

# THE CANAAN KIBITZER

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NEWSLETTER OF THE CANAAN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.



**PLAN FOR THE FUTURE!**

**Stay Masked Up, Flatten The Curve, Work For A Vaccine, And See You in Arizona!**

# Notice of the Canaan Dog Club of America 2020 Annual General Meeting

Due to concerns regarding the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) and the benefits to the control of the spread of the virus by limiting in-person contact, the annual general meeting will be held by video enabled web conference. If you would like to attend this meeting, please join the video enabled web conference via the gotomeeting platform.

***According to Article II, Section 1 of the ByLaws of the organization, the Board of Directors hereby gives notice of the Annual General Meeting of the Canaan Dog Club of America which will take place on Thursday, December 17, 2020 at 8 PM EST via the GoToMeeting platform. There is no cost for you to participate in the meeting. Additionally, you are not required to download the GoTo App, though you may do so without cost.***

To join the meeting, use your computer, tablet or smartphone to go to:  
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/818109909>

From the U.S, you can also dial in toll free by phone: 1 877 309 2073  
Access Code: 818-109-909

To install the GoToMeeting app at no cost before the meeting, visit:  
<https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/818109909>



**If you need technical assistance, send an email to:**  
[gthelp@cdca.org](mailto:gthelp@cdca.org)

**For additional meeting details, visit the CDCA website at:**  
<http://cdca.org/members/agm2020.html>

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## PRESIDENT/EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Happy Fall—or if you, like me, live closer to the Canadian Border than the Mason-Dixon line, Happy Start of Winter! Snow tires went on the car the other day, and while I've had to move snow off cars and walkways, I have resisted actually shoveling.

Back when my office went on pause due to COVID, none of us were thinking we would still be playing catch up eight months later. Many, many dog shows & events have been canceled, including the CDCA 2020 National Specialty and associated meetings. With the assistance of Foley & Lardner LLP (a law office in Michigan where we are incorporated), we are planning a virtual Annual General Meeting in December. (See separate mailing you should have received by now, as well as inside cover of this issue.) It will not be the same as the in person reunions we have at Nationals, but it allows the club to move forward in this odd, odd year.

We are still planning for the future. A call as gone out for Nominating Committee members as 2021 is an election year for the club. The Club's Agility trials in South Carolina are planning their traditional Thanksgiving weekend events later this month, and hope to be able to do the same in 2021 in May and November. The 2021 National Committee reports the Cluster hosting our Specialties just held their 2020 events with social distancing, masks, and the added benefit of outdoor rings in beautiful November weather in the desert of Arizona. They have all expectations that the shows can go on next year, especially if we as a country follow the recommendations from experts.

I wish I had great words of strength and wisdom to offer. I don't. We are all in this pandemic, and we all have a responsibility to each other and ourselves to follow the recommendations of scientists. We plan, but we know we will still be dealing with the pandemic in 2021 and beyond. We plan, we adjust, we keep our bubbles small until we are able to gradually increase them. Even then, masks and social distancing may be part of our world for months or beyond. As we can, we share videos and photos online. Zoom and GoToMeeting and video chats keep us connected when we cannot be together in person. I urge you all, stay home now so we ALL will be there when we are able to gather in the future.

- Amanda

### **Are you interested in helping the club? Volunteer to serve on the Nominating Committee!**

We need members from each region to serve on the Committee, plus alternates. The Committee is approved by the Board of Directors but serves independently from them to nominate a slate of Officers and Directors. This committee must be filled by February 1, 2021, and traditionally is extremely hard to fill. Hence, this early (and probably often) call for volunteers.

This is NOT a call for folks interested in running for office or the Board. (That will be coming once the committee is formed, or by following the directions in the Constitution & By Laws to run from the floor.)

This is a great way to learn about the club and your fellow members.

This is a great way to help the club in a job that has short duration.

This is an essential job (but I can't promise it will get you fast COVID testing ;)).

If you are interested in helping the CDCA on the Nominating Committee, please email me off list (President@cdca.org) or your favorite Board Member or Officer. Full details on the timeline for the work of the Committee and Elections are in the Constitution & By Laws and in the Canaan Connections mailed early this summer.

Thank you,  
Amanda Pough  
President, CDCA  
10/1/2020



## FROM THE BOARD: JULY-OCTOBER 2020

*All months: various missives received and shared from AKC and other sources.*

*All listed motions approved unless otherwise listed.*

### July

No Business voted on.

