

THE CANAAN KIBITZER

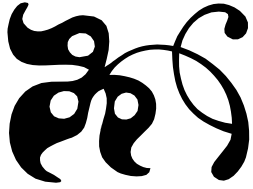
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AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015 CANAAN DOG WINNERS

Clockwise from top left: Gale—Best of Breed; Torino—Best Of Breed Bred By Exhibitor, Anak—Top Scoring In Obedience; Orela—Top Scoring In Agility



REMEMBERING



Today we said goodbye to Sebastian. He was a puppy from the first litter I ever bred, Evan's first dog as an adult and the reason I met him, and the ring bearer at our wedding. He turned 15 [recently] but has been slowly declining for the last 6 months.
RIP Bah-Bah.

- Renee & Evan Kent and family



DJ Ha'Aretz Boaz of Gray Mesa CGC
1/19/2001 - 11/14/2015

We had to let Bo go this morning. He was getting feeble and disoriented for the last few months, on top of having been blind since the age of 5. This morning he went into severe respiratory distress and had to end his suffering. In spite of having lost his sight, he continued his farm chores relentlessly, regardless of the weather. He patrolled the property and was familiar with every nook and cranny, with the barn, the pastures and our horses. We miss you Bo!

- Meir and Nancy Ben-Dror



Seen online—and requires some close attention to the photo ...

Posted by the Kendra Marten, one of the new owners of Donna & Roy Dodson's original kennel: **"Roy's Dog House"**. As we were taking down old paneling in the kennel's New Room, we came across this little gem. Written on the foam board insulation was "Roy's Dog House". It brought a tear to my eye remembering that sweet man. The foam board is staying up, simply covered once again by new paneling, as a testament to and in honor of the history of Bed and Biscuit ([previously] Dogs by Donna).'

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope 2016 is starting off well for everyone & promising to be a good year. As always, CDCA will have lots of events on the calendar to be supported. Be sure to follow the club's page on Facebook for pics, news & articles of interest to dog lovers.

February will see CDCA at the Meet The Breeds event in New York City. This is a huge event which draws exceptional crowds wanting to meet all sort of dogs. Volunteers for the booth are always appreciated to help educate newcomers about the breed. This event will be followed closely by the prestigious Westminster dog show. There will be a live stream available of the breed judging on their website and the group coverage will be aired on TV so be sure to follow along & cheer for the Canaan Dog!

As the year gets under way, it's a good time to schedule any health testing clearances for your dog and participate in the health survey on OFA. February is also Dental Health month. Many vets offer a discount in February for dental cleanings so it's a good time to take care of those.

With winter upon us, it's a good time to plan ahead for the CDCA specialty in New York this September. This will be a great event with TONS of activities to do while there as just about everything is offered at this cluster of shows.

Stay warm & safe!
- Julie

Editor's Column

By Amanda Pough

Welcome 2016! For most of us, the Winter of 2015/2016 has meant odd weather due to El Nino. For me, it is the start of my career as an AKC Breed Judge. I have my first couple of assignments, including the National in September. Due to my National Assignment, the next couple of issues of **The Kibitzer** will be **Guest Edited by David Golden & Becki O'Donnell**. **Normal deadlines apply, but submissions should go to them at David.Golden@ey.com and odonnelrebecca@yahoo.com**. My appreciation to them both for taking on "The Kib!"

The club is busy this spring with New York City Meet The Breeds, the Westminster Kennel Club, the May Agility trials and more. Details about the National Specialty week in September may be found in this issue as well. We hope you will come visit your fellow club members (and their dogs) at one or more of these events. If you would like to see Canaan Dogs come to your area, consider hosting a National Specialty. For more information, contact your favorite Board Member!

Hope to see you all soon!

- Amanda



New Titles – continued from page 4

AKC CANINE GOOD CITIZEN URBAN

CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, RN, CA, CGCA, CGCU Marcia & James Muller 12/7/15

CDCA HERDING CERTIFIED EXCELLENT

CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, CA, CGCA, CDCA-HCX Marcia & James Muller 1/9/16

Note from Denise: The AKC Reports "are two months behind. Their February report is actually December titles. So, their March report next month will be the January titles. The only January titles [listed above were submitted] to me by individuals." For sooner listing of AKC titles, scan & email or copy & mail the certificate copy to Denise directly. (Contact info on page 12.)

