

# TATTLETAIL

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**The Albany Kennel Club** was founded in 1943, as an affiliate of the American Kennel Club, serving for the greater Albany Area in the State of New York. Their objectives as stated in their constitution and by-laws, Article 1, Section 2, are “(a) to further the advancement of all breeds of pure-bred dogs: (b) to conduct dog shows, obedience trails, rally trails and sanctioned matches under the rules of the American Kennel Club.”

In more recent years, the club has taken the incentive to educate our members and the public about purposely-bred dogs. By the club's definitions, purposely-bred dogs may or may not be pure-bred, but have been bred to be healthy; by health-checked sires & dams; have been whelped in well-suited conditions; and by knowledgeable breeders striving for the well-being of dogs as whole.

With a fairly small kennel club membership that averages around 30 members, the members' interests include a range of conformation, obedience, rally, agility, tracking, rescue, and barn hunt.

The club holds two point shows a year in October at the Eastern State Exposition Center located in West Springfield, MA in conjunction with the Troy Kennel Club. They also host a local fun match in June. The Club is also licensed to conduct AKC Temperament Test. More information can be found within, or by reaching out to a club member.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

#### AUGUST 3RD MEMBER MEETING AND MEMBERSHIP PICNIC

#### LAST REMINDER FOR TROPHY DONATIONS!

#### CATALOGUE ADS FOR POINT SHOW

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# PRESIDENT MESSAGE

Hello to the Albany Kennel Club members,

I know you've heard this all before, but this last year does seem to truly be coming to a close. New York is releasing the mask mandates as more and more people get vaccinated. I just saw an outside show not require the use of masks, but asks if your judge is wearing one, out of respect, to wear one while in their ring.

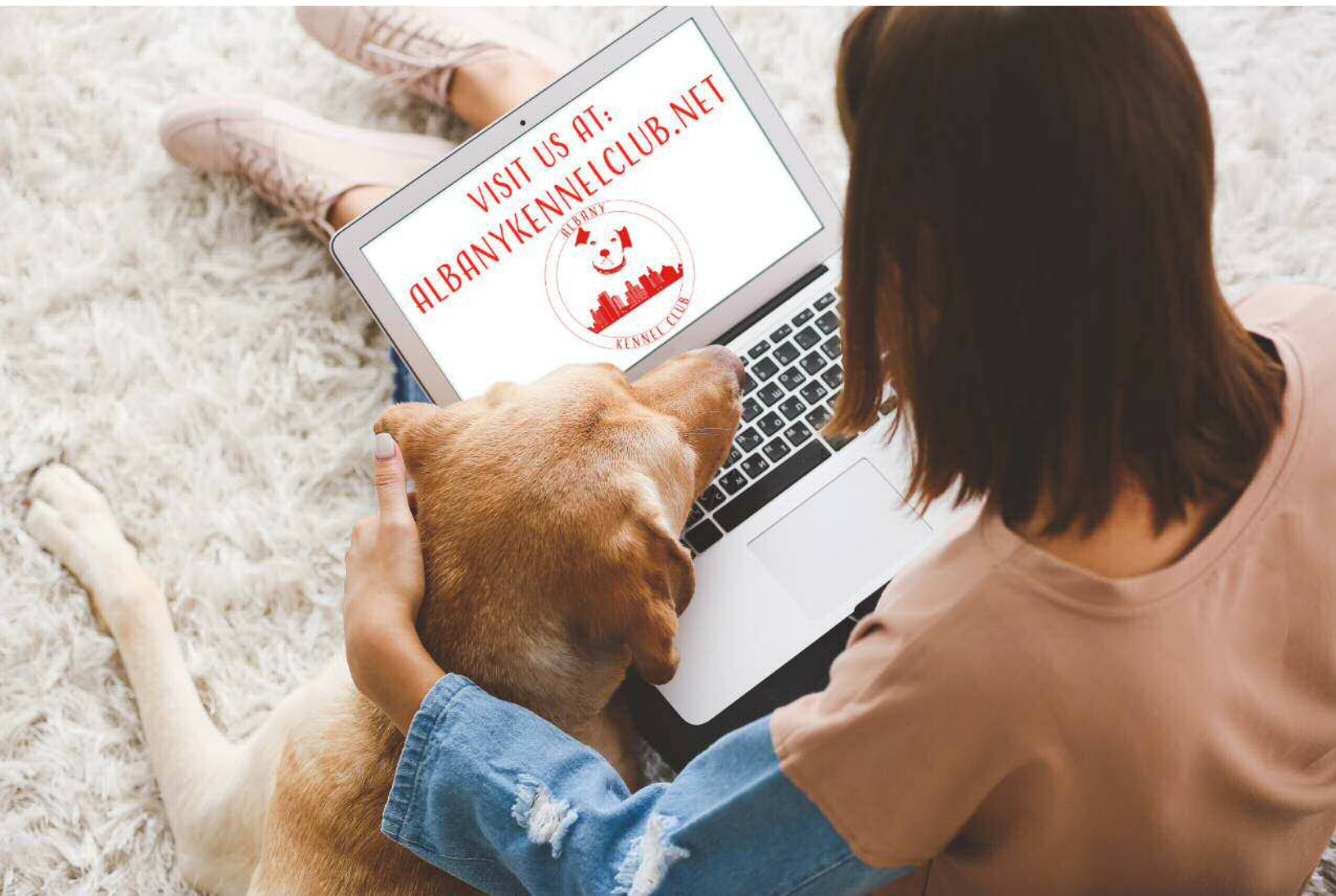
As for our show in October, the Big-E is requiring liability waivers, which will be including in our premium lists. Our interest lies with keeping our members and the rest of the dog fancy safe. We will err on the side of caution when it is time for our show and continuing safety practices as needed. We will also be continuing to have our meetings at the Henry Hudson Park in Selkirk with the option to zoom in until further notice.

