



November/December

2010

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Mark Your Calendars

When: Wednesday, December 8, 2010
Where: Ox Yoke, 915 US Highway 231, Wetumpka AL
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Program: Christmas Dinner

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Montgomery Kennel Club
Minutes – November 17, 2010 Meeting

The meeting was held at Goodwyn Community Center & called to order by Kaye Stevenson, Vice President, at 7:22 pm. There were 28 members & two guests in attendance.

President's Report: Kaye welcomed our guests – Jonathan Peak, Golden Retriever (1st Mtg) and Michelle Howard, Dalmation (2nd Mtg)

(Note – those guests having attended two or more meetings after receipt of membership application are eligible for membership upon a vote by the board – comments on any prospective member should be addressed to a board member as soon as possible.)

Kaye reminded everyone it is now membership renewal time so give/send forms/payment to Julie Garrett, Treasurer.

Vice-President's Report: No report.

Secretary's Report: October meeting minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Report covering October 20 – November 17, 2010

Income:	\$3,500.82
Expenses:	<u>\$1,952.13</u>
Net Income:	\$1,505.62

The Treasurer's report was approved.

Committees:

November Show:

Overall: Mike announced that we had about 100 more entries in the show thanks, in part, to the back to back obedience trials. The Anniston Kennel Club will no longer be showing with us after 2011. Trophy pledges for the April show are due in December.

- Kaye had a copy of "AKC Gazette" and we are listed in it.
- Milly expressed concern about the difficulty getting enough volunteers to work the back to back obedience trials. Milly suggested that unless we have enough members committed to working the obedience trials, we need to carefully consider whether or not we want to continue holding the trials.
- Frank stated that we are on the verge of losing the obedience side of the shows because we can't do it without workers and we can't afford to hire workers.

RV Parking: George announced that RV reservations are going well (up from 35 to 67). We should gross about \$5,000 on the RV parking (our profit is usually 15% of the gross). The Anniston Kennel Club gets 50% of the profits from the RV parking because they provide good help. When Anniston drops out after 2011 we are going to need additional workers to cover the loss.

Building and Grounds: Frank reminded everyone that pens/crates cannot be set up until after noon on Thursday. However, if you are working at the show you can mark off a space before noon.

- There will be special parking for those who are helping with the show. Jane has the parking passes if you are helping with the show. Kaye has parking passes for the vendors.

Vendors: Kaye announced that we have 17 vendors committed for the show. There have been a couple more contacts, but no contracts yet.

- Mike suggested that Kaye bring the vendors in Wednesday after 9 or 10 o'clock to start setting up. Kaye will send out an email to let the vendors know.
- Kaye explained that all vendors must have a business license to operate at the show. If they do not have one it can be purchased for \$28.00.
- Eastbrook Cafe has agreed to open Thanksgiving Day for lunch for us. The cost is \$15.00. We'll have lunch at about 1:30. Let Kaye know if you will be attending so the restaurant can make sure they have enough food. There will be some allowance for last minute diners (i.e. out-of-towners who will not know about it until they arrive Thursday).

Hospitality: Xmas Party slated for December 8th at the Ox Yoke in Wetumpka at 6 pm. Milly does need RSVP's so she can pass on to Ox Yoke for planning. The club must pay a deposit, but if attendance as good as it has been, the deposit will be returned and the club will use that to cover the gratuity for everyone. Don't forget Dirty Santa – bring a dog related gift under \$15 and enjoy the fun!

- Marie and Jan volunteered to bring refreshments for the January meeting.

Signs: Brenda had the signs for the A-Frames. There were several versions of some signs and, after a discussion, the Board members met briefly and approved the sign(s) to be used at the show.

Old Business: No Old Business.

New Business: Trish asked if we might be able to get t-shirts with the club logo on them. After a brief discussion Trish was appointed by Kaye to check into the shirts and report back to the membership.

Announcements:

- Christina announced that the Conformation/Rally classes were done for this year. She will let everyone know when they start again.
- The December meeting will be the Christmas dinner.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Gamper
Secretary

Conformation and Rally Classes

There will be no more classes for the year. We will start back sometime after the first of the year.

