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## NJ ACTION NEEDED: HEARING ON RADICAL BILL TO REPEAL CONSUMER PROTECTIONS & LIMIT PET CHOICE

Wednesday, February 03, 2016

On Monday, February 8, 2016, the New Jersey Senate Economic Growth Committee will consider Senate Bill 63. The bill repeals consumer protection laws for pet purchasers, prohibits the sale of dogs unless the transactions are conducted face-to-face, and requires pet shops to sell dogs sourced only from shelters and pounds. Because SB 63 will ultimately harm consumers and all dog breeders, the American Kennel Club (AKC) and the New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs strongly oppose Senate Bill 63. **It is crucial that all concerned dog owners and breeders, including breeders who reside outside of New Jersey who may sell a dog in the state and owners who reside in New Jersey and wish to preserve the option of purchasing a purpose-bred dog from out of state, contact the members of the Senate Economic Growth Committee and urge strong opposition to the radical legislation prior to Monday's committee hearing. Interested parties are also strongly encouraged to attend Monday's hearing and express respectful but strong opposition to SB 63.**

If enacted as currently written, SB 63 will upend New Jersey's current animal laws in favor of radical, untested policies that will ultimately harm consumers. **Banning the sale of pets from known, regulated and inspected sources, and allowing pet shops to only sell pets from unknown, unregulated and uninspected sources, does the exact opposite of its**

effect as recently as 2015. Consumer protection laws protect purchasers, incentivize the breeding of healthy animals in safe conditions, and add stability to commerce involving pet sales. Repealing such laws not only harms significant recent advancement in industry standards for professional breeding practices; it also harms consumers who will no longer be able to obtain information about the breeder, pedigree or original source of a pet purchased from a pet shop, and eliminates consumer options for recourse if they encounter problems with such a pet. New Jersey's consumers deserve the reasonable protections provided by the state's Pet Purchaser Protection Act and the right to obtain a healthy pet of their choice.

It will prohibit the sale, offer for sale, transfer, exchange, or barter of a dog or cat, or otherwise engage in a transaction concerning a dog or cat, unless the transaction is completed in person. This provision explicitly applies to transactions between a breeder or other seller (undefined in SB 63) and a consumer who are both in New Jersey, between a breeder or other seller in the state and a consumer in another state, and between a breeder or other seller in another state and a consumer in New Jersey. It is further problematic that any group organized as a rescue/shelter or similar entity already exempt from current consumer protection laws would also be exempt from these requirements.

The AKC has for years encouraged puppy buyers to exercise responsibility by meeting the breeders of their new pet and working with them to understand the requirements, commitment, and challenges that come with a new puppy. **However, as currently written, SB 63 encompasses not only internet-based sellers, but also small hobby breeders. SB 63 punishes responsible breeders and lacks a fundamental understanding of how small hobby breeders operate. Furthermore, SB 63 creates an unfair burden on hobby breeders who may depend on the ability to place dogs selectively in known situations without physically meeting with the purchaser in their home or kennel at the specific time of sale. Many hobbyists are comfortable purchasing an animal sight unseen based on years of studying bloodlines and pedigrees, the existence of previous relationships or purchases from the same breeder, or personal knowledge of a breeder's facilities and operating procedures. These**

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**purported intent: It removes available consumer protections for new pet owners and potentially increases public health risks for the entire community.**

#### KEY PROBLEMS WITH SB 63 INCLUDE:

All provisions of New Jersey's Pet Purchaser Protection Act will be repealed, including provisions put into

# President's Message



JACK GRASSA

Sharon Fremer

This winter's weather has been anything but routine. In keeping with that, our February meeting will break with the usual format. We are bringing back an activity that was enjoyed years ago, but hasn't been part of our meetings recently — Bingo Night! This will be

Pay to Play and the money collected will be donated to one or more worthy causes. We have not yet determined which ones. If you have an idea about one, please let me know ([teneo@mac.com](mailto:teneo@mac.com)). I will compile a list and we can vote on it at the meeting. We can also use donations for prizes. If you have something you think would be good, please also let me know about that. BIG

thanks to Joanne Silver for supplying everything we need to do this. I've heard these games can get pretty crazy, so be prepared to have fun!