I would also like to thank Lesley Potts for teaching the handling classes on Tuesday, we have had a great turn out the last few weeks.

Stay healthy everyone!

Corey Heenan

President

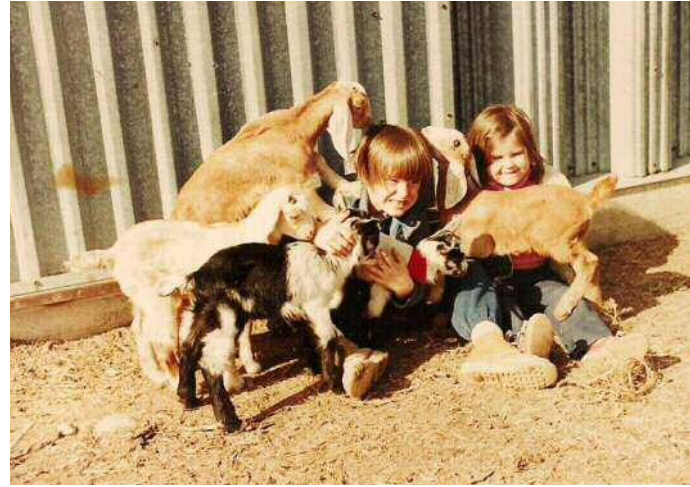


# MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

## COREY HEENAN

I have had both champion show dogs and draft horses growing up. I started in the show ring at about 3 or 4 years of age showing goats. Throughout my childhood I joined and competed in many 4H activities, enjoying many animals and all the different aspects one can do with pets.

Since our first family whippet, Cookie, I have had the breed for 30 plus years. I even put a Companion Dog title on him. Since then, I have had whippets I've bred or owned in events from lure coursing to top 20 conformation. The most recent being GChB Albelarm Call Me a Tekdal Fanatic at Reve JC, or Gigi. Gigi has multiple group wins along with many group placements in All-Breed shows. Now she's a mom of a litter sired by 30-year-old semen from a well-known whippet sire, Ch Saxon Shore Amber Waves ROMXX, and I can't wait to see what her puppies accomplish.



I started in Pharaoh Hounds 18 years ago by running one of the top Pharaoh kennels in the country- and now- world. While I was there, we usually had 5 to 10 dogs in the top 20 of both conformation and lure coursing. I helped with not only the show and care for these top-winning pharaoh hounds

but whelped many of them. My pharaoh now, GChB Sovrin Hallam Reedly Road to Saqara JC (AKA Foo), is a group winner and multiple group placer. In 2019, Foo was #1 owner-handled Pharaoh Hound and top 5 in breed statistics for conformation.



In 2005, I was Best Groomer at Intergroom with an English Springer Spaniel. From there, I started my own grooming shop, Corey's Canine Creations. That has now expanded into the Boutique and Pet Spa on Western Ave. in Guilderland, where I carry a hand-pick assortment of American or North American made treats and toys along with nutritional dog food brands that my staff and I are well informed and believe in the benefits of.