Help

If there is anyone available to take over the tailwagger please let me know. You can email me at cflack12@yahoo.com. I do not mind still doing it but it will be hard for me to get it out before mid month.

Thank you,
Christina

Braggs

Please email me your braggs at cflack12@yahoo.com! When you do send me your brag, please include the dogs registered name and the breed.

Articles

UNCONTROLLED BREEDING

Because for every cause, there's a Side Effect

Dog clubs so strongly discourage anything but breeding for quality, not quantity that the gene pool in some breeds is at high risk due to fewer and fewer litters each year.

L. M. Turriff [TheDogPress](#) 11|15|10 - As breed clubs try desperately to restrict 'excessive' breeding, there are no outcrosses left, you can't get new people into the breed, and prospective owners can't find a well bred dog. In the most popular breeds, breed clubs and kennel clubs have no control, so it's true that there are a few breeds which are over bred. But the premise that hobby breeders of purebred dogs are creating a 'population explosion' of poor quality pets is pure fantasy, a myth generated and broadcast by HSUS, PeTA and other animal rights organizations.

The result is that the commercial high volume breeders - USDA licensed and immune to State laws introduced by AR interests ostensibly to control them - get an ever larger market share.

There are also a great number now of 'designer breeds', deliberate crosses of two or more breeds. Due largely to Animal Rights 'educators' who insist that purebred dogs are inbred, unhealthy and unsound and that outcrosses are reliably the pictures of canine virtue, Designer Dogs are in great demand, and no one has any oversight of those breeders.

The public wants pets and they will get them somewhere. However, many people have been so deeply indoctrinated in the 'Evil Breeder' dogma they would never dream of buying a puppy from a breeder. Instead, they pay substantial 'adoption fees' to rescues and animal shelters to adopt exactly the unhealthy, unsound, unsocialized, mis-managed animals they claim to abhor. This practice further marginalizes the hobby breeder, who rarely makes a profit on his animals anyway. When the public believes the 'best' pet is a Designer Dog or a rescue, it is harder for hobby breeders to place their well bred and well socialized puppies.

The breeders who are being put out of business by 'puppy mill' laws and animal rights driven bigotry are the ones who know their stock intimately, know the studbooks of their breed unto the twentieth generation, and who run disease and DNA checks on their prospective studs and brood bitches. These breeders often won't

breed a litter until they have sales for as many of the offspring as they expect in an average litter, and many keep that litter until it is three months old before sending the puppies to their new homes. If they have been 'lucky', and the litter has been larger than they expected, they don't dump the unplaced puppies, they keep them, often showing them until they do find a suitable home for them. This is an expensive proposition.

A good hobby breeder's idea of a 'suitable' home makes human adoption agencies look outright sloppy. They aggressively screen prospective homes, and in some breeds it actually is easier to adopt a child. Their contracts would frighten a Supreme Court Justice and unlike retail merchants, they will take back a dog that doesn't work out. Most hobby breeders help their puppy buyers out with rearing and training support, when needed.

Hobby breeders' puppies do not end up in shelters.

In shelters you find the products of commercial breeders who sell whole litters, shipped and totally unsocialized, to wholesalers who parcel them out to pet shops. Those who sell directly to the public do so without health screening, buyer screening, contracts, buyer support usually before eight weeks. As responsible breeders curtail litters, these crap shoot puppies may be the only way a pet owner can find a puppy in his breed of choice, but it is truly a pig in a poke. The puppy may be healthy but have socialization issues, and if the buyer is unfamiliar with the breed there may be training and/or behavior issues. And voilà! The buyer, unable to find any useful advice dumps the puppy. You can adopt him from a shelter though, for a substantial fee.

For more information about shelter populations and kill rates, you should read Nathan Winograd, who has a website and blog as well as published books. Don't take my word - Google him yourself.

The websites or printed material where most people information are usually vegan/animal rights organizations. HSUS is the largest, most well respected, and though low key, the most dangerous. Less than half a percent of their substantial income goes to any kind of hands on animal care; most of it goes to lobbying for the kind of legislation which makes it hard for you and I to keep pets and more difficult for good, knowledgeable, responsible breeders to breed.

