



# PUPPY PATER

ALTOONA AREA KENNEL ASSOCIATION, INC.

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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](mailto: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](mailto:kpike@atlanticbbn.net) or call 330-5652; or email Larry at [larryelmer@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:larryelmer@gmail.com) so she can send them a card from the club.

### **AAKA Web Page** [www.aakainc.com](http://www.aakainc.com).

To have news, events, or notices posted to the club's website, contact: Darlene Ormsby, [dormsby2@atlanticbb.net](mailto:dormsby2@atlanticbb.net); or Amy Sheehan (newsletter), [amy\\_sheehan@verizon.net](mailto: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**, NO CLASSES in December– Anne Schettig, 886-2371.
- **Agility**, Saturday, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30 & 11:30 a.m.– Nancy Porta, 224-0295.
- **Pre-Agility**, Tuesday, 6 p.m. – Nancy Porta, 224-0295.
- **Rally Class**, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7 p.m.– Darlene Ormsby, 224-5650.
- **Puppy K, Classes to begin Next Year**, Monday, 6 p.m., Kelly Corl, 207-1635.
- **Social Obedience Skills**, Monday, 7 p.m.– Kathy Pike, 330-5652.
- **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](mailto: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](mailto:Dormsby2@atlanticbb.net).

## New Application:

Addison Balzano  
316 Krug Rd.  
Asheville PA, 16613  
[Cbalzano316@hotmail.com](mailto:Cbalzano316@hotmail.com)  
Maltese, Bichon, Shih Tzu

Don Beerbower  
571 Overlook Dr.  
Hollidaysburg, PA 16648  
[PSUDON78@gmail.com](mailto:PSUDON78@gmail.com)  
Brindle Boxer, American  
Mastiff

Terry & Peggy Walsh  
174 Mathieson Road  
Summerhill PA, 15958  
[tgwalsh02@gmail.com](mailto:tgwalsh02@gmail.com)  
Dobermans

Jessica King  
961 Burkettown Road  
Roaring Spring PA 16673  
[Jking2984@gmail.com](mailto:Jking2984@gmail.com)  
Australian Shepherd

## 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!

## 2017 All Breed Dog Show (May 2017):

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.

## Meet The Breeds: Pet Expo Thank you!

Pet Expo Participants

I want to take a moment and thank each and every one of you for coming out today and supporting the AAKA and Pet Expo! This was our 6th year and I think we get better every year! Who says you can teach old dogs new tricks? This is a great opportunity for our club to get out there and promote what we do best! And you sure did do it!!!

Thank you for my demo chairs for taking the reins and organizing and running the demonstrations. You did a great job and I don't know what I would do without you!

Feedback is welcome so if you saw something we could do better or just want to make a comment please do so. Again thanks to each of you. Hope you can make it again next year!!!

Sincerely,

Tamsen Nuss

AAKA Pet Expo Chairman

## AAKA 2016 Holiday Donations!

Christmas Carol, \$350

Waly Warmth, \$350

Support Our Soldiers, \$350

Mending Hearts, \$350

St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry, \$350

Nardecchia Spay & Neuter, \$350

Lakemont Lions Club, \$100

## President's Letter: 😊

Hi Everyone,

Last letter of 2016! I want to thank everyone who came and was part of the Meet the Breeds at Pet Expo. Tamsen did a great Job, not only keeping our activities running smoothly, but also announcing pretty much the whole day. We had a new schedule that I thought worked out to give our dogs even more exposure. Again, thanks Tam and all who ran the activities and those that participated in a really fun day.

Next, Thanks to Larry and the "Boys" (We need to come up with a catchy name for this group! Think!) The photographers could not have been more enjoyable and they love coming and working with the dogs. Need many people to get this puppy off the ground. We had lots of help. Thank you everyone!

SOS was wonderful. So proud that so many people contributed to our troops. Thank you is truly not enough but it is all I have.

Christmas party coming up. Let Mary Jo know if you are attending as she and Kathy are working on this.

Thank you to all who participated in our "breed problems" program at the November membership meeting. I especially would like to thank Lori, Tamsen, Kelly, Tammy, and Nancy for getting up and talking about their breed issues.

Our club has had a great year. Classes are full and some are beyond capacity! Can't beat that. Thank you to our teachers. We owe you much. Our agility trials are a huge success on all fronts. Our first year at the Memorial Day Cluster went beyond my expectations in so many ways. Thank God that Kathy said she would be show chair. Kathy did a super job especially without ever stepping in the breed ring. We are truly blessed to be part of the cluster.

