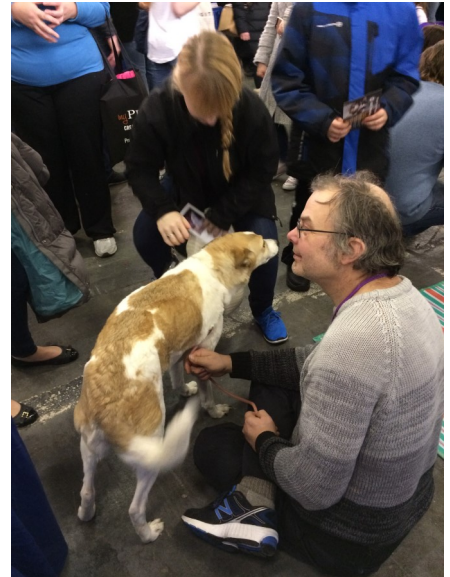


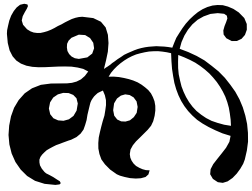
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## *Meet The Breeds: 2017 NYC*





## Remembering ....

### AUDREY BIEMANN

We received word from Ann Skyler-Cobbett that Audrey Biemann passed away on February 26, 2017. Known for her involvement in rare (at the time) breeds, she owned Soft Coated Wheaton Terriers & Ibizan Hounds, finding Canaan Dogs for her last breed.

Ann writes "Audrey will stay in my heart forever. She was so dedicated to the breed and she was a superb client that quickly became a dear friend. She had a wonderful sense of humor. I have so many wonderful stories about her. She travelled to many shows with me and kept me smiling all the time. RIP, Audrey."



### MAZEL TOV PRTMJL MINNIE POOH

Minnie, age 13, died October 30, 2016, and was laid to rest on a beautiful day in central Virginia. We remember and celebrate the joyful times we had with her as well as her many accomplishments.

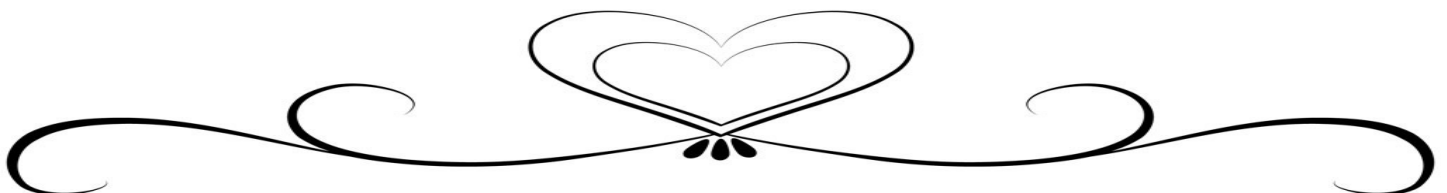
She had 4 AKC Championships and 1 Agility USDAA Championship. The most prized title was USDAA's Snooker Gold - in over 30 years and hundreds of thousands of dogs competing in USDAA Agility only 600 were able to achieve that Title. She had to compete against and beat dogs in her class - a class where over 95% of the dogs are Border Collies.



A few of Minnie's other accomplishments are: 8th overall at AKC Agility National, 8th overall in the Finals of AKC's Agility Invitational, making the semi-finals in the USDAA Nationals. Minnie understood the game of agility and while not the fastest, she was the smartest, most efficient teammate one could hope for qualifying over 95% of the time.

At home and in the office, Minnie was Sylvia's constant companion greeting clients, providing company and security day and late at night. She brought joy and shared it with everyone. She went with dignity and class just like she behaved every day of her life. We held her and stroked her with her BC friends Charlie, JD and Soo nearby.

- Alan F Gersman & Sylvia Gersman and breeders Cathi & Craig Oskow





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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring has sprung! Our dogs are loving the longer days, warm weather & plenty of opportunities to play outside but our yard looks like it has snowed with Canaan coat!

Spring gives us plenty of opportunities for shows, agility trials, just fun outdoor time or relaxing with the kids at home. We hope everyone has some fun activities planned for the coming months. CDCA loves to share pics on the club's facebook so please submit your pics of your dog's favorite thing. My first Canaan thought the best treat in the world was watermelon so he loved getting a slice to work on in summer evenings.

This issue includes all the details about the Specialty this fall in Atlanta. We hope to see a good turnout with lots of chances for majors, obedience and rally titles & the herding instinct test. Be sure to get your submissions in for the Top Dogs slideshow at the Specialty banquet.

Have a great summer!

- Julie



Longtime CDCA Member Audrey Biemann passed away this year. (A brief remembrance may be found on page 2.) Bryna Comsky is collecting memories and photos from CDCA members & friends for a longer profile in the Summer Issue. Please send your memories to Bryna at BComsky@aol.com by July 15th for inclusion in the next issue.

## Editor's Column

### *"Somewhere That's Green"*

Remember that move I mentioned last issue? It finally happened! We still have boxes and furniture everywhere, and a whole level that needs to be finished, but we are in the new house. Designed with dogs in mind, my crew is most enjoying the large yard which overlooks the back part of the property. We are *just* getting grass in, which means the transition from winter has been

very, very, VERY, muddy. Deer, birds and a couple of good digging spots has added to the joy of three very happy, very grubby dogs.

CDs have been busy as you will see by the New Titles list. AKC is recognizing more and more skills for dogs—from Barn Hunt to Nosework to Dock Diving. Recently CDs have earned Farm

Dog certification (basic manners for a dog being helpful on a farm) and CDs of all ages are excelling in the Trick Dog venue. Are you doing one of the new sports with your dog? Your fellow members would love to hear about it! Consider a short essay to share what your dog has done and introduce the new sport to the club. Contact me for more information.

Finally, the difference between the President, who lives in South Carolina, and me, who lives in New York? In May she wishes you a "great summer;" while I wish you a "happy spring!" From both of us, no matter where you live, enjoy the season and your CDs!

- Amanda

## ***CDCA 2017 Elections of Officers & Board Members***

As per CDCA C&BL, the following was mailed to all members.

Dear CDCA Members,

The CDCA Nominating Committee has submitted the following slate of candidates for the CDCA Officers and Board of Directors, Term of Office August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2019:

**President** – Julie Haddy GA  
**Vice President** – Cynthia Dodson MD  
**Treasurer** – Christina Miller GA  
**Recording Secretary** – Bryna Comsky IL  
**Corresponding Secretary** – Richard Vulliet CA  
**Director (East)** – Amanda Pough NY  
**Director (Central)** – Melinda Linton MI  
**Director (West)** – Joan Green CA  
**Director** – Risa Baumrind AZ

Additional nominations may be made by the CDCA membership. All additional nominations shall be submitted to the Corresponding Secretary and must be received by June 1, 2017, as outlined in Article IV, Section 4 (b) of the Constitution (below). Potential CDCA Officers and Board of Director nominees should review the Constitution (Article III) to understand the requirements and expectations for an Officer or Board member.

*Article IV, Section 4:*

*(b) Additional nominations of persons who meet the residence requirements of ARTICLE III, SECTION 2, may be made by written petition addressed to the Corresponding Secretary at his regular address and postmarked on or before June 1, signed by five Full members in good standing and accompanied by the written acceptance of each such additional nominee signifying his willingness to be a candidate. No person shall be a candidate for more than one office.*

*(c) If no valid additional nominations are postmarked on or before June 1, the Nominating Committee's slate shall be declared elected and no balloting will be required.*

If additional valid nominations are received, a ballot will be submitted to each eligible member in good standing on or before June 15, 2017 as outlined in Article IV, Section 4 (d) of the Constitution (below).

