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Ramapo KC Show a Big Success!!

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AKC REGISTRATION DIVISION - CLUBS E-PACKET

Last month, AKC's Registration Division distributed the first in a series of AKC Clubs E-Packets. Due to the overwhelmingly

positive reception of the service, we are happy to offer the next edition of the e-packet for October 2010; and with it, provide information on an exciting new program for breeders.

Since its founding in 1884, the American Kennel Club has served all who are committed and dedicated not only to the

sport of purebred-dogs but to all dogs. As AKC has grown and expanded, the reach and influence of core-exhibitor breeders has expanded as well. With those breeders in

mind, AKC has created the new Breeder of Merit program. It proudly honors breeder/exhibitors' dedication and hard work as they continue to produce dogs that are healthy, capable, and beautiful. The foundation of today's AKC, Breeders of Merit have the power to influence, guide, and teach future breeders, exhibitors, and all purebred dog owners.

AKC is excited to welcome all breeders interested in the program who meet its requirements. To help you with providing your club members information about the Breeder of Merit program, we include the following:

- A Microsoft Power Point presentation, which explains why the program was implemented, the requirements breeders must meet to be accepted, and benefits that come with being a Breeder of Merit. It's fully-automated, so be sure to turn

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President's Message



Jeffrey David Ball

On October 17th and 18th, the Ramapo Kennel Club had another two successful point shows. A Special thanks to Diane Ammerman, her show committee and RKC members who helped those days to assist in it running so smoothly. It takes a great deal of work to have successful shows and with everyone's participation it is amazing how easy we can make it look. Tilly Grassa took pictures at this year's show and a slide show can be seen on our website, <http://ramapokennelclub.com> Please take a moment to see it.

Some members who were at the show asked about the blue RKC jackets. If you do not own one and are interested in purchasing one, please speak to Lorraine Fennemore. The cost is \$25 for the member; the club covers the additional fees.

Since we have not had a great response to our December Holiday Dinner and need a minimum of twenty-five attendees, we have changed things around some. We will not be going to Rupperts, instead we will be staying

at the VFW Hall in Fairfield where we normally have our meetings. We will have food available and Santa will be present to have pictures taken with members and their family, this includes canine family. This will be FREE to all members and their family. If you would like to bring something, please speak to Lorraine Fennemore. Otherwise, just stop in with your family, whether it's for 10 minutes or two hours. We will have a fun relaxing time. If anyone wishes to have a holiday drink, the VFW Bar will accommodate you for a minimum fee.

As I announced last month, the New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs will be having their Legislative Seminar on January 22, 2011 at the Rutgers Labor Education Center in New Brunswick. I will have details available at our next meeting. If you are interested in attending, please let me know. NJFDC is also taking applications for the new Directory of Breeders and Rescue Services. An application can be found in this newsletter and must be submitted this month. NJFDC Dog Show calendars should be available at our December meeting for those who are interested. They will cost \$5 each and the money goes to NJFDC.

Our next membership meeting is November 10th; we will have cold cuts and drinks at the meeting, so please bring your appetites. I hope to see you all there. If I don't, I hope you and your family have a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Jeffrey

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Minutes

RKC Member Meeting

October 13th, 2010

VFW Hall

45 Plymouth Ave, Fairfield, NJ 07004

A program was presented by Alyson Halpin from "Our Natural Path" about acupuncture and breeding.

Jeffery Ball called the meeting to order at 9:10 pm.

Recording Secretary-Jeffery Ball read the September minutes, Ruth Henningsen will be doing "meet the breeds" at the Point Show, not Arlene Scardo. Motion to accept as corrected was made by Janis Hayes, seconded by Gerrie Oliver. Voted upon and approved.

Corresponding Secretary- Elaine Barone read a newsletter from the Federation of Dog Shows. Applications to be in the Directory of Breeders and Rescue Services for 2011-2012 are in the *Growl* and needs to be submitted no later than Dec 1st to Diane Ammerman.

Treasurer's report- Diane Ammerman reported the checking account has \$12,117.27 and the money market has \$25,549.79. Funds will be moved from money market to checking in preparation for Point Show.

Obedience Classes- Fall classes are going well, both the puppies and their owners are learning!

Show Handling Classes- Fall classes are well received, there were over ten dogs the first three weeks of class.

Programs- The November meeting will have "reading to dogs" by the Wayne, NJ Librarian. In January, "Probiotics for Dogs". If you have any ideas for upcoming programs please see Phyllis Rosinsky.

Sunshine- The Holiday Party is set for December 8th 2010 @ Ruppert's Restaurant in Butler @7:00. The cost is \$25 per person, please see Lorraine Fennemore if you would like to join in the celebration.

