal of this initiative is to work within existing federal laws to build a program to streamline travel for well-trained service dog teams, reduce the challenges faced by providers that accommodate service dogs, and deter the use of fake or poorly trained service dogs. The Board approved an unbudgeted expenditure of \$100 thousand for this initiative.

Task force on anti-breeder harassment or retaliation

In answer to concerns about harassment of breeders and unsupportable accusations of violations of animal welfare laws by activist groups, the board approved a Government Relations Department recommendation to develop an informal task force on anti-breeder harassment and retaliation with input from multiple AKC departments and outside experts.

The task force would centralize reports of breeder harassment or retaliation to AKC in order to review, compile, and disseminate information to address the fears and concerns expressed by breeders and enthusiasts. It will also assure responsible breeders, exhibitors and legislative liaisons of AKC's commitment to canine policy that protects responsible ownership and breeding and is reasonable, enforceable and nondiscriminatory.

Achiever Dog – results from the pilot program survey

The Achiever Dog pilot program launched December 1, 2017. At the end of one year, 33 thousand dogs had earned an Achiever Dog certificate. An e-mail survey sent to 25,464 owners of these dogs drew 5230 (21 percent) and produced the following key findings.

73 percent said the Achiever Dog program did not motivate them to do anything different.

Many respondents said that the criteria (a ribbon in three sports) was too easy.

88 percent agreed or strongly agreed that “AKC should promote versatility by acknowledging dogs that have demonstrated abilities in a variety of sports.”

60 percent agreed or strongly agreed that a purpose-bred dog program “would be of interest to owners by providing an evaluation of the traits that make a breed unique.” However, many respondents said that their breed had no breed-specific performance event or that their dog was a mixed breed and they were uncertain about the value of the program.

Based on the survey results, the staff recommended that the Achiever Dog pilot program be discontinued because the impact on entries does not support the cost of the program. However, the survey did show there is strong support for a program that acknowledges purpose-bred dogs (proper conformation, performance and temperament) and a program that acknowledges the versatility of dogs. The board agreed with these suggestions.

Sports & Events: 2018 in review

The sports and events presentation addressed the number of shows and entries, including travel distances, new initiatives and steps enacted to increase participation.

Overall entries reached an all-time high in 2018 with 3.243 million total entries. In 2018, total entries, grew by 106 thousand, the largest annual growth in 15 years.

Conformation entries were basically flat in comparison to 2017 with a total decline in 2018 of 0.02 percent or 336 entries.

Junior entries were up 5.8 percent, the largest increase in 12 years.

Agility entries were up by 13 thousand entries for a 2018 total of 1.229 million.

Obedience entries continued to decline at an average of -3.1 percent per year.

Rally was up 14.1 thousand entries for 2018.

Traditional performance events entry totals (field trials, hunting tests, herding, earthdog and lure coursing) continued a long-term decline that averages 1.1 percent per year.

Modern performance events (includes CAT, Fast CAT and Scent Work) showed a continual increase in participation.

CGC Certificates were up 21 percent in 2018.

Total number of titles issued in the Titles Recognition program continues to grow at a very healthy rate.

Entries in BPUP and NOHS also continue to increase annually.

Breed news

○ Airedales as Hunters

Airedales can now compete in retriever hunt tests after board approval of a request from the Airedale Terrier Club of America. ATCA has worked since the 1980s to preserve the breed's ability to locate and retrieve game. Their efforts resulted in a parent club gun dog test still in use and approval to participate spaniel hunt tests in 2009.

○ Dobermans as Working Dogs

The board also approved a working aptitude title for Dobermans that pass the Doberman Pinscher Club of America Working Aptitude Evaluation test. DPCA designed the test to help owners and breeders select and produce dogs that meet the temperament standard. Similar to the American Temperament Test Society test, the WAE evaluates five categories: sensitivity to sight, sound, and touch; social attraction; and protective response. The new title can be included on the dog's pedigree.

○ New FSS Breeds

The board accepted requests to add two new breeds to the Foundation Stock Service. The Bohemian Shepherd is a medium-sized black and tan dog resembling a German Shepherd. The Japanese Spitz is a small white breed in the spitz family. Both are eligible to compete in FSS shows and AKC companion events. See more information elsewhere in this issue and on the AKC website.