*(d) If one or more additional nominations are postmarked on or before June 1 of an election year, the Corresponding Secretary shall, on or before June 15 mail to each eligible member in good standing a ballot listing candidates for each of the 5 offices in alphabetical order. Candidates for Director shall be listed by sections of the country and in alphabetical order within each section....*

2017 Nominating Committee:

Chair: Amy Preston

Members: Alla Gertz and Cathey Dunn, alternates Annette Israel, Becki O'Donnell and Carrie Franz.

Thank you to the Nominating Committee for their time, efforts and thoughtful deliberations.

Melinda Linton, CDCA Corresponding Secretary  
 6351 Lintons Way  
 Ann Arbor MI 48105

*The full CDCA Constitution & By-Laws may be found on the club website in the Members area: <http://cdca.org/members/>*



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**CDCA 2017 National Specialty**  
**Atlanta, Georgia**  
**October 17-22, 2017**

(schedule pending)



**UPDATED SCHEDULE\*:**

Tuesday, October 17th, 2017

Afternoon: Annual Meeting of the Board Of Directors  
 (Location and Time TBA)

Wednesday, October 18, 2017

9am: CDCA Herding Instinct Test  
 Watkinsville, GA

Afternoon (exact time TBA): CDCA Annual General Meeting & Welcome Party  
 Lyceum & River Rock Farms, Conyers, GA

Thursday, October 19, 2017

Independent National Specialty  
 with Junior Showmanship and Sweepstakes (Puppy & Veteran)  
 National Specialty judge: Harry (Butch) Schulman  
 Sweepstakes judge: Mel Holloman  
 Atlanta Exposition Center South, Atlanta GA

Friday, October 20, 2017

Saturday and Sunday, October 21 and 22, 2017

Friday, Designated Specialty with Sweepstakes (Puppy & Veteran)

Saturday & Sunday, Supported Entries

Saturday Evening, Awards Banquet & Live Auction

Douglasville KC of GA, Atlanta KC and Newnan KC  
 Junior Showmanship, NOHS, Obedience & Rally  
 traditionally offered at this cluster.

Event Committee: CDCA Board of Directors  
 Mike Houchard, Chair

Watch "The Kib" and the CDCA website at: [cdca.org/specialty17.html](http://cdca.org/specialty17.html)  
 \*pending all approvals and scheduling needs



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**HOST HOTEL**

Hospitality Chair: Annette Israel, eastlandcanaans@gmail.com

**Drury Inn & Suites: Atlanta Morrow**  
**6520 South Lee Street, Morrow GA 30260**

**Reservations:** www.druryhotels.com or 1-800-325-0720  
 Group #: 2299150  
 Block held until Friday, September 15, 2017  
 CDCA Room Policy Applies  
**Due to changes at the hotel, \$25 per day pet fee.**  
**Some members have reported better rates booking directly with the hotel**  
**(i.e., outside the block).**

Drury Inn & Suites offer Hot Breakfasts daily, 5:30 Kickback, Wifi and more. This is the same hotel as in 2013. Convenient access to food, shopping and tourism.

Approximately 5 miles from Show Site.

**For those with RVs:** reserve with cluster for parking at show site. Electricity but no water. Full details should be in premium.

**HERDING INSTINCT TEST**

Herding Chair: Denise Gordon, desertstarcanaans@yahoo.com

**Wednesday, October 18th. 9am start time. Evaluator: Doyle Ivie. Watkinsville, GA.**

Registration form may be found on the CDCA website (cdca.org/specialty17.html), in the files on the CDCA Yahoo List and mailed with this issue (for those who receive hard copy issues). Pre-entry deadline: October 4, 2017.



**AWARDS BANQUET & LIVE AUCTION**

Hospitality Chair: Annette Israel, eastlandcanaans@gmail.com

Auction Chair: April Gray, amo2cute@gmail.com

**Saturday, October 21st. Full details, including location, still pending.** Watch the CDCA Yahoo List or Facebook pages for details, and the Summer Issue of "The Kib" for more details. The sign up form will also posted to the CDCA website.

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### TROPHY DONATIONS

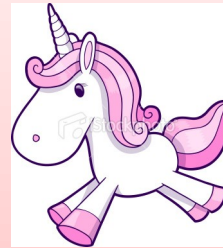
Trophy Chair: Amanda Pough, [bandersnatchbtcd@yahoo.com](mailto:bandersnatchbtcd@yahoo.com)

Donate early, donate often! With four days of shows, and classes in breed, sweepstakes, obedience, rally and herding, we have a LOT of trophies and rosettes to offer. We are planning on beautiful and useful tables overflowing with awards!

New this year—earn your Unicorn Status!

Donors will be recognized at the following levels:

- Bronze \$5 to 25
- Silver \$26 to \$75
- Gold \$76 to \$200
- Platinum \$201 to \$1000
- Mythical Unicorn Level \$1001 and beyond!



These levels will be offered yearly at the 2017 National Specialty and beyond. Maintain your level for five or more years for additional recognition.

We will post Donor Names & Levels ringside at the Specialties and/or at the Awards Banquet, and they will also be feted in the Kib.

Make checks payable to CDCA, Inc. and mail to Amanda:

CDCA Trophy Fund, 34 Michigan Hollow Road, Spencer NY 14883

or via PayPal to [treasurer@cdca.org](mailto:treasurer@cdca.org) and forward a copy of the receipt to Amanda at [bandersnatchbtcd@yahoo.com](mailto:bandersnatchbtcd@yahoo.com)

### AUCTION 2017

Auction Chair: April Gray, [amo2cute@gmail.com](mailto:amo2cute@gmail.com)

**Online, and Saturday, October 21st.** Donations from members and friends always welcome! Please let April know what you are bringing or—to contribute even if you cannot attend—to arrange shipping.

Online bidding planned—watch the CDCA Yahoo List or Facebook pages for links when it goes live, and the Summer Issue of “The Kib” for the link.

**Please like and thank the following businesses for their donations received to date!**

Speckled Pet (custom painting) • The Pastel Pug (hand painted art) • Amer-Pooch (custom embroidery) • Graymatter Training • Brilliant K9 (gift card) • Siberianart (silver item) • Picture Perfect Pedigree • Darkmonster Leads • JamesReidDesign (license plate cover) • Gulf Coast Laser Graphics • Petsie • Wry Toast T-shirts • Upcycled Books • Karunda Pet Beds  
• and more being added daily!





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### TOP DOGS & MEMORIALS

Top Dog/Memorials Chair: Julie Haddy, pawslover@gmail.com

Was your Canaan Dog on the Top Dogs in AKC Breed, National Owner Handler Series, Obedience, or Agility? Contact Julie by June 30th. Please submit a photo as well as Registered Name, Call Name, Breeder, and Owner. (Full list of Top Dogs was posted to the Yahoo Lists and on the CDCA Facebook page, or contact Julie directly to confirm your dog.)



Did you say goodbye to your CD this year? Julie welcomes all submissions for a memorial slideshow. Submit a photo and details directly to Julie.

### SUPERINTENDENT FOR SHOWS

WWW.ONOFRIO.COM

ANTICIPATED CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: Wednesday, October 4, 2017.

As of press time, premiums still in production. When they are available, links will be posted in all the usual places: CDCA website, CDCA Yahoo List, and the club Facebook page. Hard copies of the premiums may be requested directly from Onofrio Dog Shows. Phone 405-427-8181.

