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AKC ANNOUNCES BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

At the Annual Meeting of the American Kennel Club on March 13, 2012, the AKC Board of Directors Class of 2016 was elected. The three Directors elected were: Patricia M. Cruz, Delegate for Heart of the Plains Kennel Club; William J. Feeney, Delegate for Sir Francis Drake Kennel Club, Inc.; and Thomas S. Powers, Delegate for

Kennel Club of Beverly Hills. In addition, Alan Kalter (American Bullmastiff Association, Inc.) was elected as Chairman of the Board and Dr. Robert D. Smith (Memphis Kennel Club, Inc.) was elected as the Vice Chairman of the Board at a meeting of the AKC Board of Directors, convened after the Delegates Meeting.

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Attention Members!

Please remember to apply for your achievement awards by April 15, 2012. There are many categories in which you may qualify.

Award nomination forms are in this issue

on pages 5-7. You can also check our website: Ramapokennelclub.com for the complete list of categories. Descriptions and requirements for Special Club awards are also listed in the front portion of your Roster.

Membership dues are payable by June 1, 2012. See Renewal Form on page 4.

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Ramapo Kennel Club Annual Awards Dinner

THURSDAY, June 14, 2012

(please note, this is not on the usual Wednesday)

7:00 p.m.

The Paris Inn

1292 Alps Rd.

Wayne, NJ 07470

Guests - \$30.00 Members - Free

Please R.S.V.P. to Lorraine Fennemore
973-227-0945 or
lorryfenn1@optonline.net

VISIT US ONLINE AT WWW.RAMAPOKENNELCLUB.COM

President's Message



Jeffrey David Ball

It is that time of the year—RKC officer elections. A nomination and election committee has been put together with Janis Hayes as Chairperson, Mary Gallagher and Gerrie Oliver. Lorraine Fennemore and Rose Ann Tucker are the alternates. The committee has met and you will find within this newsletter their slate of officers. Nominations will now be accepted from the floor at the general membership meetings in April and May. Members nominated must be present to accept that nomination. Elections will be held at the May meeting.

As you will see in that slate, I will not be running for President. It has truly been an

honor to serve as your president, but it's time for a change; change is generally a good thing. The Nomination and Election Committee has selected Sharon Fremer, who has been Vice President, to run for President. I believe they made a good selection and I know Sharon, if elected, will work hard for the club and I am sure make improvements.

I will not be leaving the Board, as per our constitution and by-laws, I would be staying on the Board as Past President, but the Committee has asked that I fill another position. Rose Radel who has been the club's AKC Delegate for 26 years is stepping down. Rose has done an amazing job as our club's delegate and truth be told, can never be replaced. She has been a true ambassador for our club

everyone, including other clubs and especially the AKC. If elected to serve in that position, I will truly do my best, though I know it will not be as well as what Rose has done. When I think of following Rose, since I like baseball, I think of following Lou Gehrig at first base for the Yankees after he retired. It's almost impossible. But I will do my best to make her and the club proud.

The great thing is Rose will stay on as delegate until the next person is approved by the AKC. Rose has also agreed to stay on the RKC Board; she has been nominated for a Board position. That is extremely important to the club since her knowledge and experience is irreplaceable. A very special thank you to Rose for all she has done for the club and sport.

I would also like to thank Arlene Scardo who will be leaving the Board; Arlene is another of those very special people who have worked hard over the years to make this sport and the club better.

Once the new officers take office, they will be putting together committee chairs for the 2012-2013 year. If you are interested in any position, please speak up. I have said it a thousand times; I will only have a few more chances to say it as President, so I will say it again. This club is only as good as its members. We ALWAYS need volunteers. Please consider getting more involved and if you are not sure how, or what you could do, speak to any of the current officers or board members and we will all gladly speak to you about it. We can definitely find something for you to do.

If you do not already know, I have been elected as the new President of the New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs. I am looking forward to the challenges; trust me when I say there will be many. Legislative issues being at the top of that list. Please keep your eyes and ears open to upcoming legislative issues in your town. Just when you think you do not have to worry, that is when something may appear.

Please remember if you would like to purchase a NJFDC Breeders Guide or 2012 Show calendar, Sharon Fremer can assist you with that.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the April meeting.

Jeffrey

Ramapo Kennel Club Officers

President

Jeffrey David Ball
jeffbetsyball@yahoo.com

Vice President

Sharon Fremer

Treasurer

Ruth Henningsen

Recording Secretary

Kim Luikert

Corresponding Secretary

Tilly Grassa
tgcreative@aol.com

Board of Directors 2012

Arlene Scardo

2013

Lorraine Fennemore
Janis Hayes

2014

Diane Ammerman
Joanne Silver
Arlene Stover

AKC Delegate

Rose Radel

and the sport. She has worked exceptionally hard over the years and has earned the respect of

Minutes

RKC Member Meeting
March 14th 2012
VFW Hall
Fairfield, NJ 07004

President Jeffrey Ball called the meeting to order at 9:05pm.

