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YOU CAN HELP TO SET UP AN AKC REUNITE DISASTER RELIEF TRAILER

The New Jersey Federation of Dog Club's work, with the help of Ramapo Kennel Club in establishing Responsible Pet Ownership Committees in towns has begun to pay off. The Bergen County Police Department, was so impressed with our work in Ridgewood, that they are now working with the NJFDC. The Bergen County Police run the County's Office of Emergency Management (OEM), which in turn handles the County Animal Response Team (CART). These are the government agencies that respond in cases of disaster. For the county to look to the Federation for assistance, recognizing that we are able to assist them is a big accomplishment. After all, who knows dogs better than we do?

Now that the NJFDC is working closely with the OEM and CART, we have proposed having an AKC Reunite Disaster Trailer there. The County loved the idea, has completed the application for a trailer and is even assisting with



fundraising. The trailers, which are supplied by AKC Reunite, are stocked with supplies to assist in housing dogs and other animals in case of disasters. How this works is that after \$12,000 is raised, AKC Reunite contributes \$10,000 and a trailer can then be placed in the hands of the OEM or CART. Clubs that contribute at least \$1000 to the fundraising effort may have their club logo placed on the trailer permanently. I cannot imagine any club that would not want that. Many clubs believe that they cannot afford the cost, which is understandable in today's

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COME JOIN THE FUN!

We would like to remind all members to come and enjoy a wonderful day at the RKC match, this coming Saturday, June 7 at Sunnybank Park, Wayne, NJ.

Bring a friend and your puppies to socialize, show and just have fun. If you have signed up to work we will make sure you have plenty of time for your dogs.

Hope to see you all there,

Melissa and Amy



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President's Message



JACK GRASSA

Sharon Fremer

Thank you to all the members that came out to vote in our annual election in May. Thank you also to Joanne Silver for her many years of work as an officer or board member of the club. Her

dedication to Ramapo Kennel Club is exemplary and she has done much for us throughout her membership. Welcome to new board member Melissa Ayer. We look forward to all that her deep experience in

the world of dogs will bring to the club. I appreciate your confidence in me by allowing me to be your president for another year. I am very grateful. We have a great club and I am proud to I tell people I am a member. We will continue to have a positive impact on dogs, their owners and the sport of dogs so for many years to come.

Come and enjoy the fun at our Match Show, to be held on Saturday, June 7th, at Sunnybank Park on Route 202 in Wayne, NJ. Details can be found elsewhere in this Growl. If you don't have a dog to work with we will be happy to find something for you

to do. We can always use help!

Our annual dinner on Wednesday, June 11th, will be held at the Paris Inn on Alps Road in Wayne, NJ. If you would like to join us but have not yet let Lorraine Fennemore please contact her immediately to ask if you can be included. Members dine for free and guests must pay \$30. This dinner is where our annual awards are presented. Elaine Barone puts enormous effort into this every year, please be sure to come and help the recipients celebrate. Hope to see everyone there!

The RKC All Breed/Obedience/Rally shows will be held on Sunday and Monday, October 11th and 12th. Please consider joining us out at the Sussex County Fairgrounds in Augusta, NJ. We can always use volunteers. Please contact Jeffrey Ball, show chairman, for information and details about what you can contribute to ensure the success of the shows.

Remember to keep the mosquitos, ticks and fleas away from yourselves and your dogs – Lyme Disease is already plaguing our pets and the threat of West Nile Virus is never far away. There is a multitude of products available to help repel these insects. Don't hesitate to use them! That said, I wish everyone a happy, relaxing summer filled with nothing but fun.

We will not have meetings for the months of July and August. They will resume in September; same time, same place.

Enjoy the next few months!

Sharon

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Minutes

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB Annual Member Meeting Wednesday, May 14, 2014

President Sharon Fremer called the meeting to order at 8:10p at the VFW Hall in Fairfield, NJ and announced that we will follow the regular meeting agenda. Minutes of the April 9, 2014 meeting were accepted as presented in the Growl by motion of Janis Hayes, seconded by Lorraine Fennemore, voted upon and approved.

