



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.

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2016 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)

April – Mary McCurdy

May – Gary & Jeanette Nestor

June – Clint & Altha Graham

July through October – To be determined at the June Meeting



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 rnamachar@outlook.com, 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. **Please forward articles and photos to arrive no later than 30 June 2016 for the Summer 2016 Edition.**

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)

*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.

The AKC Gazette and AKC Communicates Weekly are available on our club's website!



2016 Show Update - Plans for the September shows are coming along quickly. We will be offering the Owner Handler series on both days, sans the 4-6 puppy on Saturday. Sue and Ross Chapin will be in attendance this year! Before you know it we will be hitting several deadlines.

The first crucial deadline is trophies to be listed in the Premium List. Due by April 20th. Micki Sobota & Jan Stitt have agreed once again to man the trophies. Call Micki today at 724-845-2525 to get your trophy donations listed for your breed! She has wonderful breed towels again this year, hand towel size

and bathe size, or if you wish you may supply your own. We will continue with towels for the Group placements and shadow boxed rosettes for Best In Show!

Jinnie Stora has kindly agreed to continue gathering up the items for Juniors trophies, as well as picking up the apples & popcorn, which have been such a hit over the years! Also to keep up our supply of the Best of Breed "T" shirts, again another hit for our show! I have had exhibitors say that they look forward to receiving them.

Hospitality is again in the most capable hands of Reba Namachar and her hubby, John, is managing the grounds and RV parking. As time draws near a list will be available for helpers.

New signs are being created for Karen Robertson and her club tent.

The next consideration is if anyone wants to advertise in the catalog. Contact me if you want to hear more about it at krollj@yahoo.com.

Jean Kroll, BCKC Show Chairman



Education - 2016 Conformation Class Schedule - **Class schedule is located on the club's website.**

For additional status of classes (cancellation information etc.) Call: Mick 724-285-1466 or 724-494-5565, Email: Wcmenterprise@aol.com or musher1984@gmail.com, or Gary 724-352-9383.

Articles: I saw this article in the "This Old House" magazine regarding storm preparations for pets and thought I would share with you some of its highlights. - Reba Namachar



STORM PREP FOR PETS -

Make identification easy - Because you and your furry friend could get separated during a disaster, it's a good idea to have him microchipped.

Be prepared for evacuation - Put together a go bag for your pet. It should include a one-week supply of food, water, and medications, plus bowls and a can opener. Also have a spare ID tag, to record new contact info, and a pet first-aid kit. (For a detailed checklist of what to pack, visit humanesociety.org.)

Have an appropriate carrier at the ready - Have a labeled portable kennel or crate for every animal in the house. On the

top of each carrier, duck-tape a clear envelope containing a copy of medical and vaccination records and a picture of the animal. Review emergency information on your local government's website, and search in advance of an impending storm for pet-friendly accommodations. Monitor social media for up-to-the-minute shelter information.

Don't leave home without them - If nothing else, make sure each pet is wearing a collar and tags, and never leave animals behind!