May you all have a blessed Christmas and tons of good health in the New Year and beyond. Please pray for our members. Some of our members are going through some tough times and your prayers certainly can't hurt. Pray for our families, our troops and hope that our new president can bring back some kindness and peace to our country.

Anne

President AAKA, Inc.

## Calendar:

<b>Christmas Party</b>	December 13
<b>Board Meeting: Hostess, Gary Creamer</b>	January 17
<b>General Membership Meeting: Amy's Travels</b>	January 24
<b>Board Meeting: Hostess, Amy Sheehan</b>	February 21
<b>General Membership Meeting: Fire Safety</b>	February 28

## Just for Fun

Cookie recipe for **Humans**:

1 cup (2 sticks) butter or margarine

1 cup solid vegetable shortening

2 cups firmly packed brown sugar

2 cups granulated sugar

4 eggs

2 tsp vanilla extract

2 cups uncooked quick oats

4 cups all-purpose flour

2 tsp baking soda

2 tsp baking powder

1 cup flaked coconut

1 cup chopped pecans

2 cups Rice Krispies Cereal

12 ounces chocolate chips (or M&M's or both)

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. In a very large mixing bowl cream the margarine and shortening with the brown sugar and granulated sugar. Add the eggs and vanilla and mix well. Stir in the oats, flour, baking soda, and baking powder, and baking powder. When well blended, stir in the coconut, pecans, Rice Krispies, and chocolate chips. (This batter is very heavy and will require using your hands to mix it.) When the batter is thoroughly mixed, drop the batter by  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup for each cookie on a large cookie sheet. Bake for 10-12 minutes, or until the edges are golden if you prefer chewy cookies. For a crispy cookie, bake longer, for about 12-15 minutes. Allow the cookies to cool slightly while still on the baking sheet. They are large and break easily while warm. I prefer to bake them for 13 minutes. The pecans are optional and I have used walnuts or almonds. I have also used chocolate chips and M&M's together or any other combo that looks good.

Compliments of Champion Hawk!

## Did you see this???:

The secret life of dogs



CBS Sunday Morning

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=keRp\\_S8caps&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=keRp_S8caps&feature=youtu.be)



<http://www.tuftsyourdog.com/>

Does Your Pup Have One of the Most Popular Dog Names of 2016?

<http://people.com/pets/does-your-pup-have-one-of-the-most-popular-dog-names-of-2016/>

## Check us out online!



Altoona Area Kennel Association Inc.

Or on our website at:

<http://www.aakainc.com>

## Newsletter Brags and Pictures:

Brags 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 newsletter the editor also reserves the right to hold a picture for a future newsletter.

## Brags:

### Conformation:

- Jeff & Viv Koontz had a very rewarding day At the Mid - Atlantic FCRC Supported in October. Haze (Indulgent Purple Haze) was Best Puppy in Sweeps. Abby (Windy Hill Maybe I'm Amazed) was BOS in Puppy Sweeps. Haze then went WD & BOW for his second Major. Spirit (Indulgent Spirit of the Dance) was RWB.
- JANA Ticket To Ride, handled by Nancy Porta, debuted at the Cumberland Shows, October 20-23, in the 4-6 month Puppy Class. “Ryder” was Group 1 all four days and Best Puppy In Show on Friday, October 21. A special “Thank You” to Nancy for showing this handsome puppy and sharing him with Don Ormsby. See picture on page 7!
- Two great weekends for Nancy Porta’s BISS GCH JANA Armitage Freelance, AX, OAJ, NF, CGCA, CGCU, “Rooney” was Best Of Breed over a great line up of specials at Rock Creek KC, Upper Marlboro KC, Cheapeake KC and Northeastern MD KC.

### Lure Coursing:

- CH Diamond's Hawke Soaring Thru The Triple R, CA JC, CGC, owned by Robin Quist got his CA & JC titles in lure coursing and his QC certificate in lure coursing at the North Coast Coursing Field Trial held in Austintown, OH on November 12 & 13th.

### Barn Hunt:

- Labrador retrievers, Halo, owned by Grace Stevens and Roscoe "P" handled by Kelly Corl, earned their Open Barn Hunt title - RATO - on Saturday December 3rd at Dandy Dog Training facility in Newville, Pa. Of special note is that ALL proceeds from the event went to canine cancer research with over \$2,500 raised!



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