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AKC accepts two more breeds to the Foundation Stock Service

DDTC members and exhibitors will soon be able to see two new breeds at our trials as AKC has accepted the Bohemian Shepherd and the Japanese Spitz to the Foundation Stock Service, the first step on a breed's quest for full recognition. Both breeds are eligible to compete in obedience, tracking, agility and rally.

Bohemian Shepherd

The Bohemian Shepherd is an old landrace breed originating in what is now a large portion of the Czech Republic in Eastern Europe. Known as the Chodský pes in its home area, the Bohemian Shepherd is a medium-sized dog resembling a small thick-coated black and tan German Shepherd. Its appearance and breeding records dating back to the 16th Century lead some to consider it as one of the breeds used to develop the German Shepherd.



Males are 20-21 inches tall and weigh 41-60 pounds; females are slightly smaller and lighter. A long, thick, coarse topcoat and thick fluffy undercoat allow the breed to withstand harsh climates. Colors other than black and tan are not allowed.

This breed is active, agile, and highly trainable for a variety of sports. It is good with children, devoted to its family, and does well with other dogs if raised with them. A healthy breed, the Bohemian has a life expectancy of 12-15 years.

The Japanese Spitz

A relatively new breed developed in the early 20th Century, the Japanese Spitz closely resembles other spitz breeds, particularly the Samoyed, the American Eskimo, and the white Pomeranian. Each of these breeds share the thick double coat with a stand-off topcoat and carry the tail across the back. The breed developed from white-coated German Spitz dogs and was first shown in Japan in 1921. Over the next several years, breeders imported other small white spitz dogs to improve the breed and developed the breed standard after WWII.



The Japanese Spitz is 12-15 inches tall, weighs 10-25 pounds, and has a life expectancy of 12-14 years. The breed is healthy with patellar luxation being the main cause of problems.

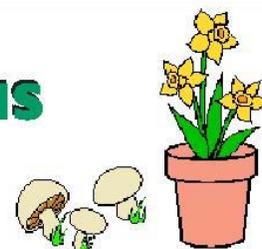
Like many other spitz breeds, the Japanese Spitz is smart, agile, and fun-loving. They are also loyal companions and good watchdogs with a tendency to bark.

Photos from Wikipedia



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Plants can be hazardous to your dog's health



Did you know that eating certain plants could make your dog sick or worse? Be aware of plants that are within reach of your dog. Listed below are some plants that can be harmful to your dog.

May cause vomiting and diarrhea:

Castor bean
Soap berry
Ground Cherry
Skunk Cabbage
Daffodil
Delphinium
Foxglove
Larkspur
Indian Tobacco
Indian Turnip
Poke weed
Bittersweet woody
Wisteria

May cause vomiting, abdominal pain
and/or diarrhea:

Almond
Apricot
Wild Cherry
Balsam Pear
Japanese Plum
Bird of Paradise bush
Horse Chestnut (Buckeye)
English Holly
Black Locust
Mock Orange
Privet
Rain Tree (Monkey Pod)
American Yew
English Yew
Western Yew

May cause varied reactions:

Azalea
Philodendron

Hydrangea
Kalanchoe
Lilies
Mescal bean
Mushrooms (if also toxic to humans)
Sunburned potatoes
Rhubarb
Spinach
Tomato vine
Buttercup
Dologeton
Poison Hemlock
Water Hemlock
Jasmine
Loco weed
Lupine
Matrimony Vine
May Apple
Moonseed
Nightshade
Angel's Trumpet

May act as hallucinogens:

Marijuana
Morning Glory
Nutmeg
Periwinkle
Peyote

May cause convulsions:

China berry
Coriaria
Moonweed
Nux vomica
Water Hemlock

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Heat, humidity, and dogs

The Miami River and Ohio River valleys are notorious for our humidity, and the hot, humid days in July and August can require some planning for keeping dogs safe and comfortable.

Heat stroke is probably the most common problem for dogs stressed by high heat and humidity and poor air circulation, and the most likely to be fatal. Symptoms are: panting; staring; warm, dry skin; extremely high fever (105 degrees or higher); rapid heartbeat; vomiting; dehydration; and collapse. Treatment includes immersion in cool water. If no tub is handy, spraying the dog with the hose is the next best option. Ice packs applied to the head and neck or towels soaked in cool water and placed over the dog's back and neck may also help. Heat stroke is life-threatening; get the dog to the veterinary clinic as soon as possible after lowering his temperature.

