

# TRAP FALLS KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



## March-April 2017

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## MEETING NOTICE

The next meeting will be June 6, 2017 at Apple Rehab/Shelton Lakes at 7:30 p.m. Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

## CALENDAR 2017

June 6- Meeting  
July- Picnic date to be announced  
August 1- Meeting  
Sept 5- Meeting  
Sept- RDOD date to be announced  
Oct 3- Meeting  
Nov 7- Meeting  
Dec- Christmas Party date to be announced

## New TFKC Member Awards program

The Board has come up with an achievement awards program to encourage all members to participate in the club. No matter what you do with your dog, you can earn credit points that will be tallied up quarterly and at the end of the year for cash or gift cards. The amounts has not been established yet but it will be significant. We have checked with our accountant and cash incentives are not prohibited.

Monthly submissions will be accepted by members from prior months activities. No more than 2 months may pass from the activity. Activities or titles will not be accepted after 2 months. Members will be required to attend the general meeting to tell us about the title or service earned to qualify. The activity or title earned will be published in the monthly newsletter along with a photo supplied by the

member submitting the title or service. Bi - monthly participation will discourage members from waiting until the end of the year to lump all they did into one month. This end of year lumping will not be accepted. The board has come up with 3 distinct divisions of activities

- 1) AKC Performance Events - titled events thru AKC or other titled venues.
- 2) Public Education - RDO Day, Meet the Breed, Sound Tigers
- 3) Public Service - Library visits, Read to kids programs, therapy work.

Please submit your accomplishments to [cindyhaliwa@aol.com](mailto:cindyhaliwa@aol.com) to get them published in the newsletter. Awards would be given in December. The points criteria will listed on the club website.

There will be a winner and an honorable mention.

## Bragg



Jill Bregy and Lisa Peters take a break during TFKC annual dog show.

It was a great success with over 1,300 entries, 148 breeds represented, 4 Club Specialty Shows and 16 Club Supported Entries!



Barnum is my 6 year old American Hairless Terrier (AHT). He recently finish his first weight pull title .He is half way through his second weight pull title and going strong. He has one leg toward his Barn Hunt Novice title ,he is working in Nose Work (advance classes).

PS: FYI Barnum's last leg for his UWP was 740 lbs. in 7.44 sec. He is 28 lbs. They had to stop him as he maxed his pull for size.

- Mary Carroll



Congratuans to Jane Flynn with her 10 month old English Setter "Bobby".

Bobby earned his first point at the TFKC Dog Show on April 16, 2017!



I had a litter of 10 puppies on Feb 7 2017. On ultrasound I was told 3 maybe 4 puppies. Imagine my surprise when Rebel was x-rayed at day 55 and there were 10! 6 girls and 4 boys. The photo shows Wllslands Imagine Running with the Rebel X Ch Bilalian Acres Olive Branch to Bethany, (mom & dad) with the 10 puppies. The humans pictured are not all the owners. We had "puppy parties" for 3 consecutive Saturdays socializing and having fun for the day. This photo is one of many that can be viewed on my website. Wellslands.com

**Laura Wells CVT CCRP**



"Kale" is Laura Johnson's 7 month old Rottweiler!

### AKC Delegate News

## NPDD: Reception Brings Together Top Dogs & Members of Congress

AKC Government Relations Department | May 09, 2017



Lauren Friedman and Drago

There's an old expression, "if you want a friend in Washington, get a dog".

Last week, members of Congress and their staff got to meet many new friends. At a reception hosted by the American Kennel Club in honor of National Purebred Dog Day, members of Congress, staff and guests celebrated the many positive aspects of purebred dogs and the human-canine bond.

The Capitol Hill reception highlighted two 2017 Congressional Resolutions—Senate Resolution 144, Introduced by Sen Thom Tillis; and House Concurrent Resolution 46 introduced by Congressmen Ted Yoho, Kurt Schrader and Ralph Abraham— that set aside May 1 as National Purebred Dog Day and celebrate the diversity, predictability and heritage of purebred dogs.

The reception began with AKC President and CEO Dennis Sprung honoring the working dogs of the U.S. Capitol Police K9 Unit, who protect the Capitol and nation's security. U.S. Capitol Police Chief Matthew Verderosa, Assistant Chief Steven Sund, and "Will" a black Labrador Detection K-9 were among those on hand to accept the award.

Throughout the evening, members of Congress and staff stopped by to meet dogs, share in the

celebration and express support. Members who addressed the gathering included: Senator Thom Tillis, Congressman Ralph Abraham, Congressman Ron DeSantis, Congressman David Rouzer, Congressman Kurt Schrader, and Congressman Ted Yoho.

Guests also had the opportunity to meet special guest "Rumor" (Grand Champion Lockenhaus' Rumor Has It V Kenlyn), the German Shepherd Dog who took Best in Show honors at both the 2017 Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show and the 2015 AKC National Championship. Numerous members of Congress, Senate, and guests had their photo taken with Rumor, held the Best in Show rosette from the Westminster Kennel Club, and met Handler Kent Boyles.

