



Atlanta Kennel Club

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Atlanta Kennel Club Newsletter

June 2021

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June Meeting

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

Program

The program will be “When to Spay and Neuter” and will be presented by Dr. Haley McNulty, a recent graduate of Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine, and an associate veterinarian at Cliftwood Animal Hospital.

Menu

Manicotti, salad, garlic rolls, and tiramisu for dessert.

Location

Aldo’s Italian Restaurant — Sandy Springs
6690 Roswell Rd NE, Sandy Springs, GA 30328
Phone: 770-992-9600

Time: Dinner @ 6:45 p.m., Meeting @ 8:00 p.m.

Directions: Aldo’s is on the northwest corner of Roswell Rd. and Abernathy Rd. in Sandy Springs, just outside the perimeter and just west of 400. Parking is behind the restaurant in the Sandy Springs Crossing shopping center.

DINNER RESERVATIONS

ARE REQUIRED

IF YOU PLAN TO DINE WITH US!

You are not required to have dinner, but a **reservation is absolutely necessary** if you want to dine with us. Join us for dinner or come shortly before 8:00 p.m. for the program and short business meeting that follows.

You may reserve and pay via PayPal on the club website under “Events”, OR contact Amy Caple by email at sasapinecorgis@yahoo.com NO LATER than Sunday evening prior to the meeting on the following Wednesday. If you make a reservation and do not attend you will be billed for your meal.

Price \$25 adults and \$10 for children under 12.

If you have special dietary needs, please mention this to Amy when you make your reservations. If you decide to attend after the RSVP deadline, you can order food “to go” from the restaurant and join us in the meeting room. Just be sure to let us know so we can hold your seat!

Birthdays

Wanda Blankenship-Smith
--Jun 02

Diane Fortik--Jun 24

Amber Gibson--Jun 22

Chuck Quinlan--Jun 12

Carol Roberts--Jun 17

Joyce Gibson--Jun 26

Rose Marie Hidlay--Jun 15

June Mann--Jun 08

Anniversaries

Michelle Anderson--Jun 17

Dawn Benton--Jun 30

Lisa Hall--Jun 08

Linda Orr--Jun 19

Sue Rekc--Jun 11

Editor’s Note: A lot of our members didn’t include birthday and/or anniversary info when they joined. If you’d like your special day(s) recognized here, please send the info to me – legrandchows@gmail.com

Did You Know?

Summer is a prime time for dogs to develop **hot spots**. The AKC has posted a nice guide to identifying and treating hot spots. Click [here](#), or go to akc.org, click on Expert Advice > Health > Common Conditions and then scroll to the article on Hot Spots. There are a number of other good articles to explore while you are there.

Webmaster

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Call or email either Mary Ellen or Jim for website questions or help.



Do not forget to like us on FACEBOOK! Do you have something to post ?

Tamara Brower is the Facebook Administrator for the **Atlanta Kennel Club** and the

Peach Blossom Cluster. Contact Tamara at tamarabrower@gmail.com.

Election of Officers

The slate nominated by the Nominating Committee was elected at the May meeting. This election resulted in two vacancies on the Board of Directors Class of 2022. The Board selected Ron Ateman and Bud Hidlay to fill those vacancies at the May 26th board meeting. Congratulations to the newly elected officers and board members.

Proposed Changes to Constitution and Bylaws

The proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws were voted on and passed at the May meeting. They will now be submitted to the AKC for approval. Once approved, the newly revised Constitution and Bylaws will be posted in the Members Only section of the website.

Cards and Flowers

Condolences to the families and friends of Clinton Vail and Mavis Barr, both of whom passed away last year. We also received the following tribute to Dot Bates who also passed away last year.

Clinton L. Vail, age 88, of Tuscaloosa, Ala., passed away peacefully at his home October 16, 2020. He is preceded in death by his parents, Guy and Viola Vail. He is survived by his sons, Mitchell C. Vail (Donna) and Curtis L. Vail; his brother, Otis Vail (Demetria); 3 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Clinton was born in Gordo, Ala. in 1932, and graduated from Pickens County High School in 1950. He was a veteran of the United States Navy. Clinton spent most of his adult life in the Atlanta, Georgia, area where he worked as a butcher. Clinton and his kennel partner, James Carroll, operated a very successful Labrador Retriever Kennel named Valcar; Clinton loved his dogs and made many lifelong friends through them. He was a lifetime member of the Atlanta Kennel Club.

Mavis Barr of Chelsea Dalmatians—Mavis was a Lifetime Member of the Atlanta Kennel Club, and a long time member of the Dalmatian Club of Greater Atlanta. Several of her Dalmatians are part of the pedigrees in the lines here in the Southeast, most notably Am/Can CH Merry-Go-Round Cholo O' Chelsea.