### August

1/ Membership Applications approved for:

- A) Dennis and Catherine Pepperd (Household)
- B) Victor Kaftal (Single)

2/ Cancellation of 2020 NS

### September

1/ Membership Applications approved for:

- A) Jenni (Jennifer) Pickard (S)
- B) Casey Rabe and Linda Campbell (H)
- C) Gregory Lybanon (S)
- D) Peggy and Charles Walker (H)

2/ AKC Reunite donation approved

3/ Approved by consensus, the President signed a letter for pro bono representation by Foley & Lardner LLP, in an effort to get the question of a virtual Annual Meeting answered.

### October

1/ Request from the 2021 Specialty Committee to approve Nancy Amburgey to judge Sweepstakes at the 2021 Designated Specialty.

2/ That the 2022 National Specialty be held in October at the Roberts Center, Wilmington OH, in conjunction with the Clermont Co KC shows instead of a September Specialty in St Louis, Missouri.

3/ That the 2023 National Specialty be held in September in St. Louis as it is proposed that the 2002 National be moved to Ohio from St. Louis. The St. Louis Cluster was picked for location and events offered.

4/ That the CDCA hold a virtual Annual General Meeting (AGM) for 2020.

5/ That Christina Miller be asked to judge the 2023 National Specialty due to the cancellation of the 2020 National.

6/ Membership Applications approved for:

- A) Andrew (Bo) Burker (S)
- B) Uwe and Jacqueline Harer (H)

7/ Agreement on and Announcement of Board Annual Meeting

CDCA Board Annual Meeting  
Tue, Dec 15, 2020 8:00 PM (EST) via GoToMeeting platform



8/ Agreement on and Announcement of CDCA Annual Meeting

CDCA Annual General Meeting  
Thursday, Dec 17, 2020 8:00 PM (EST) via GoToMeeting platform

Reports from all CDCA Committees have been requested to be received by the Board by December 7, 2020 to: [vice-president@cdca.org](mailto:vice-president@cdca.org).

*Reports collected from posts to the BOD email list.*



*Kitty Burke, who will judge Sweepstakes at the 2021 National Specialty, shares a moment with a friend at the 2012 National.*

*(Photo by Phyllis Ensley)*

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Greetings from the Canaan Dog Club Of America, Inc.

It is that time of year when renewal letters go out. If you have already sent your renewal form, along with dues if due, thank you, and you may disregard this column.

ALL current members were mailed a letter and renewal form. Please complete and return the renewal form, even if you are paid through 2021, are an honorary member, or a lifetime member. It allows us to ensure we have your most up-to-date contact information. You may also scan the completed form and email it to us at [membership@cdca.org](mailto:membership@cdca.org).

If you lost your letter, the renewal form is also available on the club website under the Members page.

If you are mailing your renewal, please use the following address:

Risa Baumrind  
CDCA Membership  
2657 N Juniper Way  
New Harmony, UT 84757

If you prefer to pay electronically:

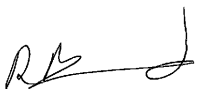
- 1/ Submit dues via PayPal to [Treasurer@CDCA.org](mailto:Treasurer@CDCA.org)
- 2/ Mail signed and completed renewal form, *along with a copy of your PayPal receipt*, to the address above.

If you would prefer to use email, please email the renewal form, along with a copy of your PayPal receipt, to [Membership@CDCA.org](mailto:Membership@CDCA.org).

If you are an associate member now eligible for a full membership, please find a note in your mailing with details on how to apply for full membership.

Finally, as a reminder, if it is easier you may pay multiple years of dues at once. You will still need to complete your renewal form yearly, but may pre-pay dues at any time.

Best Regards,



Risa Baumrind

## Membership Renewal Letter Checklist



### CDCA Communications “Housekeeping”

*Posted to the club email lists and social media on May 25, 2020; repeated from the Summer 2020 issue.*

#### 1/ CDCA.org website log ins

The log ins and passwords for the website have been updated.

##### Members Only section

Log In: cdca Password: cautious

##### Newsletter Only

Log In: kibitzer Password: quarterly

Please note, both log in and passwords are case sensitive.

#### 3/Club email list

If you are still using the club yahoogroup address, please know we are phasing it out due to Yahoo no longer supporting groups. We have moved the Club and Board to the groups.IO platform. (This post was shared the the yahoogroup email as a courtesy.)

All members were sent invitations to join the groups.IO email list. If you did not do so at the time, or lost the invitation, please join now by sending an email to:

[CanaanDogCoA+subscribe@groups.IO](mailto:CanaanDogCoA+subscribe@groups.IO)

For assistance with the email groups.IO, please contact Julie Haddy at:

[director-east@cdca.org](mailto:director-east@cdca.org)

OR

[CanaanDogCoA+help@groups.IO](mailto:CanaanDogCoA+help@groups.IO)

#### 4/ Membership List

A printed membership list (plus other club info and references) was mailed to each member household. (International households received theirs via email.)

