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*This month's general meeting,
May 4th*

*Annual Awards
&
Dessert Night*

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*What's Ahead? June and July
with Ashley Foster!*

*June 1st
"Understanding Fear in Dogs"*

*July 6th
(subject to be determined)
Stay tuned for further updates!*

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BVKC

March Meetings:

General Meeting:

March 2, 2015 @ 7pm

Board Meeting:

March 30, 2015 @ 7pm

Dinner/Social time:

6:30pm

Meetings begin at 7pm

**Location: Mulligan's Pub
Fort Collins, CO**

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BVKC/AKC News



AKC CELEBRATES 4TH ANNUAL "CANINES AT THE CAPITOL" EVENT AT NC LEGISLATURE

By Jennifer Clark, Manager, Canine Legislation

It was one of the busiest days of the legislative year in North Carolina, but that didn't stop legislators, legislative staff, and state employees from responding to the AKC's invitation to "stop by on your lunch break and hug a dog!" at AKC's 4th annual "Canines at the Capitol" event on the lawn outside the North Carolina State Capitol.

The AKC brought a variety of dogs ranging from a retired AKC Grand Champion Great Dane, to a National Dock-Diving Champion Border Collie, to a 9-month-old long-haired dachshund puppy for legislators, staff and the public to meet. Attendees also enjoyed watching some of the dogs dash through the obstacles on an agility course. One staffer later told AKC staff that a group who couldn't make it outside due to committee meetings went to a window to watch the dogs run through the course.

Before the event the AKC Government Relations Department sent out invitations to legislators and staff, including "biographies" of each dog attending. The biographies provided fun facts about the dogs, and also highlighted the dogs' accomplishments and the many things their owners (and breeders) do to promote good canine health and breeding, responsible dog ownership, and good works in the community. Legislators and staff enjoyed meeting the dogs, learning more about them, and talking with the owners.

The popular annual event was once again warmly received by the legislature – several of whom thanked the AKC for coming and noted the calming effect that dogs had on all of them. The AKC also awarded a Legislator of the Year Award to Senate President Phil Berger in recognition of his work in 2014 on behalf of dog owners and breeders in the state. The award was a framed "Best in Show" rosette, and President Berger accepted it with a huge smile and quipped that it was his "first Best in Show award!"

"Canines at the Capitol was a tremendous success, and each year it becomes more popular," said AKC Government Relations Director Sheila Goffe. "It's a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate to the North Carolina General Assembly the many ways dogs enrich our lives, and all the many things the AKC does on behalf of dogs and dog owners in our state."



Member:



NC Senate President Phil Berger accepts an AKC Legislator of the Year Award from AKC Government Relations Director Sheila Goffe. Toula, a 4-month old Bernese Mountain Dog puppy, and her owner, AKC Human Resources Administrator Lori Spacek, look on from the sidelines. (c) Phil Guidry for AKC.

Rep. John Bradford of Mecklenburg County greets "Beast", a retired AKC champion Great Dane. (c) Phil Guidry for AKC. (see photo, left)

Public Education

When you register your purebred dog with AKC, you can participate in...

Agility

Agility blends training and athletic ability, creating challenge and excitement for every breed. Dogs demonstrate their ability to negotiate a complex course that includes climbing an Aframe, jumping through hoops, running through tunnels and pausing on command. Competing in agility requires proper training, as it is a game of physical skill, control, patience and, most of all, teamwork between a handler and dog. Obedience

Obedience

Obedience trials promote better canine-human companionship by encouraging basic good behavior in dogs. Obedience competitions test a dog's ability to perform a prescribed set of exercises. Competing in obedience requires preparation, as it is a game of control, patience and teamwork between a handler and dog.

Rally®

Rally is a sport in which the dog and handler complete a course that has been designed by the rally judge. The judge tells the handler to begin, and the dog and handler proceed at their own pace through a course of designated stations (10 - 20, depending on the level). Each of these stations has a sign providing instructions regarding the next skill that is to be performed. Scoring is not as rigorous as traditional obedience.

Dog Shows (Junior Showmanship) Dog shows celebrate and help preserve the distinctive features of different breeds and provide a forum in which dogs are evaluated for future breeding programs. Handlers enter the show ring with their dogs so judges can evaluate the dogs' conformation, or how closely their physical structure conforms to their particular breeds' standards (detailed descriptions of each breed).