The *Growl*- Sharon Fremer and Tilly Grassa are doing a wonderful job, Thank You! If you have anything you would like to submit

please see Tilly Grassa.

AKC Report- Of the thirteen programs that the AKC funds only CAR is self-funding. The AKC is asking breeders for lists of new puppy owners so they can follow up to get them to register with them. In another attempt to get new registrations they are considering "associate memberships" to all dog owners and lovers (mixed breed owners). An independent research firm was hired to see if such a program would be in the best interests of the AKC. The AKC will continue with term limits for their Board Members.

Federation Report- Barbara Hayward spoke at the Legislative seminar; she is encouraging everyone to start to "blog." Jeffery Ball will ask Barbara to come and speak at one of our meetings. January 22nd 2011 has been confirmed for a Legislative Seminar. It will be held at The Rutgers University School of Management and Labor Relations, 50 Labor Center Way New Brunswick, NJ 08901. Anyone interested in attending should see Jeffery Ball. Show Calendars will be available for 2011, they are \$5.00 each. Jeffery will have them available at the November meeting.

Match Show- Joanne Silver will follow through with the vets home to see that the date of June 4, 2011 is available.

Point Show- Parking passes were handed out.

Constitution and By-Laws - Ruth, Rose and Elaine had a three hour meeting to start the process of reviewing RKC's Constitution and By-Laws, it is a difficult job but necessary.

Lena Tamboer made a motion to adjourn the meeting @9:50pm. Seconded by Joan Murko, voted upon and approved.

Respectfully submitted by:
Kim Luikert
October 24, 2010



At the October meeting, Alyson Halpin, RMT, SAAP, of Our Natural Path, shows how acupuncture is applied to a dog. For more information go to www.ournaturalpath.com or call Alyson at 201-864-4492

up the sound on your computer.

- Breeder of Merit Program application to print and distribute to club members.
- 6 Easy Ways to 100% Registration – a printable information sheet to help breeders ensure their puppies get registered.
- Breeder of Merit booklet that briefly explains the program and who to contact at AKC with inquiries.
- Full-page and half-page ads that promote the Breeder of Merit program, which can be added to your club's newsletter. (see ad on p. 9)

We encourage you to distribute this information to your club members.

We hope you are as excited about the new Breeder of Merit Program as we are. For more information, go to akc.org/breederofmerit, or send an e-mail to merit@akc.org.

John Lyons

AKC Chief Operation Officer

David Roberts

AKC VP, Registration and Customer Service

AKC LAUNCHES GRAND CHAMPION RANKING SYSTEM

New York, NY— The American Kennel Club® (AKC®) proudly announces its newest conformation ranking system for dog show exhibitors and their dogs. The new Grand Championship Ranking System launches today with more than 1,000 dogs already ranked nationwide.

Located in the new Grand Championship section of the AKC website, the Grand Championship Points Ranking lists the top 25 dogs in each breed in a drop-down

box format. The ranking is based on the number of Grand Championship points garnered at shows by achieving Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog or Select Bitch.

“We’re pleased to provide this new ranking system for Grand Champions,” said AKC Vice President Event Operations Robin Stansell. “We encourage owners to continue showing their Champions towards attaining a Grand Champion title and gain further recognition of quality.”

The new point counting document featured on the website will help fanciers count their dog’s Grand Championship points. After initial completion of the Grand Championship, dogs will continue to earn points by winning Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog or Select Bitch. Text and PDF formats of the point counting document are available at [http://www.akc.org/events/conformation/counting_grand_championship_p_points.cfm](http://www.akc.org/events/conformation/counting_grand_championship_points.cfm).

Program Committee

For the November meeting, "Reading to a Dog" Therapy Program from a Librarian's perspective. Linda DeYoung, Wayne Library, and our own club member, Elizabeth Smith, one of the first participants in this therapeutic reading program.

January 12, 2011 - PROBIOTICS in the pregnant bitch, and dogs, in general. Marcia Garstin, MS., District Veterinary Manager-East Central

As new Chair of the Programs Committee, I'd like to invite all of you to please e-mail or call me with new ideas and suggestions you might have for programs at our club meetings. Any and all will be considered and appreciated.

Thanks so much for your help and look forward to hearing from you!

You can get in touch with me through my e-mail address, cantails@optonline.net, or phone which is 201-529-2714.

Phyllis Rosinsky,
Programs Chair

New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs

Directory of Breeders and Rescue Services 2011-2012

Breeder Listing Form – Directory & Web Site

PLEASE NOTE; Listings are accepted for AKC approved breeds only. Breeds still in the FSS listing program are not eligible until admitted to the Miscellaneous Class. Each breed or variety must be submitted on a separate form. The fee for each listed telephone number is \$35. Listing will end with the 2011-2012 Directory. The breeder must complete the application and submit it to the Board of Directors of his/her member club. An officer of the member club must sign the application and print his/her name, office held and phone number. All information must be typed or printed legibly. Proofread entire application for accuracy. It will be printed as received.