Corresponding Secretary, Tilly Grassa, reported on letter from AKC regarding changes to the owner-handler series; ramps for Basset Hounds and Bulldogs.

Treasurer, Ruth Henningsen reported the April checking account balance is \$14,559.39 and money market account is \$30,805.95.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Janis Hayes gave second reading for Phyllis Lasser, Wyckoff, Cavalier King Charles, sponsored by Janis and Tilly Grassa.

Sunshine: Lorraine Fennemore shared a nice note from Joyce Wilson and passed around a card for signing.

Obedience Class: Elaine Barone reported the classes are over-full with thanks to great dogs and dedicated instructors. Ruth indicated that people are already asking when they will be starting in September. Discussion was held regarding the possibility of more classes.

Pet Therapy: Joanne Silver reported nothing is new.

Match Show: Melissa Ayer reported all is good. Membership was encouraged to sign-up to volunteer their time and/or supplies.

AKC Delegate: Jeffrey Ball reported that AKC Board Member, Dr. Bill Newman, passed away. There will be a Delegate Meeting in June. Jeffrey reiterated that any Club doing a special event must include owner-handler.

NJFDC: Jeffrey Ball reported that a Microchip Clinic was held in Ridgewood today with 75 dogs attending event. The Federation has now been invited by the police to work together with the OEM in Bergen County. Jeffrey also indicated that they have received very nice support from Bergen County Executive Kathleen Donovan.

Point Show: No news.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Lorraine Fennemore reminded membership to sign up for the June 11th Awards Dinner at the Paris Inn.

Ruth Henningsen reminded all to renew their membership by June 1.

NEW BUSINESS:

Officer and Board Member Elections:

Sharon Fremer and Diane Ammerman for President; all other slots uncontested. Joan Murko encouraged each of the Presidential Candidates to offer their platform.

Membership also offered comment. Moved to vote. Teller Committee recruited from the floor consisting of Elaine Barone, Fred and Linda Hatchel collected all ballots and provided voting results to acting Recording Secretary to report. **President: Sharon Fremer.**

The President then asked for a motion from the floor for the acting Recording Secretary to cast one vote for the remaining slate. Motion made by Lena Tambor, seconded by Joan Murko, all approved.

Corresponding Secretary: Tilly Grassa; Treasurer: Ruth Henningsen; Board of Directors: Melissa Ayer, Gerrie Oliver and Rose Radel.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:02p with motion of Linda Berndt, seconded by Helen Berndt.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Gerrie Oliver, acting Recording Secretary
05-18-14:go*

NEW “PET SHOP” LEGISLATION SETS DANGEROUS PRECEDENT IN RESTRICTING PET OWNERSHIP

By: Sheila Goffe, Director, Government Relations

Over the last year, AKC Government Relations has seen a rapid increase in the number of bills designed to restrict the sales of pets. Most are being introduced at the local level —and nearly all are packaged as “anti-puppy mill” or anti “pet shop” measures.

Sounds good, right?

Wrong. Most of these measures are offered in cities where there are few local breeders, and almost all of the bills restrict how future pet owners can acquire a pet. They limit the ability of pet owners to acquire an appropriate pet of their choice, fail to distinguish between hobby and commercial breeders or breeders and pet shops, and limit the ability of purchasers to take advantage of regulated sources of purpose-bred pets covered by consumer protection laws. For example:

- In New York City, four separate proposals have been introduced that would require anyone (except an animal shelter) who sell even a single pet be licensed and regulated as a “pet shop”. Intro. #136 further requires that all “pet shops” sterilize all pets before they are transferred— despite scientific evidence juvenile sterilization can lead to detrimental long term health impacts on puppies.

- In Illinois, House Floor Amendment 1 to HB 4056 is designed to prohibit pet stores from obtaining pets from breeders and require that they only sell pets distributed by in-state shelters. The measure also repeals recently-passed strong consumer protection laws that protect puppy purchasers.

