## May/June 2023 NEWSLETTER

## The Atlanta Doberman Pinscher Club

The Atlanta Doberman Pinscher Club (ADPC) is a family of Georgians who are proud to be owned and loved by our Dobermans. Licensed by the American Kennel Club on November 1, 1972, the ADPC is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit Chapter Club of the Doberman Pinscher Club of America (DPCA).

Our purpose is to protect and promote the Doberman Pinscher. For well over four decades, the Atlanta Doberman Pinscher Club has strived to fulfill that mission through a variety of activities, including sponsoring specialty shows, conducting temperament testing, offering breed education programs and providing breeder referral resources.

Atlanta Doberman Pinscher Club<br>Email to mawils@earthlink.net<br>Email news, brags, birthdays, etc to surochester@aol.com



## Join Us for Our Meeting May 2, 2023

Hi to everyone, I would like to welcome new Atlanta DPC member, Christine Churchwell. We all appreciate your interest in the breed and the club.
At this time we are continuing to have electronic meetings by Zoom. The meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 PM EST.
Hopefully you can all set aside those dates and attend. All members and guests are welcome.
We are hoping to have an in person meeting at some point in the next few months. Nice to have some informal talk and fun sometimes!

Our shows are just around the corner and for those of you who are participating either, or both in conformation and performance events, I wish you the best of luck. We are all so proud when our members do well! Remember to send your brags to Susan Rochester to be included in the newsletter.
If there is anything anyone would like to bring up at the May meeting please let me know so it can be on the agenda. All ideas are welcome. Thank you.
Sincerely, Pamela DeHetre
President, Atlanta Doberman Pinscher Club

## ZOOM MEETING

## Audio and Video



## Speckle Tracking Echocardiography

 as a New Screening Tool for Dilated Cardiomyopathy in Doberman Pinschers
## Purpose

To test whether speckle tracking echocardiography will be able to detect changes in the hearts of Dobermans who have abnormal 24-hour Holter monitoring but normal standard echocardiograms

Contact Dr. Giulio Menciotti, Cardiology 540-231-4621
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https://vetmed.vt.edu/clinical-trials/current-studies/doberman_dcm.html?fbclid=IwAR0-zdXik-
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## Top 25 Fastest Dobermans!

Fast Cat 2023

| Rank  <br> Rog Name Sox | MPH |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Titan Menapace-Gross RA CAX3 FCAT6 SWN SCNE SCA WAC | Dog | 27.63 |
|  | DS DJ CGCA TKN BN-V |  |  |
| 2 | Oldfort's Zuko DCAT CGCA | Dog | 27.29 |
| 3 | Artaban DCAT | Dog | 27.02 |
| 4 | Delta's Black Ice Kimber FDC BCAT CGC TKN | Bitch | 26.91 |
| 5 | Tilli Bee De Evrmoore CA BCAT | Bitch | 26.74 |
| 6 | Drury Lane Roxy CGCA CGCU | Bitch | 26.51 |
| 7 | Judas The Betrayer BCAT CGC TKA | Dog | 26.47 |
| 8 | Allure V. Beaulane Here In The Real World BN RA NA NAJ | Dog | 26.39 |
|  | DCAT SCN CGCA CGCU TKA ATT |  |  |
| 9 | Ragnarok Eoa Valhalla FDC CA DCAT CGCA CGCU TKN ATT | Dog | 26.38 |
| 10 | Abby Lou Lou DCAT CGC TKN | Bitch | 26.34 |
| 11 | Bell'Lavoro Ragazze Siamo Feroce RE FDC NA OF CA BCAT | Bitch | 26.30 |
|  | SWN SCA SIA SBA CGC TKA |  |  |
| 12 | CH Arete's Somebody To Love NAJ NF BCAT | Bitch | 26.28 |
| 13 | Benchmark's Flying Dutchman CD RM FDC DCAT ACT1 ACT1J | Dog | 26.27 |
|  | SWM CGCA CGCU TKI |  |  |
| 14 | Rennend Vuur Hart BCAT CGC TKE | Dog | 26.10 |
| 15 | Lyndobe's Made Man CA FCAT | Dog | 26.08 |
| 16 | CH Adamas Spring Training CA BCAT | Dog | 26.01 |
| 17 | Absolute K9s Midnight Skye Nova BCAT | Bitch | 25.91 |
| 18 | GCH CH Kelview's A Cry For Victory BCAT CGC TKI | Dog | 25.77 |
| 19 | GCHS CH Magis Devil In Disguise CA | Bitch | 25.61 |
| 20 | Midnight Skye's Sharp As A Saber CA BCAT CGCA CGCU TKN | Dog | 25.59 |
| 21 | Armageddon By Calliana BCAT | Dog | 25.51 |
| 22 | CH Niklby's Evening Lace Of Satine BCAT | Bitch | 25.48 |
| 23 | CH Blackjack's Armed And Dangerous Monster | Dog | 25.44 |
| 24 | Daily's Line of Fire FDC CAA DCAT ACT2 ACT2J RATCH DM | Bitch | 25.43 |
|  | DS CGC TKN ATT VHMP | Bitch | 25.26 |
| 25 | La Gorrioncita De Evrmoore BCAT |  |  |