Breed: _____ **Variety:** _____

Kennel Name: _____

Please circle all categories that apply:

Puppies	Dogs	Stud Service	Conformation	Obedience	Rally	Agility	Field	Herding
P	D	S	C	O	R	A	F	H

Complete entire application, then check the box next to each line to be printed. For example, if you wish your name and phone number only, check only those boxes next to your name and phone number.

- Name** _____
- Address** _____
- City, State, Zip Code** _____
- Area Code, Phone Number** _____
- E-Mail Address** _____
- I wish to have my listing published on the NJFDC web site**

I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club regarding the sale and registration of purebred dogs. I agree to donate \$5 to the NJ Federation of Dog Clubs for each puppy or adult sold or for each stud service contract received as a result of the listing in the directory or on the web site.

I subscribe to and am bound by the Code of Ethics of my member club and of the parent club or national club of my breed as well as the **Guidelines for Responsible Breeders** of the NJ Federation of Dog Clubs, which I certify I have read. I hereby affirm I do not engage in the commercial sale or trafficking of dogs.

The NJ Federation of Dog Clubs reserves the right to reject any application from any individual(s) who have been convicted of cruelty to animals or if a member of their household has been convicted of cruelty to animals.

Name of Member Club

Signature of Applicant

The member club certifies that this applicant is a member in good standing and that to the best of the club's knowledge does not engage in breeding practices that would violate the Federation's Guidelines for Responsible Breeders. Any complaint received by the Federation against this applicant will be referred to the Board of Directors of the sponsoring club for disposition according to that club's Constitution & Bylaws and according to the best interests of the breed, the club and the NJ Federation of Dog Clubs.

 Signature of Club Officer

 Office Held

 Printed Name & Phone Number of Officer

NJ FEDERATION OF DOG CLUBS
GUIDELINES FOR RESPONSIBLE BREEDERS
(ADOPTED JUNE 2, 1992)

The following "Guidelines for Responsible Breeders" were adopted by the delegates to the New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs on June 2, 1992. Breeders who wish to be included in the Breeders' Directory indicate by signing the application that they are in agreement with the Guidelines and will abide by them.

1. All dogs shall be kept under sanitary conditions and shall be given maximum health protection through regular inoculations and proper nutrition. Dogs shall be restrained within safe restrictions when the breeder/owner cannot personally supervise their safety.
2. All breeders shall keep accurate and complete personal records of breedings, litters, pedigrees and puppy owners' names as required by the American Kennel Club.
3. All puppies leaving the breeder's possession shall be a minimum of seven (7) weeks of age, except in those breeds where a twelve (12) week age is generally accepted.
4. All breeders of purebred dogs shall breed to conform to the American Kennel Club's Standard of Excellence for their breed, and only from quality, healthy stock. Breeders will screen for inherited diseases as known in their breed.
5. Breeders shall provide the puppy buyer with written details of feeding, general care, dates and types of inoculations and wormings, grooming instruction, etc., and be available to offer future advice as needed.
6. Breeders will not sell or consign puppies or adult dogs to pet stores, puppy brokers or other commercial dealers.
7. All puppies will be sold with written contracts appropriate for show/breeding quality or pet quality specifications, guarantees and restrictions. The contract will ensure that the breeder will be contacted whenever an owner can no longer keep a dog at any time in the dog's life, and it will be the obligation of the breeder to assist in the placement or disposition of the dog. Puppy purchasers should be urged to spay or neuter all pet quality puppies.
8. Dogs and bitches will not be bred before or after such age as is customary for their breed as outlined by the Parent Club and/or AKC guidelines. The breeder will allow proper, healthful spacings between litters.
9. Breeders will permit stud service only to quality, healthy bitches, appropriately screened for inherited diseases/disorders, owned by the individuals who give satisfactory evidence that they will give these puppies proper care and attention and who are in agreement with these and the Parent Club guidelines for responsible breeders.
10. Prospective buyers should be screened as thoroughly as possible to determine their desire and ultimate intent for each puppy or dog, and also for their interest and ability to provide a safe, adequate and loving home for each puppy or dog acquired.
11. Breeders will not dispose of any puppy or adult dog bred or owned by them in shelters or pounds.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

NJFDC DIRECTORY OF BREEDER & RESCUE SERVICES 2011-2012

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Each application must be approved by Ramapo Kennel Club and signed by an RKC officer.
- Applications must be typed or printed legibly, with all information included and the appropriate boxes for inclusion checked off. Please proofread each application as they will be published as received.
- Ensure that your members read the Guidelines for Responsible Breeders and agree to abide by them.
- Breeder listings are restricted to those breeds either fully recognized by AKC or eligible to compete in the Miscellaneous Class. Those still in the FSS listing program **are not eligible**.
- The \$35 breeder listing fee, payable to Ramapo Kennel Club, along with completed application must be sent to:

Diane Ammerman
598 Pulis Avenue
Mahwah, New Jersey 07430

- All applications with appropriate fees must be received by **Wednesday, December 1, 2010**. None will be accepted after the deadline.