New Titles – November Through January 2016

Compiled by Denise Gordon from AKC & CDCA Reports

<u>Dog's Registered Name</u>	<u>Owner(s)</u>	<u>Date Titled</u>
AKC CHAMPION		
CH. Jo-Clem Fire Defies The Sun	Julie & Dan Haddy	11/6/15
CH. Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali	Jennie Larkin	11/6/15
CH. River Rock Lyceum Same Dream Bandersnatch	Christina Miller	11/7/15
CH. Farsight Argos Renegade Of Pern, CGC	Jennie La Prade	11/8/15
CH. Mazel Tov Matan	Cathi & Craig Oskow	11/9/15
AKC GRAND CHAMPION		
GCH. CH. Caliente Dangerous Gale Force Winds	Rosette Davila, Cindy Zelbst, Linda Clark, & Elizabeth Morales	11/7/15
GCH. CH. Sufat Sheleg Jasper's Dubhan, BN, RN, CGC	Cathey Dunn	11/7/15
AKC BEGINNER NOVICE (OBEDIENCE)		
CH. High Desert's Mazel Tov Gili, BN, RN, CGC	Eileen Jaffe & Risa Baumrind	11/1/15
High Desert Ari Of Ascend, Mazel Tov, BN, RN, CGC	Laura Alton & Risa Baumrind	11/5/15
GCH. CH. Sufat Sheleg Ziva Bat Ash, BN, CA	Ken & Carrie Cabrera	11/5/15
CH. Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali, BN, RN	Jennie Larkin	11/22/15
AKC COMPANION DOG (OBEDIENCE)		
CH. Mazel Tov Yomi Bat Barak, CD, RN	Cathi & Aviva Oskow	11/6/15
AKC VERSATILITY (OBEDIENCE)		
CH. Anak Adom Me Beit Alpha, UDX2, OM1, GO, VER, RE	Victor Kaftal	12/10/15
AKC RALLY NOVICE		
CH. Eastland Salina So Special, RN	Annette Israel, David Golden, & Cynthia Dodson	11/5/15
High Desert Ari Of Ascend, Mazel Tov, RN, BN, CGC	Laura Alton & Risa Baumrind	11/5/15
CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, RN, CA, CGCA	Marcia & James Muller	11/14/15
CH. Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali, RN, BN	Jennie Larkin	11/22/15
AKC HERDING INSTINCT CERTIFICATE TESTED		
CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, CA, CGCA, HIC, CDCA-HCX	Marcia & James Muller	1/9/16
AKC CANINE GOOD CITIZEN		
Simcha Me Netive Ha Shalva, CGC	Karen & John Luksich	11/16/15
CH. Eastland Salina So Special, RN, CGC	Annette Israel, David Golden, & Cynthia Dodson	12/19/15
AKC CANINE GOOD CITIZEN ADVANCED		
Hatikva Cherrysh Taavi Dream, CDX, RAE, CGCA	Risa Baumrind	11/8/15
CH. Mazel Tov Erev Shel Shoshanim, CD, BN, GN, RE, CGCA	Risa Baumrind	11/8/15
CH. Mazel Tov Yomi Bat Barak, CD, RN, CGCA	Cathi & Aviva Oskow	11/8/15
CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, CA, CGCA	Marcia & James Muller	11/8/15
GCH. CH. Sufat Sheleg Jasper's Dubhan, BN, RN, CGCA	Cathey Dunn	11/25/15



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Additional Reflections on the 2015 Canaan Dog Club of America National Specialty

Two dogs escaped due recognition and mention in “Reflections on the 2015 National Specialty,” that appeared in the last issue of The Canaan Kibitzer. As reserve winners of dog and bitch points they earned three-point majors each. *[Editor’s Note: The Club offered the Major Reserve at the 2015 National but unfortunately our entry was only large enough in bitch- es for the Reserve Winners Bitch to receive the three point major.]*

Reserve Winners Dog was **Kol Tuv Bringer of Light** from the Bred By Exhibitor class. Ken and Carrie Cabrera are his breeders. He was also entered in Sweepstakes and **Brace** class which he won, teamed with his dam, **GCH Sufat Sheleg Ziva bat Ash CA**. His sire is CH Celev Melek’s Liba Tsel. The future looks promising for this young Canaan Dog.

Reserve Winners Bitch was **Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali**, bred by Ken & Carrie Cabrera and owned by Jennie Larkin. She is sired by CH Jealou’s Got Milk O’Mad River, the first Canaan Dog to go Best in Show, and out of CH Libi Metuka me Shaar Hagai CD BN RAE TD, an Israeli import. She was also entered in Junior Sweeps, Beginner Novice B, Rally Novice B, and Rally Team Novice. She also has a great future in front of her.

- Bryna Comsky
Breeder-Judge of Canaans

Parade of Titleholders & Parade of Veterans

Due to increasing darkness, Parade of Titleholders and Veterans was held, but dog bios were skipped. Owners were invited to send bios to the Newsletter Editor for inclusion in the Specialty issue of “The Canaan Kibitzer.”

EDITOR’S NOTE: These bios were received in time for the previous issue, then managed to vanish into the cloud. Our apologies to their owners.

Parade of Titleholders

GCH Sufat Sheleg Ziva bat Ash BN CA RATI CGC CDCA-HC. It was very exciting to earn her BN title at the NS, especially so considering she has pregnancy-brain going on! This well rounded girl shows well, is obedient, fast, can sniff out a rat and herd all while being a model canine citizen!

Parade of Veterans

Kol Tuv Jochebed RE BN RATI CGC CDCA-HC. For the last time ever 11 1/4 year old Della entered a ring and will now enjoy a well deserved retirement.



TAKE HOME A PIECE OF THE 2015 50TH ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL!

Available logo’ed items and more:

- Large Tote Bag with 50th Anniversary Logo—\$25
- Blanket with 50th Anniversary Logo—\$30
- Catalog—\$15
- Canaan Dog Statue—Large; Black Color—\$45
- Canaan Dog Statue—Small; Black Color—\$30

Shipping additional but if more than one item ordered, will be shipped together.

Contact Carrie Franz koltuvca-naandogs@yahoo.com to confirm availability and place your order(s).

Right: Canaan Dog Statues



CDCA Notes and Conversations

AKC & POLITICS

Local, State and Federal Laws are more and more often focusing on issues that impact our ability to own dogs and breed them. For Canaan Dogs, this can be an issue that could impact the very survival of the breed.