As seen on the front page of this *Growl* and in Tilly Grassa's email earlier today, on Monday, February 8th, the New Jersey Senate Economic Growth Committee will consider Senate Bill 63. This dangerous bill will repeal consumer protection laws for pet purchasers, prohibit the sale of dogs where the transactions are not conducted face-to-face and requires pet shops to

sell only those dogs sourced from shelters and pounds. All the gory details can be found on the front page. Once again, we find ourselves having to fend off Animal Rights activists like the Humane Society of the United States (who, I believe, had a hand in drafting this bill). It is ESSENTIAL that we make our voices heard in Trenton. Please contact members of the Senate Economic Growth Committee and tell them in no uncertain terms that you are opposed to this bill, and tell them why. Please also share information about this bill far and wide. If we don't stand united and strong life with our dogs as we know it will become history. We cannot allow that to happen.

This year's show chair, Melissa Ayer, has been extraordinarily busy planning our October point shows. We are fortunate to be holding them on Saturday and Sunday for the first time. If you would like to volunteer to help or have ideas to contribute, please contact Melissa to let her know (203-313-2697 or [melissa.ayer@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.ayer@gmail.com)).

Although it is unlikely for next week's meeting, if there might be a question about a meeting being held due to weather, please be sure to check in with us before heading out the door. We will try to get cancellations posted on the website as well as make calls to notify people. Please feel free to call my cell phone (201-665-2565) or email me ([teneo@mac.com](mailto:teneo@mac.com)) if you are unsure.

Sharon

## Ramapo Kennel Club Officers

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Elaine Barone  
Lorraine Fennemore  
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Jeffrey David Ball

# Minutes

**RKC Member Meeting**  
**January 13th, 2016**  
**American Legion Hall**  
**11 Oak Ave.**  
**Pequannock, NJ 07440**

Betty McDonald presented a film from the AKC about the Foundation Stock Service.

Sharon Fremer called the meeting to order at 9:15 PM.

**Recording Secretary-** Amy Starost made motion to accept the December minutes and Lorraine Fennemore seconded - voted on and approved.

**Corresponding Secretary-** Tilly Grassa received the following: a thank you card from Cindy McMillan for the fruit basket; a nominating committee letter from the NJFDC; member dues from the AKC; thank you from the Symons' for the trophy honoring Sue Cone; Shirley Irwin's suggestion to have the Grawl sealed in some manner so it arrives to members in one piece—Jeffrey Ball will try another post office as he has not had a problem with other mailings he sent out; nominating committee slate for NJFDC: President- Jeff Ball, First Vice President- Joan Tabor, Second Vice President-Linda Deutschland, Treasurer- Pricilla Gabosch, Corresponding Secretary- Rose DeMario-Bednarz, Recording Secretary-Teresa Cuchiaro, Directors for class of 2018- Sharon Fremer, Barbara Richman, Margaret Strowe, Sue Sullivan.

**Treasurer-** Ruth Henningsen received: Three thank you notes from Blue Ridge Rescue, VFW post 8096 for the donation, Friends of Livingston Library for donation of book.

**Membership-** Joan Kuehn second reading for new membership. Voting will be next month.

**AKC Delegate-** Please see Jeffrey Ball if you have any input for the people who are running for the AKC Board. Lee Arnold, former Ramapo member is fighting cancer.

Territory issues are still a concern. AKC Reunite trailer in Bergen County is not compatible with the generators. As it turns out all of the 56 trailers are not compatible with the plug-in generators. Supposedly AKC is sending adapters to remedy the problem.

**NJFDC-** Hoping to have a Lobby Day in a month and half. Both houses of legislation should be in session. Associate memberships are still available, information is in the newsletter.