Recording Secretary-The January minutes were reviewed. Amy Starost made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Tilly Grassa voted upon and approved.

Corresponding Secretary- A letter of resignation as AKC Delegate was read from Rose Radel. Rose served as RKC's Delegate for 26 years.

There is an AKC Lifetime achievement award available, anyone with a suggestion for a nominee please submit to any Board member.

Properties- Ruth, Joanne and Elaine cleaned out the trailer. Jeffrey pulled it to his home and will look for a way to get rid of it.

Obedience Classes- Are going extremely well, the advanced Rally classes have been moved to Tuesday evening after show handling to accommodate the larger class size.

Show Handling Classes- Had an increase in the last two months.

Hospitality- Kim Luikert and Jeffrey Ball will bring refreshments to the April meeting.

Program- Lori Wolfbach will be doing April's program.

Sunshine- Shirley Irwin's husband Bruce passed away, the Club sent a donation to The American Cancer Society. Longtime member Diane Sorrentino passed away and Judge Judy Goodin passed away.

Pet Therapy- Is looking for a place to hold classes.

Show Committee- A tentative judges panels is set. A Harvest Cluster meeting will be set. Obedience has all judges set for both days.

AKC Report- Pat Cruz, Tom Powers and Bill Feeny were elected to the Board. Terms expired-Ron Menaker, Dr Tom Davies and Walter Goodman. New Chairman-Alan Kalter, Vice Chairman-Bob Smith. Retirements-Robin Stansell and Curt Curtis. Financial-Jim Stevens gave a detailed comparison of recent years. 2011 was challenging, painful reductions were made. Good news for 2012 projections of a surplus. Agility entries surpassed 1 million in 2011. AKC publications received

7 awards from Dog Writers association. Lisa Gonzalez VP of Marketing gave an excellent presentation "My dog can do that" encouraging new owners and dogs to AKC events. The AKC has a new web site. Voting-Amendment on points for Reserve Winners at Specialties withdrawn for further study. Amendment-Dog Show Rules remove references to practice of restricting entries to puppies passed in favor. All related to changing groups from 7 to 11 did not pass 2/3 vote required. 231 in favor (264 needed) 165 opposed. Grand Field Champion Title voted to refer back to Committee. Match Show-4-H Grooming and Handling every participant receives a ribbon, highly successful- AKC Credit.

Constitution and By-Laws- A discussion was had to changing term limits. The following statement will be added to article III section 1. Term limits may be waived by the Board in the event the Nominations and Election Committee fails to provide a candidate for a vacant position. Diane Ammerman made a motion to include any and all changed to go to AKC. If not approved by AKC then it must come back to membership. Tilly seconded motion, voted upon and approved. Electronic Media was added to Article V section 1.

Awards Committee- Please send recommendations to Elaine Barrone.

Guests- Karen Stickel

Elaine Barrone made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30, seconded by Janis Hayes, voted upon and approved.

Respectfully Submitted by

Kim Luikert

March 25, 2012

NOMINATION AND ELECTION COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES 2012 SLATE

Nominations for the 2012 Board are as follows: President- Sharon Fremer, Vice President- Arlene Stover, Recording Secretary- Kim Luikert, Corresponding Secretary- Tilly Grassa, Treasurer- Ruth Henningson, Board Members- Rose Radel and Amy Starost, AKC Delegate-Jeffrey Ball.

Membership Dues Renewal Form 2012 - 2013

Dear RKC Member,

Dues for the coming year, 2012 – 2013 are now due and payable by **June 1, 2012**. Please make checks payable to the **RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB** and mail to:

Ruth Henningsen
Ramapo Kennel Club Treasurer
153 Holland Mt. Rd.
Oak Ridge, NJ 07438

_____ Junior Membership \$10.00 (10 – 18 years old)

_____ Regular Membership \$25.00

_____ Family Membership \$40.00 (2 persons 18 yrs and older residing in the same household)

_____ Life Membership(25 years) No membership fee required. **\$10.00 to receive the *Growl*/Roster by mail**

SUBSCRIPTION FEE: \$10.00—With the increased cost of printing and postage, if you would like to continue to receive the *GROWL* and ROSTER by mail you will need to include a \$10.00 fee with your membership renewal. **This includes Life Members.** The *Growl* will be emailed monthly and you can view the *Growl* online at www.ramapokennelclub.com for no fee.