Junior Showmanship offers children between the ages of 10 and 18 years of age an opportunity to develop their handling skills, learn about good sportsmanship and learn about dogs and dog shows. Juniors are judged on their ability to present, or handle, their dogs as they would in the breed ring. Juniors may also gain recognition in performance and field events such as obedience, agility, earthdog and lure coursing.

Field Trials

Field trials offer practical demonstrations of a dog's ability to perform in the field the functions for which it was bred. Field events are open to pointing breeds, retrievers, spaniels, Beagles, Basset Hounds and Dachshunds. Events vary according to breeds' functions, but in each case, dogs compete against each other for placements and points toward their championships. Hunting Tests Hunting tests evaluate a dog's hunting abilities on different elements of pointing, retrieving or flushing. The dog's ability to perform is judged against a standard of perfection established by the AKC regulations. AKC EVENTS in Brief When you register your purebred dog with AKC, you can participate in...

Earthdog

Smaller terriers and Dachshunds, which were originally bred to go into dens and tunnels in pursuit of rats, badgers and other quarry, participate in earthdog tests. The tests give dogs an opportunity to display their ability to follow game and "work" by barking, digging and/or scratching the quarry (game).

Tracking

Tracking tests, open to all breeds, evaluate a dog's ability to follow a trail by scent. The dog must find and indicate articles left on the track by a track layer. The handler must show all articles to the judges at the end of the track. Some of the most difficult tests challenge a dog to follow human scent across various surfaces and through changing conditions.

Coonhound Events

Coonhound events include bench shows, field trials, nite hunts and water races. At a bench show, dogs are put on benches to be judged for their conformation; then the dogs are taken around the ring at a trot to be judged on their movement. The other events test the dog's ability to follow the scent of a raccoon to the tree where it's hiding and to signal their owners that the quarry is treed.

Herding

Herding tests and trials demonstrate a dog's ability to herd sheep, cattle, goats or ducks under the direction of a handler.

Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club meets the first Monday of every month at Mulligan's Pub

DOES YOUR DOG BARK?

Most dogs bark, often for very good reasons. But few things will alienate you from your neighbors more quickly than letting your dog bark excessively. Nuisance barking is usually defined as howling, yelping, or barking that is frequent or habitual.

Why do dogs bark?

Dogs bark to communicate.

Dogs, like people, are social animals. Scolding or yelling at your dog when it barks will not make it stop. In fact, your dog may interpret your yelling as participation in the “conversation.”

Dog bark out of boredom.

A dog that is frustrated or bored may bark just for something to do.

Dogs bark to get attention.

Because they are social animals, dogs crave attention. If the only attention a dog receives is punishment for barking, it will bark to receive even that attention.

How can I keep my dog from barking excessively?

Train your dog to bark only when appropriate.

Interrupt inappropriate barking by distracting the dog. Drop a plastic soda bottle full of pennies or rocks somewhere near it. When it stops barking, praise it in a pleasant voice by saying “Good dog, that’s enough.”

Spend time playing with your dog everyday. Dogs that do not get enough interaction with people are more likely to bark out of boredom or to seek attention.

Give your dog chews and toys.

Keep your dog occupied when you can’t be home.

You can prevent nuisance barking before it starts by making sure your dog is happy, healthy and well-trained. Contact a dog club in your area for information about training opportunities. You can find a local dog club at www.akc.org/dic/clubs/search/club_search.cfm

www.akc.org

BVKC Committee Reports

Show Committee ~ It's not too early to get plugged in for next year's show, so please contact Kim if you would like to be involved. Show committee meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month

Kim: 970.219.9858

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Have you ever wondered what Tracking is? Would you like the opportunity to find out?

For more information, contact:

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Herding Committee ~

For more information on how you can become involved in Herding Events contact:

Val Manning ~ TerraNorte@aol.com

970-568-7708

Nearby Events ~

4/30 5/31 May 5/3 5/5 NADAC AG CO Mountain Dog Sports; Adams CFG; Brighton O Lindsey Cooper; 303-452-2786

5/2 5/5 AKC B/OB/R UT Beehive Cluster; Equestrian Center; South Jordan I Onofrio Dog Shows; 405-427-8181
5/2 5/5 AKC AG UT Intermountain KC (IKC); Equestrian Center, South Jordan; Mix Breeds Welcome! O Sheryl Harames; 801-985-5263

