MISSION STATEMENT
The American Kennel Club is dedicated to upholding the integrity of its Registry, promoting the sport of purebred dogs and breeding for type and function. Founded in 1884, the AKC and its affiliated organizations advocate for the purebred dog as a family companion, advance canine health and well-being, work to protect the rights of all dog owners and promote responsible dog ownership.

Attention Delegates
Notice of Meeting
The next meeting of the Delegates will be held at the Doubletree Newark Airport Hotel on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, beginning at 10:00 a.m. It will follow the 9:00 a.m. Delegates Forum.

Delegates Credentials
Debby Fowler, Carrollton, TX, Trinity Valley Kennel Club
Jon M. Green, Westerville, OH, Central Ohio Kennel Club
David Helming, Flemington, NJ, Newfoundland Club of America
Helen Ingher, Weeki Wachee, FL, Pasco Florida Kennel Club
Julie King, Arlington, MA, New England Dog Training Club
Mary McDaniel, Babson Park, FL, Lakeland Winter Haven Kennel Club
Nancy O’Neal, Albuquerque, NM, Rio Grande Kennel Club
Erlin Tallon-Carr, Raleigh, NC, Anatolian Shepherd Dog Club of America

Notice
Mr. David Williams (Red Oak, TX) Action was taken by the Baytown Kennel Club for conduct at its April 28, 2013, event. Mr. Williams was charged with neglect at or in connection with an event. The Staff Event Committee reviewed the report and set the penalty at a one month event suspension and $500 fine, effective May 19, 2013. (Chinese Shar-Pei)

Notice
The AKC’s Management Disciplinary Committee has proposed the following amendment to Chapter 4, Section 2, of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, to be voted on at the September 10, 2013 Delegates Meeting.
CHAPTER 4
Section 2

Premium list and entry forms must be printed and sent to prospective exhibitors at least FIVE WEEKS prior to the closing date for entries of show. Four copies of the premium list must be sent to The American Kennel Club at time of distribution.

CONFORMATION JUDGES

As a result of the October 2010 Board Meeting, publication notice in the Gazette was combined into one notice, therefore the judging approval process continues to include an opportunity for the fancy to respond to each permit judge.

Letters concerning judges and permit judges should be addressed to the Judging Operations Department at PO Box 900062, Raleigh, NC 27675-9062. Letters concerning Agility, Obedience, Rally, Tracking, and VST applicants should be addressed to the Companion Events Department in North Carolina.

The American Kennel Club will, at the request of a judge or judge applicant, provide that individual with copies of letters received by AKC concerning their qualifications. As a result, it should be understood that any such correspondence will be made available, upon request, to the judge.

It is the responsibility of all Conformation and JS judges to notify the Judging Operations Department of any changes or corrections to their address, phone, fax or emails. These changes are very important because they affect your judges’ record, the web site and the Judges Directory. Please notify Judging Operations at (919) 816-3593 or email, judgingops@akc.org.

PERMIT ASSIGNMENTS COMPLETED

The following persons have completed their Permit Judging assignments in the breeds listed, and their names have been added to the list of regular approved judges.

NEW BREED JUDGES

Mrs. Fatima Crump (93753) MO
(316) 210-3814
fwcrump@kc.rr.com
Poodles

Mrs. Rita M. Rice (93267) TX
(817) 320-8551
ariaborzoi@yahoo.com
Borzoi

Mr. Ken Schlecht (93721) MO
(314) 749-3183
confettigr@aol.com
Golden Retrievers

Mr. Thomas W. Schulz (94217) WI
(920) 867-4960
cedargolden@centurytel.net
Golden Retrievers

Ms. Deborah A. Tully (93241) MA
(413) 362-7208
dtully@verizon.net
Bernese Mountain Dogs

APPROVED BREED JUDGES

Mr. Robert L. Boothe (0178) TX
(432) 694-4479
b.boothe1@att.net
Balance of Sporting Group (Irish Red and White Setters, American Water Spaniels, Boykin Spaniels, Irish Water Spaniels, Sussex Spaniels)

Mr. Kenneth R. Carroll (6844) IL
(815) 609-9675
krcarroll5@sbcglobal.net
Australian Shepherds, Bouviers des Flandres

Ms. Jacqueline K. Carswell (81765) GA
(912) 449-4743
iwcar@accessatc.net
Rhodesian Ridgebacks