**Point show-** Melissa Ayer reported that only one open committee head slot left— Judges Hospitality. Janet Mines Krings of Palisades KC is willing to share her information about the position and meet with the club to assist but she is not in a position to do so. Eight specialties have signed up to join us. Job descriptions will be put in newsletter.

**Match Show-** Sharon reported that Saturday June 4th is available for Sunnybank in Wayne, and Fred Hachtel is willing to be the Chair. Rose Radel made a motion to hold the 2016 Match show on June 4th at Sunnybank and extend an invitation to the Pyrenees and Great Dane clubs with Fred Hachtel chairing the event and Sharon as assistant chair. Tilly Grassa seconded, voted on and approved.

**Obedience-** February 9th there will be a CGC test.

**Refreshments-** Karen Stickel, Amy Starost and Joan Kuehn will bring refreshments for February.

**Sunshine-** Lorraine Fennemore is looking for cute, appropriate, dog related get-well cards to send out to ailing members. If you see any please bring them to the next meeting.

Jeffrey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 seconded by Elaine Barone, voted on and approved.

*Respectfully submitted by*  
*Kim Luikert*  
*January 20th 2016*

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scenarios are particularly common for breeders and fanciers of rare breeds. Likewise, it is also not reasonable for hobby breeders—including those who may own several “breeding females” but who breed very rarely or breed rare breeds—to expect that purchasers will be willing to travel long distances to purchase a particular puppy in person.

While punishing small responsible hobby breeders, consumers, and licensed and regulated pet shops in New Jersey communities, SB 63 does nothing to prohibit the larger problem of the sale of puppies and kittens from the back of trucks in parking lots and highway rest stops.

Pet stores will be allowed to sell only those dogs and cats sourced from shelters and other similar organizations. **Unfortunately, many communities lack sufficient local breeders to meet the demand for the specific pets desired by local residents. If SB 63 is enacted, families in New Jersey will lose an important source for choosing a pet that is the best fit for their lifestyle and circumstances. Those seeking a puppy that is a specific breed from a professional breeder subject to USDA or state animal welfare standards, or one that has traditionally been covered by New Jersey’s pet purchaser protection laws, will likely have little other alternative than to obtain a pet of unknown origin and health history or status.**

**When consumers cannot acquire a pet that is an appropriate fit for their lifestyle, that animal is more likely to end up in the shelter system. A better solution is to ensure that consumers are educated, understand the demands of responsible ownership, and have access to a variety of pets so that they can make educated choices.**

Local governments will be permitted to enact more restrictive local control over pet stores. **Affording localities this power will likely further restrict New Jersey consumers’ ability to obtain quality pets that are the best for their lifestyle, that are from the source of their choosing, and that have been subject to regulated and inspected sources.**

Includes over two pages of misleading legislative “findings” that impugn dog breeders with out-of-date information, questionable statistics, and discredited conjecture. In practice, legislative findings that are enacted are often used as justification for additional legislation later. **AKC believes disputed and purposefully misleading anti-breeder language must not become part of New Jersey statutory law.**

### WHAT YOU CAN DO:

It is imperative that all concerned dog owners and breeders, and residents of New Jersey who wish to preserve the option to obtain a pet of their choice, **email and call** the members of the Senate Economic Growth Committee and urge strong opposition to the radical SB 63 prior to their meeting on Monday, February 8, 2016. Interested parties are also strongly encouraged to attend Monday’s hearing and express respectful but strong opposition to SB 63.

*Members of the New Jersey Senate Economic Growth Committee:*

**State Senator Raymond J. Lesniak, Committee Chairman** – Sen. Lesniak is currently the only sponsor of SB 63. As the chairman of the committee who will consider the bill he sponsored, it is likely that the bill will pass the committee as currently written. **However, media reports have indicated that State Senator Lesniak is considering a run to become New Jersey’s next governor.** Therefore, it is important that concerned parties express respectful yet emphatic doubt on the wisdom of removing consumer protections that benefit voters who will decide upon his likely candidacy.