# AKC DELEGATE'S REPORT

BY KC GOTTSCHALK

During the June Delegate session, I attended via Zoom, three Committee Meetings, the Delegate Forum as well as the Delegate Meeting. Full minutes on all committees are available on the AKC site. Here is a quick recap on each:

Delegate Committee Meetings:

## **DOG SHOW RULES COMMITTEE - TUESDAY JUNE 1ST 11:30AM TO 1:30PM**

1. Many Housekeeping items were discussed regarding deadlines, etc...
2. Board of Director Liaison read his report
3. Staff Updates were reviewed including the issue of Veterinarians at Dog Shows and his/her role in communicable disease issue.
4. A discussion ensued that the words "Obedience Trial" or "Tracking Test" be replaced with "Companion Event" in Chapter 8, Section 1
5. Discussion regarding the revised wording of the Puppy BBE
6. Coordinating Committee of the Junior Subcommittee read their report. (recapped in my All-Breed Club recap)
7. AKC Corner now contains resources for teachers - including lesson plans and resources.
8. The 2021 Paw of Courage award was posthumously awarded to Kozmo a five-year-old Dutch Shepherd mix who served the Mesquite, Texas Police Department honorably for more than four years. He died in the line of duty this April.
9. Life Time Achievement Awards were also discussed.

## **CANINE HEALTH COMMITTEE - TUESDAY JUNE 1ST 3:00PM TO 5:00PM**

1. CHF Updates -
  - More than 1,060 awarded grants, with 160 presently active.
  - There are many new grants in canine cancerVery proud that CHF has a four star rating

- more than 80% of money goes directly to research.

- Studies on epilepsy and the effect of CBD oil/canibus
- Studies on tick borne diseases
- Virtual conference on August 13-15. It is open to anyone (as is the CHF website). Early bird registration is available

2. OFA - no report

3. Veterinary Outreach - Virtual outreach is still going on due to the pandemic. There will be a "virtual booth" at the health conference.

4. AKC semen bank was discussed. It is a 501c 3. Check out the Perspectives article on Otterhounds which this semen bank is modeled after.

5. Genetic Diversity was discussed with regard to long term breed health. It was suggested that this paper be shared with Parent Clubs.

6. It was discussed in New Business that this committee should continue discussions with the Dog Show Rules Committee regarding contagious diseases at dog shows.

## **ALL BREED CLUBS COMMITTEE - FRIDAY JUNE 4TH 11:30AM TO 1:30PM**

1. Board Updates

- Puppy folders have been updated
- AKC Pure Bred Preservation info updated. A tool kit is available.
- Discussion on Press Releases regarding the welcoming of new Associations.

2. Veterinary Outreach - Scholarships have been awarded as well as Junior scholarships.

3. Update from Junior Subcommittee - they have developed Best Practices to attract Juniors and young adults. They recommend a "Junior Coordinator" be named in all clubs to develop Junior membership and reach out to community.

4. What's Happening at the Shows?



- Masks are coming off at shows. However, if the judge in your ring is wearing a mask, you are expected to follow suit.

- Food trucks have been a big hit.

- The use of driers was discussed. It is dependent upon your community/state. As of June 1st, Eastern State will allow driers.

#### 5. How Clubs Survived COVID

- A survey was taken. During the summer a committee will organize these responses and make them available.

6. Discussion on how to attract diversity. Many breeds have been designated “National Heritage Status” Nine Irish breeds have been given this status. Many times organizations can be approached to allow them to participate in Ethnic Celebrations. Perhaps these organizations could be able to sponsor an event in the name of preserving heritage.

7. Keeping Engaged During COVID. A discussion ensued as to how to keep membership involved and avoid drop outs. Many noted that holding

training classes as well as keeping members happy was the key. Not all members are interested in Conformation. FAST CAT and Agility have been popular.

## DELEGATE FORUM

### JUNE 8TH 11:00AM-12:00

Dr. Erin Perry from Southern Illinois University presented a slide show on Nutrition and Canine Hygiene /Decontamination and gastrointestinal health.

Dr. Perry mentioned that many of us get our information on-line through a Google search. The majority of which are not supported through scientific studies and are merely opinions. She noted that in one study, of dogs whose owners had determined that their dogs were allergic to food 60% -80% were not - they were allergic to environment and contacts.

Dr Perry shared that dog food is evaluated in three areas - **Regulation** falls to FDA, **Labeling** to AAFCO and **Nutrition** to NRC. She shared how to “crack the code” on the dog food

label. When looking at “nutritional adequacy” the question to ask is “was this dog food evaluated by being fed to real dogs?” or was it “formulated” instead. AAFCO feeding trials are expensive, but are the gold standard. Feeding trials have strict components and “failure” is very specific.

Dr. Perry also covered safety concerns - such as “grain free diets”. Again noting that there must be evidence based information and not just “hunches.”

She covered dog's primary needs - water, protein, energy, vitamins and minerals. She reviewed the anatomy of a dog's GI tract. If it was slayed out in a straight line, it would be 4-5 times the dog's body length. It takes food 8-10 hours to go through the system. She covered the confusion in protein - when seeing “chicken” on the food label, don't be fooled. “Chicken” is actually 70% water and only 2% C Protein. Chicken Meal is better at 10% water and 65% CP. Chicken By-Products also provide good nutrition - organs and bone.