Heat exhaustion is less serious and generally follows heavy and prolonged exercise in intense heat. It develops more slowly than heat stroke and may be preceded by a salt deficiency or a complication of heart disease. The treatment is the same: lower the temperature with cool water, then get the dog to the clinic.

As with many maladies, puppies and elderly dogs are most susceptible to heat extremes as are dogs with shortened faces, dogs with heart conditions or kidney failure, and dogs on some medications. Heat exhaustion can also be a problem for dogs that are obese and those that are not in good physical condition.

A few hints

- Exercise early in the day or in the evening and limit vigorous play and work sessions unless the dog is conditioned for the temperature and humidity.
- Check dogs for ticks, fleas, thorns, weed seeds, insect bites, and skin lesions caused by itchy skin.
- Groom heavy-coated dogs to remove dead hair and prevent mats from forming.

Be aware that ...

- Dogs may not eat as much when it's hot and humid.
- Dogs can be cranky when uncomfortable in hot humid weather so should be protected from such irritations as boisterous children and given a safe place to rest when parties are in full swing.
- Dogs that are protecting their property don't know the difference between an intruder and a child trying to find his ball or Frisbee, so make sure neighborhood children know to knock on your door before entering your yard to retrieve errant baseballs, tennis balls, and other toys that get over your fence. Otherwise, lock or padlock the gate so they cannot get in.

- Dogs can become ill if fed leftover burgers, brats, or hotdogs from the family barbecue. Problems can range from stomach upset to diarrhea and even the potentially fatal bloat and stomach torsion. Symptoms of bloat include extreme restlessness, unproductive vomiting, a bloated appearance, and collapse. The disease progresses quickly; a dog that has stomach torsion can die on the way to the emergency clinic.
- Although science has made advances in pesticide formulas, dogs should not be exposed to pesticide use unless absolutely necessary. If a yard must be sprayed to get rid of poison ivy or other noxious weeds, read the label and keep the dog inside as directed and then some.
- Since dogs don't wear removable layers and sweat only through their paw pads, they pant away a lot of moisture during warm weather, so provide constant access to fresh water. Buckets can quickly get scummy, so rinse them daily.



Victory in Ohio: Pet Store Definition Amended to Protect Home-Based Breeders

By AKC Government Relations, July 18, 2019

This morning, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine signed the state budget. Thanks to legislative leadership, an amendment was included in the budget that addressed an issue that arose in late 2018 where the Ohio Department of Agriculture was requiring all who sell dogs in the state to be licensed and regulated as a retail pet store.

The new language now defines a “pet store” as an individual retail store that sells more than 40 puppies* or dogs in a calendar year* and the sales person, buyer, and the dog are all physically present during the sales transaction.

Current law already exempts rescues, shelters, and medical and research kennels. The new amendment also exempts high volume breeders as already defined in Ohio law, and any other dog breeder that maintains and sells dogs from the same premises where the dogs are bred and reared.*

This means that home-based breeders will not be required to register and or be subject to regulations as a retail pet store in Ohio. In cases where dogs may be bred or reared on another premises, home-based breeders will still be exempt so long as they sell fewer than 40 dogs in a year.

AKC thanks its state federation, Ohio Valley Dog Owners, and the many Ohio AKC clubs, sportsmen, fanciers and breeders who took the time to contact their legislators and the Ohio Department of Agriculture to educate them and express concerns. Your actions made a difference!

Please Join AKC in thanking key Ohio legislators!

AKC encourages dog breeders, fanciers and hobbyists in Ohio to thank the following legislators whose leadership protected Ohio hobby breeders and ensured that this amendment became law. We greatly appreciate their responsiveness to ensuring that the AKC’s concerns and interests were addressed. When contacting them, be sure to mention if you reside in Ohio, and if you are a constituent, include that as well in your communication.

- Senate President Pro Tempore Bob Peterson (District 17 – Clinton, Fayette, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Pike, Ross, and parts of Lawrence, Pickaway and Vinton Counties): (614) 466-8156 or email form at <http://www.ohiosenate.gov/senators/peterson/contact>

- Senator William P. Coley III (District 4- Part of Butler County, including Hamilton and Oxford): (614) 466-8072 or email form at <http://www.ohiosenate.gov/senators/coley/contact>
- Representative Sara Carruthers (District 51- Hamilton): Phone: (614) 644-6721. Email form: <http://www.ohiohouse.gov/sara-p-carruthers/contact>
- Representative Laura Lanese (District 23 – Grove City): (614) 466-9690 or email form at <http://www.ohiohouse.gov/laura-lanese/contact>

For questions or more information, contact AKC Government Relations at doglaw@akc.org.