As part of the Specialty shows, we are requesting the following:

- 12 to 15 and 15 to 18 month classes (instead of just a 12 to 18 month class) at both the National Specialty and Designated Specialty.
- Age Divided Veterans Eligible for Best of Breed at all shows.
- Spayed & Neutered Veterans eligible to be shown in Veterans at the National Specialty and in Veteran Sweepstakes that day.
- Spayed & Neutered Veterans eligible to be shown in Veteran Sweepstakes at the Designated Specialty.
- Special rosettes for Parade of Titleholders — with the vendor telling us she is not fazed by long registered names and lots of titles!

***Join Us For Fun, (Dog) Family and A Week  
Of Canaan Dogs In Atlanta This October!***



## ***Western States Meet Up!***

The **Western States Canaan Dog Club** will be supporting the entry of Canaan Dogs on Saturday, **September 23rd 2017** at the new Copper Classic cluster held in Prescott AZ. The WSCDC is offering trophies for BOB and BOS. Plans are still being finalized, but they also hope to offer a CDCA Approved Judging Seminar and Ringside Mentoring.

The Copper Classic is a BRAND NEW CLUSTER made up of the Prescott Arizona Kennel Club and Kachina Kennel Club. The whole cluster will run September 22—24, 2017. Rally & Obedience will be offered as well.

Located at the beautiful Prescott Valley AZ Event Center. All conformation rings indoors and with very large rings and obedience outdoors under a huge circus tent fully covering the rings on great turf.

In addition to 3 all breed shows and 4 days of Obedience and Rally, the following are planned: Farm Dog Testing, Barn Hunt intro, Lure Coursing, CGC, Health Testing (see premium for full details) and education classes.

### **Judges:**

**Saturday the 23rd:** Joyce Vanek—Breed and NOHS Herding Group;  
Joao Machado - Herding Group.

**Sunday the 24th:** John Wade—Breed  
Johny Shoemaker—NOHS Herding Group  
Joyce Vanek—Herding Group

**Balance of judges pending AKC approval.**

**Superintendent: Onofrio**, with an entry limited to 1400, and a **closing date of Wednesday, September 6, 2017.**

A full list of hotels will be in the premium. CDCA Member Cathey Dunn recommends Days Inn, 688 Fletcher Ct., Chino Valley, AZ 86323, 928-458-7206 (confirm current dog policy, rates and fees).



## **Western States Canaan Dog Club**



**Don't have a dog to show? Come and meet fellow CD fans; bring your dogs and participate in one the cluster events; take advantage of a weekend of Canaan Dog fun and comradery! Try your hand (paw) at the Barn Hunt intro, take advantage of the Health Clinics (usually the best pricing you can find) and shop the vendors.**

**FMI, Carrie Cabrera, 520-762-0042, [koltuvcanaan-dogs@yahoo.com](mailto:koltuvcanaan-dogs@yahoo.com)**

## ***CDCA Club Awards***

### **Register Of Merit and Versatility**

HAVE A DOG OR BITCH ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTER OF MERIT OR VERSATILITY AWARD?

Canaans that have sired or produced litters with breed champions and/or versatility titled offspring may be eligible for the various Register of Merit (ROM) awards. Those Canaans who have titled in breed and/or performance events may be eligible for the Versatility awards. Dogs both living and deceased are eligible for ROM and Versatility awards.

Eligibility requirements and forms are on the CDCA website ([www.cdca.org](http://www.cdca.org)) in the Programs menu. If any of your dogs are eligible for any of these awards, please fill out the form(s) and either send them via email or postal service with copies of required certifications to Denise Gordon; for CDCA herding titles, send date of certification only.



Forms must reach Denise's home no later than August 1, 2017. Award plaques will be presented at the 2017 National Specialty awards banquet in Atlanta, Georgia. Those plaques not picked up at the awards banquet will be mailed to the recipient after the National Specialty.

**For further information, contact**

**Denise Gordon, Awards Chair**

2614 Gracewood Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45239

Phone: 513-741-1832

Email: [desertstarcanaans@yahoo.com](mailto:desertstarcanaans@yahoo.com)

## ***Canaan Dog Column In "AKC Gazette"***

### **Looking For Budding Authors!!!**

Have an amusing anecdote about living with your Canaan? Want to let others know what training your Canaan in agility, obedience, rally, herding, coursing, barn hunt, etc. involves? Want to have an article published in the nationally-read *AKC Gazette*? Then step right up! I'm looking for submission by Canaan Dog owners, handlers, breeders, fanciers for the quarterly Canaan Dog breed column in the *Gazette*. Worried that you aren't sure that you are a good enough writer? I can help! You provide the idea and we can discuss how it can be written! Each column is only 600 words long and can cover a variety of topics, except those from a dog's point of view or National Specialty results. Come join the other CDCA members who have contributed to the column!

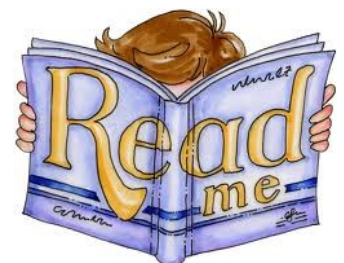
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## ***Viewpoints From Fellow Members***

### ***Show Report—Westminster 2017***

#### **Ricky & Genny in the Big Apple**

by Genny Landis

The last time I had been to NYC was decades ago, so when Ricky won the 2016 CDCA Specialty and was invited to the Westminster Kennel Club Show, we started making plans...

I expected that hotels were going to be expensive, but accommodation was easy to find and reasonable. Thanks to the great subway system we didn't use the car until the day we left. I traveled with a friend that had been to the city many times (and has family in NY), so I had a terrific tour guide along!

Ricky made the transition from rural to urban walks with no problem... noisy fire trucks, police sirens, cars, taxis and people everywhere were all taken in stride. We met a lot of friendly New Yorkers on our daily walks!

The WKC show is big, with nearly 3,000 dogs entered and people from all over North America and beyond attending. There's so much to do: we attended the "Meet the Breeds," sadly missed the agility trials, saw some incredible obedience routines, plus there's two full days of conformation, followed by group judging and BIS in the evening.

Seeing the most exquisite Best of Breed winners live and on those big screens in Madison Square Garden is nothing like watching the event on television. You can feel the excitement and tension as the dogs are judged, accompanied by the booming voice of the commentator. My friend, that initially hadn't planned on going, loved the show --- this from someone not terribly interested in dog shows...

The evening crowd was varied, young and old came to see beautiful dogs. The Best in Show climax had laughter, cheering, clapping and quiet moments too before the winner was announced... and such a happy handler and dog when the decision was made!

The WKC is a big deal in NYC (even the Empire State building lights up in the WKC colors) and certainly a good excuse to visit NYC in February!

Thanks Ricky, for getting me to NYC and winning Select Dog at the 141<sup>st</sup> WKC Show!

And congratulations to BOB Gale and BOS Avi!



