ATTENTION DELEGATES

NOTICE OF MEETING

The next meeting of the Delegates will be held at the Rosen Centre Hotel, Orlando FL on **Friday**, December 14, 2018, beginning no earlier than 10:00 a.m. It will follow the Delegates Forum which will begin at 9:00 a.m.

DELEGATES CREDENTIALS

**Richard. L. Austin**, Oreana, IL, Sandemac Kennel Club

**Jennifer L. Guinn**, Wood Dale, IL, Chicago Bulldog Club

**Douglas Warren Johnson**, Colorado Springs, CO, Colorado Springs Kennel Club

**Kelly D. Reimenschissel**, Highland, UT, Utah Valley Kennel Club

**Cathy Sumeracki**, New River, AZ, Border Collie Society of America

**Anne L. Testoni**, PhD, Bolton, MA, Wachusett Kennel Club

NOTICE

Ms. Joanne Brazeau (Rockaway, OR) Action was taken by the Richland Kennel Club for conduct at its September 28, 2018 event. Ms. Brazeau was charged with inappropriate, abusive, or foul lan-
The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a reprimand and a $100 fine. (Mastiff)

**NOTICE**

Mr. Mitch Foust (Nampa, ID) Action was taken by the Bonneville Basin Kennel Association for conduct at its September 14-16, 2018 event. Mr. Foust was charged with inappropriate, abusive, or foul language. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a reprimand and a $100 fine. (Brittany, Irish Setter)

**NOTICE**

Ms. Denise Riley (Huntsville, MO) Action was taken by the Jesse James Kennel Club for conduct at its August 18, 2018 event. Ms. Riley was charged with neglect at or in connection with an event and unacceptable conditions dogs and/or facility. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a one year suspension of all AKC privileges and a $1000 fine. (Pug)

**NOTICE**

Ms. Tudor Wessels (New Market, AL) Action was taken by the North Georgia Kennel Club for conduct at its September 14, 2018 event. Ms. Wessels was charged with failure to properly control a dog at an event. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a reprimand and a $200 fine. (Great Dane)

Ms. Lorene Wilson (Laguna Beach, CA) Action was taken by the Group IV Terrier Club of Salt Lake for conduct at its September 14, 2018 event. Ms. Wilson was charged with inappropriate public criticism of a judge, not disruptive, but demonstrating a lack of sportsmanship. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the Event Committee’s report and set the penalty at a reprimand and a $50 fine. (Multiple Breeds)

**NOTICE**

The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has reprimanded Ms. Iza Kabuska (Rio, WV) for submitting a registration certificate of transfer on behalf of the co-owner without a Power of Attorney form on file. (Multiple Breeds)

**NOTICE**

The Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended the following individuals from all AKC privileges for five years and imposed a $1000 fine for refusing to make their dogs and records available for inspection when requested:

- Effective October 8, 2018
- Ms. Linda Galan (Plymouth, CA) Multiple Breeds
- Mr. Ernie Miller (New Haven, IN) Multiple Breeds

**NOTICE**

The Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Chad Wolf (Atglen, PA) for six
months and imposed a $500 fine, effective October 8, 2018, for refusing to make his dogs and records available for inspection when requested. (Multiple Breeds)

**NOTICE**

The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has suspended Ms. Debbie Benedict (Somerset, PA) from all AKC privileges for fifteen years and imposed a $3000 fine, effective October 13, 2018, for conduct prejudicial to purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or to the best interests of The American Kennel Club based on her violation of the AKC’s *Judicial or Administrative Determination of Inappropriate Treatment Policy.*

(Multiple Breeds)

**NOTICE**

**REPRIMANDS AND FINES**

Notification of reprimands and/or fines imposed on clubs for late submission of applications.

Chapter 2, Section 4 & 9.

- Boston Terrier Club of Portland ..................$90
- Cook Inlet Kennel Club ..........................$60
- German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Oregon $90
- Kenosha Kennel Club, Inc.........................$60
- Michigan Hound Association ...................$90
- Mid-Florida Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club ..................................................$60
- Poodle Club of Alabama, Inc ....................$60

Notification of reprimands and fines imposed on clubs for late submission of judges panel.

Chapter 4, Section 1.

- Copper State Basenji Club .......................$60
- Dallas-Ft. Worth Toy Dog Club ..................$60
- Greater Houston Golden Retriever Club $60
- German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Washington .................................................$90
- Greater Houston Golden Retriever Club $60
- Washington Poodle Club, Inc ..................$90
- Yorkshire Terrier Club of Southeastern Michigan ..................................................$60

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS**

**CHAPTER 3, Section 13 – Dog Show Classification**

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 3, Section 13**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee and amended by Staff. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

**CHAPTER 3**

**SECTION 13:** A Club that provides Winners Classes shall also provide Competition for Best of Breed or for Best of Variety in those breeds for which varieties are provided in this chapter. The awards in this competition shall be Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed. The following categories of dogs may be
entered in this competition:

Dogs that are Champions of Record.

Dogs which according to their owners’ records have completed the requirements for a championship but whose championships are unconfirmed. The showing of dogs whose championships are unconfirmed is limited to a period of 90 days from the date of show where a dog completed the requirements for a championship according to the owners’ records.

Grand Championship points may also be awarded to Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed, Select Dog and Select Bitch.

In addition, the Winners Dog and Winners Bitch together with any undefeated dogs that have competed at the show only in additional non-regular classes shall compete for Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed.

Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, and non-regular class winners that are not conformation Champions, are not eligible for Grand Championship points.

If the Winners Dog or Winners Bitch is awarded Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed, it shall be automatically awarded Best of Winners; otherwise, the Winners Dog and Winners Bitch shall be judged together for Best of Winners following the judging of Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed. If the Winners Dog or Winners Bitch was defeated in a non-regular class, it must compete for Best of Winners, but may not be considered for Best of Breed or Best of Opposite Sex. The dog awarded the Best of Winners shall be credited with the number of points calculated for Winners Dog or Winners Bitch, whichever is greater. In the event that Winners is awarded in only one sex, or only one Winners is present in the ring at the time of awards, there shall be no Best of Winners award.

After Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed and Best of Winners have been awarded, the judge shall select Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed.

Eligible for this award are:

Dogs of opposite sex to Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed that have been entered for Best of Breed competition. The dog awarded Winners of the opposite sex to the Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed.

Any undefeated dogs of the opposite sex to Best of Breed or Best of Variety of Breed which have competed at the show only in additional non-regular classes.

A dog that has been defeated in any regular class or non-regular class for single dog entries in its breed or variety at the show is ineligible to compete for Best of Breed or Variety.

A dog that has been defeated by a dog of its own sex in any regular or non-regular class for single dog entries in its breed or variety at the show is ineligible to compete for Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed or Variety.
or Best of Variety of Breed has been awarded, the judge may choose Select Dog and Select Bitch.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 5, Section 2 – Ribbons, Prizes and Trophies

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 5, Section 2, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 5

SECTION 2: Each ribbon or rosette, except those used at sanctioned matches, shall be at least 2 inches wide, and approximately 8 inches long; and bear on its face a facsimile of the seal of The American Kennel Club, the name of the prize, and the name of the show-giving club with numerals of year, date of show, and name of city or town where show is given. Except ribbons or rosettes used for regular and non-regular class placements are not required to bear the date of the show and location of the show on the face, at the option of the club.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 7, Section 1 – Judges

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 7, Section 1, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee and Staff. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 7

SECTION 1: Any reputable person who is in good standing with The American Kennel Club may apply for approval to judge any AKC recognized breed or breeds of purebred dogs, which in his or her opinion he or she is qualified by training and experience to pass upon, with the following exceptions:

Persons connected with any publication in the capacity of solicitor for kennel advertisements, persons connected with dog food, dog remedy or kennel supply companies in the capacity of solicitor or salesman, persons who buy, sell and in any way trade in or traffic in dogs as a means of livelihood in whole or in part, professional show superintendents and their employees, and persons who show dogs for others will not be approved if still engaged in such activities.

No Judge may accept an assignment nor officiate at any event where a member of his or her household is involved to the extent that there might exist an actual conflict of interest or the reasonable appearance of a conflict of interest.

Eligibility is expanded upon in the Occupational Eligibility Addendum and in the Rules, Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges.
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 9, Section 2 – Superintendents and Show Secretaries

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 9, Section 2, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 9

SECTION 2: Any qualified person may make application to The American Kennel Club for approval to act as Show Secretary of a dog show.

There is no limit on the number of Specialty Shows for which an individual may be approved Show Secretary. An individual will be approved as Show Secretary for the show or shows of only one group or one all-breed club in a calendar year. An individual must hold a license from The American Kennel Club as Superintendent in order to be approved as Superintendent for more than one group or one all-breed club in a calendar year.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 9, Section 4 – Superintendents and Show Secretaries

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 9, Section 4, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 9

SECTION 4: As part of their duties, the Superintendent or Show Secretary shall have on hand at every show the various official American Kennel Club forms relating to that event.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 9, Section 12 – Superintendents and Show Secretaries

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 9, Section 12, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 9

SECTION 12: Any reputable person or superintending organization in good standing with The American Kennel Club may apply for a license to act as Superintendent of a dog show. This application must be made on a form which will be supplied by The American Kennel Club upon request. When the application is received, the Board of Directors shall determine whether the applicant is reasonably qualified by training and experience to act as Superintendent of a dog show and whether a license shall be issued to said applicant.

The fee for being granted a yearly license to be a Superintendent and the fee for renewal
of said license each year shall be determined by the Board of Directors of The American Kennel Club. The fee for being granted a license to superintend one show and/or one field trial only shall be determined in like manner.

No yearly license will be issued to any person or superintending organization until having superintended at least three dog shows.

No annual superintendent shall be granted a license to be a judge.

A Superintendent, an individual licensed to superintend events as an employee of the Superintendent, any other employee of the Superintendent, any individual with an ownership interest in a superintending organization, or any person residing in the same household as any of the foregoing, shall not exhibit or act as agent or handler at any show held thirty days before or after a show which the Superintendent has been approved to service by The American Kennel Club.

Any person acting in the capacity of Superintendent (or Show Secretary where there is no Superintendent) must abide by the eligibility requirements described in Chapter 11, Section 12 of these Rules.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 10, Section 8 – Duties and Responsibilities of Show Veterinarians

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 10, Section 8, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 10
SECTION 8:

The official Veterinarian shall abide by the eligibility requirements described in Chapter 11, Section 12 of these Rules.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 11, Section 1 – Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 11, Section 1, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a
proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 11

SECTION 1 (Foreign Dog):

No dog shall be exhibited in a licensed or member dog show, unless it is either individually registered in the AKC Stud Book, or individually registered with a foreign registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration. A dog with an AKC limited Registration shall be ineligible to be exhibited in a breed competition in a licensed or member dog show.

