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Atlanta Kennel Club Newsletter

February 2022

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February Meeting

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

Program

Intro to K9 Search and Rescue

Our program in February is Intro to K9 Search and Rescue, presented by Kim Camp. Kim is a member of the Pickens County Fire & Rescue team, the National Association of Search and Rescue, and with her team of dogs, is certified in a variety of SAR areas. Kim works with Roxy the Bloodhound, Hacker and Hunter the Labradors, and King, the Norwegian Buhund. She's an active member of the Norwegian Buhund Club of America, Canine Search & Recovery and is licensed by GEMA with Roxy, Hacker and King.

Menu

Manicotti (Pasta filled with cheese and zesty marinara, topped with mozzarella, baked) with house salad, garlic rolls, and chocolate cake for dessert. Soft drinks, iced tea, water, and regular coffee are included - specialty coffees and alcohol are not.

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, for this meeting only, contact **Lisa Hall** by email at **sibelady@mindspring.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 Lisa 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

Pat Klausman - Feb 01
Kellie Holbrook - Feb 03
Karen Mays - Feb 04
Alison Lowe - Feb 09
Mike Stephens - Feb 11
Joyce Osburn - Feb 14
Gail LaBerge - Feb 15
Amy Caple - Feb 16
Marcene Perry - Feb 17
Sherry Buchla - Feb 17
Melanie Barnes - Feb 18
Rebecca Kestle, DVM - Feb 19
Norman Mason - Feb 19
Nathan McClung - Feb-19
Sheila O'Brien - Feb 20
Gary Oller - Feb 23
Ralph Bates - Feb 26

Anniversaries

Kathryn & James Dodd - Feb 13
Becky Norton - Feb 21
Linda & John Schuemacher - Feb 22
Mary & Gary Johnson - Feb 23

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

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Report of the Nominating Committee

The nominating committee met on Wednesday, January 12, 2022, via ZOOM and this is the unanimous vote of the committee

PresidentPaul Averill
1st Vice PresidentLynette White
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Recording SecretaryBud Hidlay
Corresponding SecretaryGinger Aldrich
TreasurerCarol Simmons
Board (Class Of 2024):Ron Ateman, Amy Caple, Sandy Weaver
Recommendation for replacement of open position in the Board class of 2023 left by Carol Simmons: Karen Mays

In accordance with the Bylaws, nominations from the floor will be taken during the March meeting, and the election will be held during the May annual meeting.

Member of the Month

“Member of the Month” is selected by the Board to recognize members who have made a significant contribution to the Club in terms of time and effort.

Congratulations and thank you to our Member of the Month for February, **Lisa Hall!**

Upcoming Scent Work Trials—March 2022

Put your volunteer hats on!!

The Atlanta Kennel Club will be hosting four scent work trials on March 19-20, 2022. The trials will be held at Radda’s K9 Campus, 49 Tilley Road, Talking Rock, GA 30175. The premium is available [here](#).

This is the same location that we plan to have the first AKC Southern Regional Scent Work Trial in October this year. So come join us to help us run the trials, even if you don’t have dogs running in the trials.

If you would like to volunteer at this trial, please fill out the [Volunteer Form](#) and email it to TamaraBrower@gmail.com.

Peach Blossom Cluster—April 2022

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, or our Volunteer Coordinator, Warren Frazier.

Training Classes

Training classes are on hold until we find a new location to have them. We will let you know as soon as we can.

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, maryellenmacke@gmail.com, to let us know of your interest!

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Mary Ellen Macke - maryellenmacke@gmail.com, 404-310-5933

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.



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Braggs

Leslie Wallin, our Junior Coordinator, reported that two of our Juniors showed in the Junior Showmanship classes at the Cherokee Rose Cluster.

Hannah Yi showed in the Novice Senior class and placed first on Saturday under Judge Luis Sosa, and first on Sunday under Judge Walter Sommerfelt. Hannah was handling Jimmy, a long-haired Dachshund owned by club member Lynn Tyler.

Scarlett Johnson showed in the Novice Junior class to the same judges and placed third on Saturday and second on Sunday. Scarlett was handling Aubina, a Barbet loaned to her by club member Eva Gellert.



Got brags? 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

Cards and Flowers

We wish Karen Byrd a quick recovery from covid and pneumonia.

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

Rosters

The Atlanta KC Membership Roster is available on the Atlanta KC website, www.atlantakennelclub.org, under the Members tab. Hard copies of the new roster were provided by Carol Simmons at the December Holiday Party, and will be available at the February 2022 meeting. An updated roster will be uploaded soon in the member only section of the website. 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.

Emory Relay For Life's Puppy 5k!

Join Emory Relay for Life for a morning of running, fundraising, and puppies at their annual Puppy 5K on February 19th at 10:00 a.m. Start at Emory's First Year Quad, run through Lullwater, then end at Emory's Clairmont Campus. \$10 Registration Fee.