If you haven't received yours, please email the Membership Database Coordinator, Risa Baumrind, at:

[membership@cdca.org](mailto:membership@cdca.org)

Updates, etc. are available from Risa upon request.

## Canaan Dog Club of America

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October 4, 2020



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Dear Mr. Hilfinger and Mr. Johnson;

Thank you for your assistance in answering the Canaan Dog Club of America's question on holding a virtual meeting under Michigan law. It was helpful to have your input as this question was beyond the knowledge of our Board and Members.

We are a small club with an enthusiastic membership. Our Annual Meeting and shows are our time to catch up with family-by-election, as well as the family of dogs. It is a comfort to know we can both offer a virtual meetup for the social aspect as well as conduct club business even as we are physically separated by COVID.

I appreciate your time and experience in this matter. I have been praising your offices all over the place, and will continue those accolades in our next newsletter. I will forward a copy when it goes to print.

Best regards,

Amanda M Pough  
President, Canaan Dog Club of America



## Living with Degenerative Myelopathy – Hava’s Story

by Debby White

At the time my beloved Canaan Dog Hava was diagnosed with degenerative myelopathy (DM), I was not at all familiar with this devastating disease. It is with the help of caring individuals that we have been able to navigate the rocky waters and continue to enjoy life together. By sharing this story, I hope to provide information that may help others who land in a similar situation, and also bring a smile during the challenging times in which we are currently living. Hava doesn’t know she has this disease. She just seems to think that her legs don’t work too well and she needs more help from Mom. Through everything, she has exhibited the great Canaan Dog determination that makes her want to continue her favorite activities, and her heart has touched many people.

DM is caused by degeneration of the spinal cord, resulting in progressive paralysis typically starting with the rear legs and slowly moving forward. Hava has been in a rear support wheelchair for a year now. The wheelchair has contributed so much to the continued quality of her life, enabling her to still participate in the sport that she loves, tracking. It would not be an exaggeration to say that Hava lives for tracking.

We have tracked in a friendly group for many years, and our exceptional instructor has patiently worked with us to achieve two tracking titles for Hava. Our instructor would not dream of leaving Hava out now that she has been struck with DM. Every week Hava has a special short track designed for her enjoyment and success in the wheelchair. It doesn’t seem to bother Hava that her tracks are now short and easy. She still yells in excitement as soon as we get to the tracking site, and she always has to go first! She now tracks only on concrete as it has become too difficult for her to navigate the bumps and holes in the grassy areas, and that’s been fine with her because she can go faster with her wheels on a hard surface.

Our group enjoys watching Hava track in her wheelchair, saying that it’s uplifting to witness her determination and love for the sport, just what is needed to pick up our spirits during these uncertain times. Before her illness, Hava was preparing for the challenging Variable Surface Tracking (VST) test and she would have become a Champion Tracker (CT) if she had passed. Much to my surprise, the tracking group came up with a unique alternative title for Hava, “Courageous Tracker”, and they

held a celebration for her new title. We were even presented with a beautiful title plaque for the Courageous Tracker, engraved with an image of Hava tracking in her wheelchair! Seeing Hava persevere and bring such happiness to my friends has been very meaningful, and I have been deeply touched by their affection for my girl.

But DM is hard and there is no cure. We chose physical therapy as a treatment to retain function as long as possible. My working from home over the last several months due to COVID has enabled me to provide Hava with greatly needed attention and assistance during progression of the disease. Hava and I have a routine, and she definitely has a way of making her wishes known, especially when I’m on a conference call at her regular lunch time! But the support of friends and professionals has been the main factor in pulling us through. We’ve had definite challenges and many questions along the way, and it has been painful to watch this disease claim my girl’s mobility.

For Hava, it all began with a quiver in a leg, which then progressed to lameness. Our veterinarian diagnosed Hava with spinal arthritis, a common condition for a senior dog. With relief, I engaged our skilled physical therapist who previously treated one of my other dogs. Although the therapist agreed that arthritis was present, she immediately recognized neuro-motor deficits indicating that more was going on. We

then visited a neurologist, who performed an examination and genetic test for DM. DM is associated with a gene mutation which indicates risk for developing the disease, typically when two copies of the mutated gene are present. Unfortunately, Hava’s test came back “At Risk” for development of the disease. The test, combined with her neurological symptoms, strongly indicated the diagnosis of DM. That was over a year and a half ago.

