



"Howler"

The Butler
County Kennel
Club, Inc.
December 2022



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

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2023 MEETING SCHEDULE (Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at 7PM, the first Tuesday of the month at the Butler YMCA – Trustees Room)

(Meeting, Event & Refreshment Schedule)

January 2023 – No meeting

February 2023 –

March 2023 –

April 2023 –

May 2023 –

June 2023 –

July 2023 –

August 2023 –

September 2023 – Alameda Park, Pine Shelter

October 2023 –

November 2023 – Holiday Dinner, TBD

December 2023 – Winter Recess, No meeting scheduled

EDUCATION –

BCKC Handling Classes – On Hold, looking for new location

For additional information, email:

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NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION – The "Howler" is our BCKC newsletter. If you are aware of something that club membership should be informed or just have some great pictures of your dog please send to Heather Donley at Heather.Donley@gmail.com, or you may contact her at 412-427-4849, or send correspondence to 78 Seldom Seen Rd, Bradfordwoods, PA 15015. I will include everything I receive in the next addition.

Facebook -

We have a public page and a private group. Send join request for private page. Questions regarding posting pictures, etc. to the public page can be directed to Ron Huber at hoodoodobes@gmail.com or Jean Kroll at butlercountykc@gmail.com.

BCKC WEBSITE ACCESS –

<https://butlercountykennelclub.com>

To get to the Members Only section:

1. Go to this URL: [Members Only | Butler County Kennel Club](#)
2. First time Click Password Reset Link, fill in email address
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MEMBERSHIP & CLUB DIRECTORY – Heather Donley, Secretary

Remember to notify the club secretary whenever there is a change to your home address/email address and phone number, send any updates to Heather.Donley@gmail.com.

Current Membership – 36 Active Members

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FALL NEWS -

Happy Holiday Season to all! The cold is finally here, those of us with winter weather breeds, they are loving it!

It was great seeing many of you at the Christmas Party! Lots of photos included! The Saxonburg Hotel, where we have the Christmas Party every year, is up for sale. So, time will tell whether we can do it there again next year or will have to pick a new place. I am hoping whoever buys it will keep it going very much the same, as it has always had great food!

Lots of wonderful Husky pictures this issue from our two favorite Husky breeders, Maggie and Courtney! The picture on the cover is one that Maggie took of all the dogs on her bed, I love them! Kinda makes me want one, except for I don't have a fenced yard and not enough room for them to run lol! Send me photos of all your beautiful dogs and goings on this winter for the next issue!

We were so busy with our shows and work this past summer/fall (stupid work always gets in the way lol!), that we haven't really had time to dedicate yet to trying to find a new location for our Conformation Classes. We would like to get something around the Cranberry area/close to where James and Margie can easily get there since they will mainly be running the classes. If anyone has any ideas for other locations, please let us know! Hoping we get some more time this winter to carve out to focus on this.

SHOW UPDATES –

Our shows went off this past September without a hitch! I realize now we should pick someone in the club to take photos! Every year I get running around, and before I know it the shows are over, and I have no photos except for ones I took of how things were set up!

But that aside, a big thank you to everyone who came out and helped! Even if you were only there for a couple of hours, there are key times of the day when we need more help than others, so thank you thank you!

The club officers met with Lawrence County Fairgrounds in October, to review and settle up on costs owed. Net profit for the show was \$2500. We gave a \$500 donation to Lawrence County Fairgrounds, as we typically do every year, provided we make a profit.

I know Jean has already been hard at work looking for judges and preparing for next years shows! This year and next we will be having 3 days of events – Friday, Saturday, and Sunday!

There will be Dock Diving on Friday again, looking to see what else we might expand into Friday, stay tuned. We think all the Health Clinics will come again, these were a great money maker, thank you Ron for pulling this all together!

CHRISTMAS PARTY PHOTOS! –

We had a fantastic time, it was great seeing everyone! I am not a wonderful photographer by any stretch, I can hear my one friend now saying I should have tried to photoshop and lighten some of them up lol! But I tried to get most everyone that was there, thank you all for coming!



Everyone awaiting our excellent meals!



Cathy was our wonderful master of ceremonies, guiding our gift exchange!



Marty figured out the fancy DOG book for us!



The Popularity Contest – *The ups and downs of the 20th century's most-registered AKC breeds.*

By [AKC Staff](#)

The American Kennel Club was founded in 1884 but really hit its stride during the 100 years, beginning in 1900, known as the "American Century." At the beginning of the new century, the AKC was a gentlemen's club ruled by the narrow interests of Northeastern power brokers. At century's end, the AKC was a multifaceted service organization of national scope and reach. The engine that drove the AKC's growth and diversification was a simple fact: Americans love our breeds and cannot imagine life without them. Here, we take a look at the variable popularity of those breeds, based on a hundred years of AKC registrations.