In order to update our records and the Roster please include any additions or corrections to your current listing. **PLEASE PRINT—Life Members please complete form to keep your information up to date.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (home) _____ (cell) _____

(work) _____ (fax) _____

E-Mail _____

Kennel Name _____ Breed _____

Interests: (circle) Breeder Agility CGC evaluator Conformation Field Trials Hunt Test Judge
Obedience Pet Therapy Rally Rescue Tracking Other _____

Please return this entire form with your payment. Check made payable to Ramapo KC.

THANK YOU

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATIONS

NOTE: NOMINATIONS ARE DUE APRIL 15, 2012

CALENDAR YEAR JAN. 1, 2011 THROUGH DEC. 31, 2011

Reg. Name of Dog _____

Dog _____ Bitch _____

AKC# _____ Breed/Variety _____

Owner(s) _____

Address _____

Breeder _____

Owned by member(s) _____ Bred by Member(s) _____

Handled by Member(s) _____

*Indicate name of RKC Member who is to receive the award.

CATEGORY

HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

BIS (All Breed) Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

BIS (Specialty) Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

High in Trial Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

Best in Field Trial Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

Conformation Champion Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

Grand Champion Show _____ Date _____

Obedience Trial Champion Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

Field Trial Champion Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

OBEDIENCE DEGREE AWARDS

BN Degree Show _____ Date _____

CD Degree Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

GN Degree Show _____ Date _____

CDX Degree Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

GO Degree Show _____ Date _____

UD Degree Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

VS Degree Show _____ Date _____

TD Degree Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

TDX Degree Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

RN Degree Show _____ Date _____

RA Degree Show _____ Date _____

RE Degree Show _____ Date _____

RA/RE Degree Show _____ Date _____

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION, continued

OTHER AKC TITLES (Herding, Field, Agility etc.)

_____ Show _____ Date _____ Country _____
_____ Show _____ Date _____ Country _____
_____ Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

Photocopies of all AKC Titles must be sent with entry. No awards will be given without photocopies. NO EXCEPTIONS!! Non-AKC Titles will only count towards the breeders' award and certificates of achievement. Temperament testing is a Non-AKC Title.

Non-Regular Awards and Requirements

Additional Non-AKC Awards (CGC, TT, etc., applicable for Certificate of Achievement only)

_____ Show _____ Date _____ Country _____
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_____ Show _____ Date _____ Country _____

AENNCHEN ANTONELLI/GILMA BLAUVELT - MOSS BREEDERS AWARD

1. Award to be won by a club member who is the breeder of record of the dogs winning the most titles in each calendar year. Dogs do not need to be owned by the club member. It is the total number of titles won which determines the winner, not the number of individual dogs.
2. Any recognized titles shall be included, ie Champion, Obedience, Field, Working Dog, etc.
3. Titles may be won in any country of the world.

LEE ABRAHAM AWARD FOR BREEDER OF THE YEAR

Presented to the owner of the bitch who:

1. Produced the most champions (bred by owner from one bitch only) during the calendar year.
2. Only American Kennel Club Championships to count.

MILLIE MC CABE AWARD FOR STUD DOG OF THE YEAR

Presented to the owner of the Stud Dog who:

1. Produced the most "Champions" during the calendar year.
2. Only American Kennel Club Championships to count.

WILLIAM AND RUBY KLEINMANN'S MEMORIAL AWARD

This Award is figured from January 1, 2011 thru December 31, 2011, for the June 2012 Award. This award will be based on the greatest number of dogs defeated in breed competition (up to and including Best in Show) by a single dog **handled by its Owner**. Dogs owned or co-owned by a Professional handler are excluded. If the dog is owned and handled by more than one member (neither of which is a Professional handler), both members will share the award equally.

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The following rules govern the choice of the recipient of this award each year.

3. This award is presented to the RKC member who has provided dedicated service to the club and the sport of purebred dogs.
4. Award is given to a club member who has been nominated by the membership and approved by the Board of Directors and Officers.
5. To be presented at the June Awards Dinner. Recipient only may be told to insure their being present.

LESLEE VALENTE MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR EXCELLENCE IN OBEDIENCE

This award is given to a member who handled the dog with the highest average scores in AKC Novice A or B from January 1, 2011, thru December 31, 2011. Minimum of three scores required. All qualifying scores count. Winner is to retain custody of the award for the year.

Eligibility for Ramapo Kennel Club Awards

In order to apply and receive any Achievement Awards, members must fulfill at least two of the following:

1. Work the Point Show.
2. Work the Match Show.
3. Attend two (2) Club Meetings
4. Work at Obedience and/or Show Handling Classes
5. Work on a Club Committee.
6. Participate in a Public Education Demonstration through the Club
7. Participate in a Pet Therapy Session through the Club.

(Life Members or members living more than 60 miles from show functions are exempt)

In addition, to give recognition to a greater number of members, Achievement Awards will be limited to three (3) consecutive wins by a member.