An unregistered dog with an acceptable foreign registration that is individually registered with a foreign registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration may, without special AKC approval, be exhibited in licensed or member dog shows that are held not later than 30 days after the date of the first licensed or member dog show in which the dog was exhibited, but only provided that the individual foreign registration and name of the country of birth, are shown on the entry form; and provided further that the same name (which in the case of a foreign-registered dog must be the name on the foreign registrations) is used for the dog each time.

Foreign dogs not individually registered with The American Kennel Club when first exhibited in a licensed or member dog show shall not be eligible to be exhibited in any licensed or member dog show that is held more than 30 days after the date of the first licensed or member dog show in which it was exhibited, unless the dog’s individual AKC registration number is shown on the entry form, or unless the owner has received from The American Kennel Club an extension notice in writing authorizing further entries of the dog for a specified time with its individual foreign registration number. No such extension will be granted unless the owner can clearly demonstrate, in a letter addressed to the Show Records Department of The American Kennel Club requesting such extension, that the delay in registration is due to circumstances for which he is not responsible.

Such extension notice will be void upon registration of the dog or upon expiration of the period for which the extension has been granted if that occurs earlier, but upon application further extensions may be granted.

Additionally, any unregistered dog with an acceptable foreign registration must be eligible for the individual class in which it is entered as outlined in Chapter 3 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLICABLE TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 11, Section 1 – Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 11, Section 1, of
the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee and Staff. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

**CHAPTER 11**

**SECTION 1 (Stud Book):**

No dog shall be exhibited in a licensed or member dog show, unless it is either individually registered with the American Kennel Club, or individually registered with a foreign registry organization whose pedigrees are acceptable for AKC registration. A dog with an AKC limited Registration shall be ineligible to be exhibited in a breed competition in a licensed or member dog show. *(The remainder of the section is unchanged.)*

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS**

**CHAPTER 11, Section 8 – Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility**

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 11, Section 8**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

**CHAPTER 11**

**SECTION 8:**

A dog which is blind, deaf, castrated, spayed, or which has been changed in appearance by artificial means except as specified in the standard for its breed, or a male which does not have two normal testicles normally located in the scrotum, may not compete at any show and will be disqualified except that a castrated male may be entered as Stud Dog in the Stud Dog Class and a spayed bitch may be entered as Brood Bitch in the Brood Bitch Class. A dog will not be considered to have been changed by artificial means because of removal of dewclaws or docking of tail if it is of a breed in which such removal or docking is a regularly approved practice which is not contrary to the standard. Neutered dogs and spayed bitches would be allowed to compete in Veterans Classes only at independent specialties and/or those all-breed shows which do not offer any competitive classes beyond Best of Breed.

When a judge finds any of these conditions in any dog he is judging, he shall disqualify the dog marking his book “Disqualified” and stating the reason. He shall not obtain the opinion of the show veterinarian.

When a dog has been disqualified at a show as being blind, deaf, castrated, spayed or changed in appearance by artificial means except as specified in the standard for its breed, any awards taken by such dog at that show shall be canceled by The American Kennel Club and the dog may not again compete unless and until, following application by the owner to The American Kennel Club, that owner has received official notification from The American Kennel Club that the dog’s show eligibility has been reinstated.

When a dog has been disqualified under the
standard for its breed, or when a male has been disqualified as not having two normal testicles normally located in the scrotum on three separate occasions, by three different judges, such dog may not again be shown. When a dog has been so disqualified at a show, any awards taken by the dog at that show shall be canceled by The American Kennel Club.

When the judge of a sweepstakes or futurity finds that a dog is ineligible to compete under this section, the dog should be excused, but not disqualified. A dog may only be disqualified in a sweepstakes or futurity under the provisions of Chapter 11, Section 8-A.

A dog is considered changed in appearance by artificial means if it has been subjected to any type of procedure, substance or drugs that have the effect of obscuring, disguising or eliminating any congenital or hereditary abnormality or any undesirable characteristic, or that does anything to improve a dog’s natural appearance, temperament, bite or gait.

Even procedures, substances and drugs which are absolutely necessary to the health and comfort of a dog shall disqualify that dog from competition if the former has the incidental effect of changing or even improving the dog’s appearance, temperament, bite or gait.

There may be cases in which a veterinarian has prescribed some drug as being necessary for the health of a dog. In such cases, the veterinarian’s advice should be followed, but the dog should be withheld from competition in dog shows until all possible effects of the drug have worn off. *(The remainder of the section is unchanged.)*

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS**

**CHAPTER 11, Section 8-A – Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility**

The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to **CHAPTER 11, Section 8-A**, of the *Rules Applying to Dog Shows*, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

**CHAPTER 11 SECTION 8-A (DQ Changes):**

A dog that in the opinion of the judge menaces or threatens or exhibits any sign that it may not be safely approached by the judge or examined by the judge in the normal manner shall be excused from ring. When the judge excuses the dog, he/she shall mark the dog “Excused,” stating the reason in the judge’s book. A dog so excused shall not be counted as having competed. A dog recorded as “Excused for threatening or menacing” by a judge on three occasions will be administratively disqualified by The American Kennel Club.

A dog that in the opinion of the judge attacks any person or dog in the ring shall be disqualified. When the judge disqualifies the dog, he/she shall mark the dog “Disqualified,”
If the dog cannot be permanently identified for any reason, including but not limited to, the fact the dog is not microchipped nor tattooed; has no distinguishing, unalterable unique body feature; an appropriate scanner is unavailable; the dog is unapproachable; etc. the judge shall mark his/her book: “DQ’d for attacking; cannot be identified.” If the exhibitor states that the dog is microchipped, and there is no functioning scanner on the show grounds, the owner must supply documentation proving that the microchip was present in the dog at the time of the infraction in order to be eligible for reinstatement. The microchip number, the name of the provider, the date of insertion, and the dog’s registration number must be sent to the Executive Secretary of the AKC within 5 days of the event.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS

CHAPTER 11, Section 8-A – Dog Show Entries, Conditions of Dogs Affecting Eligibility

This amendment to CHAPTER 11, Section 8-A, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, was brought forward by the Delegate Dog Show Committee. It was unanimously disapproved by the AKC Board. The Dog Show Rules Committee is requesting this go forward to the Delegates for a vote as per the AKC Bylaws. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.
CHAPTER 11
SECTION 8-A (Reinstatement):
The existing section does not change as this is just an addition to the section.
Reinstatement will be conducted by a committee of three qualified individuals at an appropriate date and location. No reinstatement procedure will take place on the grounds of, or in any building, hotel, or venue connected to a show or event.

Proper identification and proof of current rabies vaccination of the dog at the time of reinstatement are required.

The name, AKC number and owner’s contact information of the disqualified dog shall be communicated to the Show Superintendents, Event Secretaries who shall also be notified of same if and when such dog is reinstated.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
CHAPTER 14, Section 5 – Measuring, Weighing and Color Determinations when Factors of Disqualification in Breed Standards or Eligibility Under Conditions of a Class or Division of a Class Cancellations of Awards
The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 14, Section 5, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 14
SECTION 5:
Event Committees shall be responsible for providing suitable equipment for determining eligibility with respect to height and weight at every show. Event Committees may delegate this responsibility to the superintendents or show secretary. All-breed shows shall be required to have one set of complete wickets (2 sets for shows with entries of 1,000 or more) and one digital scale with appropriate platform and calibrated weight. Specialty and Group shows shall have one set of wickets appropriate for those breeds and one accurate digital scale with appropriate platform and calibrated weight, if applicable.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES APPLYING TO DOG SHOWS
CHAPTER 16, Section 1 – Championships
The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendment to CHAPTER 16, Section 1, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, based on a proposal by Staff, Delegate All-Breed Club, Dog Show Rules and Parent Club Committee recommendation, reviewed at the June Delegate’s Meeting. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 16
SECTION 1:
Championship points will be recorded for Winners Dog and Winners Bitch, for each breed or variety listed in Chapter 3, Section 1,
at licensed or member dog shows approved by The American Kennel Club, provided the certification of the Secretary as described in Chapter 6, Section 1, has been printed in the premium list for the show.

Championship points will be recorded according to the number of eligible dogs competing in the regular classes of each sex in each breed or variety, and according to the Schedule of Points established by the Board of Directors.

If the dog designated Winners Dog or Winners Bitch is also awarded Best of Breed or Variety, the dogs of both sexes that have been entered for Best of Breed or Variety competition and that have been defeated in such competition, shall be counted in addition to the dogs that competed in the regular classes for its sex in calculating championship points.

If the dog designated Winners Dog or Winners Bitch is also awarded Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed or Variety, the dogs of its own sex that have been entered for Best of Breed or Variety competition and that have been defeated in competition for Best of Opposite Sex shall be counted in addition to the dogs that competed in the regular classes for its sex in calculating championship points.

The dog awarded the Best of Winners shall be credited with the number of points calculated for Winners Dog or Winners Bitch, whichever is greater. If no points are credited to the dog awarded Best of Winners, the regular class dogs of both sexes shall be counted in calculating championship points. A maximum of one championship point can be awarded when combining sexes for the Best of Winners point calculation.

Each AKC Breed Parent Specialty Club shall have one designated Parent Club National Specialty show per year. All others shall be termed a Parent Club Specialty show.

Unless the Parent Club, in its Application to the AKC to hold its National Specialty, chooses to exclude the following award: At the National Specialty the dog designated Reserve Winners Dog and the bitch designated Reserve Winners Bitch will be awarded a three-point major, provided that the number of dogs competing in the regular classes of the Reserve Winner’s sex totals at least twice the number required for a five point major, in the region in which the event is held.

No major for Reserve Winners shall be given based upon an award of Best of Winners. In counting the number of eligible dogs in competition, a dog that is disqualified, or that is dismissed, excused or ordered from the ring by the judge, or from which all awards are withheld, shall not be included.

In counting the number of eligible dogs in competition, a dog that is disqualified, or that is dismissed, excused or ordered from the ring by the judge, or from which all awards are withheld, shall not be included.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FIELD TRIAL RULES AND STANDARD PROCEDURE FOR POINTING BREEDS
CHAPTER 14, Sections 12, 12A, 13, 13A and 11A
The AKC Board has endorsed the following amendments to CHAPTER 14, Sections 12, 12A, 13, 13A and 11A, of the Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Pointing Breeds, based on a proposal by the American Brittany Club. This will be voted on at the December 14, 2018 Delegates Meeting.