PRELUDE

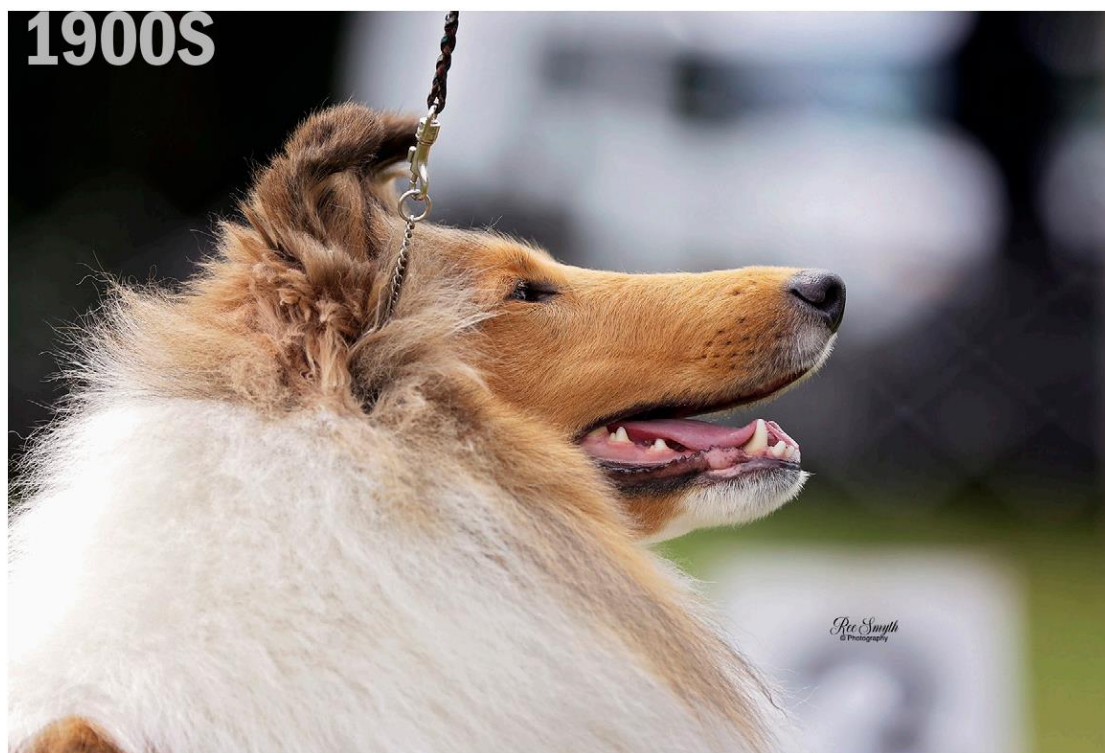
As the 1890s draw to a close, the Saint Bernard reigns as the decade's most-registered AKC breed. This is due to the Saint's vogue as a popular show dog among big kennel owners of the late 1800s. To this day, the Saint is the only giant breed to secure the AKC's top spot, as well as the only number-one breed to never again appear in the top 10. Also, in the 1890s' top 10 is another giant never again to reach such heights in the registration rankings, the Great Dane. Among other high-registration breeds of the Gilded Age are English Setters, Pointers, Collies, and the fox terrier breeds

1900s

1. Collie

The Collie, on a continual climb since its number-seven position in the 1880s, becomes the number-one breed of the new century's first decade. The breed ranks in the top 10 for seven decades of the 20th century. The decade's number-two breed, the Boston Terrier, stays in the top three for five decades, peaking at number-one in the 1910s and 1930s.

2. Boston Terrier
3. English Setter
4. Bull Terrier
5. Pointer
6. Cocker Spaniel
7. Bulldog
8. Airedale Terrier
9. Beagle
10. Irish Terrier



1910s

1. Boston Terrier

The Boston Terrier, a top 10 breed for six decades of the 20th century, remains the only "made in the U.S.A." breed to reach the number-one position, a feat the breed accomplished twice. The Airedale Terrier reached the number-two position, the highest the breed would ever climb. The King of Terriers appeared in the top 10 for three consecutive decades and then never regained such popularity. The decade also marked the French Bulldog's climb into the top 10. It would be a hundred years before the Frenchie returns to that rarified air. Recognized by AKC in 1906, the Pekingese makes its first appearance in the top 10. It would remain there for six consecutive decades.

