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*BVKC General Meeting Monday,
October 5th, 2015*

Photographer

*Margaret Coder will teach us ~
"How to take amazing pictures of
your dogs"*

BVKC Meetings:

Next General Meeting:
Oct 5, 2015 @ 7pm

Board Meeting:
Oct 28, 2015 @ 7pm

Dinner/Social time:
6:30pm
Meetings begin at 7pm

Congratulations to our Colorado Juniors who qualified for Eukanuba 2015!

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Roxanne Bashor

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Bailey Erger



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Caitlin Neeley

Christina Schinke

Asia Thompson

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Annessa Towell

Good Luck to all those who plan to attend!

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BVKC/AKC News



Separation Anxiety in Dogs

with Karen L. Overall, MA, VMD, PhD, DACVB, CAAB

The following interview was originally released by the AKC Canine Health Foundation as a podcast on June 12, 2014. If you prefer to listen to the interview, **the podcast is available at www.akcchf.org/dealing-with-separation**. In this interview, Dr. Karen Overall discusses an issue of major importance to many dog owners: separation anxiety in dogs. Dr. Overall received her VMD from the University of Pennsylvania, School of Veterinary Medicine and PhD in Zoology from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. She completed a residency in Behavioral Medicine at Penn and is a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Behavior (ACVB) and is certified by the Animal Behavior Society (ABS) as an Applied Animal Behaviorist. Dr. Overall's clinical work is focused on the humane treatment of troubled pets and their distressed people. Her research has 2 main foci, first to understanding the neurobiology and genetics of canine behavior and canine cognition, and second, the development of natural genetic and behavioral canine models for human psychiatric illness, particularly those involving anxiety, panic, and aggression.

AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF): First, can we start with a working definition of anxiety, fear, and phobia and whether we can use these terms interchangeably in dogs?

Dr. Karen Overall (OVERALL): We use these terms interchangeably in common speech because they are related behaviorally and neurochemically, but they are not the same. True fear always involves avoidance, with an apparent intent to decrease the probability of social interaction. This is in contrast to anxiety, where avoidance is not the first choice. Dogs that are driven primarily by anxiety may put themselves into a social system, although it makes them uncomfortable and worried. Fear and anxiety have signs that overlap. Some non-specific signs like lowering of the back shaking and trembling can be characteristic of both fear and anxiety. Phobias involve profound, non-graded, extreme response and manifest as intense avoidance, escape, or anxiety and associated with the sympathetic branch of the autonomic nervous system or ANS. At the core of virtually all behavioral conditions, especially those related to anxiety, is the arousal level of the patient.

Heightened arousal, beyond a certain adaptive level:

- * prohibits accurate observation and assimilation of the information presented,
- * interferes with processing of that information, and
- * can adversely affect actions taken based on these earlier steps.

It is worth remembering that when one diagnoses a problem related to fear or anxiety, one is doing so at the level of the phenotypic or functional diagnosis. While much treatment and subsequent assessment focuses on changing the non-specific signs apparent at the phenotypic level, if psychotropic medication is used, we are intervening at the molecular and neurophysiological levels (which we then hope will help change the phenotypic level). New evidence about epigenetic effects suggests that effects at the molecular and neurophysiological levels may be governing the signs expressed by which we recognize the condition and the manner in which neurophysiological and molecular effects act. Anxiety, in general, is broadly defined as the apprehensive anticipation of future danger or misfortune accompanied by a feeling of dysphoria (in humans) and, or somatic symptoms of tension (vigilance and scanning, autonomic hyperactivity, increased motor activity and tension). The focus of the anxiety can be internal or external. For an anxiety or fear to be pathological, it must be exhibited out-of-context, or in a degree or form that would be sufficient to accomplish an ostensible goal. The focus on context for the response and degree and form of behaviors informs all of our definitions of canine and feline behavior problems.

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Shortcuts to Important News

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Separation Anxiety in Dogs

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CHF: If we start with a focus on anxiety, what are the physiological and behavioral signs of anxiety in dogs?