In recent months, bills like these have gained traction in Chicago; New York City; Philadelphia; Phoenix, San Diego, Milwaukee, Cook County, Illinois; Suffolk County, New York; Sarasota, Florida; and numerous other communities throughout the country.

As part of our mission to promote responsible dog ownership and preserve the future of the purebred dogs, AKC supports freedom of choice for pet purchasers, programs to advance canine health and wellbeing, and strong consumer protection laws

that protect pet buyers.

The AKC believes the best way for a person to obtain a new pet is through personal interaction with the pet’s breeder and the pet under consideration. An important part of ensuring the success of a pet with a new owner is to ensure that it is an appropriate fit with the owner’s lifestyle and circumstances. Unfortunately, many communities lack sufficient local breeders to provide choices that meet the demand for such pets. Treasured pets may be obtained from a variety of sources, including breeders, pet stores, rescue, and local shelters.

But if measures like these pass, families around the country will lose an important source for choosing a pet that is the best fit for their circumstances. Those seeking a puppy of a particular breed or from a breeder who is regulated by federal or state animal welfare standards may be out of luck or forced to take their chances in purchasing a pet sight unseen and absent consumer protection regulation.

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.

The AKC urges you to join us in working to advance responsible dog ownership and oppose arbitrary measures that limit the future of pet ownership and restrict the ability of individuals to choose the best pet for them.

A LETTER FROM KERNEL

Hi,

My name is Kernel and I am a rather large (131 lbs) male Great Pyrenees. My human Mom, Lorraine, has been taking me to both handling classes and obedience training classes. I have not always been the most well-behaved dog in class, however, I sort of always tried to do what was expected of me. I do have a bit of a stubborn streak and sometimes had to think long and hard before trying to accomplish what was appropriate behavior. I do not respond instantly to commands like my other classmates. Border Collies, German Shepherds, Goldens, Poodles, Shelties all seem to have a better grasp of paying attention and doing what is expected of them. I, on the other hand, am a free thinker who may or may not see a reason for performing in the acceptable way to certain commands. I really can be a very obedient dog, but I need lots and lots of hand fed treats along with lots of praise when I do something right. Hot dogs and string cheese usually encourages my concentration on the task at hand. Learning to move my enormous bulk quickly is always easier when I know a treat is



coming.

There are so many fun classes that I have attended with my human Mom, from Basic Obedience to Show Handling to Rally. When I see the "special leash" come out of the dog box, I know it will be a special fun time for me. First a ride in the car and then an activity that gets me working with my Mom. Most of the time I get a good brushing before class which also makes me feel special. I now have lots of letters added to my AKC registered name, and it has been great to participate.

Fondly,

*CH. Karenz Kernel Krackerjack CD,
CGC, RN*

*CH = Champion CD = Companion Dog
CGC = Canine Good Citizen RN = Rally Novice*

p.s. But, you can call me Kernel.

p.p.s. Thank you RKC members : Ruth, Elaine, Anne, Joanne, Jeffrey and Vivian.

TROPHY DONATIONS NEEDED

Kim Luikert, Trophy Chair for the upcoming point show wants to remind everyone that has sponsored a trophy to please pay her.

Also, she is still looking for more donations and sponsors. The following trophies are still needed:

Group Placement and Junior gift sponsors, 1-4.

We are giving cooler bags this year. \$40 per day.

Non Sporting- Sunday and Monday

Toy- Sunday and Monday

Herding - Sunday and Monday

Best Junior -Sunday and Monday.

Rosette sponsors for Groups-\$20 a day

Non Sporting - Sunday and Monday

Hound- Sunday and Monday

Terrier- Sunday

Toy- Sunday and Monday

Herding- Sunday and Monday

Best Junior- Sunday and Monday.

Owner Handler Sponsors - \$20 donation or a gift of your choice welcome. (Sunday only)

All Breeds open for BOB plus Best Owner Handler.