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| 2. Airedale Terrier | 4. Beagle | 6. French Bulldog | 8. Cocker Spaniel | 10. Bull Terrier |
| 3. Collie | 5. Bulldog | 7. English Setter | 9. Pekingese | |

1920s

1. German Shepherd Dog

GSD movie stars Rin Tin Tin and Strongheart help popularize their breed in America. The GSD overtakes the Boston Terrier in 1925 and becomes the decade's number-one breed. The GSD then disappears from the top 10 until after World War II, when it reemerges as the number-six dog of the 1950s. The 1920s also see the Chow Chow climb to number three, the highest ranking the breed would ever achieve.

2. Boston Terrier
3. Chow Chow
4. Pekingese
5. Wire Fox Terrier
6. Collie
7. Beagle
8. Airedale
9. Cocker Spaniel
10. Bulldog



The dashing German Shepherd Dog ruled show rings of the Jazz Age.

1930s

1. Boston Terrier

The Boston becomes the first breed to enjoy the number-one position for two decades; the breed fell to the number-two position in the 1920s after its initial reign as number-one in the 1910s. The records of the Boston Terrier Club of America show that the breed was number-one or number-two for every year between 1905 and 1935.

A top-10 breed since the 1890s, the Cocker Spaniel began an impressive climb in the 1930s, gaining the number-two position. It is no surprise that during the Great Depression all 10 top breeds are small- or medium-sized companion dogs.

2. Cocker Spaniel
3. Smooth Fox Terrier
4. Scottish Terrier
5. Beagle
6. Pekingese
7. Chow Chow
8. English Springer Spaniel
9. Pomeranian
10. Bulldog



The small but plucky Boston was the ideal Depression-era companion.



1940s

1. Cocker Spaniel

No doubt spurred by the well-publicized Best in Show wins of Ch. My Own Brucie in the early 1940s, culminating in Brucie's picture on the cover of Life magazine, the Cocker Spaniel becomes America's most popular breed. Cockers retain the number-one ranking for 16 years, from 1936 to 1952. The Pekingese never becomes a number-one breed, but it ranks in the top 10 for six consecutive decades, from the 1910s through the 1960s, reaching its apex as the number-four breed of the 1920s.

2. Beagle
3. Boston Terrier
4. Collie
5. Boxer
6. Dachshund
7. Pekingese
8. Smooth Fox Terrier
9. English Springer Spaniel
10. Scottish Terrier

1950s

1. Beagle

The only breed to rank in the top 10 every decade since the AKC's founding became the nation's top breed in the 1950s: the Beagle. Not coincidentally, Snoopy makes his first appearance in newspaper comic strips on October 4, 1950, and swiftly becomes a pop phenomenon. The Beagle reigns as number-one from 1953 to 1959. The Boxer's rise to the number-three position may be linked to the career of one of America's most famous show dogs, Ch. Bang Away of Sirrah Crest, who made history by winning 121 Bests in Show, including Westminster in 1951.

2. Cocker Spaniel
3. Boxer
4. Chihuahua
5. Dachshund
6. German Shepherd Dog
7. Poodle
8. Collie
9. Boston Terrier
10. Pekingese





The Poodle begins a long sit atop the AKC rankings in the 1960s.

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1970s

1. Poodle

The Poodle, in the AKC since 1887, did not make the top 10 until the 1950s, when it ranked number seven. This glamorous show dog and companion rises to number one in the 1960s and becomes the first breed to hold the number-one spot for two straight decades. The Poodle held the record for most consecutive years atop the AKC rankings (1960–1982) until the spectacular rise of the Labrador Retriever later in the century.

In the 1970s the Poodle retained its top dog position for a second decade and has remained in the top 10 every decade since.

The Doberman Pinscher makes its first appearance in the top 10 in the 1970s as the number-three breed and would hold that position in the 1980s.

The Miniature Schnauzer enters the top 10 in the 1960s, and the 1970s mark the first appearance of the Labrador Retriever in the AKC top 10.

2. German Shepherd Dog

3. Beagle

4. Dachshund

5. Chihuahua

6. Pekingese

7. Collies

8. Miniature Schnauzer

9. Cocker Spaniel

10. Basset Hound

2. German Shepherd Dog

3. Doberman Pinscher

4. Beagle

5. Dachshund

6. Irish Setter

7. Cocker Spaniel

8. Miniature Schnauzer

9. Labrador Retriever

10. Collies

1980s

1. Cocker Spaniel

The number-one breed of the 1940s, the Cocker Spaniel, enjoys a renaissance in the 1980s, climbing to the number-one position.

After two decades as the country's number-one breed, the Poodle slips into the number-two position and would continue falling in subsequent decades.

The Labrador Retriever betters its number-nine position in the 1970s by leaping to the number-three spot in the '80s, and the Golden Retriever breaks into the top 10 for the first time at number five.