Pamela Rosman, CDCA's AKC Delegate, submitted the following:

There was discussion at the most recent delegates' meeting about the work of this committee, and how to contribute to its support. The information below is quoted from AKC PAC flyers which may be seen at AKCPAC@akc.org or call 919-816-3720 for questions or assistance.

I. WHAT EXACTLY DOES THE AKC PAC DO? The AKC PAC makes financial contributions to the campaigns of legislators who share our commitment to the rights of responsible dog owners and the future of purebred dogs.

HOW DOES THE AKC PAC DECIDE WHICH CANDIDATES TO SUPPORT? The AKC PAC is a non-partisan, single-issue PAC—we support dog-friendly candidates as determined by the AKC PAC Board of Directors. The PAC contributes to the campaigns of federal and state candidates who are committed to upholding the rights of responsible dog owners, exhibitors, and breeders and who support legislation favorable to the health and safety of dogs.

HOW IS THE AKC PAC FUNDED? Your PAC is funded by your donations. Support comes from individual members of AKC clubs, individual members of AKC-affiliated federations, and AKC employees.

DOES THE AKC PAC HAVE A FACEBOOK PAGE THAT WE CAN SHARE? Laws that prevent the AKC PAC from asking the general public for donations also limit use of social media. However, here's a web link that can be shared with anyone because it asks for club affiliation info before opening the donation page: www.apps.akc.org/apps/pac/index.cfm.

CAN MY AKC CLUB DO A FUNDRAISER FOR THE AKC PAC? Yes, an AKC club can conduct a fundraiser among its club members. Please be sure to record the required information for each individual donor. Email AKCPAC@akc.org or call 919-816-3720 for more information and a convenient donor info form.

CAN WE RECOMMEND A CANDIDATE FOR AN AKC PAC DONATION? Absolutely! Please tell us about officials who have assisted in promoting dog-friendly legislation and who have helped oppose or amend anti-dog measures. Please also suggest new candidates you believe will support dogs and dogs owners.

Contact us at AKCPAC@akc.org or send your recommendations to AKC PAC, 8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27617. Please note, PAC contributions may not be given on behalf of a specific candidate.

CAN I CONTRIBUTE MONTHLY? Yes, and it's a great way to increase the impact of your donation. Want to help ensure the future of the sport we love? Consider donating an entry fee each month for the next 12 months. Go to www.apps.akc.org/apps/pac/index.cfm to set up your recurring contribution.

CAN I DONATE ONLINE? Yes, you can make a one-time contribution or a recurring contribution online at www.apps.akc.org/apps/pac/index.cfm. Scroll down and enter your club affiliation to access the online donation form.

100% OF YOUR DONATIONS TO THE AKC PAC ARE USED TO SUPPORT THE CAMPAIGNS OF CANDIDATES WHO SHARE OUR COMMITMENT TO REASONABLE LAWS THAT PROTECT DOGS AND THE RIGHTS OF RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERS.

For questions or assistance, please contact 919-816-3720 or AKCPAC@akc.org.
AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB PAC, 8051 ARCO CORPORATE DRIVE, SUITE 100, RALEIGH, NC 27617

100% One hundred percent of your contributions to the AKC PAC go directly to supporting the campaigns of candidates who can help protect our rights.

II. CLUB OPTIONS FOR POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT TWO WAYS YOUR ORGANIZATION OR ITS INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS CAN PROTECT THEIR RIGHTS

AKC CANINE LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT FUND The Canine Legislative Support Fund is used to educate and lobby elected officials on your behalf at the federal, state, and local levels and to ensure your rights as a responsible dog owner are protected. These funds may not be used to contribute to political campaigns.

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB PAC AKC Political Action Committee (PAC) funds are used to contribute to campaigns to help elect dog-friendly leadership in congress and state houses across the nation. PAC funds may not be used to lobby officials once they are in office or to influence legislation. They may only be used in campaigns.
www.akc.org/pac

III. WHAT THE AKC PAC DOES FOR YOU

The 2016 campaign season is upon us, and the rights of responsible dog owners are under attack like never before. State legislators across the country continue to introduce bills that seek to infringe on your ability to own dogs—including mandatory spay/neuter, ownership limits, warrantless search and seizure, and breed ownership bans.

The American Kennel Club Political Action Committee (AKC PAC) helps elect legislators who share our commitment to reasonable laws that protect our rights and promote responsible dog ownership and breeding. It demonstrates that dog owners will hold their representatives accountable for how they vote on dog issues, and that they stand behind leaders who share our beliefs.

IV. YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

By contributing to the AKC PAC, you greatly enhance the efforts of the American Kennel Club to fight for your rights as a dog owner. Contributions to the AKC PAC are used to provide tangible



support to the candidacy of leaders who defend your rights as a dog owner.

No matter what amount you choose to give, 100 percent of that money goes directly to support the campaigns of candidates who share our commitment to reasonable laws that protect your rights and promote responsible dog ownership and breeding. Although you cannot earmark funds for specific candidates, as a contributor, you can recommend legislators to the AKC Government Relations Department whom you believe deserve AKC PAC support.

Contribute today!

V. Carl C. Ashby, III

Chairman, AKC PAC Board of Directors, and member of the AKC Board of Directors, wrote this letter to the AKC Delegates:

Thanks to dedicated, take-action dog owners like you, the AKC has been protecting the interests of purebred dog owners for more than 130 years. Today, I'M ASKING FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT WITH A (2016) CONTRIBUTION TO THE AKC PAC.