** Underline emphasis added to highlight new words in the law.*

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FDA Continues Investigation of Non-Grain Dog Diets in Cases of Heart Disease

In July 2018, the federal Food and Drug Administration notified the public that it was conducting research into cases of canine dilated cardiomyopathy and a potential connection between the disease and the patient's diet. Incidence of the disease seemed to be higher in dogs eating grain-free diets that list peas, lentils, or other legume seeds or potatoes in any form (whole, flour, protein, etc.) among the food's first 10 ingredients.

FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine is collaborating with a wide range of stakeholders to evaluate information about the DCM cases and the diets of those pets but they have yet to establish why certain diets may be associated with the development of DCM in some dogs. Sporadic reports began in 2014, but since the alert in 2018, veterinarians reported more than 500 cases of DCM occurring in dogs with a diet containing legumes and potatoes. The reports indicated a departure from a typical genetic predisposition to the disease based on breed, age, and size.

Several avenues of research are underway, including analyses of various diets and consideration that the problem may lie in a combination of genetic predisposition and diet. FDA urges pet owners and veterinarians to report cases of DCM for evaluation in the effort to discover the cause of this sudden surge in cases and to discuss any changes in diet with their veterinarian.

For more information, check out the FDA report at <https://tinyurl.com/y64awdl3>.

BROWSING THE WEB

AVMA Presents Best Practices for Relocation of Shelter Dogs

Relocation of dogs (and cats) from areas of surplus to areas of scarcity is a complex and controversial issue. The American Veterinary Medical Association describes the rationale and the range of considerations in its report “Best Practices: Relocation of dogs & cats for adoption.”

The report urges careful management and planning to ensure that transported animals are safe and comfortable on their journey regardless of whether the transfer is regional, national, or international and irrespective of the mode of transportation and that risk of disease is minimized as much as possible. To these ends, the report includes several pages of recommendations.

In addition, while acknowledging the life-saving potential for relocation programs, the report notes that the stress of transport can negatively affect animals, that the disease potential rises when animals from different sources are transported together, and that relocation programs should not replace good, enforceable animal control policies in local areas.

“Best Practices: Relocation of dogs & cats for adoption” is on the AVMA website at https://www.avma.org/KB/Resources/Reference/AnimalWelfare/Documents/AVMA_BestPracticesAdoption_Brochure.pdf.

Researchers Look at Cannabis Product to Treat Canine Osteoarthritis

The University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine will conduct a clinical trial to evaluate the effectiveness of a hemp-based supplement in treating inflammation secondary to canine arthritis. The double-blind study will use a canine supplement product provided by Therabis, a subsidiary of Dixie Brands. The study is one of several research efforts exploring the use of cannabidiol products to treat pain in dogs.

See the PennVet article in dvm magazine at <http://veterinarynews.dvm360.com/penn-vet-run-cannabis-clinical-trial-arthritic-dogs> and follow the additional links to more information about the use of hemp-based supplements for canines.

New Study Centers on Spay/Neuter in Golden Retrievers

A study from the Morris Animal Foundation found a connection between sterilization surgery, obesity, and orthopedic problems in large breed dogs. The study involved 3000 Golden Retriever over a span of six years. About half the dogs had

been spayed or neutered and were from 50-100 percent more likely to become overweight or obese compared to the dogs that were kept reproductively intact.

In addition, although there seemed to be no correlation between age of sterilization and weight gain, dogs spayed or neutered before the age of six months had a much higher risk of developing orthopedic problems than dogs sterilized later.

The study is at <https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0209131>. More information on the Morris Animal Foundation's Golden Retriever Lifetime Study is at <https://www.morrisanimalfoundation.org/golden-retriever-lifetime-study>.

Canine Health Foundation Has Free Online Podcasts and Webinars

AKC's Canine Health Foundation offers several podcasts and webinars that discuss various health questions surrounding the training and health of canine athletes.

