## TRAP FALLS KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER



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### **MEETING NOTICE**

The August 4, 2009 meeting will be at Shelton Lakes Health Care at 7:30 with the board meeting at 6:30. At 8:00 the guest speaker is from Therapy Dogs Inc. The remaining meeting dates are posted on the calendar below.

#### CALENDAR

August 4 meeting- Therapy Dogs Inc., speaker September 1 meeting- RDOD Meeting September 12- Responsible Dog Ownership Day October 6 meeting- Nominations for club officers from the floor

November 3 meeting- Installation of officers and pizza party.

**December Christmas Party-date to be announced** 

#### **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

Applicants Pat Como and Cindy Sherman have met their requirements and have been approved by the board. They will be voted on by the general membership at the next meeting. If any member of TFKC knows of a reason these applicants should not be admitted into the club, please contact a club officer or board member.

### RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP DAY

Due to limited access to Old Mine Park, the new location for RDOD will be Riverview Park, on Howe Avenue (Rte. 110) in Shelton. Volunteers are really needed NOW so we can make this RDOD as successful as last year. Please contact any board member or this year's chairperson, Laura Johnson 924-5536.

#### WAGS AND BRAGS



On April 26, 2009 at the Colonial Rottweiler Club Specialty in Lancaster, Pa., Tylaur's Aragorn King Of Gondor RE NA OAJ, aka Stryder, earned his first leg on his Novice B title and on April 27, 2009 he earned his second leg on his Novice B title. He also passed His American Temperament Test, with flying colors. His brother, PR Foxlair's Terras Risong Halo, aka Dexter passed his Canine Good Citizen with a 3 minute, unattended sit that rocked the terrier world. He also passed his ATTS test like his older brother. He was the best boy! Their sister, Tylaur's Pequots Peace Pipe, aka Willow, on April 27, 2009 at the Colonial Rottweiler Club Specialty, earned her first

leg on her Novice Rally title with a score of 96, placing second in her class. She also passed her Canine Good Citizen test, with an amazing down stay, unattended for 3 minutes that seemed like an eternity. But, Willow made it look easy!

# AKC AND CAT FANCIERS' ASSOCIATION DEBUT 'MEET THE BREEDS' AT NEW YORK CITY'S JAVITS CENTER

-World's Largest Showcase of Cat & Dog Breeds to be Held in October in New York City; Unique Event Presented by Pet Partners, Inc.-

New York, NY - The American Kennel Club® (AKC®), in conjunction with the Cat Fanciers' Association (CFA), is pleased to announce that "Meet the Breeds(tm)" will take place on Saturday and Sunday, October 17th and 18th, 2009 at New York City's Javits Convention Center. Sponsored by Pet Partners, Inc. a leading pet healthcare provider, Meet the Breeds is a showcase of over 160 AKC registered dog breeds and 41 CFA registered cat breeds and will be the first stand-alone event of its kind in the world.

AKC Meet the Breeds has been held at every AKC/Eukanuba National Championship show since its inception in 2001, drawing thousands of spectators to the colorful and creatively decorated booths showcasing each AKC registered breed. The booths, created by each breed's national club, are individually decorated to depict the breed's country of origin, historical purpose or function, and attributes as a family pet. Responsible breeders and their dogs, puppies, cats and kittens will interact with the public to educate them on various breeds and responsible pet ownership.

"Because of the overwhelming popularity of this feature at our past shows and the tremendous participation of our Parent Clubs, we have decided to create a stand-alone event geared 100% toward pet lovers. Bringing the internationally respected CFA in adds a new dimension and will allow event goers to experience every breed of dog and cat in the U.S. together under one roof," said Dennis Sprung, AKC President and CEO. "It's an ideal opportunity for any animal lover to enjoy the diversity and beauty in the canine and feline worlds and learn about breeds directly from the experts. We will offer attractions such as educational demonstrations, vendors and activities for kids and we expect it to become an annual family event."

"We are so pleased to be joining the AKC for this event," said Pam DelaBar, President of the CFA. "As many pet owners know, cats and dogs are part of the family. This showcase will allow people to explore more about pedigreed cats and consider what breed will fit in to their lives."

"As one of the leading providers of pet healthcare insurance, Pet Partners is delighted to be the top sponsor of this exceptional event that will help families learn more about responsible pet ownership and how to ensure their pets live long and healthy lives," said Steve Popovich, CEO of Pet Partners.

Demonstrations will include various activities such as dog and cat grooming, Agility (dogs and cats), AKC Canine Good Citizen® Testing, K-9 Search and Rescue and First Aid for dogs and cats.

#### ORLANDO TO HOST AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP IN 2011

-- Show to be Held in New Location at Orange County Convention Center in Florida --

NEW YORK, NY (April 1, 2009) - The American Kennel Club® is pleased to announce that the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be returning to Orlando, Florida following the 2010 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in Long Beach, California. The 2011 show will take place December 17th and 18th in Orlando. The event has previously been hosted in Orlando, Tampa and Long Beach.