As you know, OUR RIGHTS TO OWN, EXHIBIT, AND BREED DOGS RESPONSIBLY ARE THREATENED DAILY BY RESTRICTIVE AND IRRATIONAL ANIMAL RIGHTS LEGISLATION. In addition to pet ownership limits, breeding restrictions, spay/neuter mandates, and breed-specific bans; we're increasingly seeing proposals to define and regulate owners of intact dogs as commercial breeders, even if they whelp very few—or no—puppies.

FANCIERS AND SINGLE-DOG OWNERS ARE NOT IMMUNE. Another frightening legislative trend empowers non-governmental agents to come onto the property of dog owners and remove pets based on an anonymous complaint or failure to comply with capricious requirements. In some cases, the individuals empowered to seize your dogs are the same animal rights extremists who lobbied for these overreaching laws.

Successfully defending our way of life, our rights, and the health and safety of our dogs requires that we all take action. It also depends on ensuring that lawmakers understand our concerns and will help fight for the future of our dogs.

ONE OF THE EASIEST WAYS TO DEFEND OUR RIGHTS IS BY SUPPORTING THE ELECTION OF CANDIDATES WHO SHARE OUR INTERESTS. THE AKC PAC GIVES YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE by joining with other purebred dog owners in support of elected officials and candidates who will stand with dog owners and responsible breeders during these legislative battles.

One hundred percent of your contributions to the AKC PAC go directly to supporting the campaigns of candidates who can help protect our rights. PLEASE DONATE TODAY, AND CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR AN AUTOMATIC MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION. EVEN FIVE DOLLARS A MONTH CAN GO A LONG WAY TO PROTECTING YOUR DOGS AND YOUR RIGHTS.

Thank you for your leadership in this important cause.

Sincerely,
(signed) Carl C. Ashby, III



**Reminder:
CDCA Policy - AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award**

Per AKC “The AKC provides member club club’s the ability to award AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Awards on a yearly basis. This award honors those individuals who deserve special recognition that have made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club.

Medallions are awarded solely at the club’s discretion.”
Club’s are under no obligation to present this award.

The CDCA Board of Directors feels that the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award should not be an award given out “just because we can,” but instead should only be awarded after a thoughtful and deliberative process.

CDCA Members are encouraged to suggest members who they feel should be so honored. The Board of Directors shall have final decision over which members are chosen to receive this award.

When a recipient has been selected, this information shall not be shared beyond the Board of Directors and the Delegate. The Delegate will inform AKC of the need for a medallion and coordinate engraving of this medallion. A

presentation of this award will be made during the next Annual General Meeting of the club.

This award is separate from the CDCA Club Award for Member of the Year. MOTY nominations are voted upon by the whole club (or approved by the BOD if only one nominee), and will have a deadline for nominations of August 1, 2016. See page 12 for this year’s call for nominations.



CANAAN DOGS AND THE CAT

BY MARCIA MULLER



Prey drive differs by breed and by individual dog within a breed. Those behaviors that are associated with hunting - stalking, chasing, capturing, killing and eating - are enhanced by the dog's sense of sight, sound and smell.

We've all seen our dogs "play kill" a stuffed toy by biting, shaking, tearing and ripping it apart. This is prey drive on a toy. There's also pouncing, carrying, digging and burying behaviors that go with prey drive. Don't forget stalking behaviors whether they are directed at a cat, squirrel or a blowing leaf. It's all prey drive. If you want to know how high your dog's prey drive is take the Volhard Personality Profile test that's offered on-line:

<http://www.volhard.com/pages/canine-personality-profile.php>

Go to the AKC website and read all the information posted on Lure Coursing and the Coursing Ability Test (CAT)..

Canaan Dogs on the whole have an intact prey drive (all 5 stages present) and it is usually high. It's how they survived on their own in the desert. To train your CD to participate in Lure Coursing sport (unfortunately limited to CAT with the AKC) all you need to do is act like a fool and run around your yard holding a plastic bag by the handles and let it fill with air and bellow up. Make a lot of noise and your CD will chase you and especially the bag. Let your dog "catch" the bag and play tug for a few seconds. Repeat this game for a few minutes - not too long and not too often as it has to become a special game, otherwise your CD will become bored with it. You can use scissors to cut the bottom of the bag in strips so it will flap in the wind as you run. Movement and noise just make it all the more enticing. You can also make your own flirt pole by using a wooden dowel or broom handle 2-3 feet long and attach the bag to one end. Now run holding the other end. Twist and turn and raise and lower the flirt pole to keep your dog's attention. Don't forget to let him "catch" the bag every so often. It would be good to have taught your dog the "out" or "drop it" command so that you can get the bag back! You certainly don't want the dog shredding and swallowing the bag. It's also a good idea to teach your dog the "go and/or get it" command. This means to go out in a straight line and "get" whatever you have tossed (ball, Frisbee, Kong, toy). My dog knows "go" as a release word to run out in the direction I'm facing and eventually something will be there. I add "get it" when I want her to bring that something back to me.

When you go to a CAT for the first time make sure to let your dog watch the sight hounds run in the trials. This will excite your CD and he'll get the idea of chasing the "rabbit" around the course. Don't worry about the high pitched barking - almost like shrieking - that your CD may make. Don't stay and watch too long as your dog will tire out from barking. Your CD will remember the next time you go - no need to refresh his memory by watching other dogs run.