Ms. Maureen A. Day (29991) NY
(516) 735-5421
maday1@optonline.net
German Shorthaired Pointers, Chesapeake Bay Retrievers, Flat Coated Retrievers, Field Spaniels, Vizslas

Mrs. Laurie Doumaux (4813) VA
(703) 250-4835
oahunorth@aol.com
Curly-Coated Retrievers, Irish Setters, English Springer Spaniels

Mrs. Pamela J. Foulk (7171) OH
(614) 882-7090
pjfoulk@aol.com
Balance of Working Group (Anatolian Shepherds, Cane Corsos, Chinooks, Dogues de Bordeaux, Kuvaszok, Leonbergers, Neapolitan Mastiffs)

Ms. Connie Gard (76654) AZ
(520) 241-0784
conniegd@aol.com
Akita, Great Danes, Portuguese Water Dogs

Mr. Randy E. Garren (17218) NC
(919) 362-9799
k9pro@aol.com
Balance of Terrier Group (American Staffordshire Terriers, Bedlington Terriers, Bull Terriers, Cesky Terriers, Smooth Fox Terriers, Wire Fox Terriers, Glen of Imaal Terriers, Irish Terriers, Miniature Bull Terriers, Miniature Schnauzers, Rat Terriers, Russell Terriers, Skye Terriers, Staffordshire Bull Terriers)

Dr. Ruby Hertz (6271) CA
(510) 345-4151
steppinup@dc.rr.com
Balance of Toy Group (Affenpinschers, Brussels Griffons, Chinese Cresteds, English Toy Spaniels, Havanese, Italian Greyhounds, Manchester Terriers, Shih Tzu, Silky Terriers)

Ms. Britt E. Jung (66281) MD
(703) 626-9149
brittej@gmail.com
Weimaraners

Ms Linda L. Kelly (26980) MN
(612) 810-9696
oakleaf4@mchsi.com
English Setters, English Springer Spaniels, Weimaraners

Mrs. Marilyn Little (2758) AZ
(928) 535-5385
okaklabs@frontier.com
German Wirehaired Pointers, Curly-Coated Retrievers, Gordon Setters, Irish Red and White Setters

Ms. Edweena (Teddy) McDowell (17411) KS
(913) 620-4578
mcmerle@aol.com
Labrador Retrievers, Weimaraners, Soft Coated Wheaten Terriers

Ms. Sue N. Melancon (41991) LA
(504) 779-6716
dunleary09@yahoo.com
Brittany, Golden Retrievers

Mr. Clyde R. Morris (43041) TX
(936) 443-3714
cmorris2486@yahoo.com
Rottweilers

Mr. Jim Owens (92926) NC
(828) 333-0810
drydockdogs@gmail.com
resigned conformation judges

Mrs. Kathryn Wagner (81256) WV
(304) 472-4090
shumaker@cebridge.net
Junior Showmanship

resigned conformation judges

Mrs. Joan Morrison
Mr. Frank N. Summerside

deceased conformation judges

Dr. Robert J. Berndt
Mr. Robert L. Custer
Dr. Hugh Jordan
Mr. Robert D. Salsbury
Mr. T. Donald Teague

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. Ellen Beasley (93281) NC
(919) 663-2520
coclone@gmail.com
Obedience – Open

Mr. David Brobst (95025) VA
(804) 672-6724
dbrobst@vcu.edu
Obedience – Novice

Ms. Kimberly Hazelet (95219) AL
(334) 717-6038
dhchamber@gmail.com
Rally – All

Mrs. Nancy J. Watson (26243) FL
(813) 503-9464
nwatson194@gmail.com
Obedience – Utility

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.