CHAPTER 14
SECTION 12:
A National Open Gun Dog Championship stake for Brittanys shall be for dogs over 6 months of age, which by reason of wins previously made in Gun Dog stakes qualify under special rules approved by the Board of Directors. This stake shall be run not more than once in any calendar year by the Parent Club of the Breed and shall be designated a horseback stake. The winner of such stake shall become a Field Champion of Record if registered in The American Kennel Club Stud Book, and shall be entitled to be designated “National Brittany Open Gun Dog Field Champion of 20__.” (NGDC)

CHAPTER 14
SECTION 12A:
A National Amateur Gun Dog Championship stake for Brittanys shall be for dogs over 6 months of age, which by reason of wins previously made in Gun Dog stakes qualify under special rules approved by the Board of Directors. This stake shall be run not more than once in any calendar year by the Parent Club of the Breed and shall be designated a horseback stake. The winner of such stake shall become an Amateur Field Champion of Record if registered in The American Kennel Club Stud Book, and shall be entitled to be designated “National Brittany Open Gun Dog Field Champion of 20__.” (NAGDC)

CHAPTER 14
SECTION 13:
A National Open Walking Gun Dog Championship stake for Brittanys shall be for dogs over 6 months of age, which by reason of wins previously made in Gun Dog stakes qualify under special rules approved by the Board of Directors. This stake shall be run not more than once in any calendar year by the Parent Club of the Breed and shall be designated a walking stake. Dogs placing in this stake shall be credited with championship points in accordance with the schedule for Field Championships. The winner shall be entitled to be designated “National Walking Brittany Gun Dog Champion of 20__.” (NWGDC)

CHAPTER 14
SECTION 13A:
A National Amateur Walking Gun Dog Championship stake for Brittanys shall be for dogs over 6 months of age, which by reason of wins previously made in Gun Dog stakes qualify under special rules approved by the Board
of Directors. This stake shall be run not more than once in any calendar year by the Parent Club of the Breed and shall be designated a walking stake. Dogs placing in this stake shall be credited with championship points in accord with the schedule for Amateur Field Championships. The winner shall be entitled to be designated “National Amateur Walking Brittany Gun Dog Champion of 20_.” (NAWGDC)

CHAPTER 14
SECTION 11A:
A National Amateur All-Age Championship stake for Brittanys shall be held not more than once in any calendar year and shall be for dogs which by reasons of wins previously made qualify under regulations submitted by the Parent Club and approved by the Board of Directors of the American Kennel Club

PROPOSED CIRNECO DELL’ETNA STANDARD FOR COMMENT
In accordance with the Guidelines for Breed Standard Revisions this is being published to receive any comments prior to the balloting of the club membership. Any comments may be forwarded directly to:
Mari-Beth O’Neill
Vice-President – Sport Services
Mari-beth.ONeill@akc.org

General Appearance: Medium sized hunting dog, elegant, slender build but strong and hardy. Long limbed, of light construction and square outline with a fine coat and erect ears always alert. Honorable scars indicating a working and hunting dog are never to be penalized.

The following description is that of the ideal Cirneco dell’Etna. Any deviation from the below described dog must be penalized to the extent of the deviation. Characteristics: A keen hunter.Adaptable to difficult terrain. Hunts by scent, sight and hearing. Strong-willed, alert and an excellent companion.

Size, Proportion, Substance: Height - Dogs 18 to 20 inches; bitches 17 to 19 inches. Height not within the stated limits is a disqualification. Length from point of shoulder to point of buttock equal to height at withers.

Head: Expression - Alert expression. Eyes - Relatively small, oval in shape, set somewhat obliquely. Amber or ochre blending with coat. Pigmentation of the eyelid rims corresponding to the color of the nose. Brown or yellow iris is a fault to be severely penalized. Walleye, an eye with a whitish iris or a blue eye(s) is a disqualification. Ears - Set very high and close together, erect and rigid, parallel or almost parallel when alert. Triangular shape with narrow tip. Length slightly less but no more than half the head. Totally hanging ears or bat ears are a disqualification. Skull - Width of skull less than one half the length of the head, in profile almost flat. Lean and well chiseled. Stop -
Slight stop. **Muzzle** - Length equal to, but not less than 80 percent of the length of the skull. **Planes** - Top of skull and foreface parallel or slightly divergent. **Nose** - Bridge of nose straight. Nose rather large, flesh colored, blending with coat. **Cheeks** - Flat cheeks. **Mouth** - Lower jaw lightly developed with receding chin. Overshot mouth or undershot mouth is a disqualification. **Lips** - Thin, taut lips, just covering the teeth of the lower jaw. **Bite** - Regular and complete scissor bite, i.e. upper teeth closely overlapping lower teeth and set square to the jaws. **Teeth** - Full dentition.

**Neck, Topline and Body:** **Neck** - Length the same as the head. Strong, clean, well arched and muscular. Set well into shoulders. **Topline** - Straight topline sloping from withers towards croup. **Body** - Chest - Reaches to, or nearly to, the elbow, without going beyond. **Ribs** - Slightly sprung, narrow but never flat. **Underline & Tuck-up** - Clean, gently rising, lean underline. excessive tuck-up is a severe fault. **Back** - Upper profile straight without conspicuous muscles, the length is approximately three times the length of the loin. **Loin** - Length of loin is approximately one fifth of the height at the withers and its width is nearly the same as its length. **Short, slightly developed muscles but firm. Croup** - Croup has flat profile, sloping steeply downwards to root of tail. **Tail** - Low set, fairly thick at base, reaching to point of hock. Of equal thickness for most of its length. Carried high and curved when dog is in action; sabre fashion when in repose. Hair on tail is semi-long and close. Tail curled over the back is a fault to be severely penalized.

**Forequarters:** **Angulation** - Shoulder blade (scapulum) to horizontal 55 to 60 degrees. **Shoulders** - Strong, long, moderately laid back. **Shoulder blades** - Upper tips close together. **Length close to one-third the height at the withers. Upper Arm** - Length of upper arm slightly less than length of shoulder blade. **Elbow** - Level or below the line of the brisket and well tucked in. **Legs** - Forelegs straight and parallel when viewed from the front. **Length just over ½ the height at the withers. Pasterns** - Strong and slightly sloping. **Dewclaws** - May not be removed.

**Hindquarters:** Strong and muscular. Limbs parallel when viewed from behind. **Angulation** - Not excessively angulated. In profile a vertical line from rear point of buttock to ground close to or touching the tips of the toes. Angle between pelvis and upper thigh is about 115 degrees. **Legs** - **Upper thigh** - Broad, long, upper thigh with flat muscles. **Stifle** - Moderate bend of stifle. **Second thigh** - Slightly shorter than the upper thigh. Lean and distinct musculature with light bone structure. **Groove at Achilles tendon** well marked. **Hock joint** - Angle at the joint is about 135 degrees. **Hocks** - Wide outer surface, cylindrical shape and ver-
tical position. Length from sole of foot to point of hock is just over a quarter of the height at the withers. Dewclaws - Absent. Feet - Strong, well knuckled, firm, slightly oval, turning neither in nor out. Pads - Well padded, hard and of the same color as the nails. Nails - Brown or flesh colored. Black nails are a disqualification.

**Coat:** Short on head, ears and legs. Semi-long (about 1 inch) on body and tail, but sleek and close, ranging from fine to slightly coarse. No feathering.

**Color:** Self-colored light to dark shades of tan, with a mixture of slightly lighter and darker hairs, or tan with white blaze or mark on head, chest and/or throat, white feet, point of tail, and/or belly. A white collar is less desired. Total depigmentation, self-colored brown or liver; brown patches or hairs; brindle coat or any presence of black patches, hairs, pigmentation or mucous membranes are a disqualification.

**Gait:** Springy trot without excessive extension. Viewed from behind, hind legs track the forelegs. Tendency to throw feet sideways or hackney action undesirable.

**Temperament:** Strong, lively, independent temperament. Gentle and affectionate.

**Disqualifications:**
Height not within the stated limits: Dogs under 18 inches or over 20 inches, Bitches under 17 inches or over 19 inches. Walleye, an eye with a whitish iris or a blue eye(s); overshot mouth or undershot mouth. Totally hanging ears or bat ears. Total depigmentation; self-colored brown or liver; brown patches or hairs; brindle coat; any presence of black - patches, hairs, pigmentation, nails, or mucous membranes.

**PROPOSED IRISH RED AND WHITE SETTER STANDARD FOR COMMENT**
In accordance with the Guidelines for Breed Standard Revisions this is being published to receive any comments prior to the balloting of the club membership. Any comments may be forwarded directly to:
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**General Appearance:** The Irish Red & White Setter is bred primarily for the field. The standard as set out hereunder must be interpreted chiefly from this point of view and all Judges at Bench Shows must be encouraged to judge the exhibits chiefly from the working standpoint. The appearance is strong and powerful, well balanced and proportioned without lumber; athletic rather than racy with an aristocratic, keen and intelligent attitude.
**Size, Proportion & Substance:** Dogs are 24½ to 26 inches tall; bitches are 22½ to - 24 inches tall. The length of body from point of shoulder to point of buttock is equal or longer than height to top of withers, up to a ratio of 10 L - 9 H. Bone is moderate in proportion to size.

**Head:** *Expression* - The gentle expression displays a kindly, friendly attitude. The *eyes* are dark hazel or dark brown; round or nearly round, with slight prominence and tightly fitted eyelids. The *ears* are set level with the eyes, well back, lying close to the head. *Skull* - The skull is broad, in proportion to the body and rounded without showing an occipital protuberance. *Stop* - The stop is distinct, but not exaggerated. *Muzzle* - The muzzle is clean and square, of equal length to skull, with parallel planes. *Bite* - A scissors bite is ideal; a level bite is acceptable.

**Neck, Topline & Body:** *Neck* - The neck is moderately long, very muscular, but not too thick, slightly arched, free from all tendency to throatiness. *Topline* - The topline of the dog, from the withers to the croup should be level, not sloping. The croup should be well rounded and sloping slightly downward to the tailset. *Body* - The body is strong & muscular with a deep chest and well sprung ribs. The back is very muscular and powerful. *Tail* - The tail is of moderate length, not reaching below the hock, strong at the root, tapering to fine point; no appearance of ropiness and carried level with or below the back.

**Forequarters:** Angulation - shoulder blade well laid back with upper arm equal in length and forming a nearly right angle with the shoulder blade. Tips of shoulder blades meeting fairly close, lie flat and are smooth with contours of body. *Elbow* - The elbows are free, turning neither in nor out. *Legs* - The forelegs are straight and sinewy, well boned, with strong pasterns. *Feet* - The feet are close-knit with plenty of feathering between toes.

**Hindquarters:** The hindquarters are wide and powerful. *Legs* - The legs are of strong bone, well muscled and sinewy. The thighs, from hip to hock, are long and muscular. The stifle is well bent. The hock is well let down and turns neither in nor out, hocks are of moderate length and strong. *Feet* - The feet are close-knit with plenty of feathering between toes.

