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June Meeting

June 18, 2025

Program

Title: Got Coat? Here's How to Get and Keep it in Show-Shape!

Presenters: A panel of three experts in three different coat types: double, drop, and stripped

Description: Coated dogs require coat care to stay in show-condition. Three experienced fanciers give you their secrets to getting and maintaining great coats on your show dog.

Dinner Menu

Spaghetti and meatballs 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 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 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!

Membership Renewals

The membership renewal forms were mailed in early April. If you didn't receive yours, please contact Gilda Mallik to get a copy emailed to you. Renewals were due by June 1, but you have a 30 day grace period—so please respond ASAP.

Also included are trophy pledge forms for our April 2026 all-breed shows. Mark your calendars for the 2026 Peach Blossom Cluster (April 8-12).

Card & 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:

Frank Jones & Norm Felland

Canton, Ga. 30114
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 Breed: Standard Poodle

Welcome new members:

Mary McElroy
 Jessica and Amos Rissler & Grace Guttormson (Jr)
 Teresa Hasburn-Babich

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

Birthdays

Wanda Blankenship-Smith - Jun 02
 Elizabeth Cooke - Jun 04
 Ana Maria Szolodko - Jun 04
 June Mann - Jun 08
 Julie Morakis - Jun 08
 Chuck Quinlan - Jun 12
 Rose Marie Hidlay - Jun 15
 Stephen Walters - Jun 16
 Carol Roberts - Jun 17
 Yalette Vides - Jun 20
 Amber Gibson - Jun 22
 Joyce Gibson - Jun 26

Anniversaries

Lisa Hall - Jun 08
 Sue Rekuc - Jun 11
 Jessica & Amos Risser - Jun 24

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

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.

Annual Meeting Report

Since there were no nominations from the floor at the March Meeting, the slate submitted by the nominating committee was elected —see the front page for a full listing of current officers and directors.

Congratulations to the following award winners announced at the meeting:

President's Award—Sandy Weaver



Unsung Hero Award—Ginger Aldrich



J.J. Duncan Award—Gilda Mallik



Good Sportsmanship Award—CJ Favre



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!



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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