APRIL 2015



ODKC BARK





ODKC President's Report







2015 Nomination Proposal

President: Damara Bolte 1st Vice President: Lisa Knock 2nd Vice President: Doug Madej

Treasurer: Sandy Lady Secretary: Emma Darling

Board of Directors

Laurie Brandt, Jane Lodge, Susan Sorbo, Claire Wisch

Membership Jane Lodge, Laurie Brandt, Jody McLellan

Grievance Jane Lodge, Michelle Madei

It was an encouraging turn out at Lisa Knock Brown's home last Sunday. It was great to see so many new faces and have their interest formed to support the club with membership applications and work on Show Day. We were assembled for our annual pre show meeting Popeye's Chicken Feast! Tasty fare and good camaraderie.

I can't emphasize enough the need for more and younger members.

Let's all hope and pray for a good entry as our entries close 4/1/2015 and we will be receiving the count soon. We trust the outcome will not be an April fool's joke! Aahhhh we now have the entry totals: 2112 dogs entered and 2285 total entry. This is down slightly from last year's Easter Weekend, but we will work together to make this year's show a positive, enjoyable experience for all!

I look forward to really identifying each one of you and am welcoming you to the team. It really is a fun endeavor and a great team to be part of. This message includes those participants who signed as of Sunday's meeting. If you have not signed already, fear not just come and join in. We will find a way to keep you busy! See you soon! DB





ODKC Time Line Cherry Blossom Planner 2015				
Date	Club	Time	Task/Job	Volunteers
April 15 Wednesday	CBC Vendor Layout	3:00 PM	1.Pipe/drape set 2. Meet at the Cow Palace to mark off/label vendor spots 3. Grooming area chalked/marked begun	Bill, Corrine, Damara, Kim, Jane
April 16 Thursday	CBC Set-up	9:00AM- 6:00PM	1.Grooming area chalked/marked continued, 2.Tables/chairs distributed, 3. Signage distribution- Herb's Large signs, ODKC paper signs 4.Specialty areas roped/marked 5. Decorate Cow Palace, 6.Flags/Banners hung 7. Club tables set-up 8.Flag up 9.Trash containers out. 10. Ex pens ready 11. PURINA & AKC Areas set-up?	Carl, Corrine , Kim, Damara, Jane, Julie,Susan, Emma, Karin, Ruth, Barb E,
April 17 Friday	1.BaltimoreCo Combined Specialties,2. Columbia Terrier Spec.	8:00AM- 9:30PM	Check Specialty Designated areas Continue signage, 3. Saturday Specialty areas A.ODKC Judge Hospitality 6:30-8:30 5.Judge/worker lunchroom set-up, 6. Obedience area Friday evening w/ Lamar 6. Tape OB ring plates, 7.ODKC signs up R. PURINA & AKC Areas set-up	Kim, Damara, Jane L, Susan, Nina, Jane M, Jody, Ruth, Madge, KarenD
April 18 Saturday	ODKC	6:00AM- 7:30 PM	Judge Transportation to the grounds, 1a.Club & Spec. Table/s set-up & checked, 2.Hospitality & Ring Set-up, 3.Exhibitor Breakfast, 3.Flowers out, 4.catalog sales set-up, 5.trophy display set-up, 6.Announcer set-up/relief, 7.Obedience coverage, 8. Spectator \$ Site Control & Dog Show Tours 9.Group ring set-up, 10.Afternoon delight set-up, 11.Site clean-up 12, AKC RH Seminar 1/2hour after BIS	DB, JL, Emma, Karen, Kim, Colleer Carl, Corrine, Susan Sorbo,Jane M, Doug, Michelle, Barb, Julie, Laurie, Nina, Madge, Sandy,Jan, Allison, Barb V, Lisa, Claire, Rosemary,
April 19 Sunday	BCKC	7:00AM- 6:00PM	Ring set-up, general assistance?	Damara, Jane, Kim, Corrine
April 20 Monday	Catoctin KC	7:00 AM	Judge transportation AM/PM, 2.Hospitality set-up.3. General assistance throughout day 4. Tear down CBC show weekend, 5. Collection of CBC/CKC/ODKC items for storage. 6. ODKC Flag & Coffee Pots collected	Damara, Jane, Corrine, Laurie

CHERRY BLOSSOM CLUSTER















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COME ONE COME ALL!!!
EVERYONE'S HELP IS NEEDED

WE ARE PACKED & READY TO ROLL!!!









AKC Delegate Committee Meeting Report – March 2015 Submitted by Sarah Gaunt

The AKC Delegates Meeting was held March 10, 2015. The agenda included the election of the Board of Directors – Class of 2019. Elected were Dr. Carmen Battaglia, Dr. Thomas M. Davies, and Stephen D. Gladstone. In addition, Ronald H. Meneker and Carl C. Ashby III were elected Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board respectively.