Dot Bates, Colette Kennels—In tribute to her Lifetime of Achievements—Dorothy “Dot” Bates was a devoted wife, a passionate dog lover, an extremely successful breeder/groomer/handler, and incredibly lovely lady. On October 13, 2020, she passed away at 94 leaving a long legacy of lessons for us all in the dog world. She had an unparalleled level of knowledge on grooming, handling, and people, and was always ready to share advice. Everyone can agree that she definitely knew her dogs. Dot celebrated her life with Neil Bates. They were married for 69 years. They shared their lives with Poodles for over sixty-five years. Not many people could ever boast to have this level of dedication, knowledge, or success for their favorite sport, but they had each other. They exhibited with consistent levels of commitment to their breed. Through the year of “marriage and dogs” there were at least 5 homebred, owner-handled Best in Show Poodles from five consecutive generations. Dot was a Lifetime Member of the Atlanta Kennel Club.

If you know of a member who's going through a tough time, please let Jerry Cerasini and Sandy Weaver know. Email them at ponyguru@aol.com and golfndogs@att.net

Atlanta Kennel Club Board and Annual Meeting Minutes

See the minutes posted on the website in the Members Only section.

Recognition of Volunteers Throughout the Year

Thank You members and friends for your time and service to the Atlanta Kennel Club and for contributing your talents to ensure the success of our events from 2020 to 2021. We literally couldn't do it without you!

Committee Heads:

Ginger Aldrich
Paul B. Averill, DVM
Linda Bailey
John Barnes
Dr. Carmen Battaglia
Greg Benkiser
Tamara Brower
Amy Caple
Jerry Cerasini
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Gail LaBerge
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Carol Simmons
Kathleen Steen
Carl Vitner
Ann Wallin
Sandy Weaver
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Volunteer Workers:

Jean Adair
Ron Ateman
Linda Bailey
Ralph Bates
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Matthew Brower
Nathan Brower
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Roger Brown
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Bill Deily
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Alicia Taylor
Isabella Taylor
Lynne Tyler

Rosters

The Atlanta KC Membership Roster is now available on the Atlanta KC website, www.atlantakennelclub.org, under the Members tab. An updated roster was uploaded in March 2021. Another roster reflecting the results of our annual membership renewal will be posted after membership renewals is completed. This roster is provided for **personal use only** by members of the Atlanta Kennel Club Inc.

ANY OTHER USE (i.e., BUSINESS or POLITICAL SOLICITATION) IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED by Club Policy). Any violation should be reported to the Atlanta Kennel Club Officers or Board of Directors. This is available to members only. You must have a sign in and password to access the members only section of the website. If you do not have your sign in or password email Jim Macke at jimmacke@comcast.net.

Judges' Selection Committee

Please contact committee members from the appropriate groups to suggest judges for consideration by the selection committee which meets several times during the year. Please remember not everyone "suggested" can be placed on a panel due to a variety of reasons, however, club members input is given priority. We do work with our "sister" cluster clubs and also have a policy not to hire the same judge for the same show two years in a row. Since we do share judges with the other cluster clubs, we tend to try to hire judges approved for several groups, if possible, to control expenses through judge sharing. Members provisional for any breeds are also given a priority as well as suggestions from specialty clubs for their supported entries.

Show Chair Emeritus - Kathleen Steen - 770-751-0311 - kathleensteen@bellsouth.net

Show Chair & Sporting - Mary Ellen Macke - 404-310-5933 - maryellenmacke@gmail.com

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Terrier - Gilda Malik - 770-394-4098 - gilndon@comcast.net

If anyone in our club is newly provisional in new breeds or thinking you may be soon, you must let Kathleen Steen know in order to be included in a future panel. The new judges lists are not necessarily being monitored, just an FYI reminder. If you know of someone who may be provisional in their first group, non member, etc, to recommend, also let Kathleen or the group leader know as they are always seeking provisional judges for AKC requirements.

Membership

Proposed New Members (first reading membership on 5-19-2021)

Eva Gellert

Barbet

Sponsors: Ron Ateman and Don Mallik

Karena Avila

Italian Greyhound and German Shepherd

Sponsors: Ann Wallin and Sandy Weaver

James (Jimmy) Moses

German Shepherd and Italian Greyhound

Sponsors: Ann Wallin and Sandy Weaver

Call Gilda Mallik for contact information if needed. Information will be included in the Roster when approved.

New Members

Welcome to the new members voted in at the April meeting: James and Kathryn Dodd, Warren and Anita Frazier, Desta'ne Ross.

Welcome to new Life Members recognized at the May Annual Meeting for 25 years of continuous membership: Debbie Brown, Marsha Greene, Carol Quaif, Bonnie Turner, & Clinton Vail

Know someone who loves dogs? Invite them to attend a meeting with you. It's a great way to introduce friends to the sport that includes their furry best friend! You can also refer them to Gilda Mallik – gilndon@comcast.net

Membership Renewals

Please return your membership renewal form and dues ASAP. Lifetime members should also return their signed forms! If you haven't received or have misplaced yours, please contact Gilda Mallik, Membership Chairperson, at gilndon@comcast.net or 770-394-4098.

The following members have not yet sent in their dues and renewal forms. Renewal forms must be received by July 1st, or your membership will lapse!