Mrs. Karen (Kay) Bedeau (21038) SD
(605) 745-5796
token@gwtc.net
Obedience – Open

Mrs. Linda Bianco (81680) CA
(925) 938-0569
lmbianco@yahoo.com
Obedience – Novice

Mrs. Jane A. Jonas (80861) CO
(970) 672-0806
janejonas46@gmail.com
Tracking – Tracking Dog Excellent

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 James P. Crowley, Executive Secretary:

APOLLO’S – Dalmatians – Debbie A. Poole
BIGSHOT – Bulldogs – Christine M. Shedore
CABINFEIR – Cavalier King Charles Spaniels – Laurie H. Justensen
CAMELOT’S –Brittanys – Jeri K. Conklin
DAMRILE – English Springer Spaniels – Alexander Kerr
DYKUMOS – Rhodesian Ridgebacks – Asta McCormick & Alfred Spears
FORSCOTS – Scottish Terriers – Raymond Formanek, Jr.
FYRESYDE – Airedale Terriers & Border Terriers – Amy J. Moore
GREAT SPIRIT – Australian Shepherds – Linda Lee Reau
KING PEN – Rat Terriers – JoAnn Draper & Raymond Draper
LAUGHING – Cavalier King Charles Spaniels – Barbara Garnett-Wilson & Roy A. Wilson
MOONSMITH – Doberman Pinschers – James E. Moon
MOUNTAIN CREST – Pomeranians – Davia L. Gilstrap & Carlaene B. Gilstrap
O CLEIRIGH – Irish Red and White Setters – Jeanne Clarke
PUREIMAGINATION – Spinone Italiano – Bridget L. Doyle & Michael P. Doyle
RINKYDINK – Beagles – Dennis A. Williams
ROCKHAVEN – Cane Corso – Laura J. Barton
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JUNE 11-12, 2013

The Board convened on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. All Directors were present, except for Dr. Battaglia, as were the Executive Secretary, the Chief Operating Officer, and the Assistant Executive Secretary.

Upon a motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Mr. Ashby, the April 2013 Board minutes, copies of which were made available to all Directors, were unanimously (absent Dr. Battaglia) adopted.

AKC CANINE HEALTH FOUNDATION

There was a presentation from members of the AKC Canine Health Foundation concerning current activities and future plans. Presenters were Terry T. Warren, PhD, JD, CEO and General Counsel, Shila Nordone, PhD, Chief Science Officer, and Erika Kitchen, Director of Development and Communications. Also present was A. Duane Butcher, PhD, Chairman.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Board Action Items

Mr. Sprung gave a status report on previous Action items assigned to the Staff.

Events and Entries Update

Mr. Sprung gave an event status report for March and April 2013. Entries were down by 0.79% and Events were up by 1.5% compared to the first four months of 2012.

LEGAL REPORT

Margaret Poindexter, General Counsel, participated in this portion of the meeting. She presented a status report on pending litigation and other activities for the months of April and May 2013.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY’S REPORT

Broholmer FSS Breed

The Board was advised that the Foundation Stock Service Committee approved a petition from the Broholmer Club of the USA to record the Broholmer in the Foundation Stock Service program with a Working Group designation.

CONSENT

Following discussion, there was a motion by Mr. Arnold, seconded by Ms. Scully, and it was VOTED (unanimously; absent Dr. Battaglia) to approve the following Consent Items:

Delegates Approved

Paul Bodeving, Cave Junction, OR to represent Rogue Valley Kennel Club

Lonnie Carroll, Greer, SC to represent Spartanburg Kennel Club

Carlene Dowell, Cumberland, MD to represent Upper Potomac Valley Kennel Club

Eugenia Hunter, Makanda, IL to represent Irish Wolfhound Club of America

Jack McDaniel, Bothell, WA to represent Irish Water Spaniel Club of America

Ronald Readmond, Trappe, MD to represent Westchester Kennel Club

Nancy Shaw, Fredericksburg, TX to represent San Antonio Kennel Club

Recognizing a Registry in the Dominican Republic

The Board VOTED to add the Federacion Canina Dominicana to the list of registries with pedigrees acceptable for AKC Registration.

Herding - Earning Titles Under Two Different Judges

The Board VOTED to amend the AKC Herding Regulations, Chapter 4, Section 3, to award herding trial titles if a dog receives three passing scores under at least two different judges. Previously, a dog had to receive three passing scores under three different judges. This policy is effective September 3, 2013. The second passing score under the same judge will only count if earned after the effective date of this policy change.

Retriever Field Trials - Two Recommendations from the Retriever Field Trial Advisory Committee

The Board VOTED to amend Standing Procedure Number 3 and Standing Procedure Number 8 of the Retriever Field Trial Standard Procedures, effective August 1, 2013. Standing Procedure Number Three was amended to clarify the definition of an amateur by...
adding wording that a person who occasionally conducts retriever training seminars as well as a person that publishes books or DVDs is not considered a professional dog trainer. However, a person that receives compensation for providing regular personal instruction to an individual regarding the training and/or handling of a dog is considered a professional dog trainer.