Dr. Perry covered GI distress and the many factors that contribute to it - “garbage gut”, food allergies, product contamination, medical (parasite, viral, bacterial) and stress.

Canine Hygiene is most important in working dogs and service dogs, but also effects companion dogs. Dog's self-groom by licking their paws etc. environmental factors such as Ice-Melt and blue-green algae cause major issues. Studies show that a simple “wipe down” after a dog has been exposed is highly effective, since a full bath isn't always available.

Dr. Perry's talk was highly informative and will be available on the AKC website. It was an hour packed with information as we all evaluate what we feed our four legged friends!

## DELEGATE MEETING

JUNE 9TH 12:00-1:00PM

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm. AKC began the delegate meeting by recognizing the passing of Fred Ferris a long time judge and an AKC delegate from Connecticut.

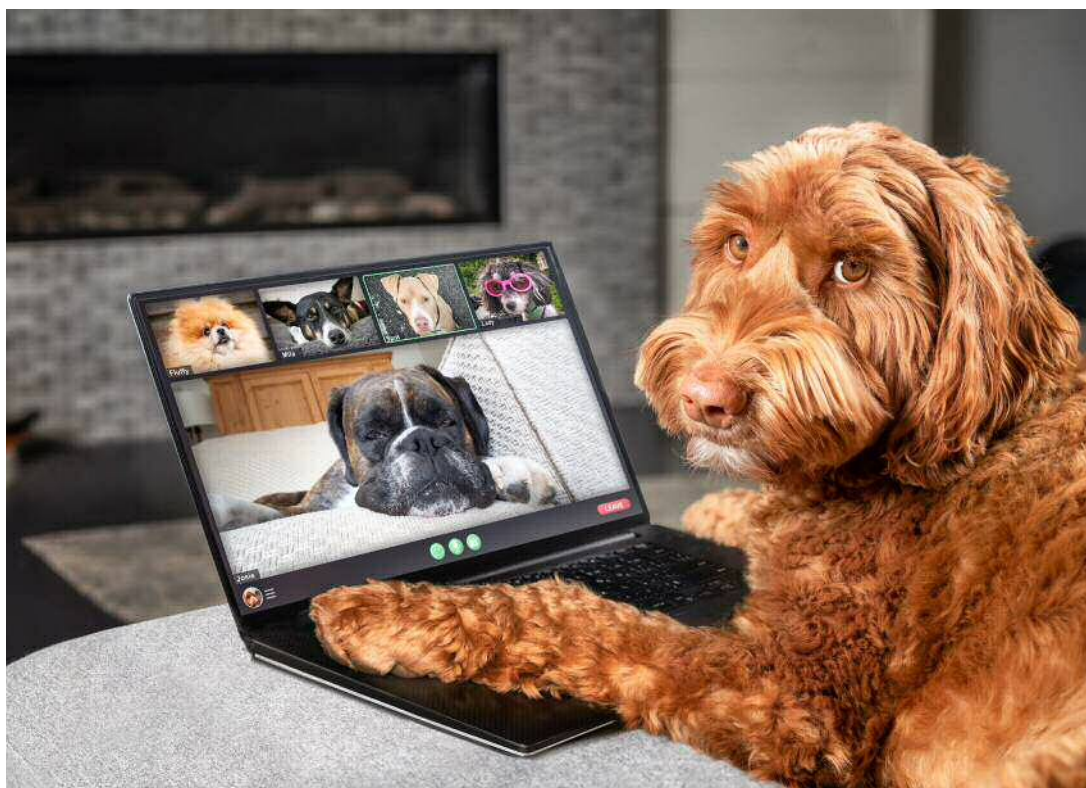
After Introductions and reports from the Chair, the President and the Financial Officer, the meeting consisted of a vote on Article VII New Section 2 Chapter 16 Section 6 Rules Applying to Dog Shows which would remove the words “and concurrent specialty shows” Vote was taken 99% voted yes 1% voted no.

The second vote on Article VII, New Section 2 moves an issue concerning the election of board members from Article VIII to Article VII. Vote was taken 98% yes 2% no.

The “read” on Article VII Sections 4,5 and New Section 6 which allows the Board to meet electronically.

A slide show on the Life Time Achievement Awards followed. Peter Green, Betty Winthers and Jim Basham were this year's winners.

The next Delegate meeting will be September 14th. It is still to be determined if this is in-person or via Zoom.