When it comes your turn to run be prepared for your CD to be wary of the ground wire and mechanisms. You may have to take a detour to the starting line. The dog's adrenaline and heart rate will be high and it will make it difficult to walk to the start line and control the dog at the same time. You can place your dog between your legs to help contain his enthusiasm. Walk slowly to the start line. When the Huntmaster yells "Tallyho" release your dog with your "go" command and then don't say another word. Don't encourage your dog to keep going, don't use the dog's name. You don't want to do anything that will break the dog's concentration on "catching" the bag. Make sure your fingers don't get entangled in the leash.

I don't suggest you do 2 runs in one day. The dog may be willing but he will also learn to cut corners on the course as it is the same design only run in reverse. The Canaan Dogs are way too smart!

The hardest part is getting your dog to come to you after the run. The first time your CD runs it may be very tired out and easy to catch but by his second run this may not be the case, so a good "Come" command is needed. Catching an excited CD who wants to "go again" is very hard. Have a favorite toy or high value food in your pocket. If it takes too long to catch the dog you may have to pay an additional \$10 for delay caused to others. I would suggest that you leave a collar on your dog for the run (flat, no tags). If everything fails to get your dog at the end of the run you can always lay down on the ground and cry (real tears or pretend) and that should get your CD within arm's length. At least it worked for me.

It's really a shame that the Canaan Dog can't participate in the sight hounds trials. I know that they can be competitive. Watching them run is pure joy.

2015 ORLANDO MEET THE BREEDS

Submitted by Christina Miller

The 2015 Meet the Breeds, held in conjunction with the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship, were a huge success. These events remain one of the best venues to reach the general public. A wonderful education tool, these events provide the public a chance to meet Canaan Dogs in the flesh and talk with owners and breeders.

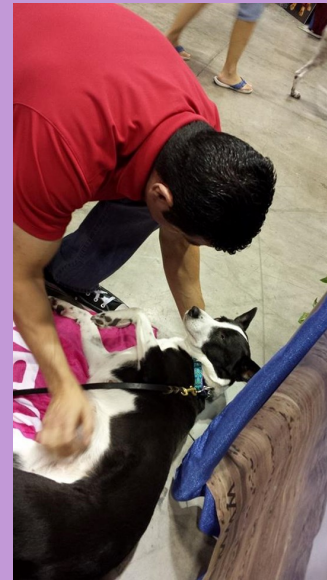


We welcomed many visitors to our booth and the dogs enjoyed all of the extra attention. Both the curious and those specifically seeking out the Canaan Dog stopped in to meet the dogs. We provided educational material, people to answer specific questions, and of course wonderful Canaan Dogs to meet their admirers.

I must give a huge thank you to Cynthia Dodson, David Golden, Julie Haddy, Dan Haddy and Bryna Comsky. Cynthia and David helped to provide Canaan Dogs to meet with Salina and Avi. They were wonderful with conveying their tales of living with Canaan Dogs and providing specific information to those who asked. Julie and Dan were able to help man the booth when they weren't running at the Agility Invitational. Bryna successfully guided (pulled) people to our booth and provided wonderful history and information. I would be



remiss if I didn't mention Victor Kaftal who was able to bring Anak by during an Obedience Invitational break. Thank you everyone for making this year's Meet the Breed booth in Orlando, FL a success.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR FUTURE CD JUDGE ATTENDS NATIONAL

Hi Amanda.
Candy Way here.

First off, thank you for the great mentoring and breed presentation at the National. I learned a lot and it was a joy to see and go over so many lovely dogs. I am excited about judging them and should be Permit in [January.]

Also your magazine is just beautiful. So many breed mags don't provide National cover age like you did. I will keep this as a reference tool.

Again thank you so much for everything.
Candy Way
AKC #6668
Cochranville, PA

Editor's Note: Ms. Way was the only AKC judge outside of our breed to attend Judges Education and Ringside Mentoring at the National. As you can see, she came across the country to do so. If you see her on a judging panel, you should know she has gone above & beyond to get a good education and appreciation of the breed.

Valley Fever Concerns for those who live or visit the Southwest; Canine Valley Fever and Vaccine Development

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By Lisa Shubitz, DVM

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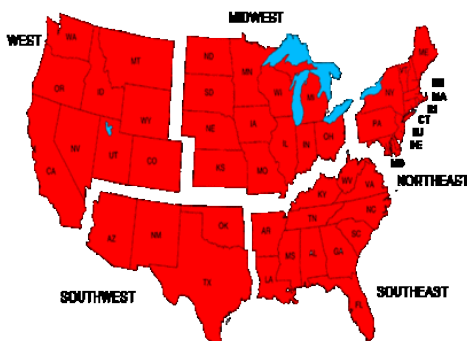
Dr. Shubitz is the premiere expert on Canine Valley Fever in the United States. She owns and shows terriers (unfortunately not Borders). She has graciously written an article for us as she wants as many dog owners to be aware of this very serious, but quiet disease. Since the drought in California, the incidence off Valley Fever in AZ, CA, and NM has risen to it's highest levels. We all should be aware!

Ever traveled to Phoenix or Tucson for the winter to enjoy the sunny, warm weather and give your Border Terrier a break from snow higher than his head? Take in a few shows or agility trials? Enjoy a hike the beautiful desert mountains, or a rambling walk in a wide, dry wash where your four-legged sniffer can stretch her legs and do "dog things" without that 6- foot strip of nylon? Well, there is an unwelcome, microscopic pest lurking in this warm, dry air and those lovely, smelly rodent holes: *Coccidioides*, a soil fungus more commonly known by the name of Valley Fever, the disease it causes.