Intro to Sports Medicine, Dr. Joseph Wakshlag, Cornell University
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/intro-to-canine-sports.html>

Conditioning, Dr. Joe Spoo, DVM, The Gun Dog Doc
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/conditioning-for-the-canine.html>

Rehabilitation, Dr. Janet Van Dyke, Canine Rehabilitation Institute
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/canine-rehabilitative-therapy.html>

Cranial Cruciate Ligament, Dr. Jimi Cook, University of Missouri
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/cranial-cruciate-ligament.html>

Osteoarthritis, Dr. Duncan Lascelles, North Carolina State University
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/osteoarthritis.html>

Pain Management, Dr. Steve Budberg, University of Georgia
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/pain-management.html>

Early Spay and Neuter, Dr. Ben Hart, UC Davis
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/early-spay-and-neuter.html>

Hunting Dog Health Concerns, Dr. Joe Spoo, DVM, The Gun Dog Doc
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/hunting-dog-health-concerns.html>

Keeping Your Dog Fit for the Sport of Agility, Dr. Chris Zink, Dipl. ACVSMR
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/podcasts/keeping-your-dog-healthy-for.html>

Regenerative Medicine to Treat Orthopedic Conditions in Dogs, Dr. Sherman Canapp, VOSM
<http://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/Webinars/regenerative-medicine-to.html>

Miami Valley Animal Shelter News

Animal shelters in the region are expanding facilities and services to better meet their goals.

- **Animal Resource Center pushes forward with changes**

The Montgomery County Animal Resource Center continues its promise to enact changes recommended by Team Shelter USA after that organization evaluated shelter conditions and practices last November.

To fulfill the requirements outlined in the Team Shelter USA report, the shelter hired an interim director; added staff to improve services and animal care; initiated a foster care program; discontinued cat intakes; dropped behavior evaluations and fecal tests unless there's a specific concern about a particular dog; improved its 'foster to adopt' program; began daily rounds to assess each dog; and improved its adoption process.

The shelter is run by the county to enforce state animal control laws. The evaluation and report followed complaints about conditions and procedures by volunteers and residents. After investigation, the county fired the previous director and hired Team Shelter USA. The full report is at <https://tinyurl.com/yydvsdjg>.

- **SICSA is on its way to a new facility**

SICSA is about 60 percent finished with its new facility on Washington Church Road in Washington Township. The new building will allow the independent shelter to expand adoption services and animal housing; provide additional veterinary services such as in-house x-rays, more sterilization surgeries, and low-income wellness programs; improve rescue transfers and disease management; and increase outdoor activities for the animals on the five-acre property.

The shelter's capital campaign has raised \$4.66 million of the \$8 million goal for construction. The SICSA case study outlining its past record for adoption and other services and providing information about the new shelter is at <https://tinyurl.com/y26vv2yg>.

In Case of an Emergency

Who would take care of your dog if you were hurt and unable to do so? To make sure vital information regarding your dog is easily accessible to others, take a few moments to fill out this emergency information sheet.

List two or three people as contacts in case of emergency. Include the contact's name, address, and telephone number. Make sure at least one of the contacts has a set of your house keys.

You may also want your attorney to draft a written statement, which gives immediate custody of your dog to a designated individual with that individual's consent. Notify that individual of his or her responsibility, and put his or her name, address, and phone number on your emergency information sheet.

Attach a recent photo of your dog to the information sheet to help others locate your dog if it should wander off.

Put the information sheet on your refrigerator or other prominent spot in your house. You may also want to keep similar information in your wallet. If you are unable to care for your dog due to an accident or emergency, someone will be able to follow the instructions on the sheet to provide necessary care.

Emergency Pet Information

Pet's Name: _____

Sex: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Veterinarian: _____

Veterinarian's address: _____

Veterinarian's phone number: _____

Diet: _____

Allergies: _____

Medication instructions: _____

Location of food, dishes, biscuits, medication: _____

The following people will care for my dog in case of an emergency: _____

Name: _____ number: _____ e-mail: _____

Name: _____ number: _____ e-mail: _____

Special instructions: _____



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How Members Can Join DDTC Yahoo Group

by Sue Peterson

Send an email to ddtc-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Include your name, Yahoo ID, email address, and date you joined the club in the request. This is the best way to be added to the list. My sending you invites to join does not always work. It's a Yahoo thing.



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