Are you a dog person?  
Then join the club.

Make **connections.**

Dog clubs abound with dog lovers who share common interests of raising, training, breeding, and competing with purebred dogs.

Gain **knowledge.**

Dog club members are experts about canine nutrition, health, training, and development.

A dog club is the place to meet experts on your breed of dog and learn the fine arts of showing your dog and participating in agility, obedience, tracking, hunt tests, retriever trials, and many other AKC events.

Contribute to your **community.**

Dog clubs strive to promote and protect dogs in their communities. Club members teach responsible dog ownership by making presentations with their dogs in schools and at other local venues. They sponsor training classes and health clinics. They operate rescue networks and responsible breeder locator services. They monitor and provide input for legislation governing responsible dog ownership.

There are nearly 5,000 dog clubs in the United States that hold affiliated events under the umbrella of the AKC for competition of AKC-registered dogs. Some are national parent clubs, others local specialty clubs, and still others are devoted to a broad variety of events including agility, obedience, tracking, field trials, lure coursing and herding tests and trials.

To find out more about a dog club near you, contact:  

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