# MATCH SHOW

On Saturday June 19th, Albany Kennel Club held their annual sanctioned fun match. This year the match was at the Henry Hudson Park. Although the weather was forecasted to be in the high 80's being by the river, along with the shade provide by the trees at the park, the show itself stayed cool. We look forward to being able to use this location next year. The convenience of location being a few miles away from I-87 was nice added touch, but it's away from the highway making it quiet and peaceful.

The match itself went smoothly. We would like to thank Corey Heenan for putting on the match and dealing with all the details as Match Show Chair. Big thank you to Larry Brown, John & Jeanette O'Hanlon for setting up the

rings and bring the gear and extra thank you to Jeanette for setting up the rally course in the rent-a-ring, we know how much extra work that is!

Thank you to Calley Rupp-Potts for judging our match and Don Gillet for stewarding. For next year if anyone has suggestions for judges, please let Corey know. As always, we will need volunteers for next year so keep an eye out for the next date!

Congratulations to the German Shorthair Pointer for Best In Match and to the Doberman for Best Puppy In Match. Also to our Best Junior this year with the Wheaten Terrier!

We hope everyone had fun and would spread the word for next year!





# 8 THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE SHIBA INU

BY JAN REISEN

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Shiba Inus bear a startling resemblance to foxes, with their pointed ears, red coats, and black noses. They first came to the United States in the 1950s, but they've been gaining popularity in recent years. Learn more about this interesting breed.

## 1. THIS IS AN ANCIENT BREED.

The Shiba's ancestors probably accompanied the earliest immigrants to Japan way back in 7000 B.C. Archeologists have found remains of dogs about the size of Shibas in sites that were inhabited by the Jomon-jin people, who lived in Japan from 14,500 B.C. to 300 A.D. The Shiba Inu is likely the result of breeding between the Jomon-jin's dogs and dogs that came to Japan with a new group of immigrants in 300 B.C.

## 2. THEY WERE ORIGINALLY USED AS HUNTING DOGS.

Shibas have been used for hunting both small and large game. Because they are small, they're good at flushing birds and other small game out of the bushes. Shibas are rugged dogs that survived for thousands of years in the mountainous regions of Japan.

## 3. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR BREEDS IN JAPAN.

Shibas are currently one of the most popular

companion dogs in Japan, and they were declared a national treasure of the country. Many Shibas have become Instagram or YouTube sensations in Japan.

## 4. THE ORIGIN OF THEIR NAME IS A MYSTERY.

We know the word "inu" means dog in Japanese, but we don't know for certain where the name "Shiba" came from. Shiba means brushwood in Japanese, so it's possible that the Shiba Inu was named for the terrain where it hunted. It's also possible that the name came from the Shiba's coat, which is the same color as the autumn brushwood. A third explanation is that the name came from the breed's size; an obsolete meaning of the word shiba is little.

## 5. THERE USED TO BE THREE KINDS OF SHIBAS.

Before World War II, there were three types of Shibas — the Mino, the Sanin, and the Shinshu, named for the regions where they originated. Today's Shiba Inu is most similar to the Shinshu, but all three contributed to the modern breed.

## 6. THEY ALMOST BECAME EXTINCT.

World War II almost completely wiped out the Shiba Inu. Most died in bombing raids during

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# IS COOKOUT FOOD HAZARDOUS TO DOGS?

BY HARRIET MEYERS

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## KEY POINTS

- Grilled steak bones, ribs, and chicken bones cause choking and throat damage to dogs.
- Garlic and onions in any form are toxic for canine consumption.
- Licking the fatty leftovers around the grill can result in pancreatitis.

With warmer weather comes the chance to fire up the grill and enjoy a cookout. Dog owners may be tempted to let their dog have a taste of the delicious grilled foods. However, many cookout foods are not safe for dogs to eat. Here are a few tips on foods to watch out for:

## BONES

What's better than a nice juicy grilled steak or barbecued ribs or chicken wings? But sharing these with your dog is a dangerous idea. Dr. Jerry Klein, AKC chief veterinary officer, warns that you should never give your dog cooked bones of any kind. They splinter into shards that can cause choking and serious damage to the dog's mouth, throat, or intestines.

## RAW MEAT

Raw steak or hamburger patties can contain bacteria, such as salmonella and E. coli that can be harmful to dogs, as well as people. Keep a careful eye on the meat as you prepare the

grill because the aroma will definitely get your dog's attention, and he may try to sneak a tasty morsel.

## HOT DOGS

Hot dogs often contain ingredients that are not good for dogs, such as sodium nitrate, which has been linked to cancer; monosodium glutamate (MSG); and sugars or artificial sweeteners. Hot dogs also contain seasonings, such as garlic and onion powder, that are toxic to dogs. The biggest problem with hot dogs is salt. Feeding your dog even one-half of a hot dog would probably put him way over his daily sodium limit, and too much sodium can lead to dehydration and high blood pressure. Another issue with hot dogs is that they are a choking hazard.