OVERALL: Non-specific signs of anxiety include:

- * Urination
- * Defecation
- * Anal sac expression
- * Panting
- * Increased respiration and heart rates
- * Trembling/shaking*
- * Muscle rigidity (usually with tremors)
- * Lip licking
- * Nose licking
- * Grimace (retraction of lips)
- * Head shaking
- * Smacking or popping lips/jaws together
- * Salivation/hypersalivation
- * Vocalization (excessive and/or out of context) o Frequently repetitive sounds, including high pitched whines*, like those associated with associated with isolation
- * Yawning
- * Immobility/freezing or profoundly decreased activity
- * Pacing and profoundly increased activity
- * Hiding or hiding attempts
- * Escaping or escape attempts
- * Body language of social disengagement (turning head or body away from signaler)
- * Lowering of head and neck
- * Inability to meet a direct gaze
- * Staring at some middle distance
- * Body posture lower (in fear, the body is extremely lowered and tail tucked)
- * Ears lowered and possibly droopy because of changes in facial muscle tone
- * Mydriasis
- * Scanning
- * Hyper-vigilance/hyper-alertness (may only be noticed when touch or interrupt dog or cat – may hyper-react to stimuli that otherwise would not elicit this reaction)
- * Shifting legs
- * Lifting paw in an intention movement
- * Increased closeness to preferred associates
- * Decrease closeness to preferred associates
- * Profound alterations in eating and drinking (acute stress is usually associated with decreases in appetite and thirst, chronic stress is often associated with increases)
- * Increased grooming, possibly with self-mutilation
- * Decreased grooming
- * Possible appearance of ritualized or repetitive activities
- * Changes in other behaviors including increased reactivity and increased aggressiveness (may be non-specific)

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Separation Anxiety in Dogs

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CHF: What is separation anxiety?

OVERALL: Physical, physiological and/or behavioral signs of distress exhibited by the animal only in the absence of, or lack of access to the client. The diagnosis is confirmed if there is consistent, intensive destruction, elimination, vocalization, or salivation exhibited only in the virtual and/or actual absence of the client. In virtual absences the client is present but the dog or cat does not have access to the client (e.g., a door is closed). Signs of distress should be evaluated in currency and terminology that is meaningful to the dog (which is not usually the case; instead we evaluate client complaints). □ The most commonly reported behaviors (elimination, destruction, excessive vocalization) are only the most readily apparent signs of anxiety. □ Drooling, panting, freezing, withdrawal and cognitive signs of anxiety will be less commonly diagnosed because they are less apparent to people, but they occur and dogs displaying them may be even more profoundly affected than are dogs who show more obvious signs.

CHF: What are the physical and behavioral symptoms of separation anxiety?

OVERALL: Specific behavioral signs may include:

- * urination
- * defecation*
- * salivation
- * destruction*
- panting
- * pacing
- * freezing/ immobility
- * trembling/shaking
- * vocalization* (bark, whine, growl, howl)
- * diarrhea

Some dogs may show suites of correlated behaviors. For example, salivation appears to occur more commonly in dogs that freeze and become immobile. Clients will wish to note which suites of behaviors their dogs exhibit so that they can monitor these non-specific signs for changes (hopefully, improvement) during treatment. Separation anxiety is a condition that is often a problem for the client, so it gets a lot of attention, and lucky dogs have people who seek help. Veterinarians would be wise to use the increasing awareness of separation anxiety to educate clients about the extent to which separation anxiety and other behavioral conditions are problems for the dog and his quality of life. If clients understand that early intervention may prevent co-morbidity of behavioral problems and they understand which behaviors indicate problems, there is an increased chance that they will be better participants in the dog's behavioral and overall veterinary care. Asking about elimination patterns is incredibly important for assessing the presence of anxiety disorders, but even when this is routinely done, sporadic/periodic diarrhea or loose stool is often uncritically considered a sign of IBS/IBS. We need to be more critical in our thought process. If the dog always has diarrhea or soft/loose stool when the client returns home, but not on weekends when the client is home, the dog may have subclinical separation anxiety or separation anxiety that is undiagnosed. Clients who have rescue dogs or have adopted dogs from shelters may be 'pre-adapted' to watch for signs of separation anxiety. By ensuring that they know the history of dogs in their care veterinarians can provide anticipatory guidance. Affiliations between veterinarians – and pure breed groups - and shelter/rescue groups can only help decrease the severity of separation anxiety experienced by the affected dogs.

All dogs should be screened for all behavioral conditions at all appointments. The short history form in this text can help any veterinarian do this. Dogs with separation anxiety worsen the longer they are untreated.