3. Amateur Definition: the following definitions and standards should be followed in determining the status of any person to be an Amateur:
(a) For purposes of eligibility to judge under Chapter 14, Section 3 of the rules for retriever trials, a person shall be considered an Amateur who during the period of two years preceding the trial in question has not received compensation from the direct training of a dog for hunting, hunting tests or field trials and/or the handling of a dog in the same, and/or the regular and systematic personal instruction of other individuals regarding the above pursuits at any level.

   Compensation as provided above is defined as money, goods or services to a person or any member of their household.

   Any person participating in an occasional organized seminar or workshop to improve the training and handling of field trial, hunting test or hunting dogs will be exempt from the above provision as will a person who receives payment for providing educational material (such as books, videos, etc.) to the public on the training and handling of field trial, hunting test or hunting dogs.

Standing Procedure Number Eight was amended to forbid the use of layout blinds. A layout blind is where an individual conceals himself by laying down on the ground under a camouflaged cover.

STANDARD PROCEDURE No. 8 (third paragraph)
8. Retired Guns and throwers should be concealed by a blind that provides complete coverage, adequate space, and natural camouflage to conceal the distinctive shape of the blind and in no event shall gunners or throwers be instructed to lay down on the ground in layout blinds or like configurations for hiding purposes.

AKC Community Canine (The Next Step in the Family Dog Program)
The Board VOTED to approve the creation of an advanced CGC testing program called AKC Community Canine. This new test builds upon the skills learned in the CGC test. Together with AKC S.T.A.R., Puppy and CGC, the Community Canine test is the next step in a program focused on canine good manners resulting in enjoyable family companions and friendly community members. Dogs that pass the Community Canine test will be awarded the title of Community Canine (CMC). The AKC Community Canine test will become a new AKC testing program on October 1, 2013.

COMPLIANCE
Margaret Poindexter, AKC Staff, participated in this section of the meeting.

The following AKC Management actions were reported:

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

JUDGING
Tim Thomas, AKC Staff, participated in this portion of the meeting.

Judges Review Committee
Based on a request from the Board, Staff presented a plan on how members of the Judges Review Committee would be selected.

Following a motion by Mr. Gladstone, seconded by Mr. Ashby, it was VOTED (affirmative: Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Ashby, Ms. Scully, Dr. Newman, Mr. Kalter, Mr. Feeney, Mr. Powers, Mr. Amen, Mr. Wooding, Dr. Garvin; opposed: Ms. Cruz; abstaining: Mr. Arnold; absent: Dr. Battaglia) to restructure the Judges Review Committee as follows:

- Patricia Proctor will Chair the committee and to serve as the only permanent member.
- There will be a second Executive Field Representative on each monthly committee, with the Field Representatives serving on a rotating basis.
- A pool of judges is to be designated. Three individuals from the pool will be randomly selected to serve on each monthly committee, with no individual serving more than three times in a year. The random selection will be made on a quarterly basis.
- The judges in the pool are not prohibited from applying for additional breeds, as long as their application is not acted on at a committee meeting where they are serving as a committee member.

The following have accepted the invitation:
Anne Savory Bolus
Anne Bowes
Dana Cline
Michael Dougherty
Robert Ennis
David Kirkland
David Kittredge
Sam H. McDonald
Charlotte Paterson
Faye Strauss
Donald Sturz
Karen Wilson

Judging Task Force
There was a discussion on the work to be done by the Judging Task Force, chaired by Dr. Garvin. Among other topics, the committee is exploring the possibility of remote education and testing accessed through the internet. Testing organizations specializing in this are to be contacted for a request for cost proposals to design what AKC is looking for.

Information on the plans of the Task Force will be prepared for dissemination as a press release.

Judging Approval Process
The Board reviewed the Judging Approval Process. It was agreed that the Judges Review Committee should only use the criteria provided in the published policy, in considering all applicants.

Following a motion by Mr. Gladstone, seconded by Mr. Ashby, it was VOTED (unanimously, absent Dr. Battaglia) to amend the requirements for individuals requesting Reactivation/Reinstatement of their judging privileges to include the submission of a $25 non-refundable processing fee for each newly recognized breed in a group previously approved.