RAMAPO KC SHOW

October 18 and 19th, 2010



AKC Chairman's Report

-- New Additions to the Grand Championship Program and AKC/Eukanuba National Championship --

New York, NY – Since the introduction of the new AKC Grand Championship title in April, we've had hundreds of dogs in nearly every breed complete the requirements for a Grand Championship title. Thus far, the program has fulfilled the hopes we had for it - retired champions have re-entered the ring for a newfound showcase opportunity, and owners of new champions continue to compete for a new title. A section of the AKC website at <http://www.akc.org/grandchampionship/> is now dedicated to the program, and we're continuing to add new features there on a regular basis.

One new item is a Grand Championship Points Ranking that lists the top 25 dogs in each breed based on number of Grand Championship points garnered at shows by achieving Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog or Select Bitch. The drop-down box on the webpage allows searchers to easily find their favored breed or breeds. This new ranking element will help us to celebrate the exceptional dogs that have taken the next step in the AKC Conformation world and truly are the best of the best.

Additionally, all dogs that completed their Grand Championship through October 12, 2010 will receive an invitation to the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship (AENC) in Long Beach, California to be held on Dec. 4 and 5, 2010. As Grand Championships are completed all dogs eligible for this honor will be listed on the AKC website. Beyond the Grand Championship program, however, we're including several other high-performing categories of dogs on the 2010 invite list.

For many years, dogs earning their championship during the AENC qualifying period with all of their points earned as Breeder/Owner handled originating from

Puppy and/or BBE class have also been eligible for an invitation. This year, we're also adding a new invitational category: the Amateur Owner Handler (AOH). All dogs that finish their championship out of the Amateur Owner Handler class will receive an invitation to the show. Those dogs that finish with all points earned in the AOH class also receive a special medallion.

For AKC breeders interested in participating in the 2010 Eukanuba World Challenge, a spot in the competition could be yours as a winner in the Eukanuba Breeder's Stakes competition. The four winners of the Eukanuba Breeder's Stakes will compete against each other in Long Beach where the victor will have a berth in the Eukanuba World Challenge. More details are available on our website.

Finally, we will be celebrating our Miscellaneous breeds with the Best in Miscellaneous Class Competition. This competition will be open to American English Coonhounds, Cesky Terriers, Chinooks, Entlebucher Mountain Dogs, Finnish Lapphunds, Norwegian Lundehunds, Rat Terriers, Russell Terriers, Treeing Walker Coonhounds and Xoloitzcuintli who have won a CM (Certificate of Merit title) or at least three Best of Breed, with competition or one Best in Miscellaneous class, with competition. Come cheer on some future AKC-recognized breeds.

As you can see, the 2010 edition of the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be busier than ever with the addition of our Grand Champions and other special qualifiers. We welcome any questions about AENC 2010 or suggestions for the Grand Championship program. We hope to see you in the rings and at the show!

*Sincerely,
Ron Menaker
Chairman*

REGISTERING ALL OF YOUR PUPPIES IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN YOU THINK!

Along with helping your events remain affordable and keeping our traditions alive, registrations support AKC's efforts in:

- Maintaining a strong legislative influence.
- Funding canine health research.
- Providing disaster relief and preparedness.
- Promoting responsible dog ownership through important public education programs.

Do your part – Ensure that all your puppies get registered with the AKC!



We're more than champion dogs. We're the dog's champion.

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GOT STUFF?

Send your news, suggestions, comments and photos to either Sharon Fremer, teneo@mac.com or 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 we need your help.



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Dates to remember:

All membership meetings are held at

**VFH HALL
45 PLYMOUTH STREET
FAIRFIELD, NJ AT 8:00 PM**

November 10	Membership Meeting — Program: "Reading to a Dog" therapy program from a librarian's perspective.
November 26	Deadline for December <i>Growl</i> submissions
December 8	Holiday Meeting at the VFW Hall
December 30	Deadline for January <i>Growl</i> submissions
January 12	Membership Meeting—Program: "Probiotics for Dogs"
January 28	Deadline for February <i>Growl</i> submissions
February 9	Membership Meeting
February 25	Deadline for March <i>Growl</i> submissions
March 9	Membership Meeting—Program to be announced
April 13, 2011	Membership Meeting—Program to be announced



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