Relay For Life is a club that is associated with the American Cancer Society to support cancer research and therapy. All proceeds for this 5k go to the American Cancer Society!

Be sure to connect with them on social media! Follow them on Instagram at @emory_relayforlife and Facebook at Relay For Life of Emory University.

Here is a link to the event Facebook page: <https://fb.me/e/2Woi9RG1h>. For more information and the registration form. The cost is \$10, but all of that money goes towards cancer research.

Address of start: Freshman Quad 646 Means Dr, Atlanta, GA 30322

Please reach out to sophie.anthony@emory.edu or charliesmoller@gmail.com with any questions!

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Juniors

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

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

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Herdling - Dr. Carmen Battaglia - 770-998-3679 - carmenbattaglia@gmail.com

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 Member: (first reading 1/19/2022)

Julie Morakis

Atlanta, GA

jgreetis68@gmail.com

West Highland White Terrier

Sponsors: Don Mallik and Jerry Cerasini

Welcome New Member: (voted in 1/19/2022)

Myla Mitchell

Do you have a friend 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

AKC Delegate's Report—January 25, 2022

The Delegate meeting was held on December 17, 2021 in Orlando, Florida.

The following Amendments were voted on:

Adopted--Article VII, Section 3, of the Charter and Bylaws. Proposed by the Delegate Bylaws Committee and approved by the Board of Directors-Housekeeping Change-Moved the statement concerning Board Elections from Article VIII which discusses the Nominating Committee to Article VII which addresses the election of the Board members.

Adopted-Article VII, Section 9, of the Charter and Bylaws, proposed by the Delegate Bylaws Committee and approved by the Board, which removes language that is superfluous and not necessary to understand the specific power entrusted to the Board.

Adopted- Article X, Section 7 of the Charter and Bylaws, proposed by the Delegate Bylaws Committee, and approved by the Board, which removes language that is superfluous and not necessary to understand the specific powers of the Board.

Adopted, Chapter 3, Sections 2,4,5 of the Charter and Bylaws, proposed by the Delegate Bylaws Committee and approved by the Board, inserts language from Chapter 3, Sections 4 and 5 into Chapter 3, Section 2 pertaining to how age is calculated for the purpose of entry into an AKC event. As the determination of age for entry relates to all classes and not just Puppy and 12-18 months. Insertion into Section 2 applies it globally.

Adopted- Chapter 3, Section 8, Proposed by the Delegate Dog Show Rules Committee, approved by the Board, provides clubs the opportunity to divide the Bred-By Exhibitor class by age: Puppy and Adult. This would be an option for clubs and not a requirement. An entry from any division of class awarded winners would count toward the BBE medallion as it advanced from the BBE class.

Registrations have shown an upward trend for the past 7 years. 2021 litters were up 17% and dogs up 26%. Events were up by 80% and Entries up 63% as were recover from the effects of Covid in 2020 and are back to the 2019 numbers.

AKC Reunite has donated \$157,500 to K-9 units at 20 police departments from ten states through their Adopt A K-9 Cop matching grant program. The Adopt a K-9 Cop Program allows AKC Reunite to match funds from AKC Clubs, AKC affiliated organizations and the public up to \$7500 per grant through the Canine Support and Relief Fund. More than \$500,000 has been donated through the matching grant program in 2021.

The Detection Dog Task Force of which I am a member has had a very successful year. Our Patriotic Puppy Program has seen great progress under the direction of Stacey West. There are 57 participants in 27 states. 82 puppies in the pipeline. 4 dogs have been placed with federal agencies. Our Detection Dog conference is scheduled for August 23 -27th in 2022. "The Confident Canine" eLearning course which comprises 7 sessions, was developed with AKC Public Education/Canine College staff with expertise developed by the DDTF and the Patriotic Puppy Program. A soft launch on the Canine College Platform is scheduled for the week of January 20th. This is for all dog owners to learn how to develop confident puppies capable of a future as a working dog. In 2022 the National Defense Authorization Act was passed approving \$5 million to a DOD Pilot Program to boost the supply of domestically bred working dogs.

The Board of Directors voted unanimously to contribute an additional \$1 million dollars to the AKC Canine Health Foundation per their request to help advance their goals in 2022.

The Board voted to approve local Conformation Specialty Clubs the ability to hold 4 shows per year. Beyond the 4 shows, specialty clubs can still hold up to 4 designated specialties and may hold one additional show to join their National Specialty.

The next Delegate Meeting will be held on March 8th in Newark, NJ. This is the annual meeting of The American Kennel Club. There will be no elections for the Board Class of 2026 as the three nominees are running unopposed. They are Chris Sweetwood, Red Tatro and Ann Wallin and per the Bylaws they will be elected by one vote cast by the Executive Secretary of The American Kennel Club.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Wallin

Atlanta Kennel Club Delegate to The American Kennel Club
AKC Board Director
AKC Reunite Board Director



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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