



PUPPY PATTER

ALTOONA AREA KENNEL ASSOCIATION, INC.

MAY/JUNE 2015

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MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS Monthly general membership meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of each month at the AAKA club building, 200 Basal Lane, Duncansville, PA, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!!

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Building Reminder

If you are on the building premises or coming to the building for any activity involving the club or building – your dog must be on lead. NO EXCEPTIONS!

No flexi leads on the club premises.

IDEAS OR QUESTIONS

The AAKA Officers and Board of Directors welcome any AAKA member to address the board with any ideas or questions. Any member may meet with the board or submit their ideas or questions in writing to the board to be discussed. If you would like to meet with the board, all you need to do is contact any board member to be put on the agenda. You will then be given a time to meet with the board prior to the start of the regular monthly meeting held on the third Tuesday of the month at the AAKA club building. If you prefer to submit something in writing to be discussed, you may give it to any board member or put it in the payment box at the top of the stairs. Again, the board welcomes any AAKA member to address the board with any ideas or questions.

Contact List

Membership List

Tammy Perkins.

For additions or corrections to the membership list, please contact Tamsen via email at tammyp935@gmail.com or call 942-2936. The latest membership list can be picked up at the club building.

Building Rental

Mark Criste.

To rent the building for \$5 (member) or \$10 (non-member accompanying a member) an hour, contact Mark at **814-312-3466**.

Breed Referral

Kathy Pike or Larry Wilson.

For a breed referral, email Kathy at kpike@atlanticbbn.net or call 330-5652; or email Larry at larryelmer@gmail.com or call 224-2803.

Sunshine Person

Connie Wilson

If you know someone in the club who has had a death in the family, sickness, or is having a rough time, please email Connie at Mrs.Conniewilson@gmail.com so she can send them a card from the club.

AAKA Web Page www.aakainc.com.

To have news, events, or notices posted to the club's website, contact: Larry Wilson, larryelmer@gmail.com; or Amy Sheehan (newsletter), amy_sheehan@verizon.net

AAKA Club Building Use:

Mark Crist, Building Manager, has requested that you call his phone (814-312-3466) to reserve the building or report a problem at the building. To better utilize the club building for all members, anyone who uses the building and decides not to come to the building during their reserved time slot (whether it be for classes or for training) must call Mark as soon as possible so that he can notify the membership that the building is available for rent or training. As in the past, club classes take precedence in building use. Instructors will post a class schedule on the bulletin board so others know when the building is available for use.

AAKA Class Schedule

AAKA club classes, which are scheduled for 55 minutes, are ongoing; and costs \$42 for members and \$60 for non members for a six week session. Drop-ins are welcome at classes, but individuals need to contact the instructor prior to attending the class to check on room availability. **If you sign up for a class and cannot attend, you need to let the instructor know.** Also, if you decide to withdraw from a class, you need to inform the teachers so that others on the wait list can participate in the class.

Class Schedule:

- **Handling**, Monday, 6:30 p.m. – Anne Schettig, 886-2371.
- **Pre Agility**, Saturdays, Summer Schedule – Darlene Ormsby, 224-5650.
- **Agility**, Saturdays, Summer Schedule – Nancy Porta, 224-0295
- **Puppy K/AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy**, Mondays, 7:30 p.m. – Nancy Porta, 224-0295 or Anne Schettig, 886-2371.
- **Rally Class**, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 6 & 7 p.m. – Darlene Ormsby, 224-5650.
- **Social Obedience Skills**, Tuesdays, 6 p.m. – Kathy Pike, 330-5652.

Supplies Needed

The club is always in need of paper towels, toilet tissue, garbage bags, cleaning supplies, Odor Ban, etc. Please add the club to your next shopping list.

AAKA Bulletin Board:

The bulletin board "facelift" transformation at the AAKA club building is still in progress. We need pictures of club members doing something with their dog(s) for the bulletin board. We are asking you to send a picture of yourself doing something with your dog(s) to Darlene for the bulletin board. Please DO NOT send 'show/trial' pictures or pictures of just your dog(s) or of just you. The pictures need to be of you doing something with your dog(s). If you have a 'little' write up, we will try to put it with the picture(s) or we may just identify you and your dog (s). Please email your pictures and information to Darlene at Dormsby2@atlanticbb.net. As you continue to send pictures throughout the year, we will try to rotate the pictures to keep the board changing. Please do not crop or size the pictures before emailing them to Darlene. Go through those pictures now, and start emailing them with a "little" write up to Darlene at Dormsby2@atlanticbb.net.