#### **Westminster 2017—From Meet The Breeds to Lunch at Sardi's!**

by Bryna Comsky

The Meet the Breeds event, obedience and agility competitions and the great show itself filled the Piers and MSG with people and dogs during Westminster Week this year. Organized by Amanda Pough, Canaans at the event were represented by Scott and Joanne Merrill and their Axel; Keith Marran and his Rocket; Genny Landis, her Ricky and his handlers, Noreena Seery from Merrickville, ON, and Emily Burdon; Dave Pohl and his Jezebel, and me. Amanda and her veteran bitch, Ida, ran the show from inside the booth. On the outside, Dave and Jezzie announced themselves to every visitor saying, 'My name is Jezebel, and I'm six years old.' The rest of us gave out information and showed off beautiful Canaan Dogs. Amy Preston was there by remote control because New England weather kept her in CT. We are still hoping that Dave and Amanda made it back to upstate NY before the bliz-



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### ***Westminster 2017, continued***

zard hit. NYC was spared. Keith and Rocket walked home and so did I - to the hotel. I waved to the carriage horses on their way back to the barn: a stop-you-in-your-tracks sight!

Dog writers gathered at the Hotel Pennsylvania on Sunday, and CDCA asked Dogwise Inc. for ways to publish Sheila's beautifully illustrated children's book, "Dreidle." For us the dog show started Monday at Pier 94 with a Canaan Dog entry of three proud dogs, all at the top of their game. Gale shown by Tiffany Knox; Ricky shown by Noreena Seery, and Avi shown by Brittany Cipriotti. Sheila's video of the judging captures their moments of truth. Canadian judge Jim Reynolds pointed to Gale to represent the breed in Herding Group at MSG. Photo-journalist Sheila Paige took photos, videos, and recorded interviews with the owners, breeders and handlers of the competing dogs. This issue of the Kibitzer has a link to Sheila's video.

The winner of the Herding Group that evening was the German Shepherd Dog, "Rumor," a superb bitch who outdid herself in BIS competition next day. She was coming off her second consecutive group win, and this time she and her breeder-owner-handler, Kent Boyles, ran away with the grand prize, Best In Show. Thomas Bradley III, show chairman of many previous Westminster Kennel Club dog shows, was the judge. "Rumor" and her family spent the next few days celebrating at Sardi's, the Empire State Building, Good Morning America, and on Fox News. She retired at this show. She'll miss the show ring, but she's thinking only of "babies" now.

So, will you all be in NYC next February? Please tell Amanda that you're coming so she knows that the MTB booth will be staffed again, and won't have to worry. Enter your well-trained dog at the show too. There's nothing like the hustle and bustle of a dog show in NYC!



### ***Lights, Camera—SHOW!*** **Special Edition—Video "Kib"**

Our thanks to Bryna Comsky & Videographer Sheila Paige for this Video "Edition" of the Kib!

Due to music copywrites, we can share the link with members and friends, but not post it publically. Sheila advises "Watch full screen and put [the] sound up!"

<https://vimeo.com/208877811>

When prompted, enter password: bryna (case sensitive)

## *Viewpoints From Fellow Members*

### *Show Report—Crufts 2017*

By Ellen Minto

Crufts 2017 was certainly a memorable one for me. We had the largest foreign entry in Canaan Dogs to-date - 8 of the 16 entries. Six came from France and 2 came from Israel. Additionally 4 of the foreign dogs were Israeli champions. As usual for the Canaans it was a very long day with 67 Schnauzers and 94 Keeshonds scheduled in the ring before us with a late start of 10:00 am to boot (almost every other ring had a 9:00 am start). After what seemed an interminable wait, around 4:00 pm it was suddenly announced that Canaan Dogs would be shown in ring 3 in 5 minutes instead of ring 1, as Keeshonds were still being judged. We still had dogs and owners manning the Discover Dogs booth (like your Meet the Breeds) as we had been told it would be another hour before we would be judged, so they and their dogs had to literally run to get to the ring on time. Anyone who has been to Crufts can affirm that it is quite a distance through loads of trade stands and crowds of people from Hall 3, where Discover Dogs is held, to Hall 1 where we were being shown. As Canaan Dogs are classified as a Rare Breed in the UK – similar to the Miscellaneous status given to Canaans prior to full AKC recognition – it seems we are treated as second-class citizens which does raise my ire.



Our judge, Dr. Sarah Hemstock, grew up with dogs as her parents had the well-known Staffie Kennel, 'Jolihem'. She is also no stranger to Canaan Dogs as her mother, Jo, was the second Treasurer of the Canaan Dog Club of the United Kingdom and remained so until she became too ill with cancer to continue. Sarah also became a club member and remained a member, and also a committee member, for a number of years until her work took her to the South Pacific. She has been living in Fiji for some time now. Dr. Hemstock was delighted with her entry and enjoyed her judging assignment very much. She awarded **Best Dog & Best of Opposite Sex** to my 17-month old Caizer Samorodok at Anacan (Imp Pol). **Reserve Best Dog** went to Martin Moulding's Anacan Abu Ghosh ('Moshe'). **Best Bitch & Best of Breed** was my Anacan Talia My Treasure ('Astor') and **Reserve Best Bitch** went to Laurence Aries' Nizzana Romoth Asya. **Best Puppy** was the 10-mo. old bitch, 'Rubi' (Torefjell's Rubin, Imp Nor), owned by Martin Moulding. Dr. Hemstock presented the BOB, BOS & BP with gorgeous inlaid wooden bowls she had brought with her from Fiji, and they will be cherished mementos of a great day.

We had not long been finished being judged when a Kennel Club representative came looking for the Best of Breed to take them to the hall where the group would be judged. Despite being rushed from the breed ring to the collecting ring by the KC official, Richard and 'Astor' looked very calm and collected the big ring and we had a number of people tell us 'Astor' showed beautifully and represented the breed well. Canaan Dogs are show in the Utility Group here (not dissimilar in make-up to your Non-Sporting Group) and you can view Richard and Astor in the group ring on youtube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cYzeOni1eM> at 11 minutes in.

**Crufts Critiques.** 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017

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## ***Crufts 2017, continued***

**Judge:** Dr Sarah Louise Hemstock (Jolihem)

It was a great honour for me to judge this breed at Crufts and I would like to thank all exhibitors for their support and sportsmanship – it's great to see that the interest in this wonderful breed is passionate and dedicated with just over a third of the entry coming from overseas. I would also like to take this opportunity to make some general comments about the overall entry. On the whole: temperaments were as they should be; tail set and carriage was acceptable in all exhibits; the dogs were handled well and presented in good condition; and were, in fact, a credit to their owners. I found no bad mouths or undesirable colours, and coats were correct although some were a little too long and profuse in outer-coat for my personal liking. However, one issue that I hope breeders will note is that I found a couple of exhibits light in bone, to the point that they generally appeared fragile as opposed to "strong and square" - with medium bone as required by the breed standard. On a more positive note, it was nice to see an entry with an agreeable divergence of type and colour and I was very pleased with the overall soundness of construction and movement of my winners. I like my Canaan Dog's to look as if they exist without the hand of human intervention and I am very happy to say that, although the breed is small in number, it has avoided exaggerations and remains healthy and fit for purpose. This is to the credit of the dedicated efforts of the breeds custodians.