Michelle & Morgan Anderson
 Paul Burton Averill DVM
 Vince Battaglia
 Terry Berrios
 Susan Hardwick Bess
 Terrence Boldin
 Amy Caple
 Priscilla Chabal
 Leslie Chambers & Scarlett Johnson
 Michelle Conroy
 Tim & Lana Dorn
 John & Amanda Ellery
 Lindsay Fetters
 Laurie Ford
 Diane Fortik
 Kimberly Fuller
 Amber Gibson
 Lisa Hall
 Pati Harrison
 Cecile Henley
 McCall Hoyle
 Christine Johnson
 Tony Johnson
 Kimberly, Kiera, Jody & Sage Karlin
 Kay Kline
 Gabrielle Kostiuik
 Bill & June Mann
 Norman E. Mason

Nathan McClung
 Teresa McCreight
 Alvin & Jonna Mc Neeley
 Jerrilin L. Naylor
 Marjke Neumeyer
 Cathryn Ochs-Cline
 Tom O'Hern & Andrew & Colton O'Hern
 Linda Orr
 Leslye Pinnell
 Susan Pulse
 Raquel Roberson-Rojas & Juan Rojas
 Pam Rushforth
 Pam Schloemer
 Kathy & Richard Smith
 Justin Smithey
 Kylie Soafer
 Allison Sohn
 Dale & Barry Staples
 Debbie & Mike Stephens
 Jinnie Strickland
 Alicia Taylor
 Lynn Tyler & Danielle Royall
 Cheryl & Michael Weiss
 Brigitte Winegarner
 Cari Wingert
 Candy Wright
 Patricia Zeller & Marc Stewart

Hashtags For Spoiled Pups

To help the public understand who we are and how we take care of our dogs, please include two hashtags when posting casual, fun, silly and sweet photos of your dogs being dogs. You'll be part of a concerted effort to show the truth about how our dogs really live – spoiled, pampered and very well loved! Use these hashtags anywhere you post pictures – Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc.

#secretlifeofshowdogs #perfectfitforlife

Braggs

Got braggs? Nice show wins? New performance titles? Something exciting in your life that isn't dog related? Get them to Digest editor Lynette White – legrandchows@gmail.com

Peach Blossom Cluster

Mark your calendars for **April 13-17, 2022!** Please plan to VOLUNTEER to help—contact the Show Chair, Mary Ellen Macke, or any of the Show Committee.

LOST AND FOUND

Did you lose something at the Peach? Lost & Found from our Perry shows includes one very whimsical item with a herding dog motif, one rain jacket and a few items of tack. Sound like something you or someone you know might have lost? Contact Sandy Weaver at golfndogs@att.net to see if she has your stuff.

Training Classes

Training classes are held at our Training and Event Center located at 1155-B Alpha Dr., Alpharetta, GA 30004. Classes include CGC, STAR puppy, Trick Dog, Rally, Agility, Scentwork, and Conformation (Show Training). Go to <http://atlantakennelclub.org/training-classes/> for more information and registration.

Although we will have other events at the building over the summer, training classes will be on hiatus until September after the current sessions finish..

Help Wanted — Training Class Manager

We need organized person to serve as Training Class Manager. Tasks include

- Confirm class schedule with instructor(s)
- Write or edit class description and send to Web Master for posting
- Receive registrations
- Send class list to instructors
- Attend first night of classes to review vaccinations records, confirm attendees are registered, collect class fees that weren't sent with registration

If you are interested, your club would welcome your service. Call Mary Ellen Macke 404-310-5933

Help Wanted—Archives Project

The Atlanta KC Archives project is starting soon and we would love the help of any member interested in organizing our old records and history materials stored at the training bldg. We will be setting up various dates to start going through and consolidating our important historical records. There are a lot of boxes—some dating to the 60's and 70's—so come take a trip down memory lane with us !

Contact Ginger Aldrich if you'd like to come and help. Email snofire@aol.com or call 770-380-9404

Juniors

The AKC has announced an new set of awards, AKC My Canine and Me. Per the press release, “This award is intended to honor children and young adults who are making a positive impact on the world with their dogs or achieving personal growth and success utilizing their knowledge of dogs and their dog ownership.” Children must be nominated for the award, and winners in four categories receive scholarships, a plaque, and a mention and interview on AKC.tv! Click [here](#) for more information and to nominate a child. (Or go to AKC.org, scroll to the bottom and click on Press Center, then AKC My Canine and Me Award.

Got Juniors news? Send it to Digest editor Lynette White – legrandchows@gmail.com!

So, You're Thinking About Judging...

If you're thinking about becoming a conformation judge, you'll need to do some stewarding assignments as part of the application process. Luckily you belong to a club that is delighted to help you get those assignments. Atlanta Kennel Club has a long history of members steward at our shows. If you'd like an assignment, please contact Mary Ellen Macke, marvellenmacke@gmail.com, to let us know of your interest!



Atlanta Kennel Club

Our Mission

To promote, advance and protect the interests of purebred dogs and to encourage good sportsmanship at all purebred events as recognized by the American Kennel Club. To educate the fancy, government and the public regarding responsible dog ownership.

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