"In an effort to satisfy constituent requests for balanced geographical representation and to accommodate our continued growth, we have selected a new venue in Orlando, Florida to host the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship for the next several years," said AKC Chairman Ronald Menaker. "We appreciate the excellent service the city of Long Beach and its Convention Center have provided us and we know that our world-class event will share the same success in Orlando."

The 2011 show will be held at the new "state of the art" Orange County Convention Center, the second largest convention center in the nation. Situated in the heart of Orlando's tourism district and only 15 minutes away from the Orlando International Airport, the convention center is surrounded by more than 113,000 hotel rooms. Amenities on-site include three full-service restaurants, eight food courts and parking. Its prime location on International Drive will offer exhibitors hundreds of outstanding shopping, dining and entertainment options.

"We are excited about the opportunity to host the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in this award-winning facility with over 600,000 square feet of space," said Michael Canalizo, Director of AKC Event Management. "We know it will provide all of our exhibitors and competitors a great platform in which to compete."

"We are so pleased that the American Kennel Club has once again selected Orlando to host their AKC/Eukanuba National Championship for 2011 through 2015. Families, often including their pets, enjoy visiting Orlando year round. We are thrilled to welcome the show's more than 25,000 attendees to our exciting destination during these upcoming

prestigious international events," said Gary Sain, president and CEO of the Orlando/Orange County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc.

As in the past, three days of shows held by local clubs will precede the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship. The Brevard Kennel Club, Central Florida Kennel Club and Space Coast Kennel Club of Palm Bay shows will take place at the same site December 14-16, 2011.

"The 'Orlando Cluster' of dog shows is excited about the return of the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship to the East Coast and look forward to hosting this event with the American Kennel Club and Eukanuba beginning in 2011," said Central Florida Kennel Club Cluster Liaison and Show Chairman Linda Rowell. "We are planning a dog show week like no other in the dog world!"

The 2011 event will continue to showcase the top American dogs as well as offer the popular Bredby-Exhibitor competition, AKC Meet the Breeds® and the Eukanuba World Challenge. The AKC National Obedience Invitational and AKC Agility Invitational will be held in conjunction with the event.

#### IF I DIDN'T HAVE PETS...

I could walk around the yard barefoot in safety. My house could be carpeted instead of tiled and laminated.

All flat surfaces, clothing, furniture, and cars would be free of hair.

When the doorbell rings, it wouldn't sound like the kennels.

When the doorbell rings, I could get to the door without wading through fuzzy bodies who beat me there.

I could sit on the couch the way I wanted, without taking into consideration how much space several fur bodies would need to get comfortable.

I would not have strange presents under my Christmas tree-dog bones, stuffed animals, nor would I have to answer to people why wrap them.

I would not be on a first-name basis with three veterinarians.

The most used words in my vocabulary would not be: out, sit, down, come, no, stay, and leave him/her/it ALONE.

My house would not be cordoned off into zones with baby gates or barriers.

My pockets would not contain things like poop bags, treats and an extra leash.

I would no longer have to spell the words B-A-L-L-, F-R-I-S-B-E-E, or W-A-L-K.

I would not have as many leaves INSIDE my house as outside.

I would not look strangely at people who think having ONE dog ties them down too much.

I'd look forward to spring and the melting of snow instead of dreading mud season.

I would not have to answer the question:: "Why do you have so many dogs?" from people who will never have the joy in their lives of knowing they are loved unconditionally by something as close to an angel as they will ever get.

How empty my life would be.

#### The Lazy Dog Inn

Imagine a vacation place where dogs were not just "accepted" but welcomed. Imagine that the welcome was still extended when you said that you had more than one dog. However, you held your breath when you had to admit that they were not under 30 pounds. Much to your relief and surprise they said fine and by the way we do not charge a separate fee for bringing your dogs. Included with this is a climate controlled indoor doggie lodge with daycare and a fenced in play area if you need them. And imagine that the dogs were welcome in every room of the old style farm house except the dining area but that is only when you are enjoying your breakfast. Such a place does exist about 4 1/2 hours away in Chocorua, NH. Not only is the price reasonable but this B & B is a dog lovers dream come true. There are dog pictures and artwork of many breeds, dog books and doggy things all over the house. Our room had doggy wallpaper and a lampshade with swinging dog bones. The guest kitchen is always stocked with a cookie jar of dog treats and something for the human guests. The hosts of this place came

up with this idea for a truly dog friendly Inn due to their own frustration of trying to find a place to stay while they were on vacation with their two Goldens. They have thought of everything and are *really* dog people. You'll love this place. Check out their website. <a href="www.LazyDogInn.com">www.LazyDogInn.com</a>; by Beverly Wininger

Editors Comments: Please continue to send photos and articles to me at <a href="mailto:csweet@optonline.net">csweet@optonline.net</a> for evaluation for the newsletter. Remember to include "TFKC" in the heading or it may never get opened due to the high SPAM content these days. Chris Sweetwood.

# **DEADLINE** for the July-August newsletter is August 7, 2009

Thanks to Laura Hovanec and family for a great picnic.











