# TRAP FALLS KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



# **November-December 2013**

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# **MEETING NOTICE**

The next meeting will be January 7, 2014 at the Apple Rehab Shelton Lakes Health Care at 7:30 p.m. with the board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The February 4, 2014 meeting will be at Apple Rehab/Shelton Lakes at 7:30 p.m. with the board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

## CALENDAR 2014

January 7- meeting February 4-meeting March 4- meeting April 1- meeting with guest speaker from East Coast Assistance Dogs May 6- meeting June 3- meeting July-picnic, date to be determined August 5- meeting September 2- meeting September 7- meeting November 4- meeting December-The Christmas Party-date to be announced

# **TFKC Christmas Party**

Come celebrate the season on Sunday, December 8, 2013 at the Country Club of Waterbury from 1-5 PM. The cost is \$10.00 per person. This is a buffet and will feature: chicken marsala; rigatoni with broccoli rabe & sausage; roast loin of pork; salad; veggies, bread; dessert; homemade cookies/brownies; coffee; tea and soda. The dinner will feature a cash bar and you need to contact Cindy Richardson by November 28, 2013 if you plan to attend. Cindy can be contacted by email at <u>cindyhaliwa@aol.com</u> or call her at 203-381-9490 to confirm your reservation. Please no jeans, jean jackets, sweatshirts or t-shirts.

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#### Directions:

From the South:

- 1. Follow Rt. 8 North toward Waterbury
- 2. Merge onto I-84 West via exit 33/32 on the left toward Danbury
- 3. Use Exit 189 (Chase Parkway./Highland Avenue) Stay Left
- 4. Turn Left onto West Main Street
- 5. Turn Left onto Chase Parkway
- 6. Turn Right onto Country Club Road
- 7. Turn slight Left onto Oronoke Road
- 8. The Club entrance is on your Right (just ¼ mile).

From the North:

- 1. Follow Rt. 8 South toward Waterbury
- 2. Merge onto I-84 West via Exit 33 toward Danbury
- 3. Pick up the directions noted above at Step 3.

# **Membership News**

Welcome to new members Jeff and Jenn Pepe, 180 Luanne Road, Stratford, CT 06614, Phone number" 203-354-0124, <u>Jennpepe1622@aol.com</u>, Breed: Rottweiler. They were voted in at the October meeting. Please add them to your membership lists.

# CLUB MEMBERS NEEDED for April Show

We need stewards for the obedience and Rally rings for the April show. If you are interested in stewarding please contact Lauren Friedman at <u>LMF13@att.net</u> or call her at (203) 877-6157. No experience needed

# Wags and Brags



GCH WIIslands Salt Rocks St James Guinez CGC RN, "Bubba" finished this year ranking # 3 in the country in the Owner Handler Series for our breed. We have been invited to the AKC Eukanuba Owner Handler Finals on Dec 13, 2013 in Orlando Florida. Bubba was also invited and will be competing on Sunday December 15, 2013 at Eukanuba. He completed his championship from the Bred by Exhibitor Class and also finished his Grand Championship in the same year so he got two invitations!

Wish us luck, Laura and Bubba

Ch. Wllslands Salt Rocks Sierra Mist, "Sierra" finished her Championship on October 14, 2013 with her handler, Valerie down in New Jersey. She is just 2.5 yrs. old. Sierra is owned by Laura and John Hovanec.

### Dog Terms for People:

Dog Days (n) For the Greeks, the rising of Sirius, the Dog Star, signaled the start of the hot and weakening days of summer, which became known as the dog days. The Greeks offered sacrifices to cajole cool breezes. The Romans called the wiltingly hot days "dies caniculares." The French call the scorching August weather "la canicule." This idea - as well as "every dog has his day" - is alluded to in the title of the Sidney Lumet film *Dog Day Afternoon,* starring AI Pacino. "Dog Days" has also found new meaning among stock traders who've found August slow for stocks as well as people.

Bird Dog (n) Like a dog that is trained to find and retrieve birds, a person whose job is to find business opportunities. Pejoratively, the guy who goes after another guy's girl - as in the Everly Brothers song of the same name with the admonitory chorus, "Hey bird dog, get away from my quail/ Hey bird dog, you're on the wrong trail."(v) to engage in such practices. by-Donald Friedman & J.C. Suares, submitted by Laura Wells

### **Consumer Services.**

In light of all the sick dogs over the past 5 years from imported products from China. If you suspect your pet has had an adverse reaction to a commercial pet food product, report it to the FDA using their Safety Reporting Portal: safetyreporting.hhs.org You can also call the FDA Consumer Complaint Coordinator for your state. fda.gov/safety/reportaproblem/consumercomplaintco ordinator/, Submitted by Laura Wells

# Cindy Richardson's Recipe for Sweet Potato Cinnamon Bread

Try it!! I tried this recipe and everyone loved it! It is very light and can be eaten any time of day!

- 3-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2-2/3 cups sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1-1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 4 eggs
- 2 cups mashed sweet potatoes
- 2/3 cup canola oil
- 2/3 cup 2% milk
- 1-1/2 cups raisins
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

#### Directions

- Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, whisk the first eight
- ingredients. In another bowl, whisk eggs, sweet potatoes, oil and
- milk until blended. Add to flour mixture; stir just until moistened.
- Fold in raisins and walnuts.
- Transfer to four greased 5-3/4x3x2-in. loaf pans.
- Bake 35-40 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean.
- Cool in pans 10 minutes before removing to wire racks to cool.
- Yield: 4 loaves (6 slices each).

