



"Howler"

The Butler
County Kennel
Club, Inc.
July 2021



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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2021 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 2021 – No meeting

February 2021 – In Person and Webex

March 2020 – In Person and Webex

April 2021 – In Person and Webex

May 2021 – In Person and Webex

June 2021 – In Person and Webex

July 2021 – In Person and Webex

August 2021 – In Person and Webex

September 2021 – In Person, location TBD

October 2021 – In Person and Webex

November 2021 – Holiday Dinner, Saxonburg Hotel

December 2021 – Winter Recess, No meeting scheduled

EDUCATION –

BCKC Handling Classes – Aug 4th – Sept 8th at BDTA.
Wednesday nights at 8pm.

For additional information, call: Gary 724-352-9383.

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 Jean Kroll at \[butlercountykc@gmail.com\]\(mailto:butlercountykc@gmail.com\).](#)

BCKC WEBSITE ACCESS – *New Site is Live!*

<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
3. You will be sent a link to set your password
4. Any issues contact Heather.Donley@gmail.com

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 Active Membership – 36, 1 Pending Member

AKC DELEGATE – Barbara Ioia, barjon72@msn.com

JULY NEWS -

Happy 4th of July everyone! Hope you are all beating the heat ok and having fun with your dogs in the air conditioning some lol!

Several things for this month. Number one, a big Welcome to Debbie DeAngelis! Debbie came to the June meeting, and we did the first reading of her application. Debbie lives in the Brackenridge, PA area, and has Vizslas and Weimaraners. Look forward to seeing you again at the July meeting!

Second, is our September picnic will be at Alameda Park in Butler, the Jaycee Shelter. We have the shelter technically all day. Some of us will try to arrive at 4pm to get set up, dinner can start to be served at 5pm, meeting at 6pm/whenever we are all ready. We can finalize timing at the next couple of meetings. I will try and get together a food signup sheet soon, for members to bring sides as usual. Gary and Jeannette have graciously offered to get drinks and Chicken from Giant Eagle for our main course! Kathie has all the paper products from previous years that she can bring.

It is also coming on that time of year, during the June meeting we always pick our Nominating Committee: Jeanette Nestor (chair), Ross Chapin, and Ron Huber, and Jean Kroll (alternate)

According to the Bi-Laws, Members are to be notified in writing in the Club Newsletter the Nominees of the Committee before August 15th. Nominees are as follows for the 2022 year:

President	Marty Kroll
Vice President	Sue Chapin
Secretary	Heather Donley
Treasurer	James Miller-Marquez
Show Secretary	Jean Kroll
Board Members	Jeanette Nestor, Regina Beilstein, and Ron Huber

Additional nominations may be made at the September meeting by any member in attendance, provided that person accepts. If the proposed candidate is not in attendance at the September meeting, the proposed candidate must notify the Secretary in writing of their acceptance.

Also if anyone is interested, The Collie Club of Western PA is holding a FAST CATs (kinda like a 200 year dash version of the CATs we do at our show) on Saturday July 10th and Sunday July 11th in Latrobe, at the B&D Creekside Activity Center if anyone is interested. It's a fun morning, starts as early as 8am (run several groups usually), you can pre-register or just show up.

Lastly, full minutes are at the end of the newsletter, and will be posted on the Website as well.

Heather

SHOW NEWS AND INFORMATION -

Dates to remember:

- [Trophy submission to trophy chairperson - April 30](#)
- [2021 Premium submission - May 19, 2021](#)
- Premiums are being printed and distributed by MBF - July 28
- 2021 Catalog ads needs to be submitted to MBF - August 11
- 2021 Absolute Catalog deadline August 25, 2021
- Closing date of Shows – September 8, 2021
- Show Dates – September 25 & 26, 2021
- Set Up – Thursday and Friday, September 23 & 24, 2021
- Clean Up – Saturday and Sunday at the end of the shows. Sunday especially since we are to be off the grounds that night.
- October Meeting – Round up of 2021 and beginning to plan for 2022.

