



# The Butler County Kennel Club "Howler"

The Butler County Kennel Club is dedicated to the promotion of excellence in all-breed conformation. Founded in 1939, we are an AKC member club.

## Newsletter - Spring 2015

### The Butler County Kennel Club Board of Directors -

President - Susan Chapin, [swimfinn@zoominternet.net](mailto:swimfinn@zoominternet.net)

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### 2015 Meeting Schedule & Highlighted Events

*(Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at 7pm, the first Tuesday of the month at the Butler YMCA - Trustees Room)*

*(Meeting refreshment responsibility schedule)*

May - Gary & Jeanette Nestor

June - Reba & John Namachar

July - To be determined at the May Meeting

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### Newsletter Publication Information

The "Howler" is a quarterly newsletter. If you are aware of something that the club membership should be informed of please get that information to Reba Namachar at her email address [rebanamachar@zoominternet.net](mailto:rebanamachar@zoominternet.net) or you may contact her at 724-482-2078 or send correspondence to 445 Whitestown Road, Butler PA 16001. We would like to add photos of your dogs to each edition. So please send those pics in .jpg format. **Forward articles and photos to arrive no later than 30 September 2015 for the Summer, Autumn 2015 Edition.**

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### BCKC Website Access -<http://www.butlercountykennelclub.com/>

In order to get to the Members Only section of the website, the username and password for this site are the same for EVERYONE in the club.

1. Go to this URL: <http://www.butlercountykennelclub.com/membersonly.htm>
2. The Username box, type in bckcmember (this is case sensitive -all lowercase!)
3. In the Password box, type in bckc2006 (this is also case sensitive and those are zeroes, not the letter o)  
[tammy@tjb-consulting.com](mailto:tammy@tjb-consulting.com) (webmaster)

\*Note - Once you open the clubs website hit the F5 key on the top of your keyboard to refresh the page. This will force the Refresh option on your browser to go out to the server to get the most recent changes.

**2015 Trophy Campaign** - Contact Micki Sobota before May 15th if you wish to purchase and offer a breed specific embroidered towel for the 2015 Show. [bourbonhill@aol.com](mailto:bourbonhill@aol.com) or 724-845-2525.



**Education - 2015 Conformation Class Schedule** - For status of classes (cancellation information etc.)

Call: Mick 724-285-1466 or 724-494-5565, Email: [Wcmcenterprise@aol.com](mailto:Wcmcenterprise@aol.com) or [musher1984@gmail.com](mailto:musher1984@gmail.com), or Gary 724-352-9383

*I'm not sure how many club members receive these AKC Articles, so I am selecting the most interesting and sharing them through our newsletter. - Reba Namachar*



# AKC communicates Weekly

A Weekly Newsletter for AKC Clubs and Their Dedicated Volunteers

## AKC in the News



The press coverage for AKC's Most Popular Dog Breeds continues to roll in! Check out coverage from [Fox & Friends](#), [CBS Evening News](#), [ABC World News Tonight](#), [Time Magazine](#), [Newsweek](#), [Reuters](#), [Fox News Radio](#), [Los Angeles Times](#), [Chicago Tribune](#), [Denver Post](#) and [Mashable.com](#).

Click [here](#) to view AKC's breed rankings for 2014.

## CLUBS in the News



The Monroe Police Department just welcomed a very special addition to their police force -- K-9 Murphy. The German Shepherd Dog was sworn in during a special ceremony attended by members of the Monroe, Connecticut community last month. The funds to purchase and train Murphy were raised through the efforts of the Trap Falls Kennel Club and AKC Reunite. Learn more about K-9 Murphy [here](#).

The donation and ceremony also made the front page of the [Monroe Courier](#).



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# AKC Government Relations



March 19, 2015

<http://www.akc.org/government-relations/legislative-alerts/house-representatives-approves-amtrak-pilot-program>

The U.S. House of Representatives has approved a comprehensive passenger train bill that requires Amtrak to develop a pilot program that would, when feasible, designate at least one car where passengers may transport a dog or cat if the pet is in a kennel that can be stowed according to Amtrak's requirements for carry-on baggage.

[Read AKC's previous legislative alert](#) for more information on this bill.

HR 749 has now been assigned to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.

**AKC urges dog owners to support this measure and to contact your US Senators and ask them to support the Amtrak Pilot Program in HR 749 that would allow pet owners to travel on certain trains with their pets.**

Visit [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov) and select your state under the "Find Your Senators" box at the top of the page to find the contact information for your senators.



## Membership

The Butler County Kennel Club wishes to welcome the following new members;

**John Heine-Parisi**, 505-1 Bellevue Terrace, Pittsburgh PA 15202. His breed is Afghan Hounds.

**Vicki Swighart**, 116 Shady Drive, Butler PA 16001. Her breed is Toy Poodles.

*The following applicants for membership are;* **Deborah Pfeifer**, 1621 Anderson Road, Pittsburgh PA 15209. Her breed is Basset Hounds and her sponsor is Edna Morris, and **Diane Gieraltowski**, 2088 Prospect Road, Prospect PA 16052. Her breed is Shih Tzu and her sponsor is Reba Namachar.