## TOPPINGS

Garlic and onions can cause stomach upset in dogs, and sometimes have even more serious side effects. Raw or cooked, fried or powdered, onions, and the rest of the allium family (garlic, shallots, leeks, and chives) are all harmful to dogs. Onions contain a toxic compound that causes a breakdown of red blood cells, leading to anemia in dogs.

Ketchup, while not toxic for dogs, is best left off of the foods you share with your canine pal.

In addition to tomatoes, commercial ketchup typically contains garlic and onions, cinnamon, sugar and salt, preservatives and chemicals – and many of these ingredients can have detrimental effects on dogs. Mustard can upset a dog's stomach and cause vomiting.

## CORN ON THE COB

Corn on the cob is a summertime staple, and although a small amount of corn won't hurt, you should not share your corn on the cob with your dog. There is a risk that he will choke on it, and if he ingests the cob, it can cause a serious intestinal blockage. So, unfortunately, it's not a food you should allow your dog to gnaw on.

## SALTY SNACKS

Potato chips, pretzels, peanuts, and popcorn – all make nice portable snacks when you eat outside. But too much salt can lead to sodium ion poisoning in dogs, causing vomiting, diarrhea, tremors, fever, and seizures – and can even be fatal.

## WATERMELON

Watermelon is safe for dogs in moderation with these precautions: Seeds could cause an intestinal blockage, so make sure you remove them. It's also not a good idea to allow a dog to chew on the rind, because it can cause gastrointestinal upset.

## CHOCOLATE

Whether it's eaten in ice cream, cake, or straight on, chocolate is dangerous for dogs, and depending on the type and amount of chocolate consumed and the weight of your dog, it could cause a serious medical emergency. So the safest path is to avoid giving your dog chocolate at all times in any form.

## ICE CREAM

Although it's refreshing, ice cream is a milk-based product, and dogs' bodies are not designed to digest milk after they are weaned as puppies. Since ice cream is made with milk, feeding your dog ice cream could lead to gas, bloating, constipation, diarrhea, or vomiting.

## ALCOHOL

An ice-cold beer, a mojito, or margarita may sound refreshing, but don't let your pup dip into any alcoholic beverages. Alcohol toxicity is not very common, because dogs are not innately drawn to alcoholic beverages. However, they may be attracted to fruit-based drinks, cocktails, punches, ciders, seltzers, and foods with alcohol as a key ingredient. Another serious consideration is diet alcoholic beverages or other mixers that may contain Xylitol, an artificial sweetener, which is highly dangerous, and even fatal, if consumed by a dog.

## CAFFEINE

Caffeine can be fatal for dogs. This includes the beans and grounds for coffee, hot tea and iced tea, sodas with cola, energy drinks, and chocolate drinks. Their high sensitivity to caffeine can cause dogs to experience hyperactivity, increased heart rate, and cardiac arrhythmias, high blood pressure, tremors, seizures, vomiting and diarrhea, a high fever, and coma.



## LEFTOVERS

Most dogs will be attracted to the grill, especially when you cook meat. Don't let them lick up the fat that drips from the meat because

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# TAKE THE LEAD

BARBARA H VANSCHOICK (SPRINGFIRE KENNELS ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIELS)

At a meeting I was asked to write an article on Take the Lead and although I thought all might know about this organization, which is listed as a 501(c) 3 Not for Profit. I decided to do review of them.

Both my husband and I belong to this organization as a family even though I am the real dog person but since we got an English Springer Spaniel we have traveled together a lot and now he also is part of the purebred family so with that note here is my take on Take the Lead. Now we have 3.

They started in 1993 in Watertown, NY where they still have their offices. The services started out to help those in the purebred family (breeders, owners, handlers and all) with life threatening or terminal illness. They have several levels of membership, but they do not separate those who need help. By 2020 they had distributed more than 6.45 million dollars. If there is a terminal illness, they have direct services, support,

and care. Now they have added emergency assistance to those who have material loss due to fire, flood, accident or natural disaster up to \$5000. If you have been at shows you will find they usually have tables with Take the Lead items and they put on a Christmas party at Springfield, MA. All the money stays with Take the Lead and you can ask them about this organization. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit they did not stop serving our purebred family. They offered to pay the health insurance of many in the sport. Sometimes we forget that the people who stand beside us in a show ring maybe suffering real problems, but people now remember if help is needed Take the Lead is there to help the purebred family.

You are part of that family and someday you may need their support. I am not asking you to join I just wanted all in the family to know there is a place to go.

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it is rich in oils that can cause pancreatitis. Symptoms include: vomiting, diarrhea, intense abdominal pain, hunched back, weakness, and fever, and pancreatitis is life-threatening if untreated.