Breeder Referral:

If you have not already done so, please contact Larry Wilson or Kathy Pike to have your name and contact information added to our Breeder Referral list. The AAKA gets quite a few inquiries from people looking for specific breeds. It's helpful to be able to direct them to an actual breeder or owner. If you've already had your name added to the list, thank you for participating!

Raffle Baskets for 2015 Breed Show:

Each year the club offers large baskets of dog/people goodies as a raffle at the September shows/trials. Darlene Ormsby and Nancy Porta collect the items/money (to buy more items). We have two large baskets, filled to the brim each day. Member's generous donations allow us to make a large, pure profit on these raffles. Stuffing two baskets per day uses a lot of items, please be generous. Donations can be left at the training building--mark bags of donations with Nancy Porta or Darlene Ormsby's name and raffle. Examples of donations are Gift cards; Dog food; Dog chewies/treats (please check expiration dates); Dog toys; Dog grooming supplies--ie. tools, shampoo, vitamins, etc.; Candles; and Money to buy larger, eye-candy items.

OFA Eye Clinic:

The Altoona Area Kennel Association, Inc. is holding an OFA Eye Clinic with Dr. Ronald C. Riis from Cornell University on Saturday, August 15, 2015, at the club building in Duncansville, PA. The cost is \$43 for the first dog and \$40 for each additional dog. Appointments must be pre-registered with Kathie Crist by Friday, August 7, 2015. For additional information or questions, contact Kathie at karafast@live.com or call 814-623-8680 in the evening. A flyer is on the website and attached on the last page (Page 7-8) with eye clinic details and registration form. Please feel free to pass this information on to other dog owners.

July Picnic:

The July picnic will be July 28th at the AAKA club building. More details will be emailed out as this event gets closer.

July 25-26, 2015 Agility Trial:

The Agility trial at B & D Creekside Activity Center in Latrobe, PA, closes on July 6, 2015, and the premium is on our website, www.aakainc.com. As always, it takes many hands to make a successful trial. There's a worker's form in the premium that you can give to Darlene as soon as possible. If you don't have a form, just email Darlene at Dormsby2@atlanticbb.net and let her know when you can be there to help. Setup for the trial will be on Friday, July 24, at 1:30 p.m. Please let Darlene know if you can help with setup on Friday or tear down on Sunday. We look forward to another class act Agility trail and working with the members and exhibitors.

Check us out online!



Altoona Area Kennel Association Inc.

Or on our website at:

<http://www.aakainc.com>

President's letter:

Hi Everyone,
Happy to see the warm weather. Not so happy with all the rain.

We have a couple of things coming up. The picnic in July will be at the club building. We will be playing some games and eating lots so come and enjoy the day. Kathy Pike will be taking care of the menu.

The eye clinic will again be in August. Please take advantage of this wonderful eye doctor- Dr. Riis from Cornell. Your dogs eyes should be checked at least every other year. Kathie Crist is taking reservations.

Most important is our July agility trial at B&D. You have until the beginning of July to send in your entry- so don't forget. Carol is our trial chairperson and workers forms should go to Dar as she takes care of the workers schedule.

Our 2015 Breed show is coming along. Lisa has a couple of vendors and things are moving along.

Our classes are doing great. I would like to thank Kathy Pike and Mark for starting the SOS class. It is full and moving right along. Thank you to Nancy for starting the Puppy K class and Dar for doing the STAR Puppy Program. That is also filled and we have a really nice group of dogs.

Have a couple of programs coming up- we will send out an email as that gets closer.

Planning our 2016 Breed Show – it will be upon us in a heartbeat. We will be looking for trophy donations right after September as the premium has to go to MB-F in January.

We want to welcome Kelly Corl and Tammy Perkins as our two new board members. You have big shoes to fill- but I checked your shoe size and all should be well. Kathy Pike has moved up to Vice Pres and will chair our all breed show in 2016. Thanks Kathy!

Many thanks to Lisa L. and all who helped her with the C.G.C. evaluation. This is one of our compliance requirements. So happy to have that out of the way.

Our Agility trial is just around the corner. Any help you can give- we will take. Please help with the Friday set up if you are available.

That is about it.
Pray for our members and families, our troops, and our country.
Best
Anne

Calendar:

Board Meeting: Kathie Crist, Hostess	July 21
AAKA Agility Trial in Latrobe	July 25 & 26
General Membership Meeting: July-Picnic at AAKA Building	July 28
Eye Clinic	August 15
Board Meeting: Darlene Ormsby, Hostess	August 18
General Membership Meeting: Terry Stacy, Service dogs	August 25
Board Meeting: Kathy Pike, Hostess	September 15
General Membership Meeting: Kelly Coral , PowerPoint on Grief	September 22

Newsletter Brags and Pictures:

Brag wanted! When sending your brags to the newsletter editor please put "Brag" in the subject line. Pictures are welcome but the editor reserves the right to modify the picture to an appropriate size that works in the newsletter. Due to the limited space in the newsletter the editor also reserves the right to hold a picture for a future newsletter.