We have been fortunate to have our physical therapist guide us while she works to preserve Hava’s abilities and functions, and to slow progression of the disease. It should be noted that DM itself is not painful, but discomfort can arise as other body areas compensate for the rear weakness, and therapy can help alleviate this pain as well.

The first issue that we experienced was Hava’s loss of ability to balance and walk on the laminate and vinyl floors in my house. A great suggestion by our therapist was the use of yoga mats. These mats are an inexpen-



*Hava in earlier days.*

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sive solution to cover a lot of pathway, and I was even able to find some in a dark charcoal color that look like they belong in my house.

Our therapist also showed me how to wrap Hava’s rear feet in cohesive bandages to encourage neuro-sensory-motor stimulation and to provide stability. It was not long before Hava started dragging her rear feet and knuckling, and the bandages also provide some protection for this. I watch Hava’s feet for development of sores and treat with a topical ointment.

The therapist also advised us early on to be ready with a **Help ‘Em Up Harness** (trademark of Blue Dog Designs, LLC). It was not long before we needed the harness, as Hava started to lose her balance and needed me to guide and lift her. It is now essential in our DM toolkit. The harness is quite comfortable and Hava always wears it. It consists of two parts (front and hip) that hook together, each with a handle. The parts are sold separately, and I have purchased multiple hip pieces so that I can easily wash and rotate them.

Once Hava was in the harness, we had to face what would come next, total inability to use her rear legs. To be ready for that, I ordered her a custom rear support wheelchair. I initially rented the chair to see if it would work out. Hava is very opinionated and I found it hard to believe that she would adapt to the chair. But practically as soon as we set her in it, she took off on her own. She looked at me like “Gee Mom, it sure took you long enough to get me going again!” Before long she was backing up as well, and doing three-point turns. So I paid the balance due on the wheelchair and owned it! Hava’s wheelchair is from the **K9 Carts** company, which has been providing quality wheelchairs and accessories for a long time. The chair has been very sturdy, and the customer support fantastic. Our contact even requested pictures in several views of Hava in her wheelchair to be sure the fit was correct.

My walls attest to the fact that Hava has been in the wheelchair for a year now, but walls can be repaired. People are surprised at how easy it is to set her in the chair. I often hear “it must take you half an hour to get

her set up!” In fact, it takes only a minute or so, even though Hava is a big girl weighing around 60 pounds. I simply lift her rear legs with the harness handle, set them in the supportive loops and fasten the strap. In the early days, Hava was very adventurous on her own in the yard. She would often get the chair stuck in bushes and I would have to rescue her. Sometimes she would go really fast, hit a bump and wipe out. That sort of thing never phased her. She would just wait to be rescued and then take off again.

When she began using the wheelchair, Hava was still able to still move her rear legs in a walking motion, with chair providing support. The ability to use her rear legs has slowly disappeared and she now drags her rear feet behind her. The chair provides slings to keep her rear feet off the ground. We use the slings when she is on hard surfaces, especially when tracking, to prevent foot injury. The slings work well when she is on the move

forward, but at a stand-still we have to provide assistance to keep her from falling because her rear legs are not available for balance.

After a year and a half of living with DM, I have to say that the disease is relentless, but I am very grateful to our therapist for extending Hava’s quality time. Unfortunately, Hava has experienced significant disease progression and rear paralysis. She now falls forward quite a bit in the wheelchair. Some of her instability is due to the rear paralysis which makes it more difficult for her to use her rear legs to bal-

ance. However, she is also experiencing front weakness resulting from disease progression. But Hava is not ready to give up. She continues to go out in the yard, but she ventures in a much smaller area. She still loves to track, although she is slower and requires additional assistance. She still sings when I’m in the kitchen cooking her favorite veggies and she enjoys her evening massage when the rest of the family gathers around her. We have ordered a front support extension kit for her wheelchair and hope that will provide more stability as she continues to participate in activities. The kit will convert Hava’s chair into a fully supportive wheelchair with four wheels.

Concerning time left, there are differences between



**Help ‘Em Up Harness**  
image from the K9 Carts website



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breeds in how DM presents and progresses, and among individual dogs as well. Symptoms sometimes plateau for significant periods, or never progress past a certain point. Hava and I just go day to day, and I treasure the time that we have together.



**Help ‘Em Up Harness With Dog in Wheelchair**  
image from the K9 Carts website

### Editor’s Notes:

#### “Diagnostics

Definite diagnosis of Degenerative Myelopathy is established postmortem by histopathology. Therefore, diagnosis in living patients is challenging because of the lack of diagnostic test available at present. Clinical diagnosis in a living patient aims for excluding other conditions interfering with spinal cord function and collecting bits of information which are consistent with Degenerative Myelopathy.”