CHF: Have researchers been able to define what causes separation anxiety in the first place? Is there a genetic predisposition to having this disorder or are their environmental triggers or life experiences that cause separation anxiety?

OVERALL: There IS likely a genetic predisposition to all of this. Separation anxiety is so many things that without a good survey of what dogs actually do we are unlikely to identify associations worthy of further study. We do not know what 'normal' is. Given that the different forms of separation anxiety respond differentially to meds and involve different regions of the amygdala...there is a lot to think about here. People think we understand all of this, and we do not. We tend to see most behavioral conditions appear as full blown conditions as the dog is undergoing social maturity but puppies 4-6 months of age can also show separation anxiety.

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Separation Anxiety in Dogs

CHF: Finally, when do you recommend using drugs to treat anxiety?

OVERALL: Early and often.

Diets like the CALM Diet® formulated by Royal Canin, which contains alpha-casozepine and an anti-oxidant complex of vitamin E, vitamin C, taurine and lutein is intended to be fed before and during stressful events. There are no specific, controlled data for the treatment of dogs with separation anxiety, and in the published literature the effects are mild.

Nutraceuticals like alpha-casozepine (Zylkene®), L-theanine (Anxitane®); Calmex® (which includes other compounds), and Harmonese® have been reported to help distressed and anxious animals, but there are no specific, controlled data for separation anxiety.

Because the act of being distressed, anxious, and panicky can itself contribute to the production of reactive oxygen species and other neurochemical stressors, non-specific treatment with anti-oxidants and omega-3 fatty acids (Nordic Naturals) may provide an ancillary benefit for patients with many behavioral conditions, including separation anxiety.

Dogs with separation anxiety and/or other co-morbid anxieties may have period diarrhea. There have been suggestions that probiotic supplements or additions of food containing probiotics (e.g., all natural yogurts) to the diet may favor a 'healthier' and less reactive gastro-intestinal system and provide 'immune support'. Data for such interventions in behavioral conditions are lacking – and clients should know this - but there are few to no risks to such approaches.

Medication is almost always an essential part of treatment of clinical separation anxiety. In the USA two medications have had veterinary labels and are licensed for use in dogs with separation anxiety (Reconcile® [fluoxetine: Lilly] and Clomicalm® [clomipramine: Novartis]; only Clomicalm is now marketed for dogs. Mostly, we use human generic medications.

As a result of the placebo-controlled, double blind studies required to license these medications we know that they substantively decrease distressed behaviors in dogs over a treatment period of 2 months.

Clomipramine has been studied for long-term treatment of separation anxiety with favorable outcomes.

For both the clomipramine and fluoxetine studies, treatment with medication sped the rate at which dogs acquired calmer behaviors through behavior modification, in addition to having direct effects on anxiety.

Medications to which these dogs best respond include/may include: o

- * TCAs (clomipramine, amitriptyline if in combination with an SSRI). If the separation anxiety is primarily characterized by ritualistic components, clomipramine may be the drug of choice.
 - *SSRIs (fluoxetine, sertraline, luvoxamine). If the separation anxiety is primarily characterized by explosive components, fluoxetine may be the drug of choice.
 - *SARIs (trazadone). Trazadone affects regions of the brain associated with motor activity and so may be a suitable ancillary medication for some affected dogs.
 - *Gabapentin, alone or in combination with TCAs and/or SSRIs, may be useful if reactivity is the primary concern. The side effect profile of this medication is favorable so clients may feel more confident when using it in combination with other medications. Because it affects BZD receptors it may also augment BZDs without some of the more systemic potential side effects of BZD (e.g., concerns about any of the hepatic metabolic pathways).
 - *Benzodiazepines (alprazolam, clonazepam) may be helpful if there is concomitant noise reactivity/phobia or the dog's reaction to a specific stimulus or set of stimuli is extreme because they affect the reticular activating system. BZD can be used as discussed in the protocols for noise/storm phobia and panic.
- Central alpha agonists like clonidine depending on the level of the arousal response. For dogs who panic this medication is an option should the dog be unresponsive to or suffer from side effects of BZD, and be unresponsive to gabapentin. Because clonidine affects central NE/NA receptors, the peripheral sympathetic response is lessened which helps some dogs who become quickly and profoundly distressed.
- *Because the diarrhea may be a non-specific sign of arousal, as needed treatment with Imodium may be beneficial since it will decrease a physiological component of arousal. Not all signs are equally controlled by all medications, a concern that may be addressed with polypharmacy.

