



Atlanta Kennel Club

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Atlanta Kennel Club Newsletter

October 2023

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October Meeting

October 18, 2023

Program

Canine Oncology

Sandy Weaver will host a program on Canine Oncology, including information on the new in-home cancer detection tests for dogs over 7.

Dinner Menu

Manicotti (pasta filled with cheese and zesty marinara, topped with mozzarella, baked) with 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, **October 15th**. 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 "[month] dinner meeting" or "[month] 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!

Atlanta Kennel Club Upcoming Events:

Oct 21-22: Dog Days Of Autumn—see page 3 for details. Volunteers needed!

Cards and Flowers

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

Prospective new members:

Liz Schuetz
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Breeds: Standard Schnauzer, German Shepherd
Sponsors: Paige Hales, Isis Belmont

Martin Gravely and Sadie Luviano (junior)
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Breed: Labrador Retriever
Sponsors: Don Mallik, Carol Simmons

Laura Malavenda
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Breed: Smooth Collie, Papillon, Sheltie
Sponsors: Paige Hales, Sandy Weaver

New Member (voted in at the September meeting)

Caterina O'Sullivan

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

Member of the Month

Congratulations to our member of the month for October:

Liz Halsworth

Minutes

If you are reading the Digest online, please remember that the minutes of the board meetings are posted on the website under the Members Login tab.

[Members Login - Atlanta Kennel Club](#)

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.

Birthdays

Jo R. Sarbell - Oct 01
Jim Macke - Oct 06
Cindy Stansell - Oct 06
Ronald Ateman - Oct 08
James Dodd - Oct 08
Paula Steele, DVM - Oct 11
George Cooper - Oct 13
Robert LaBerge - Oct 15
Marilynn Lockhart - Oct 15
Justin Smithey - Oct 16
Susan Pulse - Oct 17
Barry Staples - Oct 17
Ryleigh Tritt - Oct 19
Tom King, Jr. - Oct 21
Lisa Favre - Oct 26
Beth Hawthorne - Oct 27
Gwen Aldrich - Oct 29
Bonnie Turner - Oct 31

Anniversaries

Courtney & Ronnie Gorecki - Oct 01
Denise Nickerson - Oct 01
Gary Oller - Oct 03
Carmelita Prince - Oct 10
Anna Marmann - Oct 15
Barbara Humphery Darnell - Oct 17
Kelly Zimmerman - Oct 18
Donna & Daryl Hills - Oct 19
Kimberly Karlin - Oct 21
Dr. Carmen Battaglia - Oct 29
Katie Sample - Oct 29
Emery Pete - Oct 30
Leslie Webb-Tinsley - Oct 30

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 – digest@atlantakennelclub.org



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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!

Upcoming Events

Come join us for the Dog Days of Autumn in October. Info on our website—click [here](#).

We will need volunteers!

- To help set up on Friday and take down on Sunday
- To assist with the heart clinic on Saturday
- To steward for the shows on Sunday
- To assist with the CGC and temperament test on Saturday.

Contact Lynette White—
404-226-6590 or
glwchows@bellsouth.net

The area breed clubs have been sent emails about the meet the breeds on Saturday. Please encourage your clubs to participate. If you would like to showcase your breed with or without a specialty club, contact Lynette White to reserve a space.

If you have products that you would like to sell, please contact Lynette to reserve a vendor space.

Saturday, October 21, 2023

Heart Clinic 8:30 – 2:00 \$50 per dog - sign-up on-site

AKC Temperament Testing – 9:00 – 4:00 Entries accepted until 11:00, \$35 for day of entries
Pre-entries accepted \$30 entry fee, must be received at address of secretary by 4:00 PM, Friday, October 20, 2023 – See Premium list for additional information.