**Coat:** Long silky fine hair called “Feathering” is present on the back of the fore and hind legs and on the outer ear flap, also a reasonable amount is on the flank extending onto the chest and throat forming a fringe. All feathering is straight, flat and not overly profuse. The tail is well feathered. On the head, front of legs and other parts of the body the hair is short, flat and free from curl but a slight wave is permissible.

**Color:** The base color is white with solid red
patches (clear islands of red color); both colors show the maximum of life and bloom. Flecking but not roaning is permitted around the face and feet and up the foreleg as far as the elbow and up the hind leg as far as the hock. Roaning, flecking and mottling on any other part of the body is objectionable.

**Gait:** When moving at the trot, the gait is long striding, very lively, graceful and efficient. The head is held high, and the hindquarters drive smoothly and with great power. The forelegs reach well ahead and remain low. Seen from front or rear, the forelegs and hind legs below the hock joint move perpendicularly to the ground with no crossing or weaving.

**Grooming:** The trimming of an Irish Red and White Setter should be kept to a minimum, maintaining a neat natural appearance and not to be shaved with clippers. Light trimming with thinning shears is allowed. Under the ears, tail, pasterns and hocks may be trimmed for neatness. Feet may be cleared of hair including the bottom and around the edges leaving hair between the toes. No other trimming is allowed including the whiskers which shall remain intact.

**Temperament:** They display a kindly, friendly attitude, behind which is discernible determination, courage and high spirit.

**Faults:** Any departure from the foregoing standard is considered a fault and the seriousness of the fault is in exact proportion to its degree.

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Ms. Laurie Telfair (18751) TX
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ltelfair@aol.com
Nederlandse Kooikerhondjes, Labrador Retrievers

JUNIOR SHOWMANSIP JUDGE
Mrs. Beth Downey (102539) MS
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bethdowney539@gmail.com
JS-Limited

BEST IN SHOW
The following person, having successfully completed the required Group Assignments in the first Variety Group for which she is approved, has been added to the list of judges eligible for approval to judge Best In Show.
Mrs. Debbie L. Melgreen (98655) IL
(309) 358-1233
melridge@mymctc.net

EMERITUS JUDGE
Dr. Dale D. Simmons

DECEASED JUDGES
Mr. Dennis M. Barnes
Mrs. Andrea McE. Field
Mrs. Lucy Prescott Goodman
Mr. Dennis Morgan
Mrs. Dorothy K. Schulman
Mrs. Dawn Marie Stafford
Mrs. Paulette (Polly) Anne Swanson
Mrs. Dawn E. Woods
Mr. Stan A. Zielinski

PROVISIONAL OBEDIENCE/RALLY/TRACKING JUDGES COMPLETED
The following persons have completed their Provisional Judging assignments and their names have been added to the list of regular approved judges.
Mr. Paul Howe (95285) MN
(507) 250-6056
phowe48@gmail.com
Obedience – Novice

PROVISIONAL OBEDIENCE/RALLY/TRACKING JUDGES
The following persons have been approved as a judge on a Provisional basis for the class/test indicated in accordance with the Provisional judging system. They may now accept assignments.
Ms. Laura Feldt (100075) KY
(502) 777-8074
dog_trainer411@hotmail.com
Tracking – VST
APPLICATION FOR BREED-SPECIFIC REGISTERED NAME PREFIX

The following applications for a breed-specific Registered Name Prefix have been submitted to The American Kennel Club. Letters in regard to these applications should be addressed to Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary:

BLUEBONNET – Cavalier King Charles Spaniels – Mary E. Orns & Elizabeth A. Vezina
CLARION – Poodles – Katherine Kennedy Vigil & Ann A. Kennedy
DANENDVOR – Great Danes – Amit Pathak & Heather N. Pathak
DEBANDELS – Labrador Retrievers – Deborah C. Kidwell
DTAILS – Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retrievers – Donna L. Bennett
HIGH DESERT – Miniature American Shepherds – Sheri G. Morris
NAVABO DIAMOND – Maltese – Natalia V. Garland
PLAYFUL – Papillons – MaryAnn V. Wik
SAGA – Giant Schnauzers – Louise K. Lagmanson
SHORE CHARM – Australian Shepherds – Shane M. Griffin & Christina M. Wilkinson

REGISTERED NAME PREFIXES GRANTED

The following applications for a breed-specific Registered Name Prefix have been granted:

ABSOLUT – Whippets – Judy A. Alexander & Lisa A. Kling
CAROLINA DREAMS – Cane Corsos – Sherry L. Williamson & Scott Bartolo
CYRANDALL – Cavalier King Charles Spaniels – Eva Marie Theodosiadis
DANVILLE – Dachshunds – Joy Grant
DELL ALBERA – Bergamasco Sheepdogs – Donna De Falcis
LA BROSAR – Dachshunds – Lana F. Kovarik
RED ROCK – Cane Corsos – Curtis M. Gebers
RILEY’S ROLLING – Beagles – Riley O. Miles
ROSEMONT – Bichon Frises – Laura A. Winston
SHOTIME – Pekingese – Dottie A. Baxter & Larry K. Smith
TENAJEFF – Lagotto Romagnolo – Janet L. Smith
WEBERHAUS – German Shepherd Dogs – Malinda J. Weber
WINDMILL – Australian Shepherds – Reina M. Larson
WINDY ACRES – Beagles – Cheryl Battista-Penny
The Board convened on Monday, October 8, 2018 at 8:34 a.m. All Directors were present. Also present was the Executive Secretary.

The August 2018 Board minutes, copies of which had been provided to all Directors, were discussed. Upon a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Davies, the August 2018 minutes were approved unanimously.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**Board Action Items**
Mr. Sprung reviewed Action Items and reported on Staff initiatives.

**Real Estate Update**
Mr. Sprung reported on the positive outcome of the AKC’s early termination of the lease for 260 Madison Avenue, as well as the successful negotiations on being able to leave the floor in its current condition.

**Legal Status Report**
The Board reviewed a status report on pending litigation and other Legal activities for the months of August and September 2018.

**Introduction to the IT Security Program**
The Board reviewed a document outlining the AKC’s new Information Technology Security Program.

Professional security firms were engaged to help enhance a Security Program which is intended to guide both long-term decisions and day-to-day operations related to the security of AKC information assets.

The “Security Program” is a broad reference to the following goals and activities:
- **Formalized Security Policies**
- **Dedicated Security Staff**
- **Education** – Many security threats can be avoided through simple education. The Program will ensure that AKC staff receives frequent education and information regarding new and emerging security threats.
- **Design and Architecture** – The Program will set architectural standards and guide development and engineering activities to ensure that good security practices are embedded in IT products from their inception.
- **Operations** – The Program will oversee daily security operations including firewall configurations, security event monitoring, vulnerability management,
forensics analysis, patch management, compliance monitoring, and related reporting.

- Incident Response
- Business Continuity/Disaster Recovery

**FINANCE**

AKC’s unaudited financial results through August 31, 2018, were presented by Joseph Baffuto, CFO. Total revenues year to date of $50 million were 0.75% below budget, but 5.4% greater than August 31, 2017. Dog Registrations’ volume of 401,195 were 1% below budget, but 4% higher than 2017. The quantity of Total Litters processed of 169,631 was comparable to budget and 6% above last year’s level. Total operating expenses of $46.8 million were 4.3% below budget, but 10% higher than 2017. YTD Operating income of $3.2 million exceeds budget by $1.75 million but is below 2017’s operating income of $4.9 million. Additionally, our investment portfolio reflected unrealized gains during August amounting to $1.7 million, resulting in a year to date total increase of 4% or $3.9 million dollars.

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

Mari-Beth O’Neill, Vice President, Sport Services, participated in this portion of the meeting by videoconference.

**Cirneco Dell’Etna Club of America Proposed Breed Standard Revision**

The Board reviewed several proposed Breed Standard revisions to the Cirneco Dell’Etna breed standard, as submitted by the Cirneco Dell’Etna Club of America, Inc. (CDECA). The current standard was approved April 12, 2012. Staff recommends the proposed revisions be published in the Secretary’s page of the AKC Gazette for comment.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Carota, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the proposed revisions for publication in the Secretary’s Page of the AKC Gazette for comment.

**Irish Red and White Setter Proposed Breed Standard Revision**

The Board reviewed the proposed Breed Standard revisions to the Irish Red and White Setter breed standard, as submitted by the Irish Red and White Setter Association Club of America, Inc. (IRWSAA). The current standard was approved August 8, 2006. Staff recommends the proposed revisions be published in the Secretary’s page of the AKC Gazette for comment.

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Dr. Battaglia, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the proposed revisions for publication in the Secretary’s Page of the AKC Gazette for comment.

**Schipperke Club of America Proposed Breed Standard Revision**
The Board reviewed a request from the Schipperke Club of America, Inc. (SCA) to approve their request to ballot the membership on a proposed Breed Standard change to the “Tail” portion of the breed standard. The proposed revision to the Schipperke standard was submitted to the Board of the SCA as a result of the club receiving a petition requesting the revision. This petition was received by the SCA 3 months after the results of the last ballot to revise the tail portion of the standard had been tabulated.

There was a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Davies, to approve the request and grant the SCA permission to ballot the membership. The motion did not pass: (affirmative: Dr. Battaglia, Ms. Cruz, Dr. Davies, Mr. Feeney, Mr. Menaker, Mr. Sweetwood, against: Ms. Biddle, Mr. Carota, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Powers, Mr. Tatro, Mrs. Wallin, Mr. Wooding). The SCA’s Board of Directors did not receive permission to ballot the membership.

The Board objected to the terminology that was submitted to describe the tail. Had the proposed revision been submitted through the process of a committee submitting proposed revisions first to staff for review the club would have been advised to make changes.

Also, it was the sense of the Board that a ballot on this issue was not in the best interest of the club at this time; as the issue had just been voted on three months earlier and balloting the membership is expensive. Repetitive balloting of the same issue in a short time frame could cause financial hardship on the club. It was suggested that the club should work with the membership to come to an agreement on the issue.

**Bracco Italiano – Recommendation to Advance to Miscellaneous**

The Board reviewed a request, submitted by the Bracco Italiano Club of America, to advance the Bracco Italiano breed to the Miscellaneous Class. The Bracco Italiano Club of America has met the requirements of the Recognition of New Breeds Board Policy approved in February 2017.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Dr. Battaglia, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the Bracco Italiano to be eligible to compete in the Miscellaneous Class effective July 3, 2019.