CHF: Is there any benefit to using drugs concurrently with behavior modification?

OVERALL: The best use of medication is with behavior modification. All the placebo controlled double blind studies have shown that dogs treated with medication acquire the behavior modification more quickly.

Public Education

AKC LAUNCHES NEW PROGRAM PROMOTING BREEDER EDUCATION AND HEALTH CHECKS

The American Kennel Club will help breeders be more successful with the start of a new program that makes available on-line educational materials and marketing support for participants.

[AKC Bred with H.E.A.R.T.](#) stands for Health, Education, Accountability, Responsibility, and Tradition. Preparing breeders to produce healthy, excellent examples of their breeds is the program's goal.

The Bred with H.E.A.R.T. website features the latest information in genetics, breeding practices, and anatomy. Breeders have the great opportunity to take online courses by renowned breeder Claudia Orlandi Ph.D., who shared her two books, *ABC's of Dog Breeding* and *Practical Canine Anatomy & Movement*.

Orlandi's incredible career in purebred dogs includes breeding some of the top [Basset Hounds](#) in the country with her late husband, Dom Orlandi, under the Topsfield kennel prefix. She has been honored as the AKC Breeder of the Year; she is a judge and former chairman of the Breeders/Judges Education Committee for the [Basset Hound Club of America](#). She often travels the country, sharing her vast knowledge of breeding as a speaker at seminars and symposiums.

"Knowledge is power in all phases of our lives!" Orlandi said. "The more a breeder knows about the science of breeding healthy dogs the more they can control canine genetic diseases in their breeding programs."

All breeders can study the material in Orlandi's books at no charge on the AKC Bred with H.E.A.R.T. website. They also can opt to be tested on the materials and receive a course completion certificate upon passing the examinations.

The AKC Bred with H.E.A.R.T. website will include other educational material to help breeders, including those just getting started. Courses include Breeding Basics and Care & Feeding of the Breeding Bitch.

The program strongly promotes responsible breeding through health testing. The site will include a list of all Parent Club recommendations for health testing for their given breeds.

"What I like about the Bred with H.E.A.R.T program is that it gives breeders a path to follow and motivates and helps them chart a course towards an improved breeding program with an emphasis on good health," Orlandi said. "I also feel it encourages breeders to share thoughts and talk more openly about health problems, which is absolutely critical to good breeding."

Breeders can choose to enroll and become an AKC Bred with H.E.A.R.T. breeder if they meet the requirements of having registered at least one litter with AKC within the past five years and being in good standing with AKC. They also must agree to the following:

- Certify that applicable health screens are performed on breeding stock as recommended by the respective AKC Parent Club and be prepared to supply proof of such compliance upon request

Comply with the [AKC Care and Conditions Policy](#), including inspection(s) by the American Kennel Club or its duly authorized representative

- Comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations regarding the ownership and maintenance of dogs
- Complete AKC-approved and/or AKC-provided continuing breeder education courses annually
- Complete the online application process and pay an annual fee of \$25 per breed

The AKC rewards breeders who take the pledge with benefits including use of the Bred with H.E.A.R.T. program logo on AKC dog registration applications; breed-specific web banners for the breeder's website; search result preference in AKC On-Line Breeder Classifieds; \$5 litter registration coupon; discounted microchips; and \$35 in annual credit for online reports.

But the best benefit is the access to the priceless information on breeding, anatomy, and genetics found in Orlandi's books. The books break down the complex topics into easy-to-understand language with illustrations and photographs.

"Several years ago I had a conversation with the late great George Padgett, author of *Control of Canine Genetic Diseases*, in which we were discussing...the importance of keeping things simple in terms of breeder education, and he said, 'Claudia, if breeders only knew that by applying a few important, easy-to-understand genetic principles they could have a lot more control over not only conformation but also diseases in their breeding programs,'" Orlandi said.

"These simple, important genetic principles as well as key anatomy features for developing an eye for a dog, are the points of departure in the *ABC's of Dog Breeding* and *Practical Canine Anatomy & Movement* education programs. By understanding and applying these straight forward scientific concepts, my hope is

Public Education ~

DNA Research and Dog Breeding



Among other things, breakthroughs in genetic research have revolutionized dog breeding. It's removed the guesswork from many aspects of the job, thus allowing us to focus on our real task of creating a living work of art. Since the first canine disease mutation was identified back in 1989, researchers have documented hundreds of mutated alleles that can signal a hereditary predisposition to various health issues.