# **AKC Delegate News**

### **AKC CGC Changes**

In the AKC's Canine Good Citizen<sup>®</sup> program, we recognize the importance of early training and socialization for puppies. Currently, AKC clubs, individual dog trainers and pet supply stores can hold AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy<sup>®</sup> and Canine Good Citizen training and testing. Annually, S.T.A.R./CGC training and testing is held at events nationwide with AKC Clubs making up 15% of the total.

We believe that increasing the availability of AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy classes will benefit puppies and their owners as well as educate these new owners about additional training opportunities at AKC clubs in their community. That's why we are pleased to tell you that AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy classes will be available in additional Petco stores beginning in January 2014.

This initiative will not only expand AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy to a broader audience; it will also increase access to clubs and enhance AKC brand awareness. To promote our clubs and their programs, Petco S.T.A.R./CGC graduates receiving certificates will be sent information about AKC events including obedience, rally, agility, tracking, and the Therapy Dog title. We will reach out to Petco customers with information on AKC training club courses for additional education and fun with their dogs.

Petco trainers who conduct AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy and Canine Good Citizen testing will complete the same application process as other approved CGC Evaluators. Dog owners in Petco classes will follow the same process for obtaining certificates as all other dog owners.

We thank you for your help in reaching more than 650,000 S.T.A.R. / CGC dogs so far and we encourage clubs to continue to participate in the Canine Good Citizen program at all levels — S.T.A.R., CGC and AKC Community Canine. We believe these programs will continue to play an important role in defining the AKC for the general public and bringing new participants to Companion Events.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact us at cgc@akc.org. Mary Burch Director, AKC Canine Good Citizen program

### NEW Advanced CGC; The "CGCA" Title

What is AKC Community Canine?

AKC Community Canine is the advanced level of AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) program.

As with CGC, AKC Community Canine has a 10-step test of skills that dogs must pass to earn the official AKC Community Canine title. This is a title that appears on the dog's title record at AKC.

#### The Setting

All skills on the test are tested on leash. The AKC Community Canine (CGCA) test may be done in a class, at shows, in pet stores or in the community. When the test is administered in community settings such as at a business or special event, evaluators must have the necessary approval of the business owners, etc.

While Canine Good Citizen tests are simulations of real world skills, (e.g., dog/handler walks through a "crowd" of evaluators in a ring), the goal of AKC Community Canine is to test the dog's skills in a natural setting. For example, rather than the dog being tested in a ring, in AKC Community Canine, the "walks through a crowd" test item will involve the dog walking through a real crowd at a dog show, on a busy sidewalk, in a therapy dog setting, or at a training club.

#### Requirements

To earn the AKC Community Canine title, dogs must meet the following two requirements:

1. Must already have a Canine Good Citizen (CGC) award or title on record at AKC.

2. Must have an AKC number of one of 3 types (AKC registration number, PAL number, or AKC Canine Partners number). All dogs, including mixed breeds, can get an AKC number. The reason for the AKC number requirement is that this is how we create titles at AKC; we attach the titles to the dog's number. For more information on getting an AKC number, see: <u>http://images.akc.org/cgc/number.pdf</u>

### AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF)

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) is the largest nonprofit organization funding exclusively canine health research. Our success is a result of a unique grants process and a strong network of supporters and experts.

It all starts with donations from individual dog lovers, dog clubs, foundations and corporations. Our supporters trust us to use our funds for innovative and sound scientific research.

We achieve success through a distinctive grants process. We gather information about canine health priorities from the AKC Parent Clubs as well as dog owners, breeders, veterinarians, academic institutions, and researchers. We encourage our investigators to submit applications based on this feedback. The unique relationship with Parent Clubs enables us to address the health concerns for the entire canine species. Furthermore, dog owners and club members are able to invest in scientific research without needing expertise in the field. They can leave the expertise up to the Foundation.

CHF established grants review process is rigorous and stringent. Depending on the type of proposal, applications may be reviewed by our <u>Grants</u> <u>Committee</u>, subjected to reviews by experts in the application's field of study, or both. We go to great lengths to make certain that funded research is of the highest quality and thereby ensure that the results are significant and add to the body of research. Because of the similarities between humans and canines, research funded by CHF often provides information for discoveries in human illnesses, as well. Not only are we helping our beloved companions, but we are helping ourselves.

- See more at: http://www.akcchf.org

Autumn Dog Turds... You Know They're Out There. You Just Don't Know Where.



## **Doggie Beef Biscuits**

Ingredients:

3/4 cup of canned beef booth-heated
1/3 cup of margarine
1/2 cup of powdered milk
1/2 teaspoon of salt (optional)
1 egg, beaten
3 cups of whole wheat flour

#### Directions:

In a large bowl pour the hot broth over the margarine. Stir in the powdered milk, salt and egg. Add flour 1/2 cup at a time, mixing well after each addition. Kneed 3 to 4 minutes adding more flour, if necessary, to make a very stiff dough. Roll to 1/2 inch thickness and cut out with a biscuit cutter. Place on a greased baking sheet and bake at 325 degrees for 50 minutes. Allow to cool and dry out until hard.

### DEADLINE for the January-February newsletter is January 7, 2014

Editors Comments: Please send photos (Photos must be sent as jpeg attachments) directly to me at <u>csweetwood@att.net</u>. Articles should be in MS Word or simply written in your e-mail. Remember to include "TFKC" in the heading or it may never get opened due the high SPAM content these days.



Wíshíng your famíly a Happy Holíday season and a Joyous New Year!