**Teddy Roosevelt Terrier – Recommendation to Advance to Miscellaneous**

The Board reviewed a request, submitted by the American Teddy Roosevelt Terrier Club, to
advance the Teddy Roosevelt Terrier to the Miscellaneous Class. The American Teddy Roosevelt Terrier Club has met the requirements of the Recognition of New Breeds Board Policy approved in February 2017.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Mrs. Wallin, seconded by Mr. Carota, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to approve the Teddy Roosevelt Terrier to be eligible to compete in the Miscellaneous Class effective July 3, 2019.

2018 AKC Education Update
The Board reviewed an update on the accomplishments of the AKC Education Department which was provided by Leslie Fetzer, Director of Education.

Canine College
The AKC Canine College has a total of 14,322 users. To date, there have been 13,784 enrollments in the Canine College’s 450 courses and exams.

The AKC Education Summit was held June 10, 2018. The launch of the AKC Education Webinar Series was announced at the Summit.

AKC Character Education
Public Education launched the AKC Character Education Program in April 2018. The AKC Canine Character Education Program is a complete character education unit that is designed for schools and seeks to introduce children to purebred dogs. The goal of this program is to provide schools with a quality character education program, including all materials and lesson plans, that result in measurable improvement in student behavior and peer relationships. The Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District in Palmer, Alaska consisting of 47 schools and 18,800 students is the first to incorporate the AKC Character Education Program.

AKC Canine Clubs
Public Education launched the AKC Canine Clubs Program in August 2018. The AKC Canine Club is an after-school club for dog lovers that is hosted by a teacher or youth group leader at schools, libraries or community organizations. The AKC Canine Club is designed to include students who own a dog, have an interest in owning a dog, or just love dogs in general. This club teaches students about responsible dog ownership, training, canine science, canine jobs and more. Public Education provides clubs with curriculum for each month’s meeting as well as a directory of available guest speakers from our Canine Ambassador Program.

AKC Patch Program
To date, the Patch Program has experienced a
53% growth in participation over 2017 with 18 additional clubs offering the program at their show.

**AKC Public Education Blog**
Public Education launched a blog that covers topics in Public Education. Content is added bi-weekly. Its intent is to provide Public Education Coordinators and Canine Ambassadors with fresh ideas and resources, and regular news on the AKC’s Public Education efforts.

**Junior Ambassador Program**
The AKC Junior Ambassador program was created in collaboration with Sports Services and launched at the AKC Education Summit in June. The AKC Junior Ambassador Program aims to more fully engage Juniors in the sport of purebred dog, as well as give clubs more resources to engage Juniors in their areas.

**AKC Public Education Award Winner**
The Wenatchee Kennel Club was chosen as the winner of the Public Education Award in July 2018. The Club is recognized for their efforts to hold more than 180 classes for both members and non-members, participation in community festivals, training and supporting 4-H clubs, and cultivating a positive online and media presence. The club will receive a plaque and $500 presented at their show and the groundbreaking of their new building on October 19, 2018.

**AKC Educator Resources**
Educator Resources is a webpage on the AKC website geared towards teachers. It provides professional development articles, hands-on activities, and lesson plans for grades K-12 aligned to national standards in the subjects of math, science, social studies and language arts. New lesson plans continue to be added to the library. The Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP) and the Vet Assisting courses in the Mantonuska-Susitna Borough School District are using the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) lessons available on our website in every K-12 school.

Public Education also provide book studies, building lessons around popular children’s books about dogs. These lessons and activities all relate to purebred dogs and the AKC mission. Collaborations with the books’ authors provide an opportunity for both the author and the AKC when they make appearances for book signings at AKC events. Three new author collaborations have been added thus far in 2018.

Public Education continues to develop its relationships with school districts and organizations that serve educators. One such relationship has resulted in Public Education receiving a coveted invitation to present a workshop at the North Carolina Center for the
Advancement of Teachers in March 2019.

Plans for 2019 were also presented.

**MARKETING and MEDIA**

The Board reviewed an update on Digital Ad sales and revenues. Business metrics were shared covering AKC.org, AKC Marketplace, email marketing, and social media.

**Digital Marketing Update**

*Digital revenue YTD exceeds $3,000,000.*

**AKC.org**

- Year to date (YTD) pageviews and users are both up versus year ago (YAG), +8% and +11% respectively
- AKC.org performance improved: reduced average web page load time by 6 seconds on desktop and 10 seconds on mobile
- Successful SEO (Search Engine Optimization) efforts post re-launch continue to ensure that our breed pages come up as the first listing when someone searches for a specific breed of dog.

**AKC Marketplace**

- Year to date (YTD) pageviews and users are both up versus year ago (YAG), +3% and +23% respectively

**COMPANION AND PERFORMANCE**

Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports and Events, and Caroline Murphy, Director, Performance Events participated in this portion of the meeting by videoconference. Pamela Manaton, Director, Obedience, Rally & Tracking, participated in this portion of the meeting via telephone conference.

**Pointing Breed Field Trials – Changes regarding Walking Handlers**

The Board reviewed two recommended changes to the Pointing Breed Field Trial Standard Procedures regarding walking handlers in Pointing Breed Field Trials.

1. All-age stakes must allow both horseback handlers and walking handlers.
2. Walking handlers shall be braced together in horseback stakes.

Both these recommendations are being made as a result of a survey conducted by the Performance Events Department. Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Ms. McAteer, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amended the *Field Trial Rules and Standard Procedure for Pointing Breeds* to provide for these changes, which are effective December 1, 2018.

**Procedure 1. Standards of Performance.**

1-D. All-Age – Limited All-Age – Grand Limited All-Age. Starting with paragraph #3. At least 30 minutes shall be allowed for each brace of an All-Age or Limited All-Age stake. At least 60 minutes shall be allowed for each brace of a Grand Limited All-Age stake. Championship points will be withheld if a dog has not run the required time.
An All-Age stake of any type must allow both horseback and walking handlers. An All-Age stake cannot be designated for walking handles only.

Procedure 4. Drawing and Bracing.

4-G. Bracing Walking Handlers Together.  
(new section)

In horseback handling stakes, walking handlers shall be braced together if possible provided the event secretary is aware of the walking handler prior to the draw. Walking handlers should indicate on their entry form that they will be walking. When the first walking handler is selected during the random draw, another walking handler shall be selected randomly as the brace mate. This process shall continue until all walking handlers have been braced.

Subsequent sections shall be renumbered.

Procedure 6. Running and Handling.

6-V. Horseback Handling.

The premium list for any licensed or member field trial must specify whether or not handling from horseback will be permitted in any or all stakes. If handling from horseback is permitted in any stake, the club should attempt to provide horses.

Mounted and foot handlers are not to be segregated in the drawing.

The remaining wording in this Section remains unchanged.

Special Event Agility Trial Increases

The Board reviewed a recommendation from the Sport and Events Agility Staff to allow clubs to hold 2 Special Event Agility Trials per year. Clubs licensed for AKC Agility Trials may currently hold one Special Event Agility Trial per year. A Special Event Agility Trial is defined as one where the club proposes a unique mix of regular AKC classes or a unique eligibility criterion. Over time we find that clubs have come up with new ideas for Special Event Agility Trials that would have better attendance if they could make these events a “weekend” event. This proposal was approved by the Delegate Companion Events Committee

Following a motion by Mr. Tatro, seconded by Mrs. Wallin, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amended Chapter 2, Section 1 of Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Tests (ACT) effective January 1, 2019.

CHAPTER 2

Section 1. Classes (Paragraph 2)  
Special Event Trial. Clubs may apply for two Special Event Trials per year. A Special Event Trial is where the club proposes a unique mix
of regular AKC classes and/or non-regular classes or a unique eligibility criterion. A club may not change the other Regulations pertaining to regular classes including the equipment regulations. Special Event Trials must be open to all breeds including All-American dogs except at specialty events open to one breed. Regular classes offered at Special Event Trials count toward titles. A Special Event Trial counts as one of the 12 events per year a club may offer.

Allowing Deaf Dogs to Participate in Obedience

The Board reviewed a recommendation from the Companion Events Staff to allow deaf dogs to participate in obedience. The purpose is to remove the eligibility barrier that is in place based on the previous group exercises in obedience, which required multiple dogs to be in a ring at the same time while off-leash. This change brings obedience in line with the other Companion Event sports of AKC Rally, Agility and Tracking, where deaf dogs are eligible to participate.

The AKC Delegate Committee on Companion Events (CEC) conducted a survey for this proposal and the results showed an overwhelming support with 88% completely in favor of allowing deaf dogs. The CEC voted unanimously to support this proposal.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Tatro, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Tatro, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend Chapter 1, Sections 12 & 17 of the Obedience Regulations effective, November 1, 2018.

CHAPTER 1
Section 12. Dogs Eligible to Compete. As used in these regulations, the word “dog” refers to either sex but only to dogs that are eligible for entry in AKC events. Dogs with a PAL (Purebred Alternative Listing), ILP (Indefinite Listing Privilege), or AKC Canine Partners number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete. A dog that is deaf may compete in any obedience trial.


Paragraph 2
A dog that is blind or has been changed in appearance for cosmetic reasons (other than changes customarily approved for its breed) may not compete in any obedience trial and will be disqualified. Blind means without useful vision. The judge will not obtain the opinion of a veterinarian.

Paragraph 4
When a dog has been disqualified under this
section as being blind, for having been changed in appearance for cosmetic reasons, or for having attacked or attempted to attack a person in the ring, all awards made to the dog at the trial will be cancelled by the AKC. The dog may not again compete unless the owner applies for and receives reinstatement.

Obedience Open Class – Command Discrimination Exercise

The Board reviewed a recommendation from the Companion Events Staff to clarify parts of the requirements of the Open Obedience class “Command Discrimination (Stand, Down, Sit)” exercise requirements.

The Command Discrimination (Stand, Down, Sit) exercise began in the Open obedience class on May 1, 2018. The exercise is new and has some unique nuances. The staff recommended clarifying two issues: 1) What is the proper position of a handler’s hands and arms during the Command Discrimination exercise, and 2) Clarifying the proper ring set-up and scoring for the exercise.

Proper Position of Handler’s Hands and Arms - The question is when the handler turns to face their dog to command it to a new position, if they may fold their arms in front of their chest before turning and walking forward to the next location. This could be interpreted as an additional command to the dog to stay where they are positioned, which may be penalized. The staff recommended that the regulations be amended to clearly state the handler’s hands and arms must hang naturally at the handler’s side.

Judges have also asked for a procedural clarification regarding the set-up of the ring for this exercise. The Staff recommended that the regulations be amended to clearly state that the exercise may be performed in any area of the ring that is at least 40 feet in length.

Following a motion by Dr. Davies, seconded by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend the Obedience Regulations, Chapter 4, Sections 7 & 8 effective January 1, 2019.

