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Atlanta Kennel Club Newsletter

March 2023

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March Meeting

Wednesday, March 15, 2023

Program

“The Golden Years - What Animal Hospice Can Do and How to Say Goodbye”

Ashley Payne, DVM, veterinarian at Heron's Crossing

You'll learn how to make the most of the time you have left with your beloved pet and how to make it easier on them.

Dr. Payne grew up in Alpharetta, and after graduating from Auburn and Florida, moved back home. She says she fell in love with guiding people through this hard time with their pets, while giving the pets the best quality of life possible. She'll share best practices, practical ideas, and options you may not know exist.

Dinner Menu

Chicken piccata (chicken breast sautéed with onions and capers in lemon butter wine sauce), salad, garlic rolls, and cheesecake for dessert. Soft drinks, iced tea, water, and regular coffee are included. Specialty coffees and alcohol are not included.

Location

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

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

Time: Gather at 6:45, Business Meeting at 7:30, Program at 8:00 p.m.

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 about 7:30 for dessert and coffee (or other soft beverage). Reservations are required for either option. The business meeting will start about 7:30 and the program will start at 8:00.

Make your dinner reservation on the website or by emailing **Lisa Hall** at lisahall888@comcast.net NO LATER than Sunday evening, **March 12th**. If you make a reservation and do not attend you will be billed for your meal. Please bring cash or personal check to the meeting, or pay by Zelle from your mobile banking app or your bank's website. Send to this email: TheAtlantaKennelClub@gmail.com. The app should confirm the email that you entered and say that it is enrolled in Zelle as "Atlanta Kennel Club". Please enter "September dinner meeting" or "September dessert" in the message section before you click send. **NOTE: You must use your mobile banking app or your bank's website.** It will not accept payments from the Zelle app.

Price for dinner: \$30 adults and \$15 for children under 12

Price for dessert and coffee only: \$10

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 from the menu. Just be sure to let us know so we can hold your seat!

Highlights In This Issue

- Nominations from the floor to be taken at the March meeting—see page 3.
- Need volunteers for Peach Blossom Cluster in April—see page 4

Note: There will be no April membership meeting due to our April shows.

Thank you!

Many thanks to **Anne Jones** for hosting our successful “Knowing to Win—Showing to Win” seminar lead by Sandy Weaver in January at her Alchemy Dog Training building in Marietta.

Cards and Flowers

Marsha Greene, a lifetime member of the Atlanta Kennel Club peacefully passed away on Sunday, 2/19/23. A memorial service was held in her honor on Friday, February 24th at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Norfolk, VA. There is a Facebook Memorial Page for more details (including obituary) and where you can share memories and any photos you may have. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1242790886650476>

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

Membership

Proposed New Members:

- **Kevin and Mimi Johnson**, Cumming, Ga 30041, (678) 491-9195, mimijohn1463@gmail.com, Pumi, Australian Shephard,
Sponsors: Ann Wallin, Melanie Barns
- **Nataley Corn**, Kingston, Ga 30145, (470) 535-0142, NataleyCorn12@gmail.com, Pomeranian,
Sponsors: Lynette White, Courtney Gorecki
- **Paige Hales**, Woodstock, Ga 30188, (404) 216-4270, Pa.Hales@att.net, Smooth Collie,
Sponsors: Mary Ellen Macke, Ginger Aldrich
- **Leigh Ann Yandle**, Stockbridge, Ga, (704) 904-8129, leighannyandle@gmail.com, Australian Cattle Dog,
Sponsors: Amy Caple, Ronald Ateman
- **Liz Hallsworth**, Loganville, Ga. 30052, LizHallsworth@gmail.com, Pug, Cairn Terrier,
Sponsors: Valerie Dombrowski, Paul Averill DMV
- **Amanda Lunsford**, Lula, Ga 30554, sweetpeamandy@gmail.com, Pug, Bulldog,
Sponsors: Valerie Dombrowski, Jerry Cerasini

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

Webmaster

Jim Macke - jimmacke@comcast.net or **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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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!

Birthdays

Greg Benkiser - Mar 01
Cecile Henley - Mar 01
Deborah Lovett - Mar 02
Alicia Taylor - Mar 04
Pamela Jaecksch - Mar 05
Charlene Kickbush - Mar 05
Jasmine Lyon - Mar 05
John Schuemacher - Mar 09
Melody Van Norden - Mar 11
Kimberly Benkiser - Mar 15
Mary Johnson - Mar 15
Ann Wallin - Mar 16
Connie Brittain - Mar 22
Becky Norton - Mar 27
Anita Tate - Mar 30

Anniversaries

Carl & Tully Vitner - Mar 01
Gilda & Donald Mallik - Mar 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

Election of Officers and Directors

See below for the report from the nominating committee. Nominations from the floor will be taken at the **March** membership meeting. The election will take place at the annual meeting in **May**.

“Additional nominations may be made at the March membership meeting by any member who is in good standing and in attendance. The proposed candidate must accept in person, or if the proposed candidate is not in attendance at this meeting, the proposer shall present to the Recording Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate indicating his/her willingness to be a candidate. No person may be a candidate for more than one position, and the additional nominations which are provided for herein may be made only from among those members who have not accepted a nomination by the Nominating Committee. (d) A Board Member may be nominated for another office while his/her term is still in effect. The Board Member must, however, resign from his/her present Board Position if elected to the new office. The vacancy created shall be filled according to Article III, Section 6. Nominations cannot be made at the Annual Meeting or in any manner other than as provided in this Section.”