Highlights of current Chairman, Alan Kalter's report included the following:

The announcement of the H.E.A.R.T. program created as a resource for the General Public to find puppies from responsible breeders who are demonstrating a validated commitment to continuing education and health testing. A new Chief Veterinary Officer will be appointed to oversee this initiative.

The expansion of the Club Event Support program which includes an email marketing initiative for AKC sanctioned events that invites AKC registrants within 100 miles of the event to attract potential new exhibitors and club members. The contact person at AKC is Stephanie Smith sxs2@akc.org There is no charge for this service.

President Dennis Sprung announced the appointment of Michael Basone who will serve as Vice President of Technology and be responsible for enhancing technological efficiencies within AKC. Mr. Basone is the past President and Chief Technology Officer of Weightwatchers International.

Mr. Sprung also related the transition of forty-six (46) Registration and Customer Service employees from working on-site to working remotely at home offices. This decision coupled with the release of one-half floor of the NC office space should result in a net savings of \$1.8 million over a five-year period.

Chief Financial Officer, Joe Baffuto reported that core registration revenues in 2014 were about equal to that of the prior year at \$27 million. (481,000 dogs, 210,000 litters – 2014) (479,000 dogs, 214,000 litters – 2013) However, over the previous 5 years, there was a 7% decline in dog registration and a 8.75% decline in litter registration. AKC's total revenue of \$59.7 million in 2014 nearly matched that of \$59.9 million in 2013. AKC's total expenses of \$53.8 million in 2014 represented a 2% increase as a result of marketing efforts. Events do not produce revenue, therefore, Chris Walker and his team are dedicated to creating a pathway to the 57 million dog households in the US. Interestingly, the AKC core constituency of clubs, exhibitors, judges, breeders represents only about 105,000 households.

Staff Recommendations include:

Companion Dog Club - Discussion regarding a new club designation called Companion Dog Club. AKC clubs are built around specific sports and breeds. Companion Dog Clubs would be for owners that desire social activities built around providing fun and educational things to do with their dogs.

Point Schedule Discussion –Proposal to modify the confirmation points schedule calculation by excluding events with breed judging held near a designated Parent Club National Specialty Club. The Board voted unanimously that breed judging within 50 miles and plus/minus three days of Parent Club designated National Specialty show be excluded from the points-scheduled calculation process. The modified points schedule formulation process will be implemented in the next points schedule which has an effective date of May 15, 2015.

Reserve Best Junior Handler – A club offering Junior Showmanship may offer Reserve Best Junior Handler. This revision will be effective October 7, 2015 in order to be consistent with the "Top 10" Junior competition calendar year.

The year-end report on entries and events for the twelve month period ending December 31, 2014 confirms that entries were down 1% and events were up by 2% compared to the same period in 2013. In the case of confirmation, all-breed, group and specialty shows, entries were down 2%, up 3% and down 2% respectively.

As of January 1, 2016 the American Hairless Terrier will be included in the Terrier Group and the Sloughi will be included in the Hound Group. New Breeds for Foundation Stock Service include: Basset Fauve de Bretange, Russian Tsventnaya Bolonka and Translvania Hound.

Finally, it is with great sadness that I must report that long time ODKC member Ron Boutileer, a Dashund breeder, passed away recently at ninety seven. A special friend, a great contributor to ODKC. Please feel free to contact me with any questions/suggestions. alchemyseg@aol.com





THE DEFINITION OF "MAN'S BEST FRIEND" BY JOAN HARRIGAN

Reprinted from: The Canine Chronicle

We've all seen Rin Tin Tin's acts of heroism on the silver screen or read about heroic dogs rescuing drowning victims or finding lost children. But it is not every day that one hears about a puppy -- less than 4-months-old -- prompting his owner to seek medical treatment and perhaps saving her life as a result.

Diane and Harry Papazian of Staten Island, N.Y. lost their first Doberman, Jet to liver failure when he was only four. Handler Kelly Marquis served as a reference to breeder Susan James of Raindance Dobermans, who agreed to sell them a show prospect puppy. "We were supposed to take him home at 16 weeks, but we just couldn't wait," Diane Papazian explains. They picked Troy up when he about ten-weeks-old, and allowed him to sleep in bed with them at night.

"Troy was well behaved, but he kept nuzzling my left breast," Papazian says. Troy was persistent, and soon Papazian noticed that the area began to itch. She felt a lump in her breast that she hadn't noticed before and saw her doctor the next day.

"I'd had a clear digital mammogram only five months before," Papazian continues. When the lump was diagnosed as an aggressive malignancy, already at Stage 2 and three centimeters in size, Papazian realized what Troy had done for her.

Had the diagnosis not been made until her next mammogram, her prognosis might have been very different. Today, Papazian is cancer-free.

Troy grew up to be GCh Raindance Led Zeppelin of Marquis—and an Award of Merit winner at Westminster 2014. At home, "he's a real lap dog," Papazian says. He's very gentle, wonderful with children, and not easily spooked by anything. He's appropriately protective, sounding the alarm when a stranger approaches the house, but quieting instantly when the person is introduced as a friend. When he's with Marquis for shows, her 5-year-old daughter, Gabrielle sleeps with him.