CGC Testing – 9:00 – 1:00 \$25 per dog - sign-up on-site

Rally/Obedience Rent-a-Ring 9:30 – 3:00 \$10/10 minutes – sign-up on site

Conformation Show-n-Go 9:30 – 3:00 \$10/10 minutes – sign-up on site
assistance from experienced trainers will be available upon request

Meet the Breeds – 10:00 – 4:00 Numerous breeds participating including some
Miscellaneous and FSS Breeds

FSS Breed Seminar – 1:00 PM presented by Dr. Yves Belmont

Grooming Seminar – 11:00 AM presented by Candy Chiarovano

Sunday, October 22, 2023

FSS Open Show (incl Miscellaneous Breeds) – 10:00 - entry fee \$25, day of entries close at 9:00 AM - Pre-entries accepted \$25 entry fee, must be received at address of secretary by 4:00 PM, Friday, October 20, 2023 – See Premium list for additional information.

Sanctioned All-Breed B-Match (open to Miscellaneous and FSS Breeds) – Noon – entry fee \$15 day of entries close at 11:00 AM - Pre-entries accepted \$10 entry fee, must be received at address of secretary by 4:00 PM, Friday, October 20, 2023 – See Premium list for additional information.

4-6 Month Beginner Puppy (open to Miscellaneous and FSS Breeds) – 1:00 PM - entry fee \$25 day of entries close at Noon - Pre-entries accepted \$25 entry fee, must be received at address of secretary by 4:00 PM, Friday, October 20, 2023 – See Premium list for additional information.

FSS Open Show (incl Miscellaneous Breeds) – 2:00 - entry fee \$25, day of entries close at 1:00 PM - Pre-entries accepted \$25 entry fee, must be received at address of secretary by 4:00 PM, Friday, October 20, 2023 – See Premium list for additional information.

AKC News

New [AKC Fetch Program](#) Announced:

What is AKC Fetch?

Welcome to AKC Fetch! When dog owners are asked about activities they like to do with their dogs, the most common responses are to take their dog for a walk, and to play ball (fetch) with the dog.

AKC Fetch titles were created as another activity in which owners could have fun with their dogs in the AKC Family Dog program. Earning AKC Fetch titles provides opportunities for both physical and mental exercise. While some dogs are natural retrievers, AKC Fetch, especially at the advanced levels, will involve teaching new skills such as retrieving.

AKC Fetch is designed for all breeds.

AKC Fetch is a pass-fail noncompetitive test. The four levels of titles (Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Retriever) assess the ability of the dog to retrieve. In the Advanced and Retriever levels, the dog must respond correctly to signals. There is also a memory component in Advanced and Retriever because a retrieving bumper or ball is dropped (or thrown) behind a blind where it cannot be seen.

For each of the four titles, the dog must pass the test twice under two different approved AKC Fetch judges.

Dogs who are at least 6 months of age are eligible to take the AKC Fetch test as long as they are registered or enrolled with AKC and have an AKC, PAL or AKC Canine Partners number.

The **Nibble** newsletter has a good article on the canine flu: "[Dog Flu: Symptoms, Treatment, and Prevention](#)".

The **AKC Detection Dog Task Force** will host their next webinar on Monday, October 23, 2023, at 7:30 PM (ET).

Tips from the Pros ... Many new trainers struggle to become more efficient in their training day as they begin to scale up the number of dogs they are training. Join AKC detection dog experts as we discuss a number of issues trainers face daily when training 20+ dogs for working dog training programs and ways to overcome these issues while maintaining quality standards and a budget.

The online event will take place Monday, October 23, 2023, 7:30 pm ET, and will last approximately one hour.

To participate, [register at this link](#). Registration will ONLY be accepted at this link.

Once you register, you will receive meeting log-in details from Jennifer Clark < no-reply@zoom.us > (there will be both a link and phone number provided).

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.

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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 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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Anyone wanting to “review” how to access your member only info on the website, please do call us. If you have an email address in our database you should be receiving via email the meeting notices and announcements that the Digest is available online. If you are not getting the notices for any reason, please let us know if your email has changed or add digest@atlantakennelclub.org to your address or contacts list.

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