Representatives from each of the seven groups met guests and posed for photographs, while their handlers explained the dog and breed's history, purpose and function. These included:

- "Jackson" the American Foxhound (Hound Group), handled Lisa Miller and accompanied by co-owner Ellen Charles.
- "Jimmy" the Standard Poodle (Non-Sporting Group) handled by Joseph Vergnetti and accompanied by owner Ellen Charles
- "Lex" the Border Collie (Herding Group) handled by Penny Leigh
- "Nixy" the Boxer (Working Group) handled by Guy Fisher
- "Chuckie" the Pekenese (Toy Group) handled by David Fitzpatrick
- "Pippi" the West Highland White Terrier (Terrier Group), handled by Dr. Fred and Duffy Askin
- "Drago" the Spinone Italiano (Sporting Group), handled by Lauren Friedman

As attendees strolled among marble pillars and canine ambassadors, they also enjoyed refreshments and the opportunity to learn about purebred dogs and AKC programs that advance purebred dogs, canine health and wellbeing and the human-canine bond.

Numerous AKC programs were highlighted throughout the event, including: AKC Humane Fund's grants to domestic violence shelters that enable victims to seek shelter with a pet, and related legislation supported by AKC (H.R. 909/S. 322); AKC Canine Health Foundation's \$5.9 million in 2017 grants for canine health research; the economic benefits of dog shows; AKC support for research and pilot programs that provide specialized service dogs for veterans with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), and related

legislation (H.R. 2327/S.1014) ; and the critical national security value of American-bred detection and other working K9s.

## **THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB LAUNCHES NEW TRICK DOG TITLING PROGRAM**

**New York, N.Y.** – The American Kennel Club is pleased to announce the launch of the AKC Trick Dog program. The program will include four levels allowing dogs with any amount of experience the ability to participate. Teaching their dog tricks is enjoyable for owners, mentally stimulating for their dogs and can take place at any time or place that fits their lifestyle.

“It is easy to see why trick training is becoming so popular,” said Dr. Mary Burch, AKC Canine Good Citizen and Trick Dog Director. “The primary characteristic of trick dog training is having fun. Tricks can be both entertaining and practical, such as teaching a dog ‘paws up’ for a therapy setting. Trick dog training makes a team out of the handler and dog. We hope this exciting new program will encourage more dogs and owners to become involved in training.”

All dogs (purebred and mixed breeds), can earn Trick Dog titles provided the dog is AKC-registered, enrolled with AKC Canine Partners, or enrolled in the Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program. The titles will be listed on the dog’s AKC record and will appear on pedigrees.

Trick titles can be awarded by AKC approved Canine Good Citizen Evaluators, and the AKC will also recognize trick titles earned through the *Do More With Your Dog* (DMWYD) organization.

“The AKC is proud to partner with DMWYD. Founded in 2005 by Kyra Sundance, DMWYD has introduced trick dog training to thousands of owners and their dogs,” said Doug Ljungren, Vice President of Sports and Events. “By providing basic training to our dogs, whether through CGC training, trick training or in preparation for AKC sports, we prepare our dogs to participate in more areas of our life. Together we encourage all owners to join the fun.”

To learn more about the AKC Trick Dog program and access the title application form, please visit [www.akc.org/trick-dog](http://www.akc.org/trick-dog).

The AKC will begin processing Trick Dog title applications on May 1, 2017.

## **THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB ANNOUNCES SCENT WORK AS NEW SPORT**

**New York, N.Y.** – The American Kennel Club, the leading authority on dogs, is pleased to announce the launch of its newest sport, AKC Scent Work. Scent Work is a sport that mimics the task of working Detection Dogs - such as narcotics dogs or explosives dogs - to find a specific scent and communicate to the handler that the scent has been found. It is a positive, challenging activity that allows dogs the opportunity to use their strongest natural sense in a way that is fun, engaging, and that builds and strengthens a foundation of trust between the handler and the dog.

In AKC Scent Work the dog is searching in a pre-defined search area for the hidden odor, which is either an essential oil or handler scent, depending on the class. Searches take place in a variety of environments, including an area with Containers, Interior, Exterior, and Buried. There are four difficulty levels for each element—Novice, Advanced, Excellent, and Master—and factors such as the size of the search area, the number of hides, whether the number of hides is known or unknown to the handler, and the maximum height of the hides will change with the difficulty level. The most accomplished dogs will also be eligible for The Detective Class, which contains many hides in a variety of environments.

All dogs (purebred and mixed breeds) can participate provided they are AKC-registered, enrolled with AKC Canine Partners, listed in the Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program or recorded in the Foundation Stock Service (FSS) program.

“We have already received significant interest from clubs, participants, and potential judges,” said Stephanie Kennerley, Sports and Events Project Coordinator in charge of Scent Work. “Scent Work provides a stimulating activity for dogs. Owners will enjoy watching their dogs use their nose to solve these unique puzzles. We are excited to make this activity a new AKC sport.”

Because of the tremendous interest, the sport will be ramped up in phases. The AKC is currently accepting applications from existing and new clubs seeking to become licensed to hold Scent Work trials. Approved clubs are being notified and Scent Work will be added to their club profiles beginning May 1. Applications are also being accepted for Scent Work judges. A judge’s education class is under development and is tentatively scheduled to be available by May 1. A list of approved judges will be available on the AKC website after June 1.

Processing of event applications will begin on August 1. Scent Work trials can be held on or after October 1, 2017.

“AKC Scent Work is a modern day performance event in which bred-for traits like working drive, concentration and response to distractions are redeployed into roles relevant for the twenty-first century,” said Doug Ljungren, Vice President of Sports and Events. “While the sport of Scent Work will not prepare your dog to be a working detection dog, we hope it serves to demonstrate to the public the value that these purpose-bred dogs can provide to the security of our nation.”

To learn more about AKC Scent Work or to find the appropriate applications, please visit [www.akc.org/events/scent-work/](http://www.akc.org/events/scent-work/).

## **DEADLINE for the March-April newsletter is June 7 2017**

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