5/3 5/5 AKC AG NE Bellevue Dog Obedience Club; Nebraska Humane Society; Omaha O Karen Nenow; 816-587-2760 * 5/3 5/5 AKC AG TX South Plains Obedience Training Club; Panhandle South Plains FG; Lubbock I Nancy Culley; 505-861-5985

5/4 5/5 ASCA O/R CO Colorado Australian Shepherd Association; Elbert CFG; Kiowa; All Breed i Terri Morgan; 303-621-2128

5/3 5/5 Seminar AG WY Elicia Calhoun; Agility Club of Central Wyoming; Casper O Cindy Scott; 307-265-5719 *
5/10 5/12 AKC AG CO Western Colorado Agility Club; Mesa CFG; Grand Junction O Deb Ascher; 970-532-3124

5/11 5/12 USDAA AG CO Front Range Agility Club (FRAC); Adams CFG; Brighton O Michelle Hoppes; 303-604-9658

5/11 5/12 Teacup AG CO Rocky Mountain Agility (RMA); Arvada Zona Tooke; 303-420-0123 5/11 5/12 AKC OB/R CO Mtn. States DTC; Adams CFG; Brighton I Robert Miller; 15281 W Archer Dr, Golden, CO 80401

5/18 5/19 USDAA AG CO All Colorado Agility Team (ACAT); USC; Pueblo O Kelly Misegadis; 719-596-7115

* 5/18 5/18 UKC R CO Twin Peaks; Boulder CFG; Longmont; 2 trials I Michelle Hoppes; 303-604-9658

* 5/19 5/19 UKC OB CO Twin Peaks; Boulder CFG; Longmont; 2 trials I Michelle Hoppes; 303-604-9658

5/17 5/19 AKC B/OB/R CO Durango KC; Montezuma CFG; Cortez I Onofrio Dog Shows; 405-427-8181

5/17 5/19 AKC AG UT Pocatello Kennel Club; Willow Park; Logan O Susan Belger; 208-542-6552

5/18 5/19 Seminar OB CO Celeste Meade Semiar; Ewe R Here Farm; I Ann Carlson; 303-233-3243 5/19 5/19 AKC Tracking CO Denver Foothills Tracking Association; Denver West Office Park; Arvada; VST O Martha Rosner; 303-468-4327

* 5/19 5/19 Match OB/R CO Friends of Hounds; Fruitdale Park; Wheatridge I Carol Makowski;; 303-665-90075/27
5/27 AKC AG CO Cairn Terrier Club of Denver; Schaefer Sports Complex; Denver I Deb Ascher; 970-532-3124

5/24 5/27 ASCA AG CO Colorado Australian Shepherd Association; Elbert CFG; Kiowa; All Breed O Terri Morgan; 720-272-8998

* 5/24 5/27 ASCA O/R CO Colorado Australian Shepherd Association; Elbert CFG; Kiowa; All Breed i Sue Scott; 720-272-8998

5/24 5/27 ASCA Herding CO Colorado Australian Shepherd Association; Elbert CFG; Kiowa; All Breed O Geri Scheidt; 720-272-8998

* 5/25 5/26 DOCNA AG CO Prairie Dog Acres; Prairie Dog Acres; Strasburg O Sandy Chiavelli, 303-622-6976

* 5/25 5/27 AKC AG TX Amarillo Obedience Training Club; Tri State Fairgrounds; Amarillo I Carolyn Brand; 806-537-5358 5/25 5/27 AKC AG UT Salty Dog Agility Club; Davis County Events Center; Farmington I Suzanne Belger 208-542-6552

* 5/24 5/25 AKC B/OB/R WY Central Wyoming KC; Central Wyoming FG; Casper I Onofrio Dog Shows; 405-427-

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Good News to Share ~

Born February 21st on Jan's Birthday!!

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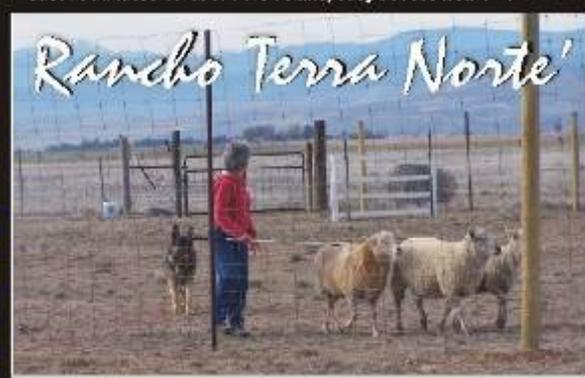
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