# Barks and Tails

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## **MEETING NOTICE**

The next General Membership Meeting is Wednesday, October 5, 2016, at Kay's Bar-B-Cue, 1552 King St. (SR 520), Cocoa, Florida, at 7:00 pm. Members wanting dinner please arrive at 6:00. Directions: From I95, take Exit201 (SR 520 toward Cocoa Beach. Travel to Clearlake Road and make a U-turn. Kay's is on the north side of 520. Website: http://www.kaysbarbque.com.

# 2016-2017 CLUB OFFICERS

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Directors Edna Corney Leslie Glaze Kovacs Maureen Finch Betty Page Catherine Crampton Marsha Busch Dyal Donna Lee

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Big month coming up starting with Cocoa Village 6th Chili Cook Off. If you can help, call committee Brenda, Maureen, Tanya, Marsha, or Leslie. If you can't help, come out for the fun and vote for our best chili. More about it at the meeting.

Match and Fast CAT, October 23: we need help day before setting up fence, and of course, we need lots of help day of for both match and Fast CAT. Entries for both match and Fast CAT attached to this newsletter. We really need your help that day. Please let Maureen know if you can be there to help.

Of course, Catherine will be at the meeting to give us any new goings on about the AKC National dog show put on by Royal Canin.

Mary is bringing the projector in case we have time to view our movie.

The beginning of November we are participating in RDO day in Cocoa Village – Donna Lee for information and participation in that event

See you at the meeting and thanks in advance for all you do. – Edna



Cocoa Village's 6th annual Chili Cook-Off will be at Riverfront Park, October 15, 4-7PM. Admission is only \$5, children 12 & under free. Come on by and sample some of the best chili in Brevard County! Musical entertainment provided by "Weep".

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING September 2, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Betty Page – The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

## Match and FCAT

Edna Corney – Preparations for the Match are on track. We now have a judge for FCAT.

## FAKC

Edna Corney – The FAKC meeting was held as scheduled. The Election of Officers was held and existing officers were reelected.

#### Show

Catherine Crampton – The December show draft premium list is being reviewed. Corrections are due to MB-F by September 12.

The membership expressed a concern about exhibitor addresses being published in the catalog. After discussion about who would have access to this information and how it might be used, the membership asked if we could stop this practice. Catherine Crampton will look into the possibility of not publishing exhibitor addresses.

#### **Old Business**

None.

#### **New Business**

1. AKC Group Realignment: AKC is considering restructuring the groups, possibly having as many as 12 groups. After discussion, the membership felt that this would add cost to dog shows by requiring more ribbons/prizes and possibly additional judges. It was also felt that this would add time to shows making them run later.

Catherine Crampton will write a letter to AKC expressing the Club's concerns and asking AKC not to make this change.

2. AKC Show Entry Closure Time Extension: AKC is considering extending show entry closure time form 12:00 PM to 12:00 AM with the expectation of increasing entries. After discussion, the membership agreed that this change would create many problems for the show superintendents, including the need to hire more staff to support a midnight closing and many changes to their processes. The cost of these changes would be passed onto the clubs. No one felt that extending the closure time would increase entries.

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- 3. Disaster Relief for Flooded Areas in Louisiana: Edna Corney has researched non-profit shelters that are struggling to meet the needs of displaced animals in the flooded areas. She found that food is not needed, but money is in short supply. After discussion, Mary Thrasher made a motion to donate \$10,000 to be divided among several rescue organizations not associated with HSUS, PETA or other AR group. The recipient organizations to be determined by the Board. Leslie Kovacs seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Local Disaster Planning: Edna Corney brought up a concern about local disaster planning. After discussion, the membership was not sure what local disaster plans are in place that included dogs, what disaster relief training is available and what the Club can do to help in the event of a local disaster. Club members are interested in getting more information and possibly being trained to assist during a disaster. Edna Corney will gather more information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

## NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GETS ROYAL TREATMENT Royal Canin climbs aboard Orlando express as new sponsor

Royal Canin has signed a multiyear agreement to be the official presenting sponsor of the AKC National Championship, renamed the "AKC National Championship Presented by Royal Canin." Royal Canin is a leading global pet-food company specializing in breed-specific nutrition. "We are thrilled to collaborate with Royal Canin," AKC President Dennis Sprung says. "Our show celebrates the very best of our sport, and this new relationship enables us to continue to highlight the canine-human bond and the achievements of our wonderful purpose-bred companions." More than 5,000 of the world's top dogs will be in tow as the National Championship rolls into the Orange County Convention Center for the big show weekend beginning December 17. The AKC's annual canine carnival might have a new name, but it retains the distinctive features that have made it a

"must-attend" on the show circuit since 2000. These include the Best Bred-by-Exhibitor class, National **Owner-Handler Series Finals, AKC Obedience** Classic, AKC Agility Invitational, North American Diving Dogs, Juniors competition in each sport, and the ever-popular AKC Meet the Breeds. The Orlando Cluster (including the Space Coast Kennel Club of Palm Bay, Brevard Kennel Club, and Central Florida Kennel Club shows) will precede the National Championship, December 12 to 15. A day of specialty and group shows, featuring a new Best Puppy Competition presented by Royal Canin, is slated for December 16. "We are proud to become the title sponsor of the only national championship dog show in the United States," Royal Canin USA President Keith Levy says. "Our commitment to purebred dogs is perfectly aligned with the AKC's mission."





# MEET THE 2016 BREEDER OF THE YEAR GROUP WINNERS

The AKC has announced honorees representing the seven breed groups in the AKC Breeder of the Year program. These distinguished breeders are finalists for the overall Breeder of the Year Award, to be presented in conjunction with the AKC National Championship show in December.

Sporting Group: Dot Vooris Simberlund, Fieldfine German Shorthaired Pointers.

Hound Group: Ray and Jana Brinlee, Jaraluv Scottish Deerhounds.

Working Group: Alan Kalter and Chris Lezotte, HappyLegs Bullmastiffs.

Terrier Group: Joan Huber, Blythewood Miniature Schnauzers.

Toy Group: Max E. Hurd, Hurd's Chihuahuas.

Non-Sporting Group: Susan and Gary Carr, Salishan Tibetan Terriers.

Herding Group: Terry Miller and Dominique Dube, Deja Vu/Popsakadoo Briards.