The pace of these innovations and technological advances kicked into overdrive following the completion of the \$30 million canine genome map in 2005. It's led to the identification of DNA markers for countless traits and an avalanche of tests to facilitate the identification and management of genetic disorders. The rapid, multifaceted evolution of this field makes it difficult to pin down the scope of screening procedures now available. Currently, 43 laboratories worldwide offer almost a hundred different tests for conditions affecting approximately 120 breeds.

Because predictive genetic testing has been such a game changer, one crucial factor of this situation is frequently overlooked. So far, this fledgling industry has been largely unregulated. Along with the steady flow of innovations there have been growing concerns about the potential for misapplication and misuse of this technology.

In reality, the speed of technical transformation overtaking biomedical research has made it nearly impossible to effectively regulate any aspect of this brave new world. Arguably, the lack of restriction has encouraged scientific insight and entrepreneurial genius. It's also led to a mess of inconsistent testing procedures with variable accuracy and no definitive guidelines to determine which mutated alleles genuinely merit consideration as predictive indicators.

Although many genetic hallmarks have been linked to various conditions, they are not equally significant predictors of disease. For instance, affected individuals don't invariably develop any or all aspects of an associated condition. Equally often, a genetic predisposition represents just one of several contributing factors that ultimately tip the balance into disease. This is one of those gray areas where science and ethics collide.

However, most current worries stem from the growing number of agencies providing an expanding repertoire of testing services to analyze blood and tissue samples. Discrepancies in their equipment and methodology can and does lead to conflicting results and scientific confusion. And this need for industry standardization is looming larger as mainstream medicine increasingly relies on DNA markers to diagnose disease and tailor treatments based on personal genetic profiles. In that respect, the big mess could become a lot messier.

But we may be making some headway to untangle this formidable ball of confusion. Recently The National Institute of Standards and Technology announced that it now has a stake in the game. Since 1901, this non-regulatory federal agency has been developing and defining quality control benchmarks euphemistically known as SRMs (Standard Reference Materials). A mind-boggling array of public and private industries and agencies utilize NIST SRMs as a baseline of standardization and quality control. Genomic researchers can now access the newest addition to the extensive NIST database of quality control benchmarks, their brand new database of Short Tandem Repeat (STR) DNA markers to gauge the consistency and accuracy of gene sequencing and testing.

Developments in canine genomics frequently parallel innovations in human genetic research and NIST has published a partial list of canine STR markers documented in scientific literature to date. The International Society of Animal Genetics has also developed a set of validated canine genetic

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Public Education

markers that labs can use for comparison and standardization purposes. However, the value of the ISAG Profile is dependant on its reciprocal use by testing labs, which is voluntary rather than mandatory.

Obviously, cohesive universal standards and practices are the key to mainstream utilization of this technology. But even without it, the biomedical industry is churning out a growing mountain of genetic data and consumer dollars are the rocket fuel propelling this business to new heights.

Today, DNA heritage testing ranks as the largest, and possibly most notorious, sector of the genetic screening industry. Marketed directly to consumers, the fallibility of these tests began making news back in 2009 when the FDA provided a reality check aimed at curbing overblown marketing claims and customer expectations about these tests. Federal intervention has encouraged tighter standards and more realistic product descriptions, and certainly didn't deter the demand for home test kits that run about \$100-\$250.

Canine versions first hit the shelves around 2007 and were originally marketed to consumers as a way to satisfy their curiosity about their dog's ancestry. Priced comparably to the human versions, they often yielded conflicting, sometimes laughable results. Most of the problems stemmed from the typical industry issues. Each lab compiled its own database of genetic markers and used its own methods to assess samples and interpret results. Those additional variables compounded the already substantial challenges of unraveling randomly bred, undocumented canine family trees.

Despite their hefty price tag and questionable accuracy, demand for this product has remained consistently strong. Over 12 companies now offer canine heritage testing from \$100-\$200, making a multimillion dollar business out of this most popular canine genetic test.