All award entries must be received by APRIL 15th, 2012 with photocopies of Wins and Titles to:

**ELAINE BARONE
10 BIRCH ROAD
KINNELON, NJ 07405-2505
E-mail elaineb.bowow@juno.com**

YOU MAY E-MAIL ELAINE YOUR LETTERS FOR THE "GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD"

Feel free to e-mail your awards ONLY if you can scan the forms and certificates required.
Thank you, and Elaine looks forward to hearing from all of you.



NORTH JERSEY SIBERIAN HUSKY CLUB
AKC SANCTIONED Plan B(OB) SPECIALTY MATCH
with
ALL BREED/MIXED BREED OBEDIENCE & RALLY

Rally courses will include the "New Exercises"

Saturday, May 12, 2012

CAMP JEFFERSON

81 WELDON ROAD, LAKE HOPATCONG, NJ 07849

Entry Forms available at www.NJSHC.com or use AKC entry form

Pre-Entries:

Entries Day of Show:
10:00 – 11:00 AM

Fees: Breed: \$9.00 Junior Showmanship Free Obedience/Rally: \$9.00 2 nd Entry, Same Dog \$7.00	Fees: Breed: \$11.00 Junior Showmanship Free Obedience/Rally \$11.00 2 nd Entry of same dog: \$9.00
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JUDGING

This match follows our A-OA Match and will begin no earlier than 11:00 AM.

Conformation	Time	Judge	Obed/Rally	Time	Judge
Regular Classes: 3-6, 6-9, 9-12 & 12 – 18 Am Bred & Open	11:30	Dominic DiBalsi	Beginner Novice, Novice A&B	11:00	Ruth Henningsen
Jr. Show:	Following Reg Classes	TBA	Open A & B	11:00	Elaine Barone
			Utility	11:00	Irwin Linker
			Rally:	11:00	Sara Steele

- Rosettes & Ribbons awarded in Breed
- No ribbons or trophies will be awarded in Obedience or Rally. It is strongly suggested that Obedience and Rally exhibitors pre-enter, however, entries will be taken the day of the show.
- Wins carry no Championship points
- Dogs/Bitches with major points may enter in Breed
- Professional Handlers to handle own dogs only

DIRECTIONS:

From Route 80 West:

Take exit 34B to the Route 15 North exit. Travel North on Route 15 past the fourth traffic light. After this light, be sure that you are in the right lane and take the second ramp on the right exiting at Weldon Road (immediately after the Lake Shawnee exit ramp). This exit puts you directly onto Weldon Road; and the Camp is a short distance, on the left.

From Route 80 East:

Take exit 33 and follow signs for Route 15 North. Proceed as above.

Please remember to bring chairs and water for your dogs. Breakfast items will be available.

Portable Toilets will be provided.

For More Information:	Cindy Geertsema	973-729-0079 or Cindy@njshc.com
Match Secretary:	Cindy Geertsema	11 Underrock Road Sparta, NJ 07871

Entry forms are available at www.njshc.com or use AKC entry form

ROSTER CHANGES

Please make the following changes to your rosters:

Gerri Oliver's address should be 60 Columbus Avenue, not 69.

TROPHY SPONSORS NEEDED FOR THE UPCOMING RKC POINT SHOW

Please see Kim Luikert, trophy chair or email her at kim.luikert@gmail.com. There will be a sign-up sheet at the April meeting.

Thinking about getting a dog?

Consider a purebred adult.

Rescuing an adult purebred means you already know the dog's size, appearance, and temperament. Many have had some basic dog training, are calmer and have outgrown some of the challenging behaviors of puppyhood.



If you are interested in giving a rescued purebred dog a second chance at a safe and loving home, visit www.akc.org or call 919-233-9767 to find out about AKC® breed clubs and purebred rescue organizations.

A message from:



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB

GOT STUFF?

Send your news, brags, suggestions, comments and photos to either Tilly Grassa, tgcreative@aol.com, or Sharon Fremer, teneo@mac.com. Remember the *Growl* comes out about a week before each monthly meeting. Check the calendar on the last page for submission deadlines. The *Growl* is by and for the members so we need your help.



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Dates to remember:

All membership meetings are held at

**VFW HALL
45 PLYMOUTH STREET
FAIRFIELD, NJ AT 8:00 PM
(unless otherwise noted)**

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| April 11 | Membership Meeting. Program: Pet therapy work |
| April 15 | RKC Achievement Awards entry deadline |
| April 27 | Deadline for May <i>Growl</i> submissions |
| May 9 | Membership Meeting. Program: DVD presentation, AKC during the 9-11 crisis |
| May 30 | Deadline for June <i>Growl</i> submissions |
| THURSDAY, June 14 | RKC Awards Dinner, 7pm, at the Paris Inn, Wayne, NJ |



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