## Fun Facts:



AKC Fast CAT continues to grow with more clubs seeking to hold Fast CAT events each week! Here's a snapshot of the growing number of major lure operating service providers and their use by host clubs across the country.


Pamelot's High Priority recently received a four point major at the April shows in Perry. He is owned by Gayle Thompson and handled beautifully by Jinny Rojas.

## Blackjack's Pistol Annie

Her first time out in April.
Annie took RWB two out of the 4 days at BKC. Professionally handled by Jessy Sutton. Annie is owned, loved and bred by Susan Rochester


CH Blackjacks Armed And Dangerous Monster Stryker - first attemps at FastCat earning a spot in the Top 25 fastest Dobermans, top speed 25.44!
Owners: Meredith Pretzie \& Susan Rochester



GCH CH Blackjack's I'm No Angel (Dara) BKC April 9th, 2023. Dara finally got her GCH title, after having her 3rd litter, going back in the ring for "one single" to get that Grand! Wow! She's now retired at $7!$ Dara is owned and loved by David and Meredith Pretzie and Susan Rochester.


Ruffian, earning his DCAT title in Perry GA in April, with an avg speed of 24.71 mph .
GCh Ch Sun Style's Joy In The Morning, DCAT, BCAT, CGC.
Ruffian is owned and loved by Penny Rossiter

## Prostate Disorders: How to Handle Them in Your Male Dogs Without Neutering

## Source: Dr. Marty Greer

Let's talk about prostate disease in male dogs. There are four types of prostate problems:

1. Benign prostatic hypertrophy or hyperplasia, aka BPH: This is the most common prostate problem we see in unneutered or intact male dogs. It is frequently seen after the age of 5, and sometimes younger in Bernese Mountain Dogs and Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs. Symptoms are blood dripping from the penis not associated with urination, pain, on breeding; flat ribbon-like stools; and blood in the ejaculate. It does not get better with antibiotics. It does wax and wane, often if females in heat are in the vicinity. Benign prostatic hypertrophy or hyperplasia responds very well to hormone therapy. However, if left untreated it can lead to infertility, poor semen quality, and, eventually, prostatitis - as bacteria can move into the cystic structures in the prostate. It is best diagnosed with ultrasound, although a rectal exam can be used. On ultrasound, the prostate is enlarged and may have cysts looking like Swiss cheese.
2. Prostatitis: This is also fairly common in unneutered male dogs. However, these dogs are sick - as sick as females with pyometra. They run a fever, are lethargic, won't eat, and may die if the infection spreads into the abdomen, causing peritonitis. These dogs need both antibiotic and hormone therapy for BPH (see above), as this will shrink the prostate and make the cysts disappear, leaving the bacteria nowhere to set up shop.
3. Prostate cancer: This typically occurs in neutered, not intact, male dogs. It can be either an adenocarcinoma or a transitional carcinoma that spreads from the bladder. Both are bad and don't lend themselves to surgery. Medical management helps for only a short time. The only way to confirm prostate cancer is on biopsy of the prostate, which can be done with ultrasound-guided biopsy - far less invasive than opening a dog up.
4. Paraprostatic cysts: These are rare, but dramatic. They are cysts that form outside the prostate and can be viewed on ultrasound or an x-ray. Paraprostatic cysts are best treated by being surgically corrected and when the dog is neutered.