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You may also contact the Senate Economic Growth Committee aides with your concerns and request for opposition. The aide for Democratic members (Lesniak, Cruz-Perez, and Whelan) is Alison Accetola—(609) 847-3700, [AAccetola@njleg.org](mailto:AAccetola@njleg.org). The aide for Republican members (Kyrillos and Oroho) is Laurine Purolo—(609) 847-3600, [LPurolo@njleg.org](mailto:LPurolo@njleg.org). For email communications, please CC New Jersey Senate President Steve Sweeney — [SenSweeney@njleg.org](mailto:SenSweeney@njleg.org).

The AKC Government Relations Department (AKC GR) will provide additional updates as developments warrant. For more information on SB 63, contact AKC GR at (919) 816-3720, or email [doglaw@akc.org](mailto:doglaw@akc.org); or the New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs at [jeffbetsyball@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffbetsyball@yahoo.com).

# RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD APPLICATION

CALENDAR YEAR JAN. 1, 2015 THROUGH DEC. 31, 2015

Reg. Name of Dog \_\_\_\_\_

Dog \_\_\_\_\_ Bitch \_\_\_\_\_

AKC# \_\_\_\_\_ Breed/Variety \_\_\_\_\_

Owner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

email \_\_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

BIS (Specialty) Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

High in Trial Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Best in Field Trial Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

Conformation Champion Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Champion Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Bronze, Silver, Gold Gr CH Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Obedience Trial Champion Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Field Trial Champion Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### OBEDIENCE DEGREE AWARDS

BN, PCD, CD, GN, PCDX, CDX, GO, PUTD, UD, UDX, VER, TD, TDX, RN, RA, RE, RAE, OM, OGM

### TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_ Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### OTHER AKC TITLES (Herding, Field, Agility Therapy dog 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.

## RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION, continued

### Non-Regular Awards and Requirements

Additional Awards (S.T.A.R., CGC, CGCA, WORLD CYNO SPORT, TT, or parent club titles etc.), applicable for Certificate of Achievement only)

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

### AENNCHEN ANTONELLI / GILMA BLAUVELT - MOSS BREEDERS AWARD

1. Presented to a club member who is the breeder of record of 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, 2015 through December 31, 2015. 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.

### 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, 2015, through December 31, 2015. Minimum of three scores required. Shows and scores must be provided. Winner is to retain custody of the award for the year.

\*\*\*\*\*NEW AWARD THIS YEAR\*\*\*\*\*

### RALLY AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

This award is presented to the RKC member who has achieved the AKC Rally Advanced/Excellent title. To earn this title, the dog must have completed the requirements for the Rally Excellent title and received qualifying scores in both Rally Advanced B and Rally Excellent B at 10 separate trials.

## **RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION, continued**

### **RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD**

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

1. This award is presented to the RKC member who has provided dedicated service to the club and the sport of purebred dogs.
2. Award is given to a club member who has received the most letters of recommendation by the membership.
3. In the event of a tie the recipient shall be chosen by the Board of Directors from those individuals recommended by letters from the membership.
4. To be presented at the June Awards Dinner. Recipient only may be told to insure their being present.

### **AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD**

1. This award celebrates those individuals who deserve special recognition for having made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embody the AKC code of sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club. The award is given to a club member who has been nominated and approved by the majority of the board of directors and officers **PRIOR** to the May meeting and shall be presented at the June awards dinner. The awards chair will be notified by April 15th. The recipient only may be notified by the awards chair to insure their being present.

### **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, 2016 with photocopies of Wins and Titles to:**

**ELAINE BARONE  
10 BIRCH ROAD**

**KINNELON, NJ 07405-2505**

**E-mail [elaineb.bowow@juno.com](mailto:elaineb.bowow@juno.com)**

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

Feel free to e-mail me your awards ONLY if you can scan the forms and certificates required.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from all of you.

# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT !!! New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs LOBBY DAY

**What is a Lobby Day?** Lobby Day, also known as Advocacy Day is a name used by non-governmental organizations for select days, often annual, when members meet politicians or public servants at various levels to advocate and explain support for legislation relevant to the canine issues. It builds a working relationship with your legislative representatives.