Will need help with tasks below during show:

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Cleaning and Setting up	_____	_____		
Parking			_____	_____
Hospitality am		_____	_____	_____
Hospitality pm		_____	_____	_____
Clean up after show			_____	_____
Judge transport during show (golf cart)			_____	_____
Helping at the club table			_____	_____
Stewarding Conformation			_____	_____
Stewarding Rally			_____	_____

Article below send to me by David Bagaley



Litter Size, Stress and Early Life

History is full of examples that demonstrate the importance of litter size, stress and early life experiences. Since there are no guarantees, enhancing a puppies early life experiences and improving the selection process that created them is critical. For the pup, it is the early environmental experiences with littermates and their mother that will influence and contribute to their later adult behavior.

Breeders and researchers have studied these problems and reported that litter size and the mild stress of competing for food in early life helps pups better cope with environmental challenges as an adult.

Some of the findings.:

Singleton litters. Pups born alone miss the opportunity to compete for food and the playful interactions with littermates. They live in a stress-free world.

Small Litters of two or three. These pups experience some competition for food, mild interactions with littermates and moderate amounts of stress.

Early Neurological Stimulation (ENS) exercises from 3-16 days of age helps to fill much of that void. The five ENS exercises provides moderate levels of stress that contributes to a pup's development.

Other factors influencing development involve the Maternal Influence. Three important findings:

1. Pups allowed to observe their own trained mothers work performed much better when tested as adults than other pups.
2. Pups weaned and separated at six weeks, had significantly lower performance ratings when tested as adults.
3. Pups weaned early showed that early separation had a negative effect on physical conditioning, weight gain and the susceptibility to disease.

MILD STRESS - STIMULATING THE NEUROLOGICAL SYSTEM (3- 16 days of age)

Learning how to stimulate the neurological system and its benefits are described and illustrated in this DVD. It also features a section on how to evaluate and choose the best puppies. Both programs demonstrate what breeders need to know and do during the weeks of early life.

CHOOSING PUPPIES

Most breeders believe they have a system for picking the best puppies, but a study of over 60 breeds shows that breeders are wrong more than 70% of the time. The DVD "[Choosing the Best Puppy](#)" offers a proven selection method that works. It also includes a demonstration of how to stimulate the neurological system in newborn pups (3 -16 days of age).



Choosing the Best Puppy - Extended Version -

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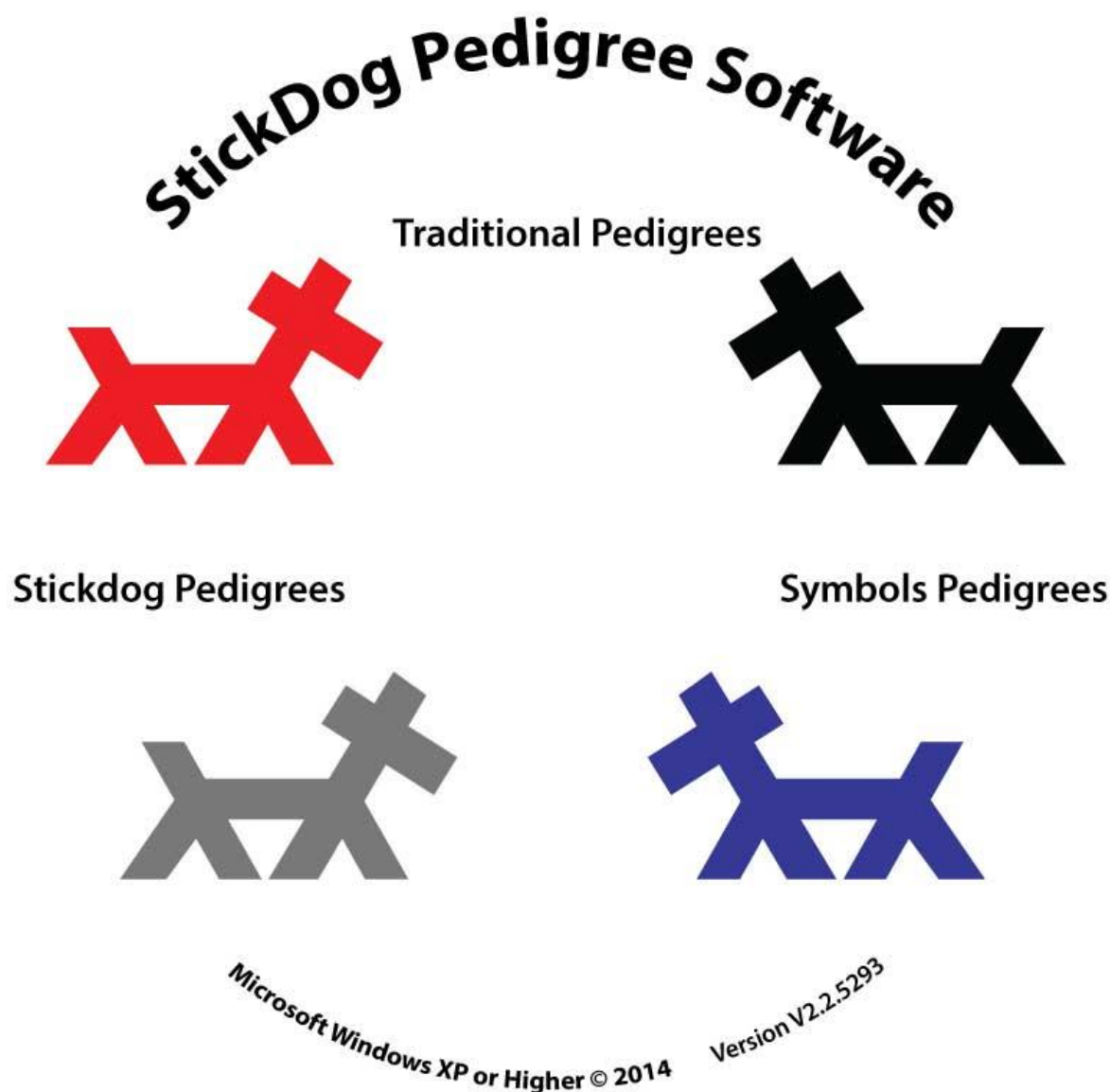
Includes
Choosing the Best Puppy
Early Neurological Stimulation
ENS Live Example

