



PUPPY PATTER

ALTOONA AREA KENNEL ASSOCIATION, INC.

APRIL/MAY 2016

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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 Tammy 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 larryelmer@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 Criste, 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**, Starting May 2nd, Thursday, 6:00 p.m.– Anne Schettig, 886-2371.
- **Agility**, Saturday, 9, 10 & 11 a.m.– Nancy Porta, 224-0295.
- **Pre-Agility**, Tuesday, 6:00– Nancy Porta, 224-0295.
- **Rally Class**, 2nd and 4th Thursday, 7 p.m.– Darlene Ormsby, 224-5650.
- **Social Obedience Skills**, Monday, 7 p.m.– Kathy Pike, 330-5652.
- **Puppy K**, Monday, 6 p.m. – Kelly Corl, 207-1635.
- **Beginner Novice**, Monday, 8 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 continues. 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.

New Applications:

Jennifer, Jasmine and Gabriel Figueroa
Blandburg PA, 16619
Gabrico3@hotmail.com
Australian shepherds and Chihuahua

Amanda Pringle
Hollidaysburg PA, 16648
dtailspets@aol.com
Chinese Crested

Gindi and Randy Musselman
East Freedom PA, 16637
Gperrin4@aol.com
Pitbull, pug, jug, Shar pei, shar pei and pug mix.

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!

2016 All Breed Dog Show (May 2016):

Each year the club offers large baskets of dog/people goodies as a raffle at the All Breed show. Darlene Ormsby and Nancy Porta collect the items/money (to buy more items). We hope to have at least two large baskets, filled to the brim. Member's generous donations allow us to make a large, pure profit on these raffles. Stuffing two baskets 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.

AAKA Agility Trial April

Another AAKA, Inc. Agility Trial is in the books and a big thank you to everyone who helped in any way! It was a huge success. Several people thought this trial ran smoother than others and I think people enjoyed themselves! Several non-club members came around and indicated what a nice trial we had. A lot of people came together and stepped up to volunteer and learn jobs they hadn't done before or help when asked from the littlest detail to the biggest detail, and to all of you, I am most thankful!!! In addition to the club members, the exhibitors also made this agility trial a BIG success! I am most proud of everyone who helped in any way to get this trial off the ground and in the AKC books! Congratulations to those who exhibited, Qs or no Qs this past weekend; and, a HUGH congratulations on a job well done! I am truly blessed to work with so many awesome people!

Thank you!

Dar

White Elephant Auction at May Membership Meeting!

Yes, it's time for the annual AAKA White Elephant Auction this Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. The club is providing pizza for you to enjoy, but we need to have an approximate count of how many people are coming so we are sure to have enough pizza for everyone. If you are coming to the auction on Tuesday, please email Kathy Pike at kpike@atlanticbbn.net as soon as possible.

What is the White Elephant Auction, you say? It's a fun filled evening where you can bring your "usable" unwanted items along with you to the AAKA meeting for an auction where you can bid on items brought by everyone. This is a great way to "re-gift" your unwanted items and find some NEW TREASURES to take home for pennies on the dollar. It's also a wonderful chance to get rid of some of those good, usable, unwanted items, and to bid on some treasures! It's like going to a yard sale, except Tamsen and Helen will reel you in with exciting bids! :) Everything but clothing and tires are accepted. Usually these items are bought for pennies on the dollar, yes pennies, pennies, pennies. It is a fun meeting and also a fundraiser for the club. All proceeds benefit the AAKA. So gather up those unwanted items and bring them along to the AAKA meeting for the auction and find some new treasures, too!

Hope to see you there for a fun filled evening of "bidding". Don't forget to let Kathy Pike know you are coming to the meeting.

Thanks

Dar

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 20, 2016, 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 12, 2016. 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.

President's Letter: 😊

Hi All,

I want to thank Larry Wilson for serving on the board for many, many years. He had many jobs. I could not even list them all but probably the one that was the biggest pain in the backside was taking care of the trailers. So we all thank you for all the time and effort you gave this club.

We want to welcome Gary Creamer and thank him for his willingness to serve on the board. He will be the rose among the thorns.

Thank you to who attended and helped make our awards banquet at Jethro's such a great success. Thank you to Kathy Pike, Darlene Ormsby, and Amy Sheehan for your contributions to this event. It was a night of good food, good fun, and good company.

Thank you to Darlene for all the work you put into the planning as trial chair and everyone that helped to make our April Agility trial such a huge success. Too many helpers to individually name. An especially big thank you to those that signed up to help but did not have a dog entered. We really appreciate everyone that step up to help at the trial.

We have lots of events coming up:

Our all breed show is on Thursday May 26. Kathy has put in a lot of time and effort as our show chair. Please let Kathy or me know if you are going –we need workers- nothing hard and I hope you all will make an effort to come to this- our first show in the cluster!

For our May membership meeting we will be having the white elephant auction. Start saving your stuff to bring and have a good time at this unique membership program.

Our classes are on going. I cannot begin to thank everyone who volunteers to teach! Where would we be without our teachers.

The Eye Clinic is in August. The flyer is on our web site and in the newsletter. Please contact Kathie if you have any questions.

That is about all for now.

Our prayers are with Paula on the loss of her husband and Jim and Lisa Davis on the loss of Jim's father. Please also keep Darlene's brother in your prayers. Please pray for our members and their families. We all need those prayers. Please also pray for our country. God knows we need it!

Thanks

Anne

Calendar:

General Membership: White Elephant Auction	May 24
AAKA All Breed Show Cluster	May 26
Board Meeting:	June 21
General Membership Meeting: Vacationing with dogs	June 28
Board Meeting:	July 19
General Membership Meeting: Picnic	July 26
AAKA July Agility Trial	July 30-31
Eye Clinic	August 20
Board Meeting:	August 16
General Membership Meeting:	August 23

Check us out online!



Altoona Area Kennel Association Inc.

Or on our website at:
<http://www.aakainc.com>

Newsletter Brags and Pictures:

Braggs 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.

Braggs:

Agility, Obedience, Rally, CGC, and CGCA:

- On Saturday, April 9th, Gypsy Valiant Victor, "Bo", owned by David and Kathy Pike, earned his MACH title at Loyalhanna Agility Club's trial. On Sunday of the same weekend Bo earned his Excellent FAST title. Thanks to all of our friends and instructors for their guidance, support and encouragement. We couldn't have done it without all of you! **(Picture Below)**
- Std Schnauzer JJ, owned by Lisa Davis, earned his CGCA 1/28 at the AAKA test. He's such a good boy!
- Diamond's Hawke Soaring Thru The Triple R, owned by Robin Quist, received his CGC title on April 4th

Conformation:

- Diamond's Hawke Soaring Thru The Triple R, received his first point in the breed ring at Morgantown on April 28th
THANK YOU INSTRUCTORS OF THE AAKA FOR ALL OF YOUR HELP AND ENCOURAGEMENT!!!

Other:

- Team Robin/Hawke attended a two day seminar on May 7 & 8th with George Alston and received the honor of being selected as Best Handler.



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: karafaast@live.com

Appointment times will be mailed
on Friday, August 12, 2016.

Detach here.....

Eye Clinic Appointment(s)

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email Address: _____

of Dogs _____

Breed _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____



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 20, 2016

***Appointments by
pre-registration only
Deadline: August 12th***



**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.