### **PRINCIPAL WINNERS:**

**BEST OF BREED:** ANACAN TALIA MY TREASURE, breeder/owner: MRS E M MINTO

**BEST PUPPY:** TOREFJELL'S RUBIN TAF, breeder: Jacobowitz Hege Hofstad, owner: MR M W R MOULDING

**BEST DOG:** CAISER SAMORODOK AT ANACAN (IMP POL), breeder: Aleksandra Baranova, owner: MRS E M MINTO

**BEST BITCH:** ANACAN TALIA MY TREASURE, breeder/owner: MRS E M MINTO

**RESERVE BEST DOG:** ANACAN ABU GHOSH, breeder: Mrs E M Minto, owner: MR M W R MOULDING

**RESERVE BEST BITCH:** NIZZANA ROMOTH ASYA, breeder: Mr I Kaye, Miss A Byrne & Miss A Barclay, owner: MRS L ARIES

### **Puppy (Entries 0)**

**Junior - Dog** (Entries: 2, Abs: 0) **1st** Minto's CAISER SAMORODOK AT ANACAN (IMP POL). Handsome, strong and square red of 15 months, attractive symmetrical markings. I really liked his make and shape – very masculine. Excellent head and expression, correct wedge shaped skull, low set ears. Perfect scissor bite. Square, back level, loins muscular, chest deep and of moderate breadth, ribs well sprung. Belly well tucked up. Powerful and well-muscled hindquarters. Soundest of movement, correct tail carriage. Handled well to **Best Dog**, considered him for Best of Breed but preferred the ring presence of the bitch.

**2nd** Aries' HATIKVA SWEET LAND OF LIBERTY [ATC AT01218USA]. Smart and upstanding black of 16 months in good fettle. Plenty of breed type, he fitted the standard well. Excellent head with typical expression. Excellent forequarters. Good depth of brisket with decent spring of rib. Correct topline – when standing and on the move. Well defined hindquarters. Balanced angulations, moved freely and energetically. Handled well.



**Post Graduate - Dog** (Entries: 2, Abs: 0) **1st** Moulding's ANACAN ABU GHOSH. Attractively marked, strong, square and well-knit black and white of 4 years. Plenty of breed type, definitely masculine. Excellent head. Dark almond eye with typical expression. Very sound with nothing exaggerated. Correct forequarters, good depth of brisket with correct spring of rib. Level topline whilst standing and on the move,

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### ***Crufts 2017, continued***

tail carriage correct. Well-muscled hindquarters. Sound parallel movement - agile with economy of effort. Handled well to **Reserve Best Dog**.

**2nd** Mills' ANACAN SUPER SAMSON. Attractively marked white with sand-brown markings, 2 years. Up-standing, and square in outline with well-developed and muscular body. Loved his head and expression. Body correct with good depth from withers to brisket, well-muscled loins, level topline- held when on the move. Good hindquarters, muscular thighs. Moved freely and handled well.

**Open - Dog** (Entries: 4, Abs: 0) **1st** Aries' ISR CH CHANCOS KAVAH [ATC AU00794SWE]. Handsome and well-knit white with sand-brown markings, 5 years in super condition. Typically sound with nothing exaggerated. Correct head, good length of muzzle with lips clean and close fitting. Correct eye and expression. Good forequarters possessing ample bone. Strong and square in outline, good rib and brisket, level topline. Muscular and well defined hindquarters. Moved very soundly and handled well.

**2nd** Minto's AM CH HA'ARETZ HAYYIM FOR ANACAN (IMP USA). Really impressed by his overall soundness. Black, 10 years in excellent coat and condition. Such a standard dog to go over. Excellent head and expression. Muscular well arched neck. Excellent front - wide with forelegs straight and well boned. Deep chest with good spring of rib. Correct hindquarters, strong and well-muscled. Balanced and sound movement, but not the drive of 1st. Handled expertly.

**3rd** Hughes' ANACAN FUTURE LEGEND. Sound, strong and square. White and sand-brown, almost 11 years in first rate coat and stunning condition. Well-proportioned and symmetrical, very sound and standard in all departments. Correct head and skull, typical expression. Good forequarters, shoulders well-laid and muscular, forelegs parallel with correct amount of bone and sloping pasterns. Well-knit with level topline, good spring of rib. Strong hindquarters, correct bend of stifle. Balanced angulations - moved freely. Handled well.

**Res** Ares' ISR CH OR VE - TZEL ME SHAAR HAGAI [ATC AU00764ISR]

### **Good Citizen Dog Scheme - Dog** (Entries: 0)

**Puppy - Bitch** (Entry:1, Abs:0) **1st** Moulding's TOREFJELL'S RUBIN TAF. Attractive and feminine red-brown of 10 months. Really loved her make and shape, has everything I would desire in a youngster. Best of heads, well-proportioned wedge-shaped skull. Loved her expression. First class front, forelegs straight when viewed from front. Brisket and rib developing correctly, close coupled, level topline when standing & when on the move. Good hindquarters, thighs muscular and well defined for her age, balanced angulations. She fits well within the standard with nothing overstated. Very sound movement. Considered for top honours, just lacked the ring presence that experience will bring.

### **Junior - Bitch** (Entries: 0)

**Post Graduate - Bitch** (Entries: 3, Abs: 0) **1st** Minto's ANACAN BRING THE DAWN. Totally feminine white and sand-brown of 2 years, nothing exaggerated. Square, balanced and very sound. Cracking head and expression, correct low-set ears. Forequarters straight with correct medium bone and sloping pasterns. Enough brisket and well sprung ribs. Muscular and well developed hindquarters, legs parallel when viewed from behind. Very balanced all round, fitting the standard well. Very nice to go over, moved freely and handled well.

**2nd** Aries' LIVANA DE SOLEMEL [ATC AT01832FRA]. Very pretty predominantly white bitch, fitting the standard well. Square and well knit. Typical head and skull. Correct front, shoulders muscular and without loading, forelegs perfectly straight when viewed front-on, slightly upright in pastern on the day. Correct depth from withers to brisket, well sprung ribs. Muscular and powerful hind quarters. Well balanced with no exaggeration. Moved freely and handled well. Very close decision, but preferred structure of forequarters of 1st.

**3rd** Aries' NIZZANA SOLEMEL MONSOON. Attractive red-brown, 1 year, presented a good overall out-

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### *Crufts 2017, continued*

line – strong and square. Pleasing head with correct shape, proportions and stop, good expression. Correct front with well laid muscular shoulder, elbows close to body. Good depth of brisket and well sprung rib. Short coupled to powerful hindquarters. Moved freely with ease and well handled.

**Open - Bitch** (Entries: 4, Abs: 0) **1st** Minto's ANACANTALIA MY TREASURE. Exceptional bitch of 5 years, white with black markings. Sound in construction and movement. Very feminine and well balanced - her breed-type really hit the mark for me. Excellent head, feminine and balanced, typical expression, dark, almond eye. Superb front, forelegs straight and without weakness, correct sloping pastern. Square in outline with well-proportioned body. Good rib, correct depth of brisket. Correct level topline when standing & on the move. Well-developed hindquarters, correct hock and stifle. Best mover of the day – energetic and natural. Handled expertly to **Best Bitch and Best of Breed**. I was also very proud to see her go well in the Group ring. A credit to the breed.