Valley Fever is a fungal disease that dogs (and people) get from inhaling spores that are in the soil and the air in the desert southwest. The *Coccidioides* spp. fungi reside in desert soils of the western US, Mexico, and areas of South America. Though all mammals are susceptible to infection, not all infections result in illness, and some species are more susceptible to becoming sick than others. Humans, dogs, llamas and alpacas, and nonhuman primates are among the most susceptible. It has the greatest economic impact on dogs and people due to the sheer number living or traveling in regions where the spores live. Dogs and people can get infected and never know they encountered spores (asymptomatic infection) or they can become sick enough to need medical care. A very few die from severe Valley Fever in spite of treatment.

In the US, about 70% of all cases of Valley Fever occur in Arizona, primarily the area from Tucson to Phoenix. In addition to the high resident population in this area, there is also a huge influx of winter visitors and their dogs during the time of year when Valley Fever most commonly occurs. There is a significant spike in cases following the monsoon after the soil dries and the weather cools. This stays high through about February. The Arizona Department of Health Services human surveillance data show that Valley Fever cases increased again in 2015 compared to 2012-2014. While we don't have statistics on dogs because cases are not tracked by the health department or CDC, canine cases follow a similar pattern. The biological reasons for the yearly increases or decreases are not understood at this time.

Early symptoms of Valley Fever include coughing, lethargy, lack of appetite, weight loss and fever. Not all signs are present in every dog. If your dog is exhibiting these signs for more than a few days to a week, it would be a good idea to have your veterinarian examine your dog and have a blood test performed. Some dogs do not exhibit respiratory signs and the



first you may know of it is in a bone, the central nervous system, or some other location outside the lungs. Valley Fever can be devastating and dogs can die from it, but the good news is that most cases will recover if diagnosed and treated with antifungal medication. However, the lengthy treatment and monitoring is a thorn in the owner's side, both financially and in terms of time. Also, if you traveled to Arizona but live somewhere in the midwest, northwest, or east, your veterinarian back home will not be familiar with Valley Fever and it may go undiagnosed longer. If your dog becomes sick, tell your veterinarian you visited an area with Valley Fever.



A vaccine to prevent Valley Fever in dogs is really needed to reduce both illness in dogs and the financial burden on their owners. A severe case of Valley Fever may cost an owner \$10,000 to treat; most owners will spend in the low thousands to treat even an uncomplicated case because it takes a year or more to treat routine infections. In addition to the cost of medication, regular monitoring is needed for blood cell counts, x-rays, Valley Fever titers, and liver enzymes that can rise from the medications. Scientists at the University of Arizona (Valley Fever Center for Excellence and other departments) are working on a live mutant vaccine. The vaccine strain fungus, called delta-CPS1, has a large gene removed from it so it is virtually impossible for it to revert to a normal strain. This mutant has been shown to cause no disease in mice, even immunocompromised mice, and provides strong protection against lethal challenge of Valley Fever to the lungs. More than half of mice have no fungus in their lungs when tested at the end of a study. Research in the upcoming year will be heavily focused on development of the mutant strain into a vaccine. The USDA (animal vaccine regulations) and FDA (human vaccine regulations) require additional modifications to the structure, and the spores need to be formulated with stabilizers so they can be stored in vials and have a reasonable shelf life. The dog vaccine is a pathway to developing this vaccine to prevent Valley Fever in people, too. In parallel, the researchers are working on studies to better understand the immune response of mice to the vaccine, and dogs to naturally acquired Valley Fever. T-cell responses and cytokines are being studied in client-owned dogs that have, previously had, or are naïve to Valley Fever. The dogs donate blood cells and these are stained to assess the immune response. This dog study is helping develop a test for the vaccine that will determine if dogs are making what we think is the right immune response to the vaccine before performing clinical trials.

For more information on Valley Fever in people and dogs, please visit the Valley Fever Center for Excellence's website at www.vfce.arizona.edu.

2015 DOTY/MOTY NOMINATIONS

It's time to start sending in nominations the 2015 Member Of The Year (MOTY) and Dog Of The Year (DOTY)!

MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Please send your nomination of 500 words or less explaining why a past or present CDCA member should be honored for his/her contributions to the breed or club.

DOG OF THE YEAR

Please send your nomination 250 words or less. Please include all of the dog's titles, breeder, and sire and dam names (not counted in the final word tally of the nomination) and explain why this dog should be honored for his/her contributions to the breed.

Once received, if the nomination is of a dog that you do not own, the owner will be contacted to allow him/her to send in a co-nomination statement about the dog, again, not to exceed 250 words.

The ballot will contain the write up from the nominator and owner (if received). Should the owner not choose to submit a nomination, the ballot will only contain the write up from the original nominator. Please note, if you nominate a dog you own or co-own, only the initial write up (max. 250 words) will be published.

For both MOTY and DOTY, a photo of the nominee either in hard copy print or electronic format (preferably JPEG) should be included with the nomination. All hardcopy photos will be returned.

Nominations should be mailed or emailed to Denise Gordon no later than August 1st. If there is more than one candidate for either DOTY or MOTY, ballots will be mailed no later than August 8th with the due date of August 30th; ballots may be returned via US Postal Service or email. Otherwise, a single nomination in either category by the deadline will be declared the winner. Winners will be announced at the 2016 National Specialty awards banquet.