Neutering will cure BPH and prostatitis. However, it is very difficult to breed neutered male dogs, unless they have had semen frozen. The best time to freeze semen is when a dog is between 2 and 5 years of age. The dog should be healthy and producing great quality semen. It will cost you a lot less money to freeze a canine's semen when he is young. If he later turns out to have a disorder that you don't want in your breeding program, you can either wait until a DNA test is conducted to determine how you can use him in your breeding program or discard the semen.

If you choose not to keep your dog's frozen semen, check with your breed club to see if there are others who would value this resource. There are too many breeds that are becoming "endangered species," so be mindful of that before you discard any semen. If your dog has prostate disease and is valuable to you or others for breeding, seek the services of a veterinarian who understands the diagnosis and treatment options for valuable breeding dogs. Don't neuter him - this is not an emergency procedure.

And remember, freeze early and freeze often! Dr. Marty Greer has run the Veterinary Village Small Animal Clinic in Lomira, Wis., since 1982. She is an expert in canine reproduction and a frequent lecturer on the subject. Dr. Greer also studied law at Marquette University and is a partner in Animal Legal Resources LLC.



## ADPC Upcoming Shows Mark your calendar!

Our show is part of the four day (May 11-14) Crossroads of Georgia Cluster Dog Show with Southeast Alabama Kennel Clun and Macon Kennel Club at the Georgia National Fair Grounds.
~ The Cluster is expected to draw over 1500 beautiful dogs of many diverse breeds
~ The North GA Working Group is joining the Cluster this year
~ There will be 2 shows per day for Dobermans
~ The Cluster is offering Barn Hunt all four days Our specialty shows will be Friday and Sunday.

Ken J. Murray will judge Friday's show. Judith Brown will judge Sunday's show.
Susan Rochester will judge Sweeps on Sunday.

## Let's not measure a

 breeders success by the amount of winning their dogs do in the ring, but by the number of dogs that stay with the family that purchased them as a pup and that die in the arms of that same family 14 years later. In that case, we have three winners: the breeder, the family and most importantly, the dog.
## Foods Your Dog Should Never Eat

 Dangerous Foods for DogsWho can resist those big brown eyes and cute doggie grin? Can a little reward from the table or getting into Mom or Dad's stuff really hurt your dog? Well, that depends on what it is and what's in it. If it contains the sweetener xylitol, it can cause your dog some real problems. In fact, there's a lot of people food your dog should never eat. And, it's not just because of weight. Some foods are downright dangerous for dogs -- and some of these common foods may surprise you.

## Xylitol

Candy, gum, toothpaste, baked goods, and some diet foods are sweetened with xylitol. It can cause your dog's blood sugar to drop and can also cause liver failure. Early symptoms include vomiting, lethargy, and coordination problems. Eventually, your dog may have seizures. Liver failure can happen within just a few days.

## Avocado

Is a treat from the table OK for your dog? That depends on what it is. Avocados, for example, have something called persin. It's fine for people who aren't allergic to it. But too much might cause vomiting or diarrhea in dogs. If you grow avocados at home, keep your dog away from the plants. Persin is in the leaves, seed, and bark, as well as the fruit. Also, the avocado seed can become stuck in the intestines or stomach, and obstruction could be fatal.
Alcohol
Alcohol has the same effect on a dog's liver and brain that it has on people. But it takes a lot less to hurt your dog. Just a little beer, liquor, wine, or food with alcohol can be bad. It can cause vomiting, diarrhea, coordination problems, breathing problems, coma, even death.