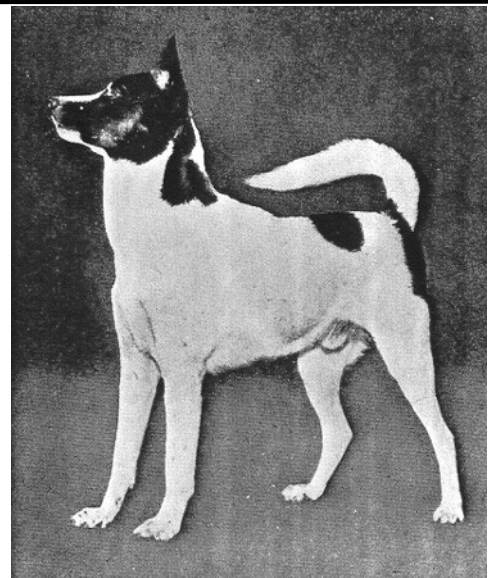
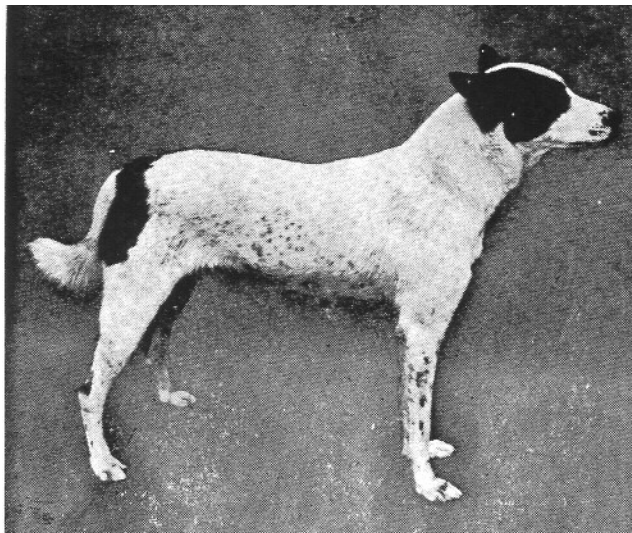


**2nd** Aries NIZZANA ROMOTH ASYA. Attractively marked 2 year old in excellent coat and condition. Presents a good overall outline - balanced and feminine whilst still strong and square. Loved her head and expression. Correct front, shoulders muscular and forelegs perfectly straight when viewed front-on. Correct depth from withers to brisket, well sprung ribs. Muscular and powerful hind quarters. Well balanced overall with no exaggeration. Movement as one would wish being free, energetic and agile. Handled expertly to **Reserve Best Bitch**.

**3rd** Blayvas' CH BAT YERUSHALAIM SHEL ZAHAV JWW EW WW [ATC AM01240ISR]. Pretty red-brown of 9 years. Stunning coat and condition for her age. Fitting the standard well with no exaggerations. Typical head with good expression – dark almond eye with well-set ears. Correct front. Good depth of brisket, correct spring of rib. Level topline. Excellent hindquarters, powerfull and with good definition, correct turn of stifle and hocks well let down. Moved naturally and with drive from well flexing hind-quarters. Handled expertly.

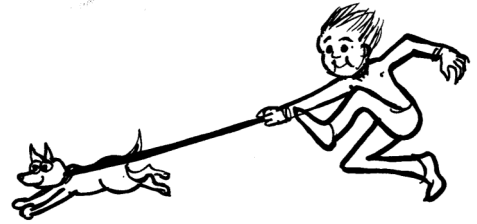
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**Good Citizen Dog Scheme – Bitch** (Entries: 0).



## ***Canaan Dog Breeder/Owner Judges***

***We Asked ... You Answered In The Positive!***  
**Encouraging Canaan Dog Entries**



Canaan Dog Breeder/Owner Judges Upcoming Assignments (show dates 06/01/2017—12/31/2017) as of 05/06/2017 ... taken from AKC.org and direct reports				
Date	Location	Club	Judge	Applicable Assignment
June 2 (Friday)	Gray Summit, MO	Mississippi Valley KC	Lorna Hastings Menaker	- Canaan Dogs
June 4 (Sunday)	Dunkirk, NY	Olean KC	Amanda Pough	- Canaan Dogs - NOHS Herding Group
June 17 (Saturday)	Tampa, FL	St. Petersburg Dog Fanciers Assoc.	Lorna Hastings Menaker	- Canaan Dogs - NOHS Herding Group
June 17 (Saturday)	Tampa, FL	Sunshine State Herding Group Assoc.	Linda Clark	- Canaan Dogs - NOHS Herding Group - Junior Showmanship
August 24 (Thursday)	Owensboro, KY	Owensboro's River KC	Bryna Comsky	- Canaan Dogs
September 14 (Thursday)	Amarillo, TX	Panhandle KC of TX	Linda Clark	- NOHS Herding Group - Junior Showmanship
September 15 (Friday)	Amarillo, TX	Panhandle KC of TX	Linda Clark	- Canaan Dogs
October 7 (Saturday)	Wauseon, OH	Fulton Co KC	Bryna Comsky	- Canaan Dogs - NOHS Herding Group
		<i>Great Lakes CDC: Brief organizational meeting and dish-to-share. The meeting will be held after Best In Show. Please bring your own picnic supplies along with your dish-to-share, and your ideas and enthusiasm for all things Canaan Dog + Great Lakes!</i>		
October 14 (Saturday)	Lawrence, KS	Lawrence Jayhawk KC	Linda Clark	- NOHS Herding Group
October 15 (Sunday)	Lawrence, KS	Lawrence Jayhawk KC	Linda Clark	- Canaan Dogs - Junior Showmanship - 4-6m Beg Puppy
October 17-22	Atlanta, GA	CDCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY WEEK		
October 28 (Saturday)	Austin, TX	Travis County KC	Linda Clark	- Canaan Dogs - Junior Showmanship - 4-6m Beg Puppy
December 8 (Friday)	Oaks, PA	Huntingdon Valley KC	Carrie Chase	- Canaan Dogs - Junior Showmanship



## ***Traveling with your Canaan Dog?***



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## ***AKC Awards***

### **AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award**

Reminder: CDCA Policy - AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award

Per AKC "The AKC provides member clubs 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.

To suggest a CDCA Member for the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award, please email CDCA President Julie Haddy at [president@cdca.org](mailto:president@cdca.org). Nominations are due by August 1, 2017.

*N.B.: 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). Call for 2016 DOTY & MOTY awardees were due April 1, 2017. 2017 Nominations will be due on or before April 1, 2018.*



## ***New Titles – January Through March 2017***

Compiled by: Denise Gordon

From AKC and CDCA Reports.

To report a title before official AKC publication, contact Denise at desertstarcanaans2@gmail.com

<b><u>Dog's Registered Name</u></b>	<b><u>Owner(s)</u></b>	<b><u>Date Titled</u></b>
<b><i>AKC CHAMPION</i></b>		
CH. Gemari's Storm Ryder Of Kansas	Melvin Banister & Michael Banister	1/13/17
CH. Renegade Sally	Renee Kent & Amy Preston	1/21/17
CH. Relic's Excalibur	Carla & Mary Levesque & Robyn Macy	2/24/17
CH. Pleasant Hill Anni Aharona Of Carters Creek	David Golden, Donna Dodson, & Cynthia Dodson	3/26/17
<b><i>AKC GRAND CHAMPION</i></b>		
GCH. CH. Pleasant Hill Legacy Aliyah Of Carters Creek Annette Israel		3/24/17
<b><i>AKC UTILITY DOG EXCELLENT 5</i></b>		
CH. Anak Adom Me Beit Alpha, UDX5, OM2, GO, VER, RAE2	Victor Kaftal	3/19/17
<b><i>AKC RALLY ADVANCED</i></b>		
High Desert Ari Of Ascend, Mazel Tov, CD, BN, RA, CGC Laura Alton & Risa Baumrind		1/7/17
<b><i>AKC COURSING ABILITY</i></b>		
GCH. CH. River Rock Lyceum Same Dream Bandersnatch, CA	Christina Miller	1/7/17
<b><i>AKC FAST COURSING ABILITY TEST – 150 POINTS (BCAT)</i></b>		
GCH. CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, BN, RN, FDC, BCAT, CAX, CGCA, CGCU	Marcia & James Muller	1/29/17
<b><i>AKC AGILITY COURSE TEST 2</i></b>		
CH. Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali, BN, RN, ACT2	Jennie Larkin	3/26/17
<b><i>AKC NOVICE AGILITY JUMPER PREFERRED</i></b>		
GCH. CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, BN, RN, FDC, NJP, BCAT, CAX, CGCA, CGCU	Marcia & James Muller	2/3/17
<b><i>AKC NOVICE AGILITY PREFERRED</i></b>		
GCH. CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, BN, RN, FDC, NAP, NJP, BCAT, CAX, CGCA, CGCU	Marcia & James Muller	2/19/17
<b><i>AKC CANINE GOOD CITIZEN</i></b>		
River Rock Turn It Up Loud For Graymatter, CGC	April Gray, Eric Gray, Alexander Gray & Xavier Van Alstyne	8/27/16
<b><i>AKC CANINE GOOD CITIZEN URBAN</i></b>		
GCH. CH. Sufat Sheleg Jasper's Dubhan, BN, RN, CGCA, CGCU	Cathey Dunn	3/2/17
<b><i>FARM DOG CERTIFIED</i></b>		
GCH. CH. River Rock Reach Any Higher, BN, RN, FDC, CAX, CGCA, CGCU	Marcia & James Muller	1/8/17
GCH. CH. Sufat Sheleg Jasper's Dubhan, BN, RN, FDC, CGCA, CGCU	Cathey Dunn	3/5/17
<b><i>REGISTER OF MERIT</i></b>		
CH. Cherrysh Fire and Rain, CD, RE, CGC, CDCA-HC, ROM	Lee Boyd	2/28/17