To donate, please see Kim at the next meeting or call her at 551-265-4245 or email her at kim.luikert@gmail.com

RAMAPO KC DOG SHOW/OBEDIENCE MATCH

AKC Sanctioned All-Breed Conformation "B" Match/Obedience and Rally "C" Match
with Junior Showmanship and Rare Breeds
(Mixed Breeds welcome in Obedience and Rally)

**OBEDIENCE
AND RALLY**

**Saturday June 7, 2014
Sunnybank Park**

Route 202, 381 Terhune Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470

**CONFORMATION
AND
JR. HANDLING**

A handling clinic for adults and juniors will be offered before conformation judging

**PLENTY
OF
SHADE!**

Entries will be accepted day of match from 9:00 AM until time of judging

Obedience judging starts at 10:00

Handling clinic at 10:30

Conformation judging starts at 11:00

**HANDLING
CLINIC**

Entry Fees- First dog: \$10.00; Second entry/same dog: \$8:00;
Handling clinic \$2.00 ; Jr. Showmanship: Free

Conformation Classes

(Puppy 3-6, 6-9, 9-12 months & Open)

Marla Capozzi- Sporting, Terrier, Misc. BPIM

Linda Deutsch-Hound, BIM, Jr Showmanship

Morgan Mattioli-Working,

Denise Garber-Toy, Non-Sporting, Herding

Obedience Classes

Diane Kramer-Novice - Beginner Novice,
Pre-Novice, Novice

Barbara Heesemann - Open

Diane Cohn -Utility

TBA - Rally (Novice, Advanced, Excellent)

Obedience and Rally will allow "Verbal and gentle corrections and food or toys may be used in the ring".

PLENTY OF SHADE UNDER THE TREES.

Please bring food and water for you and your dog. None is available for sale.

PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG.

Directions:

From the North and East: Rt. 287-S to Exit 58 - Rt. 202/Ramapo Valley Rd. Turn left at light. Follow Rt. 202-S for 3 miles. Park entrance is on right. Watch for low stone wall.

From the East: GWB, Rt. 4-W to Rt. 208-N to 287-S. Follow directions as from the North above.

From South and West: Take Rt. 287-N to Exit 53 (Bloomingdale, Pompton Lakes). Make right at light onto Hamburg Tpke. At 5th light, turn left onto Terhune Drive (CVS is on corner). Park entrance is about 1 mile on left. Watch for low stone wall.

From the South: Take GSP-N to exit 153 to Rt. 3-W to Rt. 46-W to Rt. 23-N (4 miles). Stay right to Rt. 202-N (Black Oak Ridge Rd.) Follow to Hamburg Tpke. Turn left on Hamburg Tpke. Turn right onto Terhune Dr. (still Rte. 202). Park entrance is about 1 mile on left. Watch for low stone wall.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melissa Ayer, Match Chair—201-891-9291 H or 203-313-2697 C, melissa.ayer@gmail.com;

Amy Starost, Obedience Chair—551-486-2595, astarost@yahoo.com



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SHOW HANDLING SCHEDULE -2014

TUESDAY EVENINGS

6:45 - 7:30

DROP IN CLASSES ONLY

\$10.00 per dog

June 3, 17

FMI: LINDA HACHTEL

973-697-4337

or rkc@ramapokennelclub.com

RKC TRAINING CLASS SCHEDULE -2014

TUESDAY EVENING-Rally Advanced/Excellent

7:30-8:30

SESSION 4

June 3, 17

Pet Training/Obedience Schedule

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

SESSION 4

June 4, 18, 25

June 24 (Tuesday) Canine Good Citizen Testing/ snow day (there is a fee for the test)

NO CLASSES JULY AND AUGUST

SEPTEMBER 2014 OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCHEDULE

TUESDAY - RALLY ADV/EXCELLENT

SESSION 1

September 16, 23, 30

October 14, 21, 28

November 4

WEDNESDAY - KPT/BEGINNER/RALLY NOVICE

SESSION 1

September 17, 24

October 1, 15, 22, 29

November 5

FOR CLASS INFORMATION AND TIMES CONTACT:

RUTH HENNINGSEN 973-697-9456 or email at:

RUTHH.SNO-DOG@JUNO.COM

OR JOANNE SILVER 201-891-5090

JOANNE SILVER1937@YAHOO.COM

Ramapo Kennel Club Annual Awards Dinner

Wednesday, June 11, 2014

7:00 p.m.