Marquis calls Troy "the best boy I have ever shown -- solid, dependable, and willing." His startling ability -- as a very young puppy -- to recognize that something was amiss with Diane Papazian has won him a nomination for an "Emerging Hero" award from the American Humane Association. The Papazians have also done numerous media interviews about their companion and show dog.

In the benching area, Harry Papazian brings Troy out of his crate to meet a new set of admirers. He's a big, solid, handsome black and tan boy, but he gambols like a puppy in front of Harry. Only after an enthusiastic greeting for the owner who has been standing right outside his crate does Troy turn his attention to his public.

Not every dog can be a hero. Not every dog needs to be. In Troy, the Papazians have just what a Doberman was meant to be -- a calm, intelligent, trainable dog. That he also happens to excel as a show dog is a bonus. That he was able to spot a medical issue with his new owner is nothing short of extraordinary.





MEMBER BRAGS!!!

CONGRATULATIONS SARAH GAUNT!!



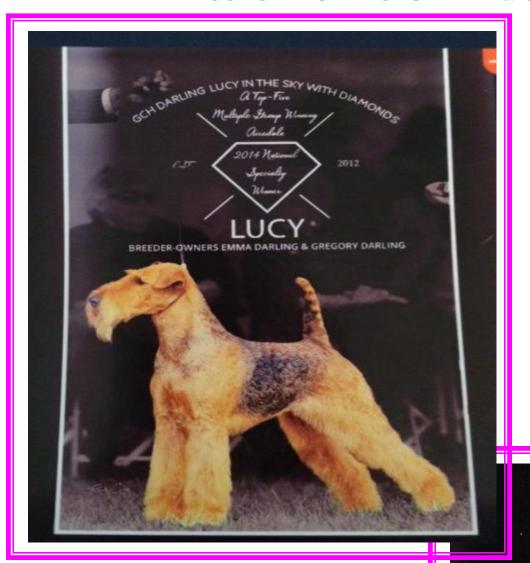
Mr. Rick, who is only shown once in a while still maintains the #1 spot in Black Russian Terriers. He also won the BRT National this





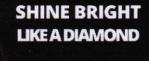
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CONGRATULATIONS EMMA & GREG DARLING!!



LUCY
Moving on UP!!!
4 First Place Awards
recently and Multiple
Winning Placements











MEMBER BRAGS!!!

CONGRATULATIONS SUSAN SORBO!!



At 20 months old, Ace, Shanabrio n Otien's Par One, finished his Championship with 3 - four point majors (2 in York, PA.) His litter mate sister, Page completed her Championship at 9 months old. I am so proud of the two of them. There is more to come for both as Page has completed 19 points towards her Grand Championship and Ace is sure to follow in her footsteps.





MEMBER BRAGS!!!

CONGRATULATIONS Damara Bolte & Jane Lodge







CONGRATULATIONS ANNIE ANDREWS







"Work continues on the fall show, which has been approved, and now the panel has been submitted to Events for approval.

Most of you may know that Middleburg Kennel Club has opted out of their shows for the next two years, and, as a result, many of their Specialties and Supported entries have moved over to the Hunt Country Cluster. So far, we have added Irish Setters, Afghans, Leonbergers, Borzoi and Mastiffs. Hopefully these will stay with us in the future, and expand our fall show. We certainly have the room for many more dogs.

At our last show, one of our exhibitors who is connected in some way with a private school in the greater Washington area, auctioned off "A Day at the Dog Show" at a fundraiser for that school. It was won by a lovely twelve year old girl, who, with her parents, spent most of the day with us. We gave her an in depth tour of the whole show site on a golf cart, took her to Junior Showmanship competition, put a committee badge on her, let her sit in on group judging with our chief steward, and made her the trophy presenter. The event was a great success, so our exhibitor offered the same "Day at the Dog Show" this year, and it went for \$750.00. Last year's winner had planned to repeat -- alas, the bidding went over their budget.

What a great idea, and what a perfect way to introduce newcomers to our wonderful sport! "



SANDY LADY-Fall Show Chairman





FOLKS,

I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to making the ODKC Bark phenomenal with Brags, Activities, Updates, AKC Delegate Reports and Photography.

Everyone needs to continue sending me your brags, photographs, news, activities, etc. I will publish any and all newsworthy articles and information. Please use jpeg format for photo's.

As you can see, I added an article from *The Canine Chronicle* on "MAN'S BEST FRIEND". I thought you might like to see it again if you were not able to get it off your e-mail.

I did struggle with this BARK as there was not a lot of input. This is your newsletter so PLEASE submit information to me for the next quarter's publication. No matter how small/irrelevant you think your information is, we as ODKC club members would love to share in your glory or support you with comfort.

Enjoy the Spring weather and hope to see you at the show!

Letter from the Editor: SUSAN SORBO