## Brag Box

Due to revised AKC FAST CAT speed calculation rules I am pleased to announce that "Ziva" is now ranked as the fastest Canaan Dog for both 2016 & 2017. Her speed increases each time she runs and she was lactating at her last trial!

Breaking News: "Ziva" just earned her Rally Advanced title. So proud of her.

- Marcia Muller

From the Editor: *Brag Box listings are free to all members (no photos). Submit your brags*

## AKC and National Purebred Dog Day

New York, NY-The American Kennel Club presented the United States Capitol Police K-9 Unit with the AKC K-9 Officers Award on May 1. The award recognizes the special public service role of dogs that work for government agencies and the skills and partnerships the K-9 handlers have with their dogs.

AKC President and CEO Dennis B. Sprung presented the Award to United States Capitol Police Chief Matthew R. Verderosa, Assistant Chief Steven A. Sund, Deputy Chief Fred P. Rogers and Technician Shawn Haynes, who were accompanied by Will, a black Labrador Retriever.

"I am honored to present this award," said Sprung. "It is a token of our immense respect and admiration for the outstanding and rigorous job the dedicated U.S. Capitol Police K-9 teams perform daily. There is no doubt about the enormous role that these dogs play in assuring the security of the U.S. Capitol, and our national security."

"We appreciate this recognition of the important role our K-9 teams play in keeping the U.S. Capitol safe and secure," said Chief Matthew Verderosa. "All of our technicians and canines are highly-trained and extremely dedicated to fulfilling our mission."

The ceremony took place at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center as part of AKC's celebration of working and purpose-bred dogs on National Purebred Dog Day.

### About the U.S. Capitol Police

The United States Capitol Police (USCP) is a CALEA nationally-accredited, federal law enforcement agency. The USCP safeguards the Congress, Members of Congress, employees, visitors, and Congressional buildings and grounds from crime, disruption, and terrorism. The USCP protects and secures Congress so it can fulfill its constitutional and legislative responsibilities in a safe, secure, and open environment.

The American Kennel Club, founded in 1884, is a not-for-profit organization which maintains the largest registry of purebred dogs in the world and oversees the sport of purebred dogs in the United States. The AKC is dedicated to upholding the integrity of its registry, promoting the sport of purebred dogs and breeding for type and function. Along with its nearly 5,000 licensed and member clubs and its affiliated organizations, the AKC advocates for the purebred dog as a family companion, advances canine health and well-being, works to protect the rights of all dog owners and promotes responsible dog ownership. More than 20,000 competitions for AKC-registered purebred dogs are held under AKC rules and regulations each year including conformation, agility, obedience, rally, tracking, herding, lure coursing, coonhound events, hunt tests, field and earthdog tests. Affiliate AKC organizations include the AKC Humane Fund, AKC Canine Health Foundation, AKC Companion Animal Recovery and the AKC Museum of the Dog. For more information, visit [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org).

## OFA Test Results: January 30-April 30, 2017

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

Registered Name	Reg. #	Sex	OFA Test #	Test Name	Results
CALIENTE DANGEROUS GALE FORCE WINDS	DN32566107	F	CA-CA17/64F/P-VPI	CARDIAC	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
CALIENTE DANGEROUS GALE FORCE WINDS	DN32566107	F	CA-DM204/64F-PI	DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY	NORMAL
CALIENTE DANGEROUS GALE FORCE WINDS	DN32566107	F	CA-EL195F63-VPI	ELBOW	NORMAL
CALIENTE DANGEROUS GALE FORCE WINDS	DN32566107	F	CA-EYE50/64F-VPI	EYES	NORMAL
CALIENTE DANGEROUS GALE FORCE WINDS	DN32566107	F	CA-535G63F-VPI	HIPS	GOOD
CALIENTE DANGEROUS GALE FORCE WINDS	DN32566107	F	CA-PA134/63F/P-VPI	PATELLA	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
D&J HA'ARETZ HELEN	DN48036905	F	CA-DM201/3F-PI-CAR	DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY	CARRIER
D&J HA'ARETZ OPIE	DN48036904	M	CA-DM203/3M-PI	DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY	NORMAL
D&J HA'ARETZ THELMA LOU	DN48036902	F	CA-DM202/3F-PI	DEGENERATIVE MYELOPATHY	NORMAL
GEMARI'S WILD FORREST	DN25423201	M	CA-EL194M93-VPI	ELBOW	NORMAL
GEMARI'S WILD FORREST	DN25423201	M	CA-TH132/94M-PI	THYROID	NORMAL
GEMARI'S WILD FORREST	DN25423201	M	CA-CA16/93M/P-VPI	CARDIAC	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
GEMARI'S WILD FORREST	DN25423201	M	CA-534G93M-VPI	HIPS	GOOD
GEMARI'S WILD FORREST	DN25423201	M	CA-PA133/93M/P-VPI	PATELLA	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER

### CDCA Membership

Amy Preston, Membership Chair, [membership@cdca.org](mailto:membership@cdca.org)

#### Welcome New Members!

Brian Reilley  
Aria Rowley



#### Membership List

A link to the 2017 Membership List was posted to the CDCA Yahoo Group and will be posted monthly so it remains easily findable.

- Corrections, address changes and such should be sent to Amy. The link will remain the same, and updates will be reflected as soon as they are made.
- The list is in Excel format. It may be downloaded to your personal device for quick access, however it may be better to create a "favorites" link so you are opening the most up-to-date version.

If you are not on the CDCA Yahoo Group, please email Amy for your invitation.



## ***Health & Veterinary Topics: News From the AKC Canine Health Foundation***

Dear Dog Lover:

Thanks to your support, 2017 is off to a great start!

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) officially rolled out the second year of our [Tick-Borne Disease Initiative](#) and also launched our [Epilepsy Initiative](#) at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show in February. Both Initiatives will provide funding for new grants to tackle these important canine health issues, as well as for educational outreach to dog owners, breeders, clubs, foundations, and veterinarians.