The Paris Inn

1292 Alps Rd.

Wayne, NJ 07470

Choice of Chicken, Fish or Beef
Guests - \$30.00 Members — Free

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





AKC Pet Disaster Relief Donation Form

Thank you for your interest in the AKC Pet Disaster Relief program! We are proud to be rolling out disaster assistance to communities throughout the country. With support from individuals like you and the organizations with which you are affiliated, many families' pets will receive shelter and care during disasters.

Each Pet Disaster Relief trailer will be stocked with essential, non-perishable necessities for sheltering pets. The supplies can then be used to create a safe, temporary home-base for displaced animals during a disaster and its aftermath.

While new laws require that municipalities include pets in their disaster preparedness planning, most communities don't have the funds readily available to create their own solutions. That is why you are critical to the success of this

program — your participation will help us raise the \$22,000 necessary to purchase, configure and fill each trailer. The trailers then will be donated to emergency management organizations that will ensure that animals are cared for when they need it most.

We are grateful for your donation and support of this important cause. You can contribute online at www.akcreunite.org/givingback, by phone 919-816-3980, or mail a check, made payable to AKC Reunite, to:

AKC Pet Disaster Relief
8051 Arco Corporate Drive, Suite 200
Raleigh, NC 27617

Designated AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailer (if known) _____

Raising Funds on behalf of AKC Club or Foundation: _____

Donor name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Amount : \$25 \$50 \$100 Other \$ _____

Check enclosed Visa Discover Mastercard American Express

Card holder name _____ Signature _____

Card number _____ Expiration date _____

Billing address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Terms and conditions subject to change. For more information, go to www.akcreunite.org/relief. AKC Reunite reserves the right to return any donation in its sole discretion. Any funds donated and not used to purchase a mobile trailer shall be used by AKC Reunite, in its sole discretion, for other disaster-related purposes.

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economy. But there is still a way that you as a member can help to accomplish this and not cost your club a dime. There are donation forms available from AKC Reunite (see the form on page 8) so that anyone — a neighbor, family, friends, any dog or pet lover — can donate, receive a tax deduction, and your club is credited for it. If you have 10 members in your club, and they each get ten people to donate \$10, you will have met the goal for your club to have their logo on a disaster trailer here in New Jersey. The great part about this is you can use it as a public relations piece for your club and reach out to all kinds of potential members. Here is an opportunity to discuss the good things your club does with outsiders. I was amazed myself at the reaction I got. It was great, especially since this is for all dogs and cats. Keep in mind, pet people love their dogs as much as we do and are more than

willing to assist in this type of a project. It may help them someday.

The NJFDC's goal is to help any county in the State of New Jersey that needs a trailer. Some have them, but many do not. Once a donation is made, for any amount, AKC Reunite will send a thank you letter out to whoever made the donation and that will serve as documentation for an IRS tax deduction. I truly hope you will take this opportunity to help assist your club, the Federation, the county OEMs and most of all, those who may have to deal with a disaster someday. I hate to say it, but I am sure the state will have another disaster of some sort soon. We hope that you will assist in being part of the solution to help.

Jeffrey

GOT STUFF?

Send your news, brags, suggestions, comments and photos to Tilly Grassa, 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

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

SATURDAY, June 7 Ramapo KC Match, Sunnybank, Terhune Memorial Park, Wayne, NJ

WEDNESDAY, June 11 RKC Annual Awards Dinner, Paris Inn, Wayne, NJ.

OCTOBER 11 AND 12 RKC All Breed/Obedience/Rally shows, Sussex County Fair Grounds



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