<https://www.vin.com/apputil/content/defaultadv1.aspx?pld=11310&meta=generic&catId=33762&id=4516249&ind=124&objTypeID=17>, accessed 11/21/2020

From **Degenerative Myelopathy in Dogs: Current Issues on Diagnosis, Pathogenesis and Treatment**, World Small Animal Veterinary Association World Congress Proceedings, 2010, Thomas Flegel, Dr.med.vet., DECVN, DACVIM (Neurology), Leipzig, Germany

### OFA.org comments and recommends:

#### “Description

Degenerative Myelopathy is a debilitating disease that causes gradual paralysis in many dog breeds. It is caused by a degeneration of the spinal cord that onsets typically between 8 and 14 years of age. It presents first with the loss of coordination of the hind legs. It will typically worsen over six months to a year, resulting in paralysis of the hind legs. If signs progress for a longer period of time, loss of urinary and fecal continence may occur and eventually, weakness will develop in the front limbs. An important feature of Degenerative Myelopathy is that it is not a painful disease.”

#### “Breed Testing

Although any dog can be tested for Degenerative Myelopathy, it is possible that the genetic background that predominates in some breeds prevents the development of symptoms even in dogs testing affected (at risk). At this time we are reluctant to recommend testing for members of breeds where the University of Missouri has not yet proven susceptibility to DM through microscopic examination of spinal cords from deceased dogs that exhibited symptoms of the disease. The required evidence of association between the genetic mutation and actual spinal cord evaluations has only been proven in the breeds listed.” [Canaan Dogs are NOT on this list as of press time. Because of this, researchers especially recommend necropsy after death to diagnosis the disease or rule out other conditions that can mimic DM.]

<https://www.ofa.org/diseases/dna-tested-diseases/dm>  
accessed 11/21/2020

Finally, **Dr Anita Oberbauer** spoke this fall to the AKC Delegates about **Review of the Current State of Genetic Testing - A Living Resource** . You may watch the talk at:

<https://vimeo.com/461543821>

password: AKCDelegate123 (please note, password IS case sensitive.

The full whitepaper may be found at [https://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/library/articles/CANINE\\_GENETIC\\_TESTING\\_07-28-2020\\_FINAL\\_with\\_links.pdf](https://www.akcchf.org/educational-resources/library/articles/CANINE_GENETIC_TESTING_07-28-2020_FINAL_with_links.pdf)

The video and the White Paper complement each other.

Dr Oberbauer speaks about DM in her discussion about genetic tests.

## 2019 Performance Awards for Obedience, Rally, Agility

compiled by Risa Baumrind

Name	Owner	Co-owner	Award	Titles
CH Kansas Late Day Sharav RN THDN CGC TKN	Lee Boyd		Obedience, High Score Obedience, High Average	BNOVB
High Desert Ari Of Ascend, Mazel Tov CD BN RM CGC TKN	Laura Alton	Risa Baumrind	Rally, High Score	RMAST
CH High Desert's Mazel Tov Gili PCDX BN RM CA CGCA	Eileen Jafee	Risa Baumrind	Rally, High Average Rally, High Average Obedience, High Score Obedience, High Average	RADV REXCB POPEN
Kol Tuv Ner Echad L'Maccabee RN CA TKN	Carrie Franz		Rally, High Average Rally, High Score	RMAST RNOVB
Cando Dex On The Beach	Cristina Garland	Kaelin Sweet	Rally, High Average	RNOVB
Relic's Moonless Night RI FDC CGC	Marla C Haney	Kyle B Haney	Rally, High Score	RNOVA
Towery's Red Hot Chilli Pepper CD BN RAE CA	Jacqueline Towery		Rally, High Average Rally, High Average Obedience, High Score Obedience, High Average	RINT RNOVA OOPENA
CH MACH Orela Me Shaar Hagai RA FDC MXG MJS MXP MJP OF CGC	Julie B Haddy	Daniel Haddy	Agility	AGEXCBP, JWWEXCBP
Eastland Gabby Sar Of Seh CGC TKN	Catherine Hancock		Agility	AGNOVP
CH Kol Tuv Fuligin Tali CD PCD BN RI OA OAJ OAP OJP NF OFP CA BCAT ACT2	Jennie Larkin		Agility	AGEXCA, AGEXCAP, AGOPEN , FSTOPEN, FSTOPENP, JWWEXCA , JWWEXCAP, JWWEXCBP



# PLAN AHEAD & SAVE THE DATES!

## 2021 CDCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY CELEBRATIONS



The planning must go on, even in a pandemic. Pending all AKC approvals:

**National Specialty: Friday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as part of the Canyons Cluster (Canada Del Oro KC & Madera Canyon KC).**  
Concurrent Specialty separate from the All Breed Show. In other words, you can show at the Friday All Breed Show (breed winner goes on to group), AND at the National Specialty.