Please run a search and look at HSUS 2009 financial statements, public documents because they are non-profits. The money they solicit from the public (fraudulently, since it is used on behalf of animals only in the rarest of occasions) is spent on lobbying, on the platoon of lawyers who write boiler plate law to provide to ignorant or complicit politicians, and campaign contributions to those same politicians.

All HSUS policies, including the manuals they sell to shelters and the (expensive) training seminars they provide are designed to meet their ultimate goal of a vegan world. You, the animal lover, are financing that goal if you donate to them or you believe the Evil Breeder tenet, the Pet Overpopulation Myth, the Abuser On Every Corner tales ...

If you want to support animals, donate directly to your local shelter. See which of your shelters do NOT use management and policy materials from HSUS, PeTA, ASPCA or any of the other national Animal Rights groups. No kill shelters are a good bet; AR organizations emphatically don't support them.

Animal rights organizations are about liberating animals from human slavery, not about animal welfare. And you can take that to the bank. **Thanks Kaye Stevenson!**

http://www.thedogpress.com/SideEffects/Uncontrolled-Breeding-10112_Turriff.asp (The Dog Press)



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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

The club's fiscal year begins on November 1, 2010 which is also membership renewal time. Please fill in all the info below so we can make sure everything is current and correct in the roster. If you have changed addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, breeds this is especially critical. Lifetime members please just update your information and send it in, but no payment is needed.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2010-2011

Name _____ Spouse/Sig Other: _____

Children _____

Address: _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

Home Ph: _____ Cell Ph: _____ Work Ph: _____

Email Address: _____

Breed(s): _____

Dues: \$15 per individual
\$25 per couple/family

Make check payable to MKC and mail to:

Julie Garret, Treasurer
121 Cedar Dr
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MKC 2010 AWARDS

Susan Barmby & Rosemary Coyle	Caublestone's Uncharted Waters CGC RN NJP NAP	Novice Jumpers Preferred May 1, 2010	Novice Agility Preferred September 24, 2010
Susan Berry	CH Rockwoods First Frost HT	Champion August 6, 2010	
Susan Berry	CH Rockwoods Silverlane Alliance	Champion March 18,2010	
Susan Berry	CH Silverlanes Mischief Maker	Champion October 3, 2010	
Susan Berry	CH Rockwoods Early Frost	Champion May 31, 2010	
Frank & Corrine Dreyfus	GCH Rocheuses Me and My Shadow of Cornus	Grand Champion June 11, 2010	
Frank & Corrine Dreyfus	CH Rivrvue Cornus Geniune Wings to Fly NJP NAP RA	Novice Jumpers Preferred July 30,2010	Novice Agility Preferred August 1, 2010 Rally Advanced September 19, 2010
Mike and Claire Edwards	CH Creekside Autumn Delight	Champion January 9, 2010	
Judy Lyn Fanning	CH Nocturne's Beverly TC CHIC	Champion January 31, 2010	
Milly Frakes	Shorepointe's Look What I Can Do RA	Rally Advanced October 8, 2010	
Teresa Keever	Ravenwood's Keepsake Seducktress CD AXJ	Companion Dog May 2, 2010	Agility Excellent Jumpers June 19, 2010
George Lemaster	CH Rivrvue Genuine Earthmover Lemaster	Champion December 11, 2009	
Molly Martin	CH Busch's TNT of Legacy	Champion September 9,2010	
Molly Martin	CH Busch's Legacy Laissez Faire	Champion October 22, 2010	
Dee Nichols	CH KD's Tens are Wild CD	Champion April 22, 2010	Companion Dog October 16, 2010
Dee Nichols	Edlyn'd Ride the Tides to KD's RN CGC	Rally Novice & Canine Good Citizen April 24, 2010	
Amie Perez	CH Caublestone's Crowd Pleaser	Champion August 27, 2010	
Ginnie Richardson	Renroy's Raney Day Lover CD	Companion Dog April 23, 2010	

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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