Selection Methods

Producing better pups starts with the selection of the right sire and dam which means knowing the strengths and weaknesses of their pedigrees. One of the best ways to learn about the traits of the ancestors is to use a pedigree that captures the needed information. The "Stick Dog Pedigree Software" is ideal for helping breeders record information that is

needed to make better selections. **Written for Microsoft Windows**, this software generates three pedigrees. One click generates the **Traditional pedigree** with the names, titles & certifications of each ancestor, another generates the **Stick Dog Pedigree** which codes the seven traits of conformation (ears, head, neck, front, back, rear, tail), a third click generates the **Symbols Pedigree** which shows the health of each ancestor. The normal's, carriers and affected. Selection of the right mates improves with this software. A User Manual provides step by step instructions.

Pedigree Software



Continuing Education Makes The Difference

How much you know determines how far you can go. When new information is reported we include it in our seminars. That's why our seminars continue to be popular. For example, the seminar "[Structure, Movement and Pedigree Analysis](#)" teaches breeders how to recognize good structure and movement. "[Developing Puppies](#)" teaches breeders how to develop and manage them. Other seminars can be tailored to fit the time available. See the list available. If you do not see a [seminar](#) near your residence, ask your club to [host one](#). They meet AKC's annual education requirement.

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Bragg and Member Updates!

Gary's Hercules did very well at the New Castle Shows! He beat the #1 Basset and the #10 Basset in the Country!

James' Argo took Select, Owner Handled Best of Breed and Group Breed!

Ron's Doberman Bitch took Best of Winners and Best of Opposite several times!

Marty showed a Newfoundland and got Winners Dog, as well as a Tervuren Bitch that got Winners Bitch, and an Australian Cattle Dog and got Breed and Select, and finished his Grand Championship!

Congratulations all!



No one sent me any pictures this month, so guess what you get – Collies lol!

Front cover is a picture of my friend's Collie that she is trying to finish. She's so close, she just needs one more Major! Trying for the Madison shows later this month!

To the left is my friend's dog, I helped her whelp the litter, 1 girl and 6 boys!

Below are my girls hanging out enjoying one of the cooler days while we did some yard work!