National Specialty Sweepstakes (Puppy and Veterans): Kitty Burke (PA)  
National Specialty Judge: Robert Frost (IN)

**Supported Entries** at the Canyons Cluster: Friday, November 12, 2020 (at the all breed show), Saturday, November 13, 2020, and Monday, November 15, 2020. This Cluster traditionally offers Obedience and Rally, as well as NOHS. Historically, the show is put on by two clubs, Canada Del Oro KC & Madera Canyon KC. One club takes Friday and Saturday, the other Sunday and Monday.

**Designated Specialty (as part of the all breed show): Sunday, November 14, 2020**  
Designated Specialty Sweepstakes (Puppy and Veterans): Nancy Amburgey (OH)  
Designated Specialty Judge: Amanda M Pough, *Bandersnatch* (NY)

Annual Meetings, Awards Banquet, Herding, other events, still to be scheduled.

All shows to be held at Rillito Park Race Track, Tucson AZ

The host hotel is La Posada Lodge & Casitas, Tucson AZ

**Chair: Risa Baumrind, [risa@innosys.com](mailto:risa@innosys.com)**

**More information, deadlines, hotel reservation information, etc.** will be posted to the CDCA Website in 2021 and published in the next newsletter. In the meantime, **Stay Masked Up, Flatten The Curve, Work For A Vaccine, And See You in Arizona!**

**OFA Test Results: April—October 2020**  
***Line in bold italics signifies the dog has a CHIC number***

<u>Registration</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>OFA #</u>	<u>Registry</u>	<u>Results</u>
			<b>HIPS: A</b>	<b><i>Int'l Hip Registry</i></b>	<b>HIPS NORMAL</b>
			<b>ELBOWS: 0</b>	<b><i>Int'l Elbow Registry</i></b>	<b>ELBOWS NORMAL</b>
<b><i>HP0326018</i></b>	<b><i>ARDARA ME CANAANGRAD</i></b>	<b><i>F</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL/NORMAL</i></b>	<b><i>Int'l Ophthalmological Exam</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL NORMAL/NORMAL</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-PA174/26F/P-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Patella</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL - PRACTITIONER</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-TH166/26F-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Thyroid</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>
DN35679801	BANDERSNATCH RIVERROCK COMMANDER STRAX AT FARSIGHT	M	CA-EYE82/90M-VPI	Eyes	NORMAL
<b><i>DN41425701</i></b>	<b><i>CANDO DONALD DUCK DUNN THE BLUES</i></b>	<b><i>M</i></b>	<b><i>CA-EYE88/57M-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Eyes</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>
DN41425602	CANDO FARSIGHT HELLO SWEETIE	F	CA-EYE85/68F-VPI	Eyes	NORMAL W/BREEDER OPTIONS NOTED D3a:Persistent Pupillary Membranes - Iris to Iris,E1:Cataract - Suspect Not Inherited
			<b><i>NORMAL/NORMAL</i></b>	<b><i>Int'l Ophthalmological Exam</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL NORMAL/NORMAL</i></b>
			<b>ELBOWS: 0</b>	<b><i>Int'l Elbow Registry</i></b>	<b>ELBOWS NORMAL</b>
<b><i>SE134402019</i></b>	<b><i>CHANOCS SURI</i></b>	<b><i>F</i></b>	<b><i>HIPS: A</i></b>	<b><i>Int'l Hip Registry</i></b>	<b><i>HIPS NORMAL</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-DM264/18F-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Degenerative Myelopathy</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-PA175/18F/P-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Patella</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL - PRACTITIONER</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-TH174/21F-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Thyroid</i></b>	<b><i>EQUIVOCAL</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-TH173/24F-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Thyroid</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>
DN55842805	D&J HA'ARETZ JOSIE	F	CA-580E24F-PI	Hips	EXCELLENT
			CA-EL238F24-PI	Elbow	NORMAL
			<b><i>CA-EL236F28-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Elbow</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-PA178/28F/P-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Patella</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL - PRACTITIONER</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-578G28F-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Hips</i></b>	<b><i>GOOD</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-TH170/28F-VPI</i></b>	<b><i>Thyroid</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-EYE84/28F-PI</i></b>	<b><i>Eyes</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>
<b><i>DN53271604</i></b>	<b><i>EASTLANDS JUMP FOR JOY V ELLENNI</i></b>	<b><i>F</i></b>	<b><i>CA-CMR1/30F-PI</i></b>	<b><i>Canine Multifocal Retinopathy</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL/CLEAR</i></b>
			<b><i>CA-DM278/30F-PI</i></b>	<b><i>Degenerative Myelopathy</i></b>	<b><i>NORMAL</i></b>