Report of the Nominating Committee

The Committee Members are: Lynn Tyler, Ron Ateman, Lisa Hall, Yves Belmont and myself as Chair.

The Committee met on February 8, 2023, via a Zoom call. All members were present and reviewed the Officers and Board positions which were to be considered in this meeting.

Those positions are as follows:

President, both Vice Presidents, both secretaries, treasurer, AKC Delegate, and 3 board of director positions.

The committee's nominations are as follows:

- President: Paul Averill
- 1 st V. President: Lynette White
- 2 nd V. President: Mary Ellen Macke
- Treasurer: Carol Simmons
- Corres. Secretary: Karen Mays
- Recording Secretary: Bud Hidlay
- AKC Delegate: Ann Wallin
- Board of Directors: Class of 2025
 - Ginger Aldrich
 - Jerry Cerasini
 - Gilda Malik

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ellen Macke, Chairperson

Training Classes

- Our member, Sandy Weaver, is teaching conformation handling classes at Alchemy Dog Training in Marietta, 545 Glover St., Marietta, GA 30060. Questions? Email Sandy at golfdogs@att.net or text to 770-310-6932.
- Our member, Lisa Hall, is teaching conformation handling classes at [Atlanta Obedience Club](#), 1193-D Beaver Ruin Rd., Norcross, GA 30093. Contact Lisa for more information at lisahall888@comcast.net.

Upcoming Events—Peach Blossom Cluster—April 2023

The Peach Blossom Cluster is rapidly approaching. We need volunteers in all areas to make sure we have a smoothly running show! Listed below are the committee chairs. Please contact one or more to volunteer your time. Even a few hours here and there are helpful! Set-up is Tuesday, April 11, and the shows run Wednesday, April 12, through Sunday, April 16. The premium will be posted soon on onofrio.com. Click [here](#).

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 Ginger Aldrich • **Secretary** • snofire@aol.com
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The Atlanta Kennel Club hosts the conformation shows on Wednesday and Saturday. The committee chairs for these shows are shown below.

Jerry Cerasini • **Show Hospitality** • ponyguru@aol.com
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 Ginger Aldrich • **Layout & Decorations** • snofire@aol.com
 Greg Benkiser • **Catalog Advertising** • sugre95@gmail.com

Volunteers needed to help poop scoop in Perry!

Need to earn cash? Or want to help out to support the shows ?

We need help at the Peach Blossom with pooper scooping !

If you have some time to help Wed thru Sun AM ?

Pay is \$100 for a full day! \$50 for half day (4 hours). or \$20 for 2 hours

Less than 2 hours thank you for volunteering—it's appreciated!

We provide all supplies and scoops.

If you have any friends that may like to help ? Juniors? Bored husbands?

Contact Ginger, snofire@aol.com, 770-380-9404

Or Lynette, legrandchows@gmail.com, 404-226-6590

The show committee thanks you!!!!

Newnan KC B-OB-Rally Match—March 18

The Newnan Kennel Club will be hosting their annual Spring B-OB-Rally Match on Saturday, March 18th at the Coweta County Fairgrounds in Newnan GA. Conformation and JS are held indoors with Rally and OB out-of-doors. In addition, Fast Cat events will be held on the grounds Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 17-19th. Indoor restrooms and a Food Truck will be there! Come join us and share this information with "everyone". Thanks!

The link to match flyer with entry form and additional information is posted at the bottom of the home page of the Newnan Kennel Club website, <http://newnankennelclub.org/>. Click [here](#).

NEWNAN KENNEL CLUB - B/OB & Rally MATCH—Saturday, March 18, 2023

Conformation Indoors • Obedience and Rally Outdoors

Coweta County Fairgrounds, 275 Pine Road, Newnan, GA 30263

DIRECTIONS: I-85 (South of Atlanta) take exit #41(Hwy A27/29). Go North (toward Newnan) to first traffic light. Turn left and follow signs to fairgrounds.

JUDGES

Working, Sporting - Brian O'Donnell
Hound, Herding, JS - Stephanie Hawkins
CGC and Trick Dog Testing - Kerri Gebler

Terrier, Toy, Non-Sporting, Misc/Open - Sandy Weaver
OB/Rally - Patty King

SCHEDULE

Day of Matches entries 9:00-11:00 • Rally/JS begins at 12:00 • Conformation to follow JS • Obedience to follow Rally • CGC & Trick Dog 1:00 pm

Mail Pre-entries by March 11th to: Jan Plott, Match Chair, 896 Tommy Lee Cook Rd., Palmetto, GA 30268.
Phone: 770-733-2113. Email: jsplott@gmail.com
Make checks payable to NEWNAN KENNEL CLUB,INC.

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

Working - Carl Vitner -404-291-0123 - samoyed@bellsouth.net

Hounds - Jerry Cerasini - 770-475-3152 - ponyguru@aol.com

Non Sporting - Lynette White - 770-801-0780 glwchows@bellsouth.net

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Herding - 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 Mary Ellen Macke 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 Mary Ellen or the group leader know as they are always seeking provisional judges for AKC requirements.



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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