## Onions and Garlic

Keep onions and garlic -- powdered, raw, cooked, or dehydrated -- away from your dog. They can kill their red blood cells, causing anemia. That's even the onion powder in some baby food. Eating a lot just once can cause poisoning. Look for signs like weakness, vomiting, and breathing problems.

## Coffee, Tea, and Other Caffeine

Give your dog toys if you want them to be perky. Caffeinecan be fatal. Watch out for coffee and tea, even the beans and the grounds. Keep your dog away
from cocoa, chocolate, colas, and energy drinks. Caffeine is also in some cold medicines and pain killers. Think your dog had caffeine? Get your dog to the vet as soon as possible.

## Grapes and Raisins

There are better treats to give your dog. Grapes and raisins can cause kidney failure in dogs. And just a small amount can make a dog sick. Vomiting over and over is an early sign. Within a day, your dog will get sluggish and depressed.

## Macadamia Nuts

Keep your dog away from macadamia nuts and foods that have macadamia nuts in them. Just six raw or roasted macadamia nuts can make a dog sick. Look for symptoms like muscle shakes, vomiting, high temperature, and weakness in their back legs. Eating chocolate with the nuts will make symptoms worse, maybe even leading to death.

## Chocolate

Most people know that chocolate is bad for dogs. The problem in chocolate is theobromine. It's in all kinds of chocolate, even white chocolate. The most dangerous types are dark chocolate and unsweetened baking chocolate. Chocolate can cause a dog to vomit and have diarrhea. It can also cause heart problems, tremors, seizures, and death.

## Fat Trimmings and Bones

Fat trimmed from meat, both cooked and uncooked, can cause pancreatitis in dogs. And, even though it seems natural to give a dog a bone, they can choke on it. Bones can also splinter and block or cause cuts in your dog's digestive system.

## Persimmons, Peaches, and Plums

The problem with these fruits is the seeds or pits. Seeds from persimmons can cause problems in a dog's small intestine. They can also block their intestines. That can also happen if a dog eats the pit from a peach or plum. Peach and plum pits also have cyanide, which is poisonous to people and dogs. People know not to eat them. Dogs don't.

## Your Medicine

Dogs shouldn't take people medicine. It can make them very sick. Just as you do for your kids, keep all medicines out of your dog's reach. And, never give your dog any over-the-counter medicine unless your vet tells you to. Ingredients such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen are common in pain relievers and cold medicine. And, they can be deadly for your dog.

## Upeoming Shows in the south

Dog Days of Summer Cluster (June 2225, 2023) Tunica, MS
Closes June 7, 2023
Kennel Club of North Mississippi
2023745801 AB/JSHW/NOHS (Thu 6/22/23)
2023745802 BPUP (Thu 6/22/23)
2023745803 AB/O/JSHW/NOHS (Fri 6/23/23)
2023745804 BPUP (Fri 6/23/23)
2023745806 RLY (Fri 6/23/23)
Greater Shelby KC
2023266003 AB/O/JSHW/NOHS (Sat 6/24/23)
2023266004 BPUP (Sat 6/24/23)
2023266009 RLY (Sat 6/24/23)
2023266005 AB/JSHW/NOHS (Sun 6/25/23)
2023266006 BPUP (Sun 6/25/23)
Memphis Toy Dog Club
2023607701 LB/JSHW/NOHS (Sat 6/24/23) 2023607702 LB/JSHW/NOHS (Sun 6/25/23) Mid South Fox Terrier Club of Memphis 2023607506 DS/SWP (Sat 6/24/23)

Crawfish Cluster (July 20-23, 2023)
Hattiesburg, MS
Closes July 5, 2023
Greater Hattiesburg Kennel Club
2023044501 AB/NOHS (Thur 7/20/23)
2023044502 BPUP (Thur 7/20/23)
2023044503 AB/NOHS (Sat 7/22/23)
2023044504 BPUP (Sat 7/22/23)
Meri-Miss Kennel Club, Inc
2023045401 AB/NOHS (Fri 7/21/23)
2023045402 BPUP (Fri 7/21/23) 2023045403 AB/NOHS (Sun 7/23/23)
2023045404 BPUP (Sun 7/23/23)