If you have a charcoal grill, be aware that although charcoal isn't poisonous, it may upset your dog's stomach if he eats it. It commonly causes vomiting, diarrhea, and loss of appetite. Large pieces could also lead to obstruction and choking.

## WHAT SHOULD I DO IF MY DOG EATS SOMETHING TOXIC?

If you think your pet has gotten into something potentially toxic, call your veterinarian right away. When it happens outside of office hours or any time, day or night, weekends, and holidays, you can call AKC Reunite's Pet Poison Helpline at 800-252-7894 for help.

As experts on the potential danger of the

substances dogs eat, the Pet Poison Helpline is the go-to resource to assist if your pet accidentally gets into something. They will recommend the necessary steps to help treat your pet. This may sometimes include getting the dog to an emergency vet as soon as possible. (AKC Reunite subscribers have lifetime access to the poison helpline for a single additional \$15 fee.)

## WHAT HUMAN FOODS CAN MY DOG SAFELY EAT?

Although dog foods might not be appealing to us, most contain all of the nutrients dogs need to stay healthy. However, there are many fresh summer fruits and vegetables that are safe for you to share with your dog, such as blueberries, cantaloupe, cucumbers, and peas. For a look at fruits and vegetables that are and are not dog safe and for a list of other types of human food your dog can safely eat, check [akc.org](http://akc.org)



# TAKE THE LEAD

## WHO QUALIFIES & WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?

LAST YEAR, IN THE YEAR 2020, TAKE THE LEAD HAS DISTRIBUTED MORE FUNDS THAN EVER BEFORE!  
A TOTAL OF **\$689,855.00** WAS PROVIDED TO THOSE QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF OUR SPORT WHO HAD NEED.

More than \$400,000 of that figure was a temporary "COVID-19 Program" we established. During this difficult time, many in the sport applied for relief to be able to cover their existing health insurance while dog shows were suspended. This program terminated in December of 2020, but our other programs still exist!!!

**WITH ALL OF THIS SAID, OUR WORK IS NOT DONE. WE ARE STILL HERE AND STAND READY TO ASSIST OUR FRIENDS IN THE FANCY WHO PARTICIPATE AT AKC EVENTS.**

### WHO QUALIFIES?

For either application, **anyone** who has participated in **any AKC recognized event** for five years or more, is a potential candidate for assistance.

**THIS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO:** Exhibitors, Breeders, Judges, Owner-Handlers, Photographers, Professional Handlers, Superintendents, Vendors, Easterners, Westerners and all those who live in between.

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

**It's simple! 2 separate applications for assistance can be found at [www.takethelead.org](http://www.takethelead.org), or you may call our office at 1-800-814-1123**

APPLICATION 1 - ON-GOING CARE (Life-threatening, or terminal illness).

APPLICATION 2 - EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (Fires, floods, earthquakes, civil disasters, etc.).

*(Your application is STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL and only the Committee will know who has applied. We can't buy you a new car and we can't buy you a new house... but we CAN help you with day to day living expenses).*

## OUR BIGGEST HURDLE IS GETTING YOU TO APPLY

We understand the word PRIDE. We know that it hurts to ask for help. We understand that you may have gone through your savings and we are aware that you are many times at your wit's end. Please, and we repeat please, don't wait until you are in this position. We can't solve all of your problems but we can help and we will. It's what we do.

We can do this because, in many ways, we are family too. The funds that we distribute have come from within our sport itself. You do not need to have been a donor to receive help. We are here to help you financially and, we need to say this because we have been asked this question many times in the past; you are never expected to repay us. This is a gift not a loan. It is a gift from us and from your friends in the sport who have supported us over the years.

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the war, or from distemper, a highly contagious canine viral infection, after the war. Breeding programs that began after the war helped the breed bounce back. Most of the surviving Shibas were the Shinshu variety, though there were a few Mino and Sanin left.

### 7. ONE SHIBA SAVED HER FAMILY IN AN EARTHQUAKE.

In 2004, an earthquake struck the village of Yamakoshi in Japan. When her family's home collapsed, a Shiba Inu named Mari sprang into action to save her puppies and her elderly owner. She moved her puppies to a safe place and then found and woke up her owner, who had been trapped underneath a fallen cabinet. He managed to free himself and was eventually evacuated from the area by helicopter. He was forced to leave Mari and her pups behind, but when he returned two weeks later he found that they were all alive. Mari's story was made into a Japanese movie called "A Tale of Mari and Her Three Puppies."



### 8. SHIBAS HAVE CAT-LIKE QUALITIES.

In many ways, the Shiba Inu is more like a cat than a dog. They are independent and can be difficult to train. They also spend a lot of time grooming themselves and tend to be extremely clean.