CHAPTER 4

Section 7. Command Discrimination. The principal features of this exercise are the dog’s correct response to the handler’s commands and/or signals and that the dog stays until the handler returns to heel position. The orders are: “Leave your dog” and “Back to your dog.” The judge must use signals for directing the handler to command and/or signal the dog to change position except for the first position and that order is: “Stand your
dog” or “Down your dog.” The handler will stand with the dog sitting in heel position in a place designated by the judge. The judge will ask “Are you ready?” before giving the first order to “Stand your dog” or “Down your dog.” The handler will give a command and/or signal for the dog to change position. On further order to “Leave your dog,” the handler may give a command and/or signal to stay and will immediately walk forward 15 feet, turn, and face the dog. On the judge’s signal, the handler will give a command and/or signal for the dog to change to the second position. The judge will then order “Leave your dog.” The handler may give a command and/or signal to stay and will immediately turn around and walk forward an additional 15 feet, turn, and face the dog. On the judge’s signal, the handler will give a command and/or signal for the dog to change to the third position. The judge will then order “Back to your dog.” The handler may give a command and/or signal to stay, and then must return directly, walking around and in back of the dog to heel position. The dog must stay in position without additional commands or signals until the handler has returned to heel position. The handler’s hands and arms must hang naturally at the handler’s side. 

Judging Procedure: This exercise may be performed in any area of the ring that is at least 40 feet in length. The 15-foot distances must be clearly marked. The judge must be positioned so that both the dog and handler are under continuous observation during the entire exercise. An excellent position for judging this exercise is at an adequate distance to the side and slightly to the rear of the dog.

Section 8. Command Discrimination, Scoring. A dog that fails to obey the handler’s first command and/or signal for each position or that does not stay until the handler returns to heel position must receive a non-qualifying (NQ) score.

Substantial deductions will be made for a dog that changes position after the handler has returned to heel position and before the judge has said “Exercise finished.” Minor or substantial deductions, up to a non-qualifying (NQ) score, will be made for the handler’s hands and arms not hanging naturally at the handler’s side. Depending on the extent, minor or substantial deductions, up to a non-qualifying (NQ) score, will be made for a dog that walks forward. Obedience Open Class-Get Your Leash Exercise

The Board reviewed a recommendation from the Companion Events Staff to amend the Open Obedience class “Stay – Get Your Leash (Sit, Down)” exercise to a “Stand Stay – Get Your Leash” exercise. The current two-part exercise is unnecessarily long and this change accomplishes the goal of keeping the exercise practical while saving time.
Requiring the dog to wait for one minute does not serve a purpose greater than what is required in the second part of the exercise to go get the leash. Staff would like to change the exercise.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Mr. Tatro, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend the Obedience Regulations, Chapter 4, Sections 3, 4, 17 & 18 effective January 1, 2019.

CHAPTER 4
Section 3. Open A Exercises and Scores. The exercises and maximum score in the Open A class:

1. Heel Free and Figure Eight 40 points
2. Command Discrimination 30 points
   (Stand, Down, Sit)
3. Drop on Recall 30 points
4. Retrieve on Flat 20 points
5. Retrieve over High Jump 30 points
6. Broad Jump 20 points
7. Stand Stay – Get Your Leash 30 points

Maximum Total Score 200 points

Section 4. Open B Exercises and Scores. The various orders of exercises in the Open B class (points and total scores are the same as in Open A):

OPEN I-VI
7. Stand Stay – Get Your Leash

Section 17. Stand Stay – Get Your Leash. The principal feature of this exercise is that the dog stand and stay in position until the handler has returned to heel position.

The orders are: “Stand your dog,” Leave your dog to get your leash,” and “Back to your dog.”

The handler will stand with the dog sitting in heel position in a place designated by the judge, approximately 15 feet from the ring gate. The judge will ask “Are you ready?” before giving the first order. On the judge’s order, the handler will command and/or signal the dog to stand without touching the dog or the dog’s collar. The dog must stand but need not stand in heel position.

On further order to “Leave your dog to get your leash,” the handler may give a command and/or signal to stay and will walk forward directly to the place outside the ring gate designated by the judge for the leash. The handler will pick up the leash, re-enter the ring, stop and wait for the judge’s order “Back to your dog.” The handler must return directly, walking around and in back of the dog to heel position. The dog must remain standing until the judge has said “Exercise finished.” The judge will tell the handler
“Attach your leash to the collar and maintain control of your dog.” The handler is required to exit the ring gate with the dog under control and without jumping, pulling or tugging on the leash.

**Judging Procedures:** Prior to the start of judging, the judge will decide where the leash will be placed outside the ring on a chair or similar leash holder. The leash will be placed outside the ring by the steward after the dog and handler have entered the ring for judging. When positioning the dog and handler for this exercise, the judge should ensure that such positioning will permit the dog to keep the handler in its direct line of vision as the handler leaves and returns to the ring, and that the handler, when reentering the ring, is at least 15 feet away from the dog until ordered to return. During this exercise the judge must be in position to watch the dog and see the handler leave and return to the ring. Once the exercise is finished, the judge must watch the dog and handler exit the ring together.

**Section 18. Stay – Get Your Leash, Scoring.** A non-qualifying score (NQ) is required for a dog that does any of the following: Fails to stand on the first command and/or signal, moves a substantial distance away from the place it was left, sits or lies down before the handler has returned to heel position, or repeatedly barks or whines.

Substantial deductions will be made for a dog that sits or lies down after the handler has returned to heel position and before the judge has said, “Exercise finished.”

Depending on the circumstances, minor or substantial deductions will be made for the dog that moves a short distance from where it was left, or that moves its feet repeatedly while remaining in place.

A substantial deduction, under Miscellaneous Penalties, must be made for a dog that does not remain under control while leaving the ring.

**Rally Champion Title Enhancements**

The Board reviewed a recommendation to modify the requirements to earn the new Rally Champion title (RACH). In November 2017, AKC enhanced the sport of Rally by adding two classes and the RACH title. Results-to-date indicate that the challenge to earn the RACH is excessively long and extremely expensive. The Staff recommendation is to modify the requirements to earn the Rally Champion title (RACH). The recommended changes are: (1) earn RACH points from the Advanced B class, (2) amend the Point Schedule to award a greater number of points by score, (3) calculate points toward the RACH title after a dog earns the Rally Excellent (RE) title, and (4) reduce the minimum number of RACH points that must be earned from the Master.
These changes will make the title achievable by the above-average dog that is willing to put in the work. This recommendation is a change to Regulations and may be made by a vote of the Board. If approved, this change would become effective February 1, 2019.

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Ms. Biddle, seconded by Mr. Tatro, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend the *AKC Rally Regulations*, Chapter 4, Sections 1, 2 and 3. All points on all dogs’ records will be recalculated using the new point schedule and backdated to the inception of the RACH title, which was November 1, 2017.

**CHAPTER 4**

**Section 1. Dogs That May Compete.** Rally Championship points and triple qualifying scores will be recorded for dogs after they have earned the Rally Excellent (RE) title. When a dog earns the Rally Champion (RACH) title, it may continue to compete and earn points.

**Section 2. Championship Points.** Rally Championship points will be recorded for dogs earning a score of 91 or better in the Rally Advanced B, Rally Excellent B and Rally Master classes. A dog must earn a total of 300 points, with a minimum of 150 points from the Master class. Additionally, the dog must receive qualifying scores in Advance B, Excellent B and the Master class, on the same day at the same trial at 20 separate licensed or member rally trials.

### Section 3. Point Schedule.

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**Retriever Hunting Tests – Allows Consecutive Judging Assignments**

The Board reviewed a recommendation from the Performance Events Department, to allow one of the two judges assigned to a Retriever hunt test level (Junior, Senior, Master) to judge the same test level on consecutive days or consecutive back-to-back events. This practice is currently allowed in pointing breed hunt tests. It has resulted in cost savings for the host clubs.

The Retriever Hunt Test Advisory Committee and the Field Trial/Hunt Test Delegate Committee have reviewed this recommendation and agree with the change.
Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Mr. Carota, seconded by Mrs. Wallin, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend Chapter 1, Section 6 of Regulations & Guidelines for AKC Hunting Tests for Retrievers. This change is effective January 1, 2019.

CHAPTER 1
Section 6. Judges’ Eligibility.
Paragraph #16. Each test or division of a test shall be judged by at least two qualified Judges. One of the two Judges may judge the same test level on consecutive days or consecutive back-to-back events. The same team of Judges will not be approved to judge the same test level on consecutive days or consecutive back-to-back events.

CONFORMATION
Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports and Events; Tim Thomas, Vice President, Dog Show Judges; Mari-Beth O’Neill, Vice President, Sport Services; Glenn Lycan, Director, Operation Support; Alan Slay, Director, Event Programs; and Bri Tesarz, Manager, Dog Show Rules, participated in this portion of the meeting via videoconference.

Multiple Shows in One Day Policy
The Board reviewed a recommendation to add additional structure to the Multiple Shows in One Day policy to enhance the success of these events and promote efficiency for the benefit of clubs and exhibitors.

Multiple All-Breed or Limited-Breed Shows in One Day Program (January 2017, amended February 2018, May 2018 and October 2018 (effective January 1, 2019)
The shows may be held by the same club or multiple clubs. The number of point shows for an individual breed is limited to two per day. Club(s) may hold two all-breed shows in one day, two group shows of the same group in one day, or a combination of all-breed and group shows. Consecutive days of multiple shows in one day are allowed.
The Staff proposed policy changes included that the entry limit for each event under this policy should not exceed 550.
Following a motion by Ms. Cruz, seconded by Ms. McAteer, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend the policy recommendation to an entry limit of 500.
Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Ms. Cruz, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend the Multiple All-Breed or Limited-Breed Shows in One Day Program Board policy – effective January 1, 2019 (changes below):
The following criteria shall apply for all-breed/limited-breed shows to qualify for the multiple shows in one day program:
The following limitations are placed on this
program:

• Clubs that held a show of 500 entries or less the previous year are eligible for the program. Appeals for exceptions will be reviewed on an individual basis.

• Clubs holding multiple shows in one day must limit the entries per show to a number determined by the criteria regarding number of judges and number of rings. (See criteria below.) This limit must be published in the premium and in no case, shall exceed 500 entries. Entries include those in the AB/LB show, Junior Showmanship and sweepstakes.

• All-breed shows must offer group and best in show competition. Group shows must offer group competition.

• The use of multiple group rings at all-breed shows is encouraged.

• No concurrent or evening specialties may be held in conjunction with the shows.

• Junior Showmanship competition is allowed.

• Obedience, Rally, and Agility competitions are allowed, and encouraged, but must have their own ring(s) for competition. Obedience/Rally/Agility entries do not count against the 500 limit.

• Ownership of the corresponding date must be agreed upon in writing and submitted to AKC prior to event approval if two clubs are holding the same type of events on the same date and site.