Gulf Coast Classic Dog Show (Sept 7-10, 2023) Mobile, AL
Closes August 23, 2023
Singing River KC
2023512301 AB/JSHW/NOHS (Thur 9/7/23)
2023512302 AB/JSHW/NOHS (Fri 9/8/23)
Mobile KC
2023043201 AB/O/JSHW/NOHS (Sat 9/9/23)
2023043218 AB/O/JSHW/NOHS (Sun 9/10/23)

Mississippi Gulf Coast Southern Harvest Cluster (Nov 3-5, 2023) Gulfport, MS
Closes October 18, 2023
Mississippi Gulf Coast Kennel Club 2023672509 BPUP (Fri 11/3/23) 2023672510 AB/JSHW/NOHS (Sat 11/4/23) 2023672511 BPUP (Sat 11/4/23) 2023672512 AB/JSHW/NOHS (Sun 11/5/23) 2023672513 BPUP (Sun 11/5/23)
Mississippi Gulf Coast Working Group Club 2023743302 LB/JSHW/NOHS (Fri 11/3/23) 2023743303 BPUP (Fri 11/3/23)

> I am the owner of multiple dogs. My hobbies include neglecting my appearance, dreaming of clean floors, constantly asking "what's in your mouth?" and never peeing by myself.

## Dog Ice Cream Recipe:

- 3 ripe bananas
- 32 ounces plain yogurt
- 1 cup peanut butter

Blend, pour the mixture into ice trays, freeze. In a couple hours you'll have a cool treat for your dog!


## Blueberry Dog Treats

This recipe couldn't be easier to make. It takes just a few minutes to make them and put them in the freezer.

- Melt coconut oil and use a syringe to pour it into the bottom of the mold.
- Freeze for about 20 minutes.
- Puree organic blueberries in the blender.
- Fill the rest of the mold with the blueberry mixture.
- Refreeze.

They will need to freeze for about an hour and forty minutes depending on the size of the mold.

No Bake Hypoallergenic Coconut Dog Treats

1⁄3 Cup Coconut Oil
2-3 Tablespoons Peanut Butter 2½ Cups Rolled Oats
$1 / 3$ Cup Finely Shredded Coconut
Add Coconut Oil, Peanut Butter and Rolled Oats to food processor and mix until well combined.
Scoop out bite sized pieces with a spoon and roll into little balls.
Toss each ball gently in the finely shredded coconut until well coated.
Place on a flat tray lined with baking paper, refrigerate for 30 minutes and serve.


JOIN US AT THE

## Crossroads of Georgía Cluster

Georgia National Fairgrounds

## 8 Doberman shows in 4 days

ATLANTA Doberman Pinscher Club concurrent specialties:
Friday May 12, 2023
Judge: Ken J. Murray
Sunday, May 14, 2023
Judge: Judith A. Brown
Sweepstakes: Susan Rochester
Best Bred-By-Exhibitor, Best Veteran \& NOHS


Competition Sunday will include, for the second year, the Three Time Win Jeanne Ratliff Memorial TSUNAMI bronze sculpture to Best of Breed, donated by Joshua Ransom.

Entry fee: \$30.00

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JUNE I-4, 2023
GEORGIA NATIONAL FAIRGROUNDS, PERRY GA

> ALL RINGS AND GROOMING INDOORS AND AIR-CONDITIONED

National Owner Handled Series ALL 4 DAYS!
Beginner Puppy Competition Saturday and Sunday!
BBE Puppy Classes Thursday \& Friday

> Open Show - Saturday, June 3rd

Rally - 2 Trials Daily - June $3^{\text {rd }} \& 4^{\text {th }}$
Eye and Heart Clinics - Saturday, June 3 rd
Fast CAT - 2 Trials Daily ALL 4 DAYS!