2. Poodle

3. Labrador Retriever

4. German Shepherd Dog

5. Golden Retriever

6. Doberman Pinscher

7. Beagle

8. Miniature Schnauzer

9. Dachshund

10. Chow Chow



The Cocker makes a spectacular comeback in the 1980s.

1990s

1. Labrador Retriever

The Lab moves into the top spot in 1991. The Rottweiler, an AKC breed since 1931, makes its first appearance in the decade's top 10 as the number-two breed.

The 1990s also marks the first appearance of the Yorkshire Terrier in a decade's top 10.

The Pomeranian returns to the top 10 for the first time since the 1930s.

2. Rottweiler

3. German Shepherd Dog

4. Golden Retriever

5. Cocker Spaniel

6. Poodle

7. Beagle

8. Dachshund

9. Yorkshire Terrier

10. Pomeranian



POSTSCRIPT

The 20th century began with a population shift from country to city. A hundred years later, a similar demographic realignment occurs. Young suburbanites relocate to the newly rebuilt downtowns of American cities. The Labrador Retriever continues a history-making reign as top dog—but the early 21st century sees smaller, city-friendly breeds like the Dachshund and Yorkshire Terrier making gains in popularity. In the 2010s another town dog, the French Bulldog, begins a rapid rise in the rankings that would place it number two, all breeds, in 2021 registrations. As we approach the century's quarter pole, it remains to be seen if such factors as inflation, the Baby Boom's exit from the workforce, and the work-from-home options available in the post-covid era will again reshuffle breed popularity. It can be said with some certainty, however, that there will always be AKC breeds to suit how and where we live, work, and play.—BB

Brags and Member Updates!



Shamokin Siberians!



To the left, Courtney says out of all the kennels she has, they all like to be in one together!

Left to right – Archie, Nikoma, Laika, Chance, and Laska

Below are some Shamokin candids of Courtney's crew, they are all so beautiful Courtney!

Left to right, the youngest members of the team, the 2 year olds, enjoying the fall weather!

Archie, Chance, and Nikoma!



The elders, making those kids mind their manners lol!

Left, Laika, 6 years old

To the right, Laska, 10 years old



Dancing Winds Siberians had a very busy summer and fall!

Maggie had a beautiful litter this past summer, she kept one sweet little girl, and had a very interesting puppy buyer pickup! One of Maggie's customers built a private plane, and whenever they get a puppy from her, they fly into Butler! This is the 4th puppy they have gotten from her.



Below, Talia's litter



To the right, Maggie's new addition to the pack, Dancing Winds Kissed By an Angel – Miss 'Noni', which means 'God's Gift'.



Below, Dancing Winds Siberians are welcoming their first snow of the year and are ready to be hooked up to the sled! This is their time to shine!



Maggie has also been having some amazing fun walks on her wonderful farm! So far I have not gotten up there yet, stupid work got in the way for the last one, but I will get there yet, looking forward to the next one!



How Many Dogs Does It Take To Change A Lightbulb?

By Scott Russell – Dec 2020



GOLDEN RETRIEVER: The sun is shining, the day is young, we've got our whole lives ahead of us, and your inside worrying about a stupid burned out lightbulb?

BORDER COLLIE: Just one. And then I'll replace any wiring that's not up to code.

DACHSHUND: You know I can't reach that stupid lamp!

ROTTWEILER: Make me.

BOXER: Who cares? I can still play with my squeaky toys in the dark.

LAB: Oh, me, me!!!! Pleeeeeeeeze let me change the lightbulb! Can I? Can I? Huh? Huh? Can I? Pleeeeeeeeze, please, please, please.

GERMAN SHEPARD: I'll change it as soon as I have led these people from the dark, checked to make sure I haven't missed anyone and make one final perimeter patrol to see that no one has tried to take advantage of the situation.

JACK RUSSELL TERRIER: I'll just pop it in while I'm bouncing off the walls and furniture.

OLD ENGLISH SHEEP DOG: Lightbulb? Sorry, I don't see any lightbulb.

COCKER SPANIEL: Why change it? I can still pee on the carpet in the dark.

POINTER: I see it, there it is, right there, I see it....

GREYHOUND: It isn't moving. Who cares?

AUSTRALIAN SHEPARD: Sure. But first let me get all the lightbulbs in a little circle.

POODLE: I'll just blow in the Border Collie's ear and he'll do it. By the time he finishes rewiring the house my nails will be dry. You're welcome.

THE CAT'S ANSWER: Dogs do not change lightbulbs. People change lightbulbs. So, the real question is: How long will it be before I can expect some light, some dinner and a massage?