For further information, contact
Denise Gordon, Awards Chair
2614 Gracewood Ave.
Cincinnati, OH 45239
Phone: 513-741-1832
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CDCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY SONG—RE-IMAGINED THE TRADITION CONTINUES...

“CDCA in Tucson 2015” Song

Lyrics by Cathi Oskow

To the tune of “Take It Easy” by the Eagles

I'm running down the road
With a Canaan Dog load
Got seven dogs in my van.

Four are kinda' barky,
Two are kinda' snarky,
One's a best friend of mine.

Going to Tucson – Arizona -
Going to meet my compadres
For the Nationals!

Chorus:

*We may lose and we may win.
But we have been here again--
CDCA was held in Tucson
In 1998.*

I'm checking into a hotel
In Tucson, Arizona,
When I see a sight so fine—

It's a dog, my Lord,
Exiting a Ford –
And that dog looks just like mine!

Canaan Rovers,
From all over,
It's a Canaan par-tay
In the Southwest!

*We may lose and we may win.
But we have been here again--
CDCA was held in Tucson
In 1998.*

We'll have conformation in awhile,
An obedience trial,
Rally-O and CGC.

We'll meet and socialize--
No need for tuxes or ties--
There'll be awards for you and me.

Later in the week--
Dogs will herd sheep--
And they might even sniff out rats
In the Barn Hunt.

Chorus:

*We may lose and we may win.
But we have been here again--
CDCA was held in Tucson--
In 2015!*

We may lose and we may win.
But we have been here again--
50 Years of Canaan Dogs in the U.S.!



Members of the Golder Ranch (AZ) Fire Department stop by the All-Breed Show in Tucson to say “Thanks” after the CDCA Annual Oxygen Mask Drive raised enough funds to cover eight Pet Oxygen Mask Kits—enough for every truck in their department.

Full Press Release at www.akc.org/news/cdca-donation/



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Any veterinary advice distributed in this newsletter should always be discussed with your veterinarian prior to implementation. The intent of this newsletter is to be informative and becomes a historical document that reflects the breed and the CDCA.

The Canaan Kibitzer

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Show reports: Please keep all-breed show reports to one page; or less if you are including photographs.

Special events: Specialties or supported entry shows, will be allotted more space and handled on a case by case basis. If you would like to cover a special event, please inform the Editor in advance.

Photos: Always welcome, even without an article. High resolution digital photos are preferred.

Ads: Printed as-is, so please proof them carefully.

Rates: **NEW RATES AS OF WINTER 2016** All ads should be in electronic format. Photos must be 300dpi or greater.

Color Sponsorship US\$200.00
(both covers plus 4 page spread)
FULL Color Front Cover US\$ 70.00

Front Cover	US\$ 50.00
Rear Cover	US\$ 40.00
Full Page	US\$ 30.00
Half Page	US\$ 15.00
Quarter Page	US\$ 7.50
"Brag Box" (no photo)	FREE
Whelping Box (up to 10 listings)	US \$ 20.00/yr

All ads must be paid in advance. Make checks/money orders payable to CDCA. Send fees to Christina Miller, CDCA Treasurer, 3220 Gees Mill Road, Conyers, GA 30013. Email creative for Spring & Summer 2016 to

David Golden — David.Golden@ey.com
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Submissions are due midnight 2/1, 5/1, 8/1, 11/1. Special exceptions may be arranged as needed. Submissions that are not time-sensitive may be held for future issues at the editor's discretion. 1 page = 500 words, 1/2 page = 250 words.

OFA Test Results: December 2015—January 2016 (accessed 1/30/2016)

Line in bold italics signifies the dog has a CHIC number.

Registered Name	Reg. #	Sex	OFA Test #	Test Name	Results
BLUE SKY DESERTSTAR ORION THE HUNTER	DN22127103	M	CA-EYE8/90M-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
BLUE SKY LUNAR EXPLORER	DN38279002	F	CA-EYE13/25F-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
BLUE SKY PANDAMONIUM	DN38279004	F	CA-EYE14/25F-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
DESERT STAR BLUE SKY FIRE DANCER	DN42563601	F	CA-EYE30/9F-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
HATIKVA HARVEST RAIN AT RELIC	DN37702005	M	CA-EYE31/26M-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
HIRAM ARCHITECT TO THE KING	DN33125403	M	CA-PA110/46M/P-PI	PATELLA	NORMAL - PRACTITION- ER
HIRAM ARCHITECT TO THE KING	DN33125403	M	CA-EYE33/46M-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
PLEASANT HILL ANNI AHARONA OF CARTERS CREEK	DN41023005	F	CA-TH115/13F-VPI	THYROID	NORMAL
RELIC ROSE	DN27869301	F	CA-EYE1/62F-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
RENEGADE SALLY	DN31165501	F	CA-EYE32/53F-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
RIVER ROCK QUITE THE COMEDIAN	DN37121505	F	CA-EYE34/32F-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
RIVER ROCK QUITE THE COMEDIAN	DN37121505	F	CA-508G33F-VPI	HIPS	GOOD
RIVROCK OUTSIDE OF KARMA BSNATCH RDOG	DN30312602	F	CA-507G62F-PI	HIPS	GOOD
RIVROCK OUTSIDE OF KARMA BSNATCH RDOG	DN30312602	F	CA-PA109/62F/P-PI	PATELLA	NORMAL - PRACTITION- ER
RIVROCK OUTSIDE OF KARMA BSNATCH RDOG	DN30312602	F	CA-TH116/62F-PI	THYROID	NORMAL
RIVROCK OUTSIDE OF KARMA BSNATCH RDOG	DN30312602	F	CA-EL167F62-PI	ELBOWS	NORMAL

BRAG BOX

Pleased to learn that (Texas) Ziva - CH RIVER ROCK REACH ANY HIGHER RN, CA, CGCA, CGCU, CDCA-HCX, V - became the first CD to obtain the AKC Urban Canine Good Citizen title on 12/07/15.