## BRAGS

Jeannette O'Hanlon and Lilah (Esoteric's Alainn Lilah CD BN RI MX MXB MXJ MJB NJP XF SWAE SCE SIE SHDN RATN CGCA TKA RS-E JS-E GS-E) earned their SW Buried Advanced Elite, SW Advanced Exterior Elite, SW Container Excellent, SW Exterior Advanced Elite, and their Scent Work Advanced Elite titles at the Albany Obedience Club trials May 1st & 2nd, 2021.



John O'Hanlon and Cricket (MACH Esoteric's Tacoma Third Time's A Charm CDX BN RE FDC MXB MJS XF CA SWN SEA TT THDN RATO CGCA TKA RS-E JS-E GS-E) earned their SW Interior Novice, Scent Work Novice, and their SW Exterior Advanced titles, also, at the Albany Obedience Club Trials on May 1st & 2nd, 2021.

Lilah & Cricket are American Staffordshire Terriers bred by Al Bincarousky III, Esoteric.

# UP COMING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

ALBANY KENNEL CLUB MEETINGS TAKE PLACE ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00 PM AT THE HENRY HUDSON PARK UNTIL THE WEATHER STARTS TO GET COLD.

August 3, 2021 (PLEASE NOTE WE HAVE DECIDE TO TAKE THE JULY MEETING OFF, REPLACING WITH AN AUGUST MEETING)

\*September 7, 2021

October 5, 2021

\*November 2, 2021

\*Board Meeting takes place immediately prior to the membership meeting

**ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HYBRID UNTIL WE CAN HAVE OUTDOOR MEETINGS OR THE THREAT OF THE CORONA VIRUS IS MITIGATED.**

## COMING UP...

### AUGUST MEMBERSHIP MEETING

As stated above the board decided to cancel the July meeting, due to the lack of available members at large shows or on vacations for the 4th of July. They decided to change the date of the July meeting to August which had been the traditional meeting to take off.

They also decide to host the **Annual Picnic** at the **August** meeting. The time of start will be 7:00 PM. We will also be having handling class at 6:30 PM that day. We hope to see you there!

The option to ZOOM will be available as well!

# POINT SHOW

- The Albany Kennel Club will be holding its yearly Point Show in conjunction with Troy Kennel Club on October 15th, 16th and 17th in the Better Living Center at The Big E.

- Show chairs Penny Kretchmer and Don Gillett report that all is on track. Please contact Penny or Don if you wish to lend a hand as a volunteer. I am certain that they have many volunteer opportunities for you!! Temperament Testing will be a feature of the show.

- Jeannette O'Hanlon is in charge of trophies. Please consider sponsoring a trophy. Pledge forms are located on the bottom of this page. Donations are due no later than the June meeting.

- Paul Sargent is in charge of advertising. The prices for the 2021 Point Show on October 15th, 16th and 17th 2021 are as follows:

Outside Cover: \$75

Inside Cover: \$50

Full Page- Member: \$28

*Non Member: \$38*

Half Page- Member: \$19

*Non Member: \$21*

Quarter Page- Member: \$10

*Non Member: \$12*

Pictures/Drawings- Member: \$13

*Non Member: \$12*

**(please be sure to include your name and mailing address on the back)**

The due date for the advertisements, will be sometime in August. Those interested can bring their ad to our Albany Kennel Club meetings or mail it to Paul.

## ALBANY KENNEL CLUB TROPHY PLEDGE

\_\_\_ FRIDAY OCTOBER 15, 2021

\_\_\_ SATURDAY OCTOBER 16, 2021

BREED \_\_\_\_\_

CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

TROPHY DESCRIPTION \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

It is agreed there are no verbal understandings in any way part of this pledge. It is further agreed that in the event the undersigned does not provide the above described trophy in sufficient time to be presented at the above named show(s), the named club has the right to substitute a trophy of equal value or description and bill the undersigned.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

A close-up photograph of a white dog's paw, showing the texture of the fur and the pads of the paw. The paw is resting on a light-colored surface.

NOT EVERY PET  
IS A  
SHOW DOG,  
BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU,  
EVERY SHOW DOG  
IS A PET

-MRS. PATRICIA TROTTER

## NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Hello to my fellow members!

If you can't tell, I've changed up the newsletter quite a bit. I would love to hear some feedback if you are willing to take the time and send me an email. I would also love for you to send me anything you would like to see included or if you have any ideas for content.

I will also be sending out a member survey for our Member Highlight section sometime before the next Tattletail. If you would like to be featured in our newsletter please fill them out and send them back!

Remain paws-itive!

Calley

(ruppcalley@gmail.com)