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DN53271602	EASTLAND'S MALAKI BLAZE OF HOPE FOR SETTING SUN	M	CA-PA179/28M/P-VPI	Patella	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
			CA-TH172/28M-VPI	Thyroid	NORMAL
DN55564605	KOL TUV HIGH DESERT BRINGER OF HOPE	F		Thyroid	EQUIVOCAL
DN62237001	KOL TUV HIGH DESERT TUCSON RANGER	M	CA-DM261/1M-NOPI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
			<b>CA-EL237F44-NOPI</b>	<b>Elbow</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
			<b>CA-579G44F-NOPI</b>	<b>Hips</b>	<b>GOOD</b>
DN47659301	KOL TUV TAHOE GIRL GONNA VOTE	F	CA-PA180/44F/P-NOPI	Patella	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
			CA-TH171/44F-NOPI	Thyroid	NORMAL
			CA-EYE92/46F-VPI	Eyes	NORMAL
			CA-EL233F28-VPI	Elbow	NORMAL
			CA-TH164/28F-VPI	Thyroid	NORMAL
DN52633603	MOFET DENALI FAULTLINE AT GRAYMATTER	F	CA-575F28F-VPI	Hips	FAIR
			CA-PA171/28F/P-VPI	Patella	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
			CA-EYE83/29F-VPI	Eyes	NORMAL
			CA-EYE89/14F-NOPI	Eyes	NORMAL
DN58128902	MOFET LUNA CEDDER PICKARD	F	CA-ACA1/14F-VPI	Advanced Cardiac	NORMAL AO/ CONG, AUSC ONLY
			<b>NORMAL/NORMAL</b>	<b>Int'l Ophthalmological Exam</b>	<b>NORMAL NORMAL/NORMAL</b>
			<b>ELBOWS: 0</b>	<b>Int'l Elbow Registry</b>	<b>ELBOWS NORMAL</b>
			<b>HIPS: A</b>	<b>Int'l Hip Registry</b>	<b>HIPS NORMAL</b>
LOF5CHCAN6530	OUZI DE SOLEMEL	M	CA-DM265/18M-VPI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
			CA-PA176/19M/P-VPI	Patella	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
			CA-TH167/19M-VPI	Thyroid	NORMAL
			CA-EL234F67-VPI	Elbow	NORMAL
DN41023004	PLEASANT HILL LEGACY ALIYAH OF CARTERS CREEK	F	CA-PA172/67F/P-VPI	Patella	NORMAL - PRACTITIONER
			CA-576G67F-VPI	Hips	GOOD
			CA-TH165/67F-VPI	Thyroid	NORMAL
			CA-EYE90/69F-VPI	Eyes	NORMAL

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NOREG1978841	PUPPY 1 #1 (BABY GIRL)	F	CA-DM279/1F-NOPI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
NOREG1978842	PUPPY 2 #2 (BABY BOY)	M	CA-DM280/1M-NOPI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
DN62861702	PUPPY 2 CRUSH	M	CA-DM284/3M-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
			<b>CA-CA19/53M/P-VPI</b>	<b>Congenital Cardiac</b>	<b>NORMAL - PRACTITIONER</b>
			<b>CA-EL235M53-VPI</b>	<b>Elbow</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
			<b>CA-577G53M-VPI</b>	<b>Hips</b>	<b>GOOD</b>
<b>DN45181104</b>	<b>RELIC'S MOONLESS NIGHT</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>CA-PA177/53M/P-VPI</b>	<b>Patella</b>	<b>NORMAL - PRACTITIONER</b>
			<b>CA-TH168/53M-VPI</b>	<b>Thyroid</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
			<b>CA-EYE91/54M-VPI</b>	<b>Eyes</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
DN62474903	RIVER ROCK KARIZMA XENO AFFAIR	F	CA-DM274/1F-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
DN62474906	RIVER ROCK KARIZMA XENON LIGHTS	M	CA-DM277/1M-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
DN62474904	RIVER ROCK KARIZMA XERARCH	M	CA-DM275/1M-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
DN62474901	RIVER ROCK KARIZMA XOCIAL DISTANCING	M	CA-DM272/1M-NOPI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
DN62474905	RIVER ROCK KARIZMA XOXO	F	CA-DM276/1F-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
DN42704503	RIVER ROCK LYCEUM SWEETEST THING BANDERSNATCH	F	CA-DM270/66F-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
			<b>CA-PA173/49M/P-VPI</b>	<b>Patella</b>	<b>NORMAL - PRACTITIONER</b>
<b>DN46573902</b>	<b>RIVER ROCK TURN IT UP LOUD FOR GRAYMATTER</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>CA-TH169/49M-VPI</b>	<b>Thyroid</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
			<b>CA-EYE87/50M-VPI</b>	<b>Eyes</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
DN48281804	RIVER ROCK UNDERCOVER OF DARKNESS	F	CA-DM269/44F-PI-CAR	Degenerative Myelopathy	CARRIER
DN55596304	RIVER ROCK WINGED FIRST AVENGER	F	CA-DM271/21F-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
DN62474902	RIVERROCK KARIZMA XFINITY AND BEYOND	M	CA-DM273/1M-PI	Degenerative Myelopathy	NORMAL
<b>DN30312601</b>	<b>RIVROC LYCM OWN DREAM BSNATCH RSNDOG</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>CA-DM267/117F-PI</b>	<b>Degenerative Myelopathy</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
<b>DN30312605</b>	<b>RIVROC ONTO SOMETHIN BSNATCH ROSNDOG</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>CA-DM268/117M-PI</b>	<b>Degenerative Myelopathy</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>
<b>DN53439001</b>	<b>VELIKAYAS SH YAYIN SHEN ARI</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>CA-EYE86/32M-VPI</b>	<b>Eyes</b>	<b>NORMAL</b>