The AKC Urban CGC test requires that the dog demonstrate CGC skills and beyond in an urban (city) setting. The test is held in a real world setting, not at a dog show or in a training center. - Marcia Muller

Editor's Note: Congratulations also to Marcia herself who, through her work with her local All Breed Club, has been approved by AKC as a Canine Good Citizen Evaluator.



CDCA 2016 NATIONAL SPECIALTY WEEK

SEPTEMBER 27

-OCTOBER 2, 2016

Hosted By The CDCA Board of Directors



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (PENDING ALL APPROVALS)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016

Herding - Central Bark Canine Events, Central Square NY

Welcome Party— Host Hotel, Holiday Inn Waterloo/Seneca Fall, Waterloo NY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016

Meetings and Education - Picnic Pavilion, Sampson State Park, Romulus NY

Tentative Schedule:

Board of Directors— 8:30am

Annual General Meeting—1:00pm

Judges Education with Hands On— 4:00pm

Pizza Party—Host Hotel, Holiday Inn Waterloo/Seneca Fall, Waterloo NY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2016

CDCA National Specialty at the Kanadasaga Kennel Club

-Sampson State Park, Romulus NY

Breeder/Judges:

Sweepstakes (Puppy & Veterans) Lorna Hastings Menaker, *Lorianna*

Breed Amanda M Pough, *Bandersnatch*

Judges Education—Ringside Mentoring

Banquet, Awards Presentation & Auctions

—Host Hotel, Holiday Inn Waterloo/Seneca Fall, Waterloo NY

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Supported Entry at the Finger Lakes Kennel Club

- Sampson State Park, Romulus NY

Breed Judge TBA

Local Winery Visit (details TBA)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2016

CDCA Designated Specialty at the Elmira Kennel Club

- Sampson State Park, Romulus NY

Breeder/Judge Carrie Chase, *Hum'nbird*

Education Seminar—after BIS

- Host Hotel, Holiday Inn Waterloo/Seneca Fall, Waterloo NY

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016

Supported Entry at the Onondaga Kennel Association

- Sampson State Park, Romulus NY

Breed Judge Bill Edwards

We will work with the Cluster for Breed ring times that will lessen conflicts with Obedience & Rally. Best of Breed Winners each day will continue to Herding Group.

THE WINE COUNTRY CIRCUIT offers Obedience, Rally & Junior Showmanship all four days of the circuit. Four days of Agility (Host Club – Finger Lakes Kennel Club) with three days including Premiere Classes. CAT tests are hosted by LAKE COUNTRY LURE COURSERS. Health Clinics with Clinicians from Cornell University are planned.



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HOST HOTEL—Holiday Inn Waterloo/Seneca Falls

2468 NYS Route 414 N, Waterloo NY 13165

Room Block Reservation Code: RCD

One time pet fee of \$30.00

Call Toll-free 855-576-8659

Block held til August 27, 2016

Ground Floor Rooms are limited. We recommend you call early to make your reservations. If ground floor rooms are not available when you call, you may request to be placed on a cancellation list as they open up.

CAMPING AVAILABLE (WITH HOOK UPS) AT SAMPSON STATE PARK, location of the shows and Wednesday meetings. Busses run from the camping loops to the show rings periodically throughout the day. All efforts will be made to coordinate rides to the Host Hotel for those camping on site.

Camping Reservation Information will be posted online and mailed with the premium list. You must make camping reservations via the Cluster as Reserve America does not book the park during this week.

Join us in beautiful Upstate New York this fall!

Close enough for a visit to New York City or Niagara Falls on your way.

Upstate New York is a "foodie" destination with Wineries, Craft Breweries, many Farmers Markets and even Wegmans!

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Lake Country Lure Coursers, lakecountrylurecoursers.com

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Countryside Agility, countrysideagility.com

Auctions Items Shipped Ahead

Amanda Pough, c/o Dental Office of Dr Catalfamo, 212 W Buffalo St,
Ithaca NY 14850

Self Service Dog Bathing Tubs

The Puppy Hut Cut, 315-759-5005, facebook.com/ThePuppyCutHut
Geneva NY, half way between Host Hotel & Show Site.

The 2016 National is being hosted by the CDCA Board of Directors, Amy Preston Chair. Due to Rosh Hashanah starting at sundown on Sunday the 2nd, the schedule has been adjusted so that those needing to get home before the holiday may do so.

The 2017 National Specialty will similarly be hosted by the CDCA Board of Directors and will be held in Atlanta GA in October 2017. Deadline for applications to host the 2018 National is September 27, 2016 to Melinda Linton, CorrespondingSecretary@CDCA.org

**The Bitch is Silver! AKC's first Silver Grand Champion
Canaan Dog Bitch. The breed's second Silver GCH.**

MULTI BINSS, SGCH RIVROC LYCM OWN DREAM BSNATCH ROSNDOG



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New Year

FROM THE CANAAN DOGS OF RIVER ROCK

BREEDERS: CHRISTINA MILLER, ETHAN MILLER, AMANDA POUGH, JUDY ROSENTHAL