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Atlanta Kennel Club Newsletter

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June Meeting

June 19, 2024

Program

Competing in Performance Sports with Non Traditional Breeds

Presenter: Katie Sample

This presentation will go over the 'how' and 'why' of competing in dog sports with your breed outside of their typical jobs or activities.

Bio: Katie Sample has owned and loved Siberian Huskies for 16 years. She says she got started in dog sports to have fun with her dogs. Even though her breed is not what people think of when they think 'performance dog' or 'obedience dog,' she likes to showcase what the breed can do and encourage others to do the same. She is currently competing in AKC sports with three different Siberian Huskies, including conformation, agility, rally, scentwork, and more. She believes you and your dog can achieve great things in performance sports, regardless of the breed or your experience level.

Dinner Menu

Spaghetti with salad, garlic rolls, and chocolate cake 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 404-252-4832
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, **June 16th**. 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!

Membership Renewals

The membership renewal forms have been mailed. If you didn't receive yours, please contact Gilda Mallik at gilndon@comcast.net to get a copy emailed to you. Renewals were due by June 1.

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:

Dennis and Jacqueline Winn
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 AdornareKennels@gmail.com
 Breeds: Italian Greyhound, Brussels Griffon
 Sponsors: Amber Gibson, Courtney Gorecki

Tony Tate
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 Breed: Dalmation, German Shepherd, German Wirehair Pointer, Border Collie
 Sponsors: Pat Joyce, Don Mallik

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 June!
Tamara and Jeff Brower

Items Needed For Meeting Door Prizes

Do you have useful items that are collecting dust? Perhaps you won a raffle basket or have a hospitality bag from your national with items that other people could use? We need items to give out as door prizes at our meetings so please bring your suitable, unused treasures to the June meeting. Lisa Hall will have a box available for your contributions. They don't necessarily have to be dog-related.

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.

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

Wanda Blankenship-Smith - Jun 02
 Ana Maria Szolodko - Jun 04
 Julie Morakis - Jun 08
 June Mann - Jun 08
 Chuck Quinlan - Jun 12
 Rose Marie Hidlay - Jun 15
 Carol Roberts - Jun 17
 Amber Gibson - Jun 22
 Joyce Gibson - Jun 26
 Terry Berrios - Jun 30

Anniversaries

Lisa Hall - Jun 08
 Sue Rekuc - Jun 11
 Susan Pulse - Jun 12
 Linda Orr - Jun 19

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



Annual Awards

Congratulations to the award winners at last month's annual meeting:

President's Award: Ann Wallin

JJ Duncan Award: Lynette White

Unsung Hero Award: Gina Bonner

Good Sportsmanship Award: Diane Pegram

New Officers

Congratulations to the newly elected Atlanta Kennel Club officers and board members.

See sidebar on page 1 for the list.

Upcoming Events

Information coming soon about planned events hosted by the Atlanta Kennel Club:

Scent work trials in October

Agility trials in November

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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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.

AKC News

Check out the **AKC Educated Breeder Webinar Series**—some are free and some have a nominal cost. Click this link for more information and to register: <https://www.akc.org/akc-educated-breeder-webinar-series/>

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 7:00 pm (EST) – Dr. Claire Wiley, VMD, DACVIM, **Topic: “DNA”**

Tuesday, July 9, 2024 7:00 pm (EST) – David Fitzpatrick, **Topic: “Breeder Spotlight with David Fitzpatrick”**

Tuesday, July 30, 2024 6:00 pm (EST) – Erin Myers, **Topic: “Learn to Market Your Puppies: From Litters to Loving Homes”**

DOGS TAKE OVER ESPN THIS SUMMER WITH HIGH ENERGY AKC PROGRAMMING

Mark your calendars so you don't miss a minute of the action:

- ◇ AKC Disc Dog Challenge, Saturday, June 15th at 1pm ET on ESPN2
- ◇ AKC Diving Dog Challenge, Wednesday, July 3rd at 10am ET on ESPN2
- ◇ AKC Agility Premier Cup, Sunday, July 28th at 12pm ET.

Check your local listings for channel information.

AKC is now offering the **AKC DNA + Health Kit**, which includes the original AKC DNA Profile of 201 markers for genetic identity and parentage verification, as well as the new 328+ markers for health & traits, including color markers. Click this link to purchase: <https://shop.akc.org/products/proshop-dna-plus-health-kit?variant=40621444038750>

Click this link for more information: <https://www.akc.org/breeder-programs/dna/dna-resource-center/akc-dna-health/akc-dna-health-faq/>



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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