In the first year of the Tick-Borne Disease Initiative five grants were awarded. These projects address tick-borne disease by finding new ways to prevent infections, and recognize, diagnose and treat tick-borne diseases before they become debilitating or even fatal to dogs. Epilepsy is the most common medical neurological disorder in dogs, and the goal of this CHF Initiative is to provide funds to support innovative research that will advance understanding of the mechanisms and genetics underlying epilepsy, leading to more effective treatments for dogs.

We hope you will consider supporting one, or both, of these Initiatives. As an added incentive in 2017, [all donations](#) to the Tick-Borne Disease Initiative and the Epilepsy Initiative will be matched dollar-for dollar by the AKC, up to \$250,000 (each).

Please visit the CHF [website](#) and check our [Facebook](#) page to stay up-to-date about educational opportunities, newly funded grants, and research outcomes.

Thank you for your commitment to helping all dogs live longer, healthier lives.

Happy Spring!



## *Guest Viewpoints From Around The Web*

### **The Economic Benefits of Dog Shows**

By Karen Peak

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According to American Kennel Club a dog event may contribute \$1.5 million dollars in to a local economy in a larger four day show weekend. Smaller events put several hundred thousand dollars into a local economy. Annually, in Virginia, there are over 100 AKC sanctioned events of varying sizes. These events include conformation, obedience, rally, agility, herding, lure coursing, field trails, etc. How do dog events benefit the economy?



If you own property capable of hosting dog events, you get rental money. I have been to events at Oatlands Plantation, Keepstone Farm, Fredericksburg Expo Center, Prince William County Fairgrounds, Dude Ranch Pet Resort, Rockingham County Fairgrounds, Salem Civic Center, etc. Many events have food trucks and vendors. I have seen everything from dog supplies to massage therapist booths and displays for gutter systems, local hospitals, etc. If you are a vendor who could rent space to set up at a dog show, you get patrons who buy things. Stand in the middle of a dog show and look on the surface how many businesses benefit from our events. But wait! There's more! Where do out of town exhibitors and judges stay? HOTELS! Oh the printers who do the catalogs and premium (entry) forms, the awards companies who make the ribbons and other awards earned will benefit. Hey, let's not forget the places vendors get their products to sell or supplies to make items to sell!

It takes time and preparation for a dog to get ready for any type of dog event. Long before a dog event of any form happens, dog shows contribute to the economy: supplies, handling classes, equipment, clothing (everything from suits to cold weather gear), supplements, classes to learn different sports, etc. Trainers for various things from puppy socializing to nose work get clients. In a couple weekends my daughter will be attending a handling seminar weekend. The rented facility, caterers for meals, local hotels, etc., will benefit from people preparing for events by attending the seminar. I have started teaching private show handling lessons. Those places I suggest for purchasing supplies benefit.

What about all the other things we consume while heading to a dog show: Coffee, donuts, fast food, gas for our vehicles. Think of the sales tax and meals taxes, parking fees and other things we pay for that we would not do if not for dog events?

A few weeks ago there was a five day dog show cluster with three different competitions at the Fredericksburg Expo Center. In the next months there will be many upcoming events in Virginia. People from all over the region and out of state will attend. If not for the event, we would not be in the region: we would not be renting facilities, hotel rooms, buying supplies, going to classes, etc. If not for the event, we would not be spending our money in your area.

It is becoming increasingly difficult in many areas to exhibit and compete with animals. Animal rights activists are trying to shut everything down. Ask yourself: if we shut down dog (or any animal) events, how will this affect my community? Support your local dog event – support your local economy!

*Karen Peak is owner/operator of West Wind Dog Training in Prince William County, founder of The Safe Kids/Safe Dogs Project, a published author, wife, mother and the manager of a multi-dog, multi-species household.*

## **NEW AKC PROGRAM**

### ***Letterman's Stupid Pet Tricks? No—AKC's Trick Dog Program!***

#### **At Least Three Canaan Dogs Are Already Participating**

The American Kennel Club is pleased to announce the launch of the AKC Trick Dog program. The program will include four levels allowing dogs with any amount of experience the ability to participate. Teaching their dog tricks is enjoyable for owners, mentally stimulating for their dogs and can take place at any time or place that fits their lifestyle.

"It is easy to see why trick training is becoming so popular," said Dr. Mary Burch, AKC Canine Good Citizen and Trick Dog Director. "The primary characteristic of trick dog training is having fun. Tricks can be both entertaining and practical, such as teaching a dog 'paws up' for a therapy setting. Trick dog training makes a team out of the handler and dog. We hope this exciting new program will encourage more dogs and owners to become involved in training."

All dogs (purebred and mixed breeds), can earn Trick Dog titles provided the dog is AKC-registered, enrolled with AKC Canine Partners, or enrolled in the Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program. The titles will be listed on the dog's AKC record and will appear on pedigrees.

Trick titles can be awarded by AKC approved Canine Good Citizen Evaluators, and the AKC will also recognize trick titles earned through the Do More With Your Dog (DMWYD) organization.

"The AKC is proud to partner with DMWYD. Founded in 2005 by Kyra Sundance, DMWYD has introduced trick dog training to thousands of owners and their dogs," said Doug Ljungren, Vice President of Sports and Events. "By providing basic training to our dogs, whether through CGC training, trick training or in preparation for AKC sports, we prepare our dogs to participate in more areas of our life. Together we encourage all owners to join the fun."

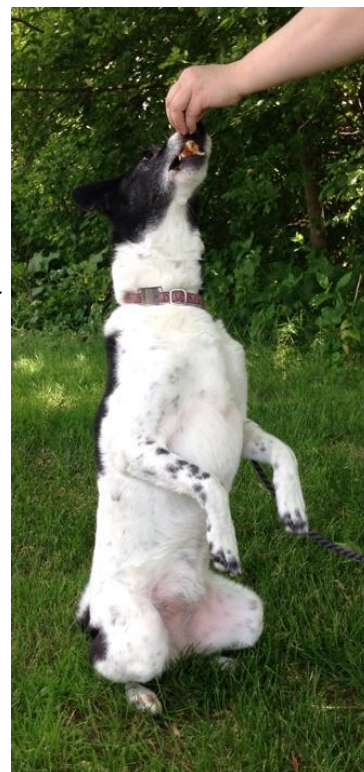
To learn more about the AKC Trick Dog program and access the title application form, please visit [www.akc.org/trick-dog](http://www.akc.org/trick-dog).

The AKC will begin processing Trick Dog title applications on May 1, 2017.

*From the Editor: CDCA Members April Gray with puppy Ampere, Marcia Muller & Ziva, and Denise Gordon and 13 year old Comet are all participating in the AKC's Trick Dog Program. We are sure other CDs will soon be titled, but these are the ones we know of so far.*

*We hope the Summer 2017 issue will contain personal essays to inspire you and your CD to participate in this program. April, Marcia and Denise have been invited to submit their photos and stories about the AKC Trick Dog Program. Is your CD a Trick Dog? Do you have questions about the program? Photos of CDs—from the past or present—to share? **All are welcome! Deadline for the Summer issue is August 1, 2017.***

Shown, my late CD "Peter" performing his trick which we called "Circus Dog!" I gather this format—working for a Culver's Butterburger™, would not be allowed under AKC rules as food luring during the tricks is not allowed. Peter would do his "Circus Dog" move without food — but firmly believed food makes everything better!





## ***SPECIAL ADVERTISING SECTION***

# ***STUD DOGS***



### **UPCOMING SPECIAL ADVERTISING SECTIONS:**

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