*As of April 7th, 2015, there are 38 members and 2 applicants pending final membership vote.*

## Brags & Wags



*A great big congratulations to Jinnie-Ann Stora and "Moses" !*

### **GCH Bayaway Jersey's Due Process Of Law**

**Breed:** Black and Tan Coonhound

**Sex:** Dog

**AKC:** HP 38958101

**DOB:** October 17, 2010

**Breeder:** Debra L Rezendes & Jinnie-Ann Stora

**Sire:** Ch Jersey Blu's Spirit Of Christmas

**Dam:** Ch Tri-Blu Della's Gone

**Owner:** Debra L Rezendes & George Rezendes & Jinnie-Ann Stora



*Congratulations to Cindy & Ken Pohl on their first champion "Sadie"!*

### **CH Dun Myrica November Of Eagle**

**Breed:** Irish Wolfhound

**Sex:** Bitch

**DOB:** 08-11-12

**Breeder:** Sam Houston McDonald & Joe M Roland

**Sire:** Ch Carnasserie Coal

**Dam:** Ch Armaitiu Nona Of Eagle

**Owner:** Cindy Pohl & Kenny Pohl, Butler, PA 16002

*Maggie Toth of Dancing Winds had a very busy Autumn and Winter!*

### **Jalerran's Heaven Sent At Dancing Winds "Nadia"**

09-14-14 Doggie Fun Day: Best In Show!

Obedience Novice A: 2nd Place!

10-21-14 Nadia earned her C.G.C. Title! Too young for Therapy Dog Title. Getting ready for conformation shows now plus learning the ground work for running on my team this coming winter.



This was not a good winter for this sport due to the frigid temperatures and snow drifts, but got my team out a couple of times and ran the township roads, Pawnee running lead and really does a good job at this! **GANGLINE IS TAUT!**

Yakira whelped a litter of 3 on 04-04-15! Mother and all are doing fine. Yakira runs right lead on my team with Pawnee.

### **Dancing Winds As It Is Written "Yakira"**



*Altha & Clint Graham's puppy received 2 Majors at the Louisville Shows in March! Congratulations!!*

### **Dalriada's Storm Warning At Graycottage**

**Breed:** Fox Terrier (Wire)

**Sex:** Dog

**DOB:** 08-09-13

**Breeder:** Cara Campbell

**Sire:** Ch Adiebabes Griffin 'N Sanherpinc

**Dam:** GCH Dalriada's Peggy Sue

**Owner:** Altha & Clint Graham, Hermitage, PA 16148

## How to Calculate Your Dog's Age

- **How to Determine a Dog's Age** It's common knowledge that [dogs](#) age faster than people. But the conventional wisdom that one dog year equals seven human years is an oversimplified view of how old your dog is in human years. Although a dog's age averages out this way, there is quite a bit of variation. For example, dogs mature more quickly than children in the first couple of years. So the first year of a dog's life is equal to about 15 human years, rather than seven.

Size and breed also influence the rate at which a dog ages. Although smaller dogs tend to live longer than larger dogs, they may mature more quickly in the first few years of life. A large dog may mature more slowly at first but already be considered elderly at age five. Small and toy breeds don't become "seniors" until around age 10. Medium-sized breeds are somewhere in the middle in terms of maturation and [lifespan](#).

In the chart below, use these general ranges for dog size:

- Small dog = 20 pounds or less
- Medium dog = 21-50 pounds
- Large dog = More than 50 pounds

### Translating Dog Years into Human Years

| Age of dog | Small breed -<br>age in human years | Medium breed -<br>age in human years | Large breed -<br>age in human years |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1          | 15                                  | 15                                   | 15                                  |
| 2          | 24                                  | 24                                   | 24                                  |
| 3          | 28                                  | 28                                   | 28                                  |
| 4          | 32                                  | 32                                   | 32                                  |
| 5          | 36                                  | 36                                   | 36                                  |
| 6          | 40                                  | 42                                   | 45                                  |
| 7          | 44                                  | 47                                   | 50                                  |
| 8          | 48                                  | 51                                   | 55                                  |
| 9          | 52                                  | 56                                   | 61                                  |
| 10         | 56                                  | 60                                   | 66                                  |
| 11         | 60                                  | 65                                   | 72                                  |
| 12         | 64                                  | 69                                   | 77                                  |
| 13         | 68                                  | 74                                   | 82                                  |
| 14         | 72                                  | 78                                   | 88                                  |
| 15         | 76                                  | 83                                   | 93                                  |
| 16         | 80                                  | 87                                   | 120                                 |

## How to Determine a Dog's Age

If you've adopted a [puppy](#) or dog but don't know the dog's history, you may wonder how old he is. Even if you don't know the birth date, it is still possible to estimate your dog's age.

[Teeth](#) can give a rough indication of a dog's age. The degree of growth helps determine how old a puppy is, and the degree of wear and tartar helps estimate the age of an adult dog. Of course, there are individual differences between dogs. And a dog's previous dental care will have an impact on the health of teeth.

Here are some general guidelines:

- **By 8 weeks:** All baby teeth are in.
- **By 7 months:** All permanent teeth are in and are white and clean.
- **By 1-2 years:** Teeth are duller and the back teeth may have some yellowing.
- **By 3-5 years:** All teeth may have tartar build-up and some tooth wear.
- **By 5-10 years:** Teeth show more wear and signs of disease.
- **By 10-15 years:** Teeth are worn, and heavy tartar build-up is likely with the possibility of some teeth missing.

Your vet can also estimate a dog's age based on a complete physical exam or tests looking at bones, joints, muscles, and internal organs. In older dogs, signs of aging may show up in a variety of ways, including:

- A cloudy appearance in the eyes
- Graying hair, especially around the muzzle at first, and spreading to other areas of the face, head, and body
- Less skin elasticity
- Stiffness

*The above information was taken from WebMD Veterinary Reference*