• No more than one special attraction with group competition may be offered between the two shows. Approval of events that feature special attractions will depend on the club’s successful history managing such events. Unsuccessful management of special attractions could include, but is not limited to, such things as conflicts between the special attraction and regular group times and extended delays for the event.

• Judges are limited to 100 entries per event not to exceed 175 entries per day according to the Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 7, Section 13.

• The club must provide a minimum of one ring for every 100 conformation entries.

Definition of Immediate Family

The Board reviewed a recommendation to revise the definition of immediate family, as included in the italicized portion of Chapter 11, Section 13 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, to include grandparents and grandchildren in the list of immediate family members.

Currently, the members of an immediate family are defined as: husband, wife, father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law.

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Dr. Battaglia, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures.
Following a motion by Ms. Biddle, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED (affirmative: Dr. Battaglia, Ms. Biddle, Mr. Carota, Ms. Cruz, Dr. Davies, Mr. Feeney, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Menaker, Mr. Powers, Mr. Sweetwood, Mr. Tatro, Mrs. Wallin, abstained: Mr. Feeney) to amend the recommendation to add “domestic partners” to the list of immediate family members.

Following a motion by Ms. Biddle, seconded by Mr. Tatro, the Board VOTED (affirmative: Dr. Battaglia, Ms. Biddle, Mr. Carota, Ms. Cruz, Dr. Davies, Mr. Feeney, Ms. McAteer, Mr. Menaker, Mr. Powers, Mr. Sweetwood, Mr. Tatro, Mrs. Wallin, abstained: Mr. Feeney) to amend the policy definition of immediate family as included in Chapter 11 Section 13 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows to read:

For the purposes of this section, the members of an immediate family are one’s spouse, domestic partner, parents, grandparents, children, grandchildren, siblings, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, daughters-in-law, and sons-in-law; adopted, half, and step members are also included in immediate family.

This change will become effective December 1, 2018.

Scheduling Conformation Events

Based on a Board request, Staff developed recommendations which would allow events to run more efficiently (reduce down time) and shorten the day. Staff provided several recommendations including:

- Establishing Board policy that specifies a scheduled group start time depending on the size of the show.
- Establishing Board policy that allows the final block of a judge’s assignment to be increased to 35 dogs per hour.
- Establish a Board Policy that prohibits judges assigned to regular groups from judging special attraction groups (excluding NOHS).
- Develop an Enhanced Reporting tool - AKC will develop a notification system that proactively provides reports to clubs and show chairs at critical times in the process.

The Board will discuss this further at the November 2018 meeting.

Plum Creek Kennel Club Request for 1-year Exception

The Board reviewed a request from Plum Creek Kennel Club to be allowed to hold two events over two days utilizing the 4,4/3,3 format.

Plum Creek Kennel Club (PCKC) is the only club to have held this show format [holding half of two conformation dog shows in a single day followed by the second half of each dog show the following day (4 groups from each dog show on day one and 3 groups and BIS format].
from each dog show on day two)]. In August the Board voted to prohibit this format for All Breed conformation events.
PCKC is requesting this exception, as they are well into the planning of their 2019 February events, and do not feel changing the structure at this time would allow them to hold a profitable event.

Following a motion by Mr. Powers, seconded by Dr. Davies, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Mrs. Wallin, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to grant PCKC a one-time exception, allowing them to hold their two dog shows in February 2019 utilizing the 4,4/3,3 format.

**Junior Showmanship Stand Alone Event**
The Board reviewed a recommendation from the Sport Services Department to revise the Conformation Junior Showmanship Regulations and Guidelines for Judging Juniors in Conformation to allow clubs to include Junior Showmanship at Junior Showcase events.

Clubs offering the Junior Showcase events have requested the ability to include Conformation Junior Showmanship in conjunction with the other sports being offered. Junior Showcase events are open to Junior Handlers only, tailored to create a welcoming and encouraging environment for Juniors. Currently clubs can only offer Agility, Obedience and Rally as part of the Junior Showcase.

Following a motion by Mr. Tatro, seconded by Mrs. Wallin, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures.

Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Tatro, the Board VOTED (unanimously) to amend Section 1 of Conformation Junior Showmanship Regulations. This change is effective immediately.

**Conformation Junior Showmanship Regulations**

Section 1. Approval of Classes. Any club that is approved to hold a licensed or member all-breed show or a specialty show held apart from an all-breed show, may also be approved to offer Junior Showmanship competition in conjunction with its show and/or in conjunction with a Junior Showcase event.

**JUDGING OPERATIONS**
Tim Thomas, Vice President, Dog Show Judges and Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports & Events participated in this portion of the meeting via videoconference.

**Discipline Schedule**
The Board reviewed recommendations related
to guidelines used by staff when handling misconduct by judges across all disciplines.

This will be discussed further at the November meeting.

**Misrepresentation on Judging Applications**
The Board reviewed a memorandum that proposes modifications to the Misrepresentation on Judging Applications Policy included in the Conformation Judges Policies section of the Board Policy Manual available on the AKC website.

This will be discussed further at the November meeting.

**Conformation Judging Statistics**
Judging Operations provided the Board with statistics related to conformation judging applications considered by the Judges Review Committee in the previous three months, July - September 2018. This included the list of New Breed (NB) and Additional Breed applicants presented for final approval during this period and the year-to-date summary statistics for 2018.

Mr. Wooding was not in attendance for the rest of the day’s meeting.

**CLUBS**
Doug Ljungren, Executive Vice President, Sports & Events and Lisa Cecin, Director of Club Relations, participated in this portion of the meeting.

The Board reviewed a report on the prospective Delegate credentials to be published in two issues of the AKC Gazette, applications for AKC Membership and newly licensed clubs.

**Report on Member Clubs Bylaws Approved in August and September 2018**
- American Maltese Association (1969)
- Elmira Kennel Club, Elmira, NY (2011)
- Greater Lowell Kennel Club, Lowell, MA (1983)
- Greenwich Kennel Club, Greenwich, CT (1933)
- Japanese Chin Club of America (1912)
- Sussex Hills Kennel Club, Morristown, NJ (1968)

**Report on Newly Licensed Clubs Approved in August and September 2018**

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• Central Ohio Pointing Breeds Club, greater Columbus, OH (including communities northeast to Mansfield, southeast to Jamestown along Interstate 71), 20 total households, 12 local.
• Greater Chicago Area Scent Work Association, greater Chicago, IL (including communities north to Wheeling, south to Rte 34, west to Rte. 59), 22 total households, 19 local.
• Greater Kerrville Kennel Club, greater Kerrville, TX (including communities along Interstate 10 north to Junction, south to Comfort), 32 total households, 32 local.
• Kenai Peninsula Scent Work Club, Kenai Peninsula, AK, 29 total households, 29 local.
• Liberty Saluki Club, Greater Lancaster, PA (including communities north to Lansdale, south to New Castle, DE, west to Spring Grove, east to Philadelphia), 24 total households, 13 local.
• North Louisiana Herding Association, greater West Monroe, LA (including communities west to Shreveport, LA, east to Vicksburg, MS), 21 total households, 12 local.
• South Louisiana Herding Club, greater Jackson, LA area (including communities south to Baton Rouge, west to Lake Charles, east to New Orleans), 26 total households, 16 local.
• Vikingland Retriever Club, greater Alexandria, MN (southwest to Ortonville, east to Belgrade, west to Alexandria), 24 total households, 16 local.

**COMPLIANCE**

Jay Waks, Senior Executive Vice President and General Counsel and Heather McManus, Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, participated in this portion of the meeting. Wanda Forlines, Director of Compliance, participated by videoconference.

**Clare and Donna Harden Reinstatement Request**

The Board reviewed a request from Mr. Clare Harden and Ms. Donna Harden. Mr. and Ms. Harden have requested reinstatement of their AKC privileges pursuant to Article XV, Section 7 of the Charter and Bylaws of the American Kennel Club, Inc. On January 18, 1984, Clare Harden was suspended from all AKC privileges for an indefinite period for false registration of five previously registered Shetland Sheepdog bitches under new and different names. Donna Harden was suspended from all AKC privileges for an indefinite period for improper certifications made to the AKC to effect transfers of certain registered Shetland Sheepdogs; improper certifications regarding leases of two Shetland Sheepdog bitches; knowingly...
providing an incorrect application for individual registration of a Shetland Sheepdog; falsely registering two previously registered Shetland Sheepdog bitches under new and different names; and improper certifications made in connection with the registration of litters out of said bitches, effective December 13, 1982. The Management Disciplinary Committee reviewed Mr. and Ms. Harden’s request and recommends, pursuant to AKC policy, reinstatement on the following conditions 1) Fines be set for Mr. Harden in the amount of $2000 and Ms. Harden in the amount of $3000; 2) those fines be paid in full prior to reinstatement or a reinstatement inspection and 3) that Mr. and Ms. Harden pass a reinstatement inspection. Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Mr. Tatro the Board VOTED (unanimously; absent; Mr. Wooding) to set the fine for Mr. Harden in the amount of $2000, the fine for Ms. Harden in the amount of $3000 and approved reinstatement if the fines were paid, and Mr. and Ms. Harden passed a reinstatement inspection.

Changes to AKC Discipline Guidelines
The Board reviewed recommended changes from the Compliance Department to the current AKC Discipline Guidelines for consistency and to provide clarification. Following a motion by Ms. Cruz, seconded by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (unanimously; absent Mr. Wooding) to consider the matter at this meeting waiving its normal notice procedures. Following a motion by Mr. Sweetwood, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board VOTED (unanimously; absent Mr. Wooding) to approve the recommended changes to the AKC Discipline Guidelines.

AKC DISCIPLINE GUIDELINES - EFFECTIVE October 8, 2018
Explanatory Notes

• Articles XII and XIV allow for discipline for “conduct alleged to have been prejudicial to the best interests of purebred dogs, purebred dog events, or the AKC.”

• Discipline in excess of the Aggravated term, or less than the Mitigated term, must be approved by the AKC Board of Directors (“Board”). Discipline imposed for cases not covered by the Guidelines must be approved by the Board.

• Circumstances that could, but would not necessarily result in an act of misconduct being Mitigated would include, but not be limited to:
  1. The lack of any prior offense.
  2. The lack of experience as a participant in events.
  3. The minimal nature of the offense.
  4. Recognition of wrongdoing.
5. The recommendation of the Events Committee.

- Circumstances that could, but that would not necessarily result in an act of misconduct being Aggravated would include, but not be limited to:
  1. A record of prior offense(s).
  2. Extensive experience as a participant in events.
  3. The seriousness of the offense.
  4. Refusal to acknowledge wrongdoing prior to formal issuance of Charges.
  5. The recommendation of the Events Committee
  6. The action(s) of the individual resulted in the death of dog(s)
  7. The misconduct is directed towards or with a person under 18 years of age.