Brag:

Agility:

- OSF "Willow" Leigh of the Triple R, owned by Robin Quist, received her titles in Novice Standard and Novice Jumpers class at Westmoreland's Agility Trial in May.
- Daisy Mae owned by Wil Teeter earned a Master Double Q at Loyalhanna Agility Club's Trial at Latrobe, March 22, 2015. Daisy Mae also picked up a Standard Masters Leg (4th Place) earning her Master Standard Title at Mount Nittany Dog Training Club's Trial, May 8th, Pa. Furnace.
- Jozie owned by Wil Teeter earned an Excellent Leg and 2nd Place, along with a 2nd Place Leg in Open JWW, earning her Open JWW Title, at Mount Nittany Dog Training Club's Trial, at Pa. Furnace, May 8th. Jozie also earned an Excellent JWW Leg, 1st Place, at Westmoreland County Obedience Training Club's Trial held at Latrobe, May 15, 2015.
- A big thank-you to all the instructors at AAKA, who helped us get our start in agility.
- "Skye", Nitani's Shining Star of Western Hills owned and handled by Mark Criste made the United States Australian Shepherd Association's final top 10 standings for 2014 in several categories; 20" Nov. B std 6th place, 20" Nov. B JWW 2nd place, 20" Open JWW 4th place, 20" Exc. JWW 4th place. Skye is also listed in 3rd place for 20" excellent std for this years 2015 current standings.
- Stella, owned by Viv Koontz, finished her Novice Fast title at our AAKA trial April 25.
- Team Dar & Armitage Tickle Me "Elmo" Ormsby, picked up two Master Standard legs at Loyalhanna Agility Club trial in Latrobe on June 27-28.
- Sheltie Morley, Jana Armitage Just One More, owned by Darlene Ormsby, picked up one Open Standard leg at our AAKA Agility trial in April and two Open Standard legs to finish he Open Standard title at Loyalhanna Agility Club trial in Latrobe on June 27-28. He also got one Open Jumpers leg at Loyalhanna on June 27-28.

Confirmation:

- Stella owned by Viv Koontz, was awarded Best of Opposite Sex in the Breed ring at the Mid-Atlantic Flat-Coated Retriever Club's booster show at Bucks Co. on May 2nd. Stella is now GCH Indulgent Stellar Spirit BN RN NA NF.

Obedience:

- Stella, owned by Viv Koontz finished her Beg. Novice title at the Bucks Co. Kennel Club Show, May 2nd.

New Addition:

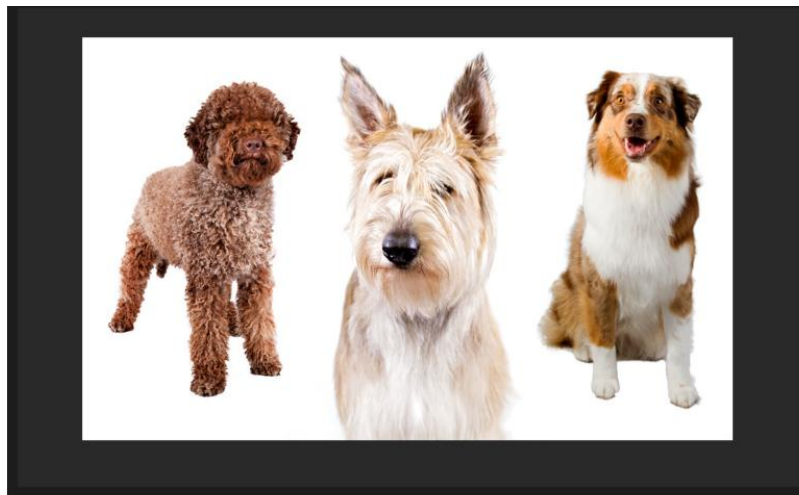
- Kelly Corl is very happy to welcome Hannah, a 4 year old red merle Australian Shepherd to the Corl home. This beautiful girl was at a local rescue, Mending Hearts. Welcome to your forever home, Hannah banana!!

**Thank You from Viv Koontz:**

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, e-mails, messages & kindness regarding the passing of Indie. Indie introduced me to the world of dog sports and is the reason I have so many friends at AAKA. You all are FANTASTIC!!

Meet the American Kennel Club's Three New Dog Breeds

The Berger Picard and Miniature American Shepherd join the Herding Group, and the Lagotto Romagnolo joins the Sporting Group.