**Who should get involved?** Participants who want to protect their rights when it comes to Canine issues.

**When is it?** Monday, February 22, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Where?** Our State Capital, 125 West State Street Trenton, New Jersey.

**What does it involve?** The NJFDC will have informational tables in the Tunnel at the State House. We will also have groups attending meetings with the legislators. We would like people to come for the whole day, but if you can come for a few hours, that will help.



**Will I get any Training?** Yes, Peter Guzzo, a Registered State Lobbyist will be there early to assist us. You will not meet legislators alone; you will have plenty of support.

**How important is this?** Extremely, your help is needed if we are going to protect our rights.

If you have any questions or are interested in attending, contact Jeffrey Ball at [jeffbetsyball@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffbetsyball@yahoo.com) or by calling 201 689-1323.

## WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

### RKC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS - DEADLINE APRIL 15TH!

*Attention Members!*

The RKC Achievement Award Nomination Application forms are on pages 5-7. Please remember to apply for your achievement awards each year. There are many categories in which you may qualify. Please check the website [Ramapokennelclub.com](http://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. Applications due by April 15, 2016.

### CGC AND THERAPY DOG TESTS

Ramapo KC will be holding a Canine Good Citizen Test/Community Canine (CGCA) and Therapy Dog Test on Tuesday February 9, 2016

The test will be held at our training building: VFW Hall 69 Carey Avenue Butler, NJ 07405 starting at 6:30. The fee for CGC/CGCA is \$15.00 and Therapy Dog \$30.00

FMI: [ruthh.sno-dog@juno.com](mailto:ruthh.sno-dog@juno.com)

## RKC Show Handling Schedule - 2016

### TUESDAY EVENINGS

6:45 - 7:30

Drop-in classes: \$12.00 per dog,  
OR 6 classes for \$60.00

No classes July and August

Feb. 23

Mar. 1, 22

Apr. 5, 26

May 3, 24

June 14

FMI: Linda Hachtel

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or Sharon Fremer

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TILLY GRASSA

## RKC Training Class Schedule - 2016

### TUESDAY RALLY CLASSES

7:30 - 8:15 RALLY ADV/EXC.

8:30 - 9:15 RALLY NOVICE

(Basic obedience skills required)

#### Session 3

Feb. 16, 23

Mar. 1, 15, 22, 29

Apr. 5

#### Session 4

Apr. 19, 26

May 3, 17, 24, 31

June 14

**Feb. 9 CGC/THERAPY testing**

(there is a fee for testing)

### WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Puppy Kindergarten 6:30-7:15

Beginner Obedience 7:30-8:15

Advanced Beginner 8:30-9:15

#### Session 3

Feb. 17, 24

Mar. 2, 16, 23, 30

Apr. 6

#### Session 4

Apr. 20, 27

May 4, 18, 25

June 1, 15

**June 22 CGC/THERAPY testing**

(there is a fee for testing)

FOR CLASS INFORMATION AND TIMES  
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Class registration form available on the  
website:

[ramapokennelclub.com/RKCClasses](http://ramapokennelclub.com/RKCClasses)

## Got Stuff?

Send your news, brags, suggestions, comments and photos to Tilly Grassa, [tgcreative@aol.com](mailto:tgcreative@aol.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 I need your help to make it interesting.



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# Dates to remember:

All membership meetings are held at

**American Legion Post 450  
11 Oak Ave.  
Pequannock, NJ 07440 at 8:00 PM  
(unless otherwise noted)**

<b>Wednesday, February 10</b>	RKC Member Meeting, 8PM. Board meeting at 7:15 Program: BINGO NIGHT!
<b>Wednesday, March 9</b>	RKC Member Meeting, 8PM. Board meeting at 7:15 Program: TBA
<b>Wednesday, April 13</b>	RKC Member Meeting, 8PM. Board meeting at 7:15 Program: TBA



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