- An especially egregious offense will result in a more severe length of suspension and/or fine than suggested in the Guidelines.
- Multiple serious offenses may result in a lifetime suspension of all AKC privileges.
- These Guidelines will be reviewed from time to time.
- Event Suspension is a suspension of event privileges for the individual and applies to dogs registered or co-registered at the time of suspension, or subsequently obtained during the term of suspension, which may not be entered or compete in events during the term of suspension unless they are transferred to another individual.

- Registration Suspension is a suspension of registration privileges, which means AKC will not accord registration of any litter, or individual dog or transfer ownership of a dog solely or in part by the suspended individual. In addition, AKC will not register any litter of dogs if the sire of the litter was owned solely or in part by a person who is suspended on the date the mating occurred.

- Suspension of all privileges would include both event suspension and registration suspension.

- At the discretion of the Management Disciplinary Committee (“MDC”) or the Staff Event Committee (“SEC”), a condition of suspension can include the prohibition of a suspended individual from being allowed on the grounds of an AKC approved event. The factors for MDC or SEC to take into consideration in adding this condition of suspension are 1) the possibility of future harm to an individual(s) and/or animal(s); 2) the nature of the conduct that lead to the suspension; and 3) the involvement of the authorities.

- Complaints against a judge at an event which involve deviation from standard judging procedure and responsibilities
are to be reported to the Field Representative in attendance or the applicable AKC department and handled internally by the AKC.

- Conduct addressed by SEC involving an individual who is an AKC approved judge, may lead to review by the applicable AKC department to determine if further action is warranted specific to the person’s judging privileges.
- When discipline guidelines become less punitive, the new penalty (suspension period and conditions and fine, if applicable) will be applied to persons currently under suspension for that offense.
- Month is abbreviated as “mo”. A month suspension is defined as being thirty (30) days.
- For violations denoted with an asterisk (*), reinstatement is contingent on passing an AKC kennel inspection, which will be scheduled only after the associated fine has been paid.

- The classification of an offense(s) within these Guidelines will be made by either the MDC or SEC. SEC will base the classification on the wording in the complaint and may determine that multiple offenses apply. The penalties for multiple offenses will run concurrently unless MDC or SEC determine that based on the severity of the offenses or record of prior offenses consecutive penalties are warranted.

IN THOSE CASES WHERE AN EVENT OR REGISTRATION SUSPENSION IS CALLED FOR, THE AKC MANAGEMENT DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE MAY RECOMMEND THE SUSPENSION OF ALL PRIVILEGES, WHEN WARRANTED BY THE SEVERITY OF THE CASE.

The following AKC Management actions were reported:

(Final Board Disciplinary actions are reported on the Secretary’s Page)

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## Suspension of All AKC Privileges

### Offenses

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<td>g. Judicial or administrative determination of inappropriate treatment*</td>
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<td>h. Unacceptable conditions, dogs and/or facility*</td>
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<td>i. Whelping dogs at event site</td>
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<td>b. Selling or buying AKC registration papers*</td>
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<td>c. Refusing to produce dogs or records*</td>
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<td>d. Non-compliance with AKC’s Rules and Regulations on Record Keeping and Identification</td>
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<td>e. Submission of an AKC litter application which the individual should have known contained a false certification as to the sire and/or dam of the litter (DNA exclusion)*</td>
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<td>a. Judicial or administrative determination of, or a signed admission or, unauthorized use of club funds.</td>
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<td>b. Harassment, verbal</td>
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## Suspension of Event Privileges

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<td>c. Inappropriate public criticism of a judge, not disruptive, but demonstrating lack of sportsmanship</td>
<td>Rep/$50</td>
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<td>d. Public criticism of a judge that causes a disruption at an event</td>
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<td>3. Refusing to continue to compete</td>
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<td>g. Judging improprieties (the judge himself/herself or complicity with a judge)</td>
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1. If reinstated, must start with a new colony, or in lieu thereof, bring back dogs from the old colony for which a DNA profile is recorded with the AKC and is positively identified via microchip or tattoo.

2. The actual fine assessed shall be sufficient to cover all reinstatement costs, but in no instance shall it exceed the maximum amount indicated.

3. An aggravated penalty may include a suspension from all AKC privileges.

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<td>c. Personal property damage</td>
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<td>d. Impairing a club’s ability to retain site</td>
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<td>c. Failure to properly control a dog at an event</td>
<td>Rep/$200</td>
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<td>f. Disruptive behavior at an event</td>
<td>Rep/$100</td>
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<td>g. Unauthorized removal of property at or in connection with an event</td>
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#### Offenses

#### VII. Violation of AKC Rules/Regulation or Club Regulations

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<td>a. Showing the wrong dog without voluntary correction</td>
<td>Rep/$300</td>
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<td>b. Substitution</td>
<td>2 yr/$1000</td>
<td>5 yr/$3000</td>
<td>Up to 10 yr/up to $5000</td>
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<td>c. Benching violations (per dog)</td>
<td>Rep</td>
<td>Rep/$250</td>
<td>Rep/Double Fine for each Repeated offense</td>
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<td>d. Disregard of published club regulations (e.g., parking, ex-pens, crates in aisle,)</td>
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unauthorized concessions, selling puppies, etc.)

f. Entering/exhibiting altered dog (temporary alteration)  Rep/$500  6 mo/$1000  Up to 1 yr/up to $2500
g. Entering exhibiting altered dog (permanent alteration)  1 yr/$1000  2yr/$2000  Up to 5yr/up to $5000

h. Willful refusal to return ribbon or prize after award disallowed  Rep/$100  1 mo/$200  Up to 1mo/up to $500

i. Gun safety violation (by gunner)  Rep  1yr/$500  Up to 2 yr/up to $1000

j. Gun safety violation (by club)  Rep/$100  Loss of next event/$300  Loss of next event/$500

k. Providing fraudulent information on an entry to show an ineligible dog  3 mo/$500  6 mo/$1000  Up to 1yr/up to $2000

l. Misuse of a tracking device in connection with a Field Event  6 mo/$500  1yr/$1000  Up to 2 yr/up to $2500

m. Entering/Exhibiting dog that the entrant knew or should have known is ineligible to compete in the event  Rep/$200  1yr/$1000  Up to 5 yr/up to $5000

**SUSPENSION OF REGISTRATION PRIVILEGES**

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<td>VIII. Registration Violations</td>
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<td>a. Submission of a false application to register or transfer (not signature forgeries), which do not affect the Stud Book online or paper</td>
<td>1 yr/$200</td>
<td>3 yr/$300</td>
<td>Up to 5 yr/up to $500</td>
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<td>b. Signing AKC applications to register or transfer in blank; failure to properly complete an AKC document to show the name and address of the individual to whom the dog was directly transferred and the date of the transfer*</td>
<td>Rep/$300</td>
<td>3 mo/$500</td>
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<td>c. Failure to complete supplemental transfers (i.e., jumping transfers). Failure to complete proper chain of registration on an AKC registered or registerable dog*</td>
<td>Rep/$300</td>
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<td>d. Submission of application containing a false certification as to the signature of one of the owners (this includes making false complaints)</td>
<td>1 mo/$300</td>
<td>6 mo/$500</td>
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<td>c. Submission of an online application without written permission from the co-owner or co-litter owner</td>
<td>Rep</td>
<td>3mo/$500</td>
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<td>f. Signing AKC documents on behalf of another without filing a properly completed Power of Attorney Form</td>
<td>Rep</td>
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<td>g. Attempting to register a litter whelped outside of the U.S.*</td>
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<tr>
<td>a. Circumvention of Suspension*</td>
<td>Rep/Double Original Fine</td>
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CONSENT
Following a motion by Dr. Battaglia, seconded by Dr. Davies it was VOTED (unanimously; absent Mr. Wooding); to approve the following Consent Item:
• Delegate Approvals

Delegate Approvals
Linda Deutsch, Bangor, PA
To represent Plainfield Kennel Club

Tony Emilio, Pomfret Center, CT
To represent Labrador Retriever Club

Karen Gunzel, Hopatcong, NJ
To represent Trenton Kennel Club

Anne M. Hier, North Branch, MI
To represent Companion Dog Training Club of Flint, MI

Helen Ingher, Post Orange, FL
To represent Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen Club of America

Pamela Rhyner, Corpus Christi, TX
To represent Corpus Christi Kennel Club

Jane Ruthford, Maple Valley, WA
To represent Mt. Baker Kennel Club

Nancy Smith, Lawrenceville, IL
To represent Evansville Kennel Club

2019 Budget
Joseph Baffuto, CFO, gave an overview of the proposed 2019 budget. The 2019 Budget is Mission Driven. Emphasis is on increasing entries, litters and individual registrations, as well as adding more unique breeders.

Following a motion by Dr. Davies, seconded by Mr. Sweetwood, the Board VOTED (unanimous; absent Mr. Wooding) to approve the 2019 Budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
There was an EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss sensitive business matters. There was nothing reported out of this session.

New Business

March Delegates Meeting
Following a motion by Ms. McAteer, seconded by Ms. Biddle, the Board VOTED (unanimously; absent Mr. Wooding) to hold the March 2019 AKC Delegate Meeting in Newark, NJ. Special arrangements will be planned so that Delegates will be able to see the new AKC Museum of the Dog during that time. There will be a special reception for the Delegates, at the AKC Museum of the Dog, on Monday evening, March 11, 2019. Details will be arranged through AKC’s Conference and Travel Department.

The Board adjourned at 5:21 p.m.

The Board Meeting reconvened on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 9:11 a.m.

All Directors were present, except for Mr. Wooding. Also present was the Executive Secretary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
There was an EXECUTIVE SESSION at the beginning of the meeting to discuss sensitive business matters. There was nothing reported out of this session.

Implementation of the Two-In-One Day Policy
On Monday of the Board meeting, the Board voted to approve policy changes to the Multiple All-Breed or Limited-Breed Shows in One Day Program.

Staff presented the Board with a list of events offering the two-in-one-day format that have already been approved for 2019 and would be impacted negatively by the changes in policy.

There are three (3) clubs that have been approved for a total of six (6) events in 2019 that will not comply with the new policy based on their entries in 2018.

Following a motion by Mrs. Wallin, seconded by Mr. Powers, the Board VOTED (unanimously; absent Mr. Wooding) to grant a
one-year exception in 2019 for the following clubs to hold their events using the two-in-one-day format; Okaloosa KC, Fort Lauderdale KC, and Abilene KC.

It was VOTED to adjourn Tuesday, October 9, at 11:26 a.m.
Adjourned
Attest:

Gina M. DiNardo, Executive Secretary