Reinstatement/Reactivation (Judging Approval Process page 7; 4th bullet)
Only previously approved.
secretary’s page

breds/groups may be reinstated/reactivated. In the case of a Group(s) with a newly recognized breed(s), breed standard test(s) must be passed and a non-refundable $25 processing fee required for each newly recognized breed.

Ms. Cruz stated that based upon her belief that the unanimous Board vote in April to mask the names of judging applicants was a mistake she was moving that the policy be rescinded. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wooding.

Following discussion, the motion was defeated with the VOTE (affirmative: Ms. Cruz, Mr. Wooding, Mr. Arnold, Mr. Feeney; opposed: Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Ashby, Mr. Kalter, Dr. Newman, Dr. Garvin, Mr. Powers, Ms. Scully, Mr. Amen; absent: Dr. Battaglia.)

Meeting adjourned on Tuesday June 11, 2013 at 5:30 pm.

Meeting reconvened on Wednesday June 12, 2013 at 8:00 am.

All Directors were present except Dr. Battaglia, as were the Executive Secretary, the Chief Operating Officer and the Assistant Executive Secretary. Dr. Battaglia participated by telephone conference, but in accordance with Board policy, could not vote.

AKC Global Services

Robin Stansell, a consultant, gave a presentation on AKC Global Services, including its present operations and future plans.

CONFORMATION

Alan Slay and Mari-Beth O’Neill, AKC Staff, participated in this portion of the meeting

Miscellaneous Class, Additional Adult Class

The Board reviewed a Staff proposal to amend Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 3, Section 22, to provide for a Bred-By Exhibitor Class for each sex of each Miscellaneous Class breed. This will be discussed further at the July Board meeting.

Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 3, Section 22 - Certificate of Merit

The Board reviewed a Staff proposal to amend Rules Applying to Dog Shows Chapter 3, Section 22, to provide for the awarding of additional Certificate of Merit titles. CM title initials will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the quantity of times the dog has earned the requirements of the CM title as defined in Section 22. Currently the Certificate of Merit Title requires earning 15 points. This will be discussed further at the July Board meeting.

Educational Compliance Requirements

There was a discussion on the current requirements a club must meet to maintain its show eligibility. Staff is to present proposed revisions to these requirements in July.

Catalog Sales Board Policy Revision

The Board reviewed a Staff proposal to amend the Board Policy on event catalogs to allow individual clubs to combine multiple events into a single catalog even if there are different secretaries/superintendents and to allow multiple clubs to combine multiple events into a single catalog if they utilize a single secretary/superintendent for managing entries. This will be discussed further at the July Board meeting.

National Owner Handled Series at Any Event

Based upon a Staff presentation, the Board, without objection, added Group and Specialty clubs to the event types where a National Owner Handled Series competition may be offered. Beginning with the 2014 qualifying period (October 10, 2013) the National Owner Handled Series competition may be offered at any independent Conformation event (All-Breed, Group or Specialty).

MARKETING

Mark Dunn, AKC Staff participated in this portion of the meeting. Updates were provided on Registration and Canine Partners.

COMMUNICATIONS

Christopher Walker, AKC Staff participated in this portion of the meeting.

New Public Relations Firm

Staff reported that Edelman will be assuming all Public Relations duties in addition to the new responsibilities for public engagement to communicate our Good Works, promote purebred dogs, responsible breeders, fair legislation, and promote AKC thought leadership.

Public Outreach/Education in Schools

Staff reported that without objection it will start to revamp AKC’s public educational materials and update and expand it’s in classroom curricula. An educational expert will review existing lesson plans, develop new relevant curricula and create a plan to convert all materials over to digital platforms.

FINANCE

Peter Farnsworth, Chief Financial Officer, participated in this portion of the meeting.

He addressed any questions the Board had on his presentation at the Delegate meeting the day before.

IT Update

Connie Pearcy, AKC Staff, updated the Board on the current state of IT, along with future plans.

Government Relations Presentation

Sheila Goffe, AKC Staff, outlined current operation procedures in the Government Relations Department. In July, the Board will review its current Policy Statements.

It was VOTED to adjourn Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 1:35 pm.

Adjourned

Attest:

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James P. Crowley, Executive Secretary