As with all AKC-recognized breeds, each of these has a National Parent Club that provides everything you'll want to know:

[Berger Picard](#)

[Lagotto Romagnolo](#)

[Miniature American Shepherd](#)



**Ronald C. Riis, DVM, MS,
Diplomat, American College
of Veterinary
Ophthalmologists**

Education and Training

Cornell University, Master of Veterinary Science, 1975
Cornell University, Resident, Comparative Ophthalmology, 1974 Internship, College of Veterinary Medicine Cornell University, 1972
University of Minnesota, DVM, 1971

Board Certification

Diplomat - American College of Veterinary Ophthalmologists (DACVO)
American Society of Clinical Pathology (MT/ASCP) Cytology & Histopathology

Directions to the Club Building:

FROM CRESSON:
Follow Route 22 East. Take the last exit before the I-99 Interchange, the Hollidaysburg/Duncansville Exit Route 764. Remain in the left lane for Route 764 North Altoona. Once you merge onto Route 764 North, you should immediately get into the left lane as you will be making a left turn at the first signal light onto Carson Valley Road. This intersection is marked by the Carson Valley Cemetery on your left and Beck Chiropractic on your right. Smith Furniture is beyond the intersection on your right. After making your left turn onto Carson Valley Road follow the directions from ** in the I-99 South or North directions.

FROM HOLLIDAYSBURG:
Get to the Meadows Intersection (North Juniata Street and Plank Road). If you are on North Juniata Street, proceed straight through the signal light at the Meadows Intersection. If you are Southbound on Plank Road, turn right at the signal light at the Meadows Intersection. If you are Northbound on Plank Road, turn left at the signal light at the Meadows Intersection. Proceed straight to the first stop sign after the Allegheny #1 Elementary School on your right. Turn right at the stop sign and then make first left turn. After making the left turn you will be on the extension of Carson Valley Road on the east side of Route 764. There will be a signal light at the intersection with Route 764. Proceed straight through the signal light and follow the directions from the ** in the I-99 South or North directions.

FROM I-99 SOUTH OR NORTH:
Take Exit 28, the Route 22 West Exit, to Ebensburg. Once on Route 22 West, take

the First Exit, Hollidaysburg / Duncansville / Altoona for Route 764. Get into the left lane for Route 764 North to Altoona. Once you have merged onto Route 764 North, you should immediately get into the left lane as you will be making a left turn at the first signal light onto Carson Valley Road. This intersection is marked by the Carson Valley Cemetery on your left and Beck Chiropractic on your right. Smith Furniture is beyond the intersection on your right. After making your left turn onto Carson Valley Road, **proceed straight up Carson Valley Road for 1.2 miles. As you approach the 1.2 mile mark, you will notice the overpass (bridges) for Route 22, slow down, you will make a right turn onto Longview Drive adjacent to the overpass. Follow Longview Drive for 2/10 of a mile and turn right onto Basal Lane to the building. The lane takes you straight into the building.

FROM ALTOONA ON ROUTE 764

SOUTH:
Follow Route 764 South out of Altoona towards Duncansville. As soon as you pass Veeder-Root (Manufacturing Plant) on your right, make the right turn at the signal light onto Carson Valley Road and follow the directions from the ** in the I-99 South or North directions. This is the first intersection as the road widens to four lanes for the remaining distance to Duncansville. If you pass the Route 22 Interchange, you have gone too far!

FROM DUNCANSVILLE ON ROUTE 764

NORTH:
Follow Route 764 North towards Altoona. Immediately after the Route 22 Interchange, get into the left lane and make the left turn at the signal light onto Carson Valley Road. Then follow the directions from the ** in the I-99 South or North directions.

O.F.A. EYE CLINIC

With

**Dr. Ronald Riis,
DVM, MS
Associate Professor
Of Ophthalmology –
Emeritus
Cornell University**

**Sponsored by the
Altoona Area Kennel
Association, Inc.
200 Basal Lane
(1st right off Longview Drive)
Duncansville, Pa.**

Saturday, August 15

**Appointments by
pre-registration only
Deadline: August 7th**



**First Dog: \$43.00
Each Additional Dog: \$40.00**

(Checks made payable to A.A.K.A.)
Please complete the form below and
return it to: Kathie Crist
P. O. Box 241
Bedford, Pa. 15522

Questions, please call or email:
(814) 623-8680 / evenings
Email: karafast@live.com

Appointment times will be mailed
on Friday, August 7, 2015.

Detach here-----

Eye Clinic Appointment(s)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email Address: _____

of Dogs _____

Breed _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____