BCKC June 2021 Meeting

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

7:00 PM

Attendees:

- In Person
 - Heather Donley
 - Marty Kroll
 - Sue Chapin
 - Ross Chapin
 - Ron Huber
 - Jean Kroll
 - Regina Beilstein
 - Garry Nestor
 - Jeannette Nestor
 - James Miller-Marquez
 - Margie Miller-Marquez
 - Debbie DeAngelis (1st reading)
- WebEx
 - Kathie McCormick
 - Deb
 - Edna
 - Jackie

Minutes**Meeting called to order at 7:06pm****Reading of May Minutes**

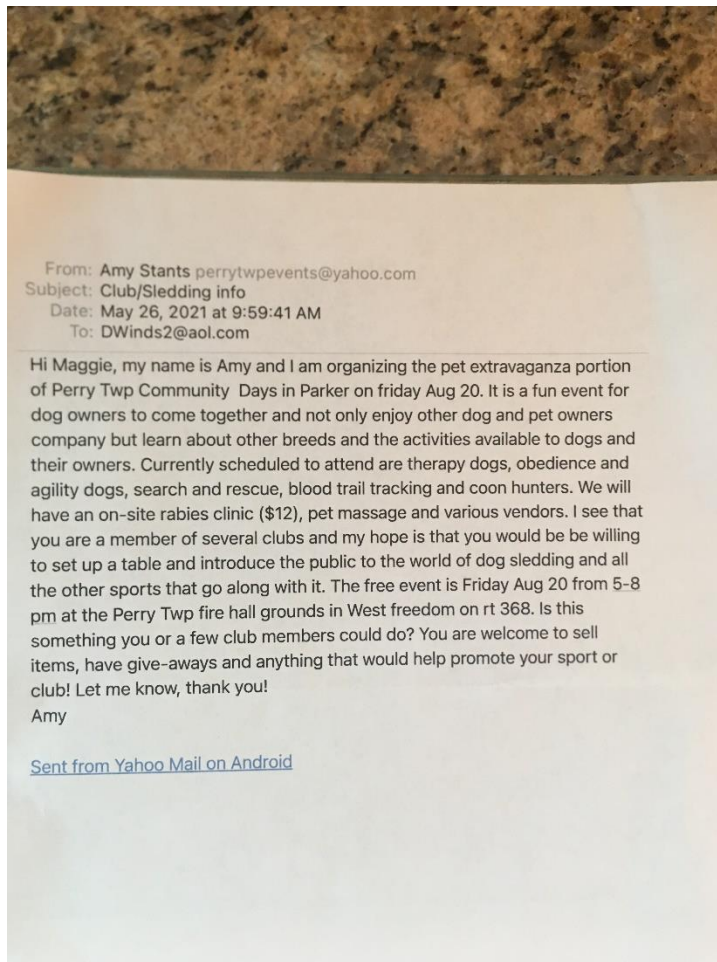
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Report of the President

- Nothing to report

Report of the Secretary

- Passed on to Jean and Ron, some information regarding social media, and promoting and growing your presence to the community.
 - They had several links and webinars, can see if any of it is appropriate for us or not
- The new website is now up and live.
 - Instructions updated in Newsletter for how to access the Members only section.
 - Everyone now has their own unique login, rather than the one generic id and password
 - If you have any issues or anyone needs assistance, let Heather know, and we can get Tammy to help.
- Maggie forward an email that she received.
 - Perry Township community days in Parker. August 20th
 - Looks like they are looking for groups to bring dogs, related to sporting events such as dog sledding, why Maggie received
 - Approximately 40 minutes away. Will be a rabies clinic, pet massage, other vendors
 - Members discussed, feel it is too hot for dogs and people to be sitting out for extended hours



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From: Amy Stants perrytwpevents@yahoo.com
Subject: Club/Sledding info
Date: May 26, 2021 at 9:59:41 AM
To: DWinds2@aol.com

Hi Maggie, my name is Amy and I am organizing the pet extravaganza portion of Perry Twp Community Days in Parker on Friday Aug 20. It is a fun event for dog owners to come together and not only enjoy other dog and pet owners company but learn about other breeds and the activities available to dogs and their owners. Currently scheduled to attend are therapy dogs, obedience and agility dogs, search and rescue, blood trail tracking and coon hunters. We will have an on-site rabies clinic (\$12), pet massage and various vendors. I see that you are a member of several clubs and my hope is that you would be willing to set up a table and introduce the public to the world of dog sledding and all the other sports that go along with it. The free event is Friday Aug 20 from 5-8 pm at the Perry Twp fire hall grounds in West Freedom on Rt 368. Is this something you or a few club members could do? You are welcome to sell items, have give-aways and anything that would help promote your sport or club! Let me know, thank you!
Amy