Perhaps it's controversial and ethically questionable but marketing has become an accepted feature of American health care. It also underlies the aggressive efforts to expand the market for this particular expensive novelty product which is now being promoted as a predictive health screening tool and more. Armed with this information, owners can supposedly tailor their dog's environment, training, and veterinary care.

That claim is based on research which acknowledges a link between certain mitochondrial mutations and markers for genetic disorders. But that's the extent of scientific evidence to support these promotional efforts. The debatable accuracy or diagnostic value of these tests really doesn't matter because the average consumer views DNA testing as the cutting edge of scientific precision. Americans spent 48 billion dollars on their pets last year. That rather staggering figure certainly suggests that owners want the best for their pets and they are more than willing to pay for it. And that definitely includes canine heritage tests to screen randomly bred dogs for breed specific health disorders, medication sensitivities, and predict a pup's adult size, activity level, and behavioral propensities.

It's true that these tests have improved and are now promoted as being 85-90 percent accurate. Even so, utilizing this information to proactively manage veterinary care amounts to a purely speculative exercise simply because it is based on unproven assumptions about the heritage and genetic makeup of undocumented ancestors with inferred medical and behavioral predispositions. It also seems rather counterintuitive when you consider that these genetically jumbled designer dogs have been consistently promoted as the healthy, temperamentally balanced alternative to "genetically defective, mentally unstable" purebreds. Of course, consumers can always resort to that old school, low-tech method to predict a dog's physical appearance, health, and behavior parameters – choose a documented purebred.

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BVKC Committee Reports

Show Committee ~ Next Meeting of the Show Committee will be **September 16th**. If you want to get plugged in for this year's show, please contact Kim (Show committee meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month) Kim: 970.219.9858
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- * 10/3 10/4 **Teacup AG CO** The Dog Training Center; Pueblo West I Mike McCoy; 719-821-4300
- 10/2 10/4 **AKC AG WY** Agility Club of Central Wyoming; Central Wyoming FG; Casper I Karen James; 307-237-7206
- * 10/3 10/4 **ASCA O/R CO** Colorado Australian Shepherd Association (CASA); Douglas CFG; Castle Rock; All Breed I Geri Scheidt; 303-243-083 10/3
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- * 10/1 10/2 **AKC Herding CO Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club**; Rancho Terra Norte; Wellington; AHBA; O Val Manning; 970-568-7708
- * 10/4 10/4 **AKC Tracking CO** Denver Foothills Tracking Association; Denver West Office Park; Arvada; VST O Martha Rosner; 303-468-4327
- * 10/9 10/11 **AKC AG CO** Terry-All KC; Adams CFG; Brighton I Deb Ascher; 970-532-3124
- * 10/10 10/11 **AKC Herding CO Buckhorn Valley Kennel Club**; Rancho Terra Norte; Wellington; A&B, HT, PT O Val Manning; 970-568-7708
- * 10/10 10/11 **ASCA O/R CO** Colorado Australian Shepherd Association (CASA); Elbert CFG; Kiowa; All Breed I Terri Morgan; 303-621-2128
- * 10/11 10/11 **AKC Tracking CO** Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club; Chatfield State Rec. Area; Littleton; VST O Lynn Kaemmerer; 303-794-9246
- * 10/17 10/18 **AKC AG CO** Longs Peak DTC; Arena Sports; Windsor I Deb Ascher; 970-532-3124
- * 10/17 10/18 **AKC OB/R CO** Pikes Peak Obedience Club; Latigo Trails; Elbert I Helen Hittesdorf; 303-457-1350
- 10/23 10/25 **NADAC AG CO** Mountain Dog Sports; Adams CFG; Brighton I Lindsey Cooper; 303-452-2786
- * 10/17 10/17 **AKC Earthdog CO** Cairn Terrier Club of Denver; Elizabeth O Sandy Trzos 303-838-9636
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- * 10/25 10/25 **AKC Tracking CO** Denver Foothills Tracking Association; Chatfield State Rec. Area; Littleton; TD O Lynn Kaemmerer; 303-794-9246
- * 10/22 10/25 **AKC AG KS** Hutchinson KC & Wichita DTC; Kansas State FG; Hutchinson I Chris Odell; 620-669-9629
- * 10/24 10/25 **AKC B/OB/R CO Buckhorn Valley KC**; Island Grove Park; Greeley I Onofrio Dog Shows; 405-427-8181
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and gone! I hope that you
have been having a lot of
fun with your companions ;)*

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