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## THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB LAUNCHES VIRTUAL HOME MANNERS

If you have trained your puppy or adult dog at home and would like to earn the AKC's Virtual Home Manners titles to demonstrate your accomplishments, this is the place for you!

### *What is Virtual Home Manners?*



Virtual Home Manners (VHM) is the answer when you want to train your dog at home. When you get a puppy or new adult dog, Virtual Home Manners can get you started on practical skills before you attend a training class.

The evaluation of a dog's ability to perform

ten home manners skills will be done by a video recording. Two levels of Home Manners will be offered – Virtual Home Manners Puppy (VHMP) and Virtual Home Manners Adult (VHMA). Dogs that pass the tests will be awarded these titles.

The Virtual Home Manners tests assess ten skills that well-mannered pet dogs need in the home setting. The skills relate to the dog owner having control over the dog, being able to walk the dog (which is one of the most frequently cited activities that owners want to do with their dogs) and developing a bond with the dog during playtime.

The Virtual Home Manners tests are evaluated online by CGC Evaluators in the same manner that is currently used for Virtual Tricks. There is not an in-person VHM testing process. Virtual Home Manners is natural lead-in for AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy and Canine Good Citizen (CGC) in-person training.

### *How Virtual Home Manners Works*

To earn the Virtual Home Manners titles, follow these easy steps:

Dog owners will video their dogs performing the required skills (on the VHM checklists).

A link to the video will be sent to an Approved AKC CGC Evaluator. Zoom and other live formats may also be used for evaluating Virtual Home Manners. To contact an evaluator, see: <https://webapps.akc.org/cgc-evaluator/#/>

Another option is to have your video viewed by AKC. To do this, email [cgcinfo@akc.org](mailto:cgcinfo@akc.org).

After watching the video, if the dog passes, the Evaluator will send the combined Checklist/Video Verifica-

tion Form to the dog owner. The Evaluator will also send a copy of this form to AKC.

The dog owner will send to AKC:

1) the Checklist/Video Verification, and 2) the Virtual Home Manners Title Application form along with a fee of \$25.00.

## THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB LAUNCHES AKC CANINE AND ME PROGRAM

**Raleigh, NC** – The American Kennel Club (AKC®), the world's largest dog registry, leading industry authority and advocate for dogs, is proud to continue their extensive commitment to education with the launch of the AKC Canine and Me program. This new virtual program was created by the AKC Education department in an effort to create ways to further involve young people in activities with their dogs.

The AKC Canine and Me program is available for teens 13 and older and young adults. Program participants will be provided with a brief introduction to each AKC sport and event and encouraged to try the beginning elements of that activity. Participants will need to record themselves and their dogs completing the skills and then upload their videos through the Cinebody app, where AKC Public Education staff can keep track of their progress.

“The goal of this program is to get teens and young adults outside and active with their canine companions while also teaching them the fundamental skills needed to get started in various AKC Sports,” said Ashley Jacot, Director of AKC Education. “We want to not only introduce new people to the wonderful world of AKC, but also get those already involved excited about all dog sports by making the experience easy and fun for both dog and owner.”

To learn more about the AKC Canine and Me program, visit: <https://www.akc.org/public-education/akc-canine-and-me/>