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

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September Picnic

- Heather paid \$30 to reserve the #2 Jaycee Shelter in Alameda Park for our September Meeting/Picnic
- September 7th, 9am - 9pm we have the Shelter
- Setup time 4pm
- Serve dinner 5pm,
- Meeting 6pm/when ready, can adjust schedule as needed
- It was discussed as to how we want to handle food this year
 - Paper products from Kathie
 - Club typically pays for drinks, burgers, hotdogs, members bring sides
 - Gary offered to get the drinks
 - Jeannette said she could get chicken at Giant Eagle, she gets a discount.
 - Heather will create and send out a sign-up sheet for sides, so we don't end up with all desserts:)

Treasurers Report

- FNB \$15824.94
- WF \$43493.82
- HT \$31840.19
- Trailer \$5676.96
- Credits - received \$10 final round of dues at New Castle show.
- Debts, 2021 dog show check written for golf carts. Another round of checks going out as soon as tonight.

Show Chair

- Jean will be sending in Rental contract soon. Some dates were wrong, and a clause was added to include the Youth building to our rental.
- We were approached by AKC in regards to having a Judges Institute.
- Tim Thomas is putting on an institute for judging and juniors. Eric/LCF will set up desks and chairs for them.
- Altha spoke with Fairgrounds Catering, they will do a buffet lunch for us both days of the show.
- Need to clarify with Tim if buying lunches for Judging Institute people as well.
- Jean is working with the tax collector to get forms from them, confirm what we need to pay for amusement tax, etc.
- Premium has been submitted. Jean made some changes. She looked at New Castles premium, to see what they did.
- Porta Johns, but still hasn't gotten a bill.
- Hired different security person suggested by LCF. This will probably cost a little more, going to have two security guards this year.
- Dock diving - Ron knows someone, think they can accommodate us. CATS can do Fri, Sat, Sun.
- Try to do three days for Diving too if we can.
- Want to move cats up towards the road more so people can see things driving by
- Heather asked if anyone wanted her to do the Volunteer Website again, or just do a spreadsheet of tasks/signups?
 - Marty suggested just doing the spreadsheet to start, so we can start to get volunteers assigned to tasks
- Margie finalizing trophies, several breeds are sponsoring.
- approved set of prizes - bag. Sent in check, should have by end of this month
- Margie wants to get them in early in case something happens. Second item to go along with the bag, Power Brick with the logo on it (Portable phone charger/battery)
- Marty talked to vendors at Memorial Day shows, got confirmation from some of them to come. James getting info on another vendor as well.
- At very least have those two. Couldn't get a commitment out of ice cream vendor, thinking it may too late in the year/what if it's cold.
- New vendor selling natural dog treats, gave her a contract, she is interested. Got a few others that we had in the past to see if they are interested.

Membership

- First reading new member - Debbie DeAngelis
- Deb.deangelis@verizon.net
- Have to attend two meetings. This counts as 1.
- Debbie will come to July meeting, then we will vote at the August meeting.

Old Business

- No Old Business

New Business

- Need a nominating committee. One of most important positions and committees in the club

- When put together the slate of candidates. Very seldom do others throw in their hat to run against people proposed by committee
- Jean votes to be an alternate committee member.
- Jeannette is the one person from board allowed. Need two more people not on the board.
- Ron is the 3rd. Ross is the 4th.
- It is Important to Publish the nominating committee is so members know who to contact if they are interested in a position on the Board.
- If someone on nominating committee would decide to do something, they would step down/alternate would step in. Or if someone cannot do it for whatever reason the alternate steps in.

Motion to Adjourn

- Motioned to adjourn by Jean Kroll
- Seconded by Ross Chapin

Brag

- Gary had 5 shows, out of 5 at New Castle Best of Breed and 4 selects, total of 20 points that weekend. First show on Thursday beat #1 Basset and #10 Basset in united states. He has 230 points, has a silver
- James' Argo Saturday took Select, Thursday show took Owner Handled Best of Breed and Group Breed
- Ron's Bitch took Best of Winners 4 times and Best of Opposite twice
- Marty showed Newfoundland at New Castle and got Winners Dog on Sunday. Got two points, Major broke. Now at 6 points.
- Showed a Tervuren Bitch that got Winners Bitch on Sunday, got a point. Australian Cattle Dog, Breed one day and Select two days, finished his Grand Championship