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AKC Considers Addition & Re-alignment of Conformation Breed Groups

From AKC Group Realignment Committee Report - Addendum A to the October 2008 AKC Board of Directors minutes. (www.akc.org/pdfs/about/board_minutes/1008.pdf)

In October 2007 the Board of Directors of the American Kennel Club appointed an exploratory committee, chaired by Dr. Thomas Davies, to evaluate the current alignment of breeds within the seven variety groups, to determine if a different alignment would better serve the sport now & in the future, as new breeds become eligible for registration.

In its deliberations, the committee considered several sources of information. The committee also considered 2 (unofficial, non-scientific) polls, neither of which demanded a particular realignment. The general sense, however, was that it was time to do something about the burgeoning sizes of several of the groups, as well as the actual makeup of breeds within groups.

After careful examination of the groups & the breeds that make them up, the committee decided that 2 of the current groups, which in a short time span could approach 40 breeds, could easily & logically be divided. The Sporting Group could be divided into Sporting - Pointers & Setters and Sporting - Retrievers & Setters. Secondly, a logical division of the Hound Group would be Scent Hounds & Sight Hounds. The third major change would be the creation of a new group, consisting of the Northern or Spitz-type breeds.

More on the proposed AKC group realignment:

- Turn to Page 4 for a listing of the realignment of breeds as proposed by the committee
- General input on the realignment plan can be submitted to James Crowley, Executive Secretary of the AKC; breed specific comments should be submitted through the breed Parent Club. Proposed realignment will be considered at the January 2009 meeting.
- There is a Yahoo Group specifically devoted to discussion on the realignment of breeds, etc. - it is called the AKCGroupRe-AlignmentDiscussion & can be joined by going to Yahoo.com & hitting the Groups link

There will be
a Board
meeting in
November at
6:00 pm

Monthly Meeting Information:
Date: 2nd Monday of each month Time: 7 pm
Location: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ~ 559 20th St SW, Rochester, MN
Directions from downtown Rochester: South on Broadway to 20th St SW (Kwik Trip on the corner) - turn right (W) - go approximately 5 blocks to top of hill - church is on the right, set back from the street.
(During the months of February, August, & December meetings are typically held "off-site" due to special club events - watch the newsletter for location changes).

RMKC Board Meeting, October 13, 2008

Members Present: Diana Mann, Caroline Bailhy, Pat Campbell, Julie Prentice and Beth Haas

President Diana Mann called meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Old Business:**ALL BREED SHOW:**

There was no profit at the 2008 All Breed show. Caroline presented a cash flow comparison sheet which identified all expenses and income. Board members had discussion on how to curb some of the expenses. Suggestions were made to curb judge's expenses by using Rochester Airport vs Twin Cities, and using Rochester Direct instead of renting several vehicles. We may also have to look into increasing our second entry since AKC fees have dramatically increased. Onofrio's fees did not increase that much. Club needs to identify ways to cut general expenses also. Diana suggested adding a camping chairman since grounds covers such a vast amount of duties at this time. Pat suggested that ring stewards from our club membership are at a minimum and we need to encourage club participation.

The topic of Show Chair was discussed along with locating a booklet from AKC identifying yearly agenda of duties for the Show Chairman. Julie suggested having one show chair for both days. Board members agreed we should try one show chairman in the future.

We need to start putting together committees for the 2009 show. Suggestions are needed for judge selections.

Beth Haas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Caroline Bailhy. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Member Brags***Legs & Titles Earned:***

- **Webshire's Tri-Athalon UD MH RE NA OAJ CCA "Cricket"** (Golden Retriever) - Caroline & Art Baihly - finished her UD title on Sat, Sept 13 in Rochester & was 1st place in Utility A & was 1st place Utility A on Sunday; then at the American Chesapeake Retriever Club Hunt Test on Oct 4 & 5, she earned her Master Pass.
- **Webshire's Politically Incorrect** (Golden Retriever) - Caroline & Art Baihly - earned his 1st Junior Hunter leg at the Chesapeake Retriever Club Hunt Test on Oct 5.
- **CH Ebony's Brimstone** (Schipperke) & Pat Campbell earned their Rally Novice title at the Rochester MN Kennel Club show.
- **CH Viam Sharper Image NA OAJ NAP NJP "Bowtie"** (Beagle) & Linda Cornick earned their 1st Rally Novice Leg at the RMKC show.
- **Everafter Vintage Top Shelf "Booker"** (Whippet) - Julie Prentice - earned his 1st Rally Novice leg at the RMKC show; then at the Mason City KC shows on Oct 11th & 12th, went WD to finish his AKC Champion - way to go Julie & Booker!
- **Wildfire Will He or Won't He "Woodie"** (Golden Retriever) - Marie Christianson - earned his CD at the RMKC show, along with his first Rally Excellent leg; on Sept 20-21, he earned his Canadian CD, placing 3rd three times & 2nd once & earned his Canadian RN

- **Jewel's Classic Minnie Pearl "Mouse"** (Weimeraner), owned by Lu Miller, finished her CH on Jan 19th & earned her NSD on Sept. 26th.
- **Jewel's Classic Button Fly "Levi"** (Weimeraner), also owned by Lu Miller, earned his NRD & his Versatility Title on Sept. 26th
- **Fernbriar First Class "Dandy"** (Cardigan Welsh Corgi) - co-owned & bred by Diana & Mackenzie Mann - earned his CH by going WD/BOW for 4 pts at the RMKC show.
- At the RMKC show, Carol Sorenson finished her 9 mo old puppy boy "Freedom" with a 5 pt major; & at the Shar Pei National her puppy "Rocket" took 1st in the BBE class.

Points Earned:

- **Angelic-Yorktowns At Last My Love "Marilyn"** (Whippet) - Julie Prentice - Mason City KC shows, Oct 11-12 - was WB/BOW/BOS (over a special) on Sat and WB/BOW on Sunday.

More Brags:

- **Rabbit Run Minneapolis** (Basset Hound), owned by Nancy & Clarence Klenke - At the Basset Hound Club of America National Specialty (Sept 30-Oct 5, 2008), "Minnie" was Best of Opposite Sex in the Senior Sweepstakes, & then in regular classes not only won the 12-18 month class, but also went on to be Winner's Bitch & Best of Winners.

RMKC General Membership Meeting, October 13, 2008

Members Present: Diana Mann, Pat Campbell, Beth Haas, Linda Cornick, Fran Kornblum, Mary Ferreter, Nancy Klenke, Chuck Kuhl, Linda Limpert, Lu Miller, Marie Christianson, Sandy Woodruff, Barb Hartman, Carole Sorensen, Amy Lawson, Vicki O'Neill **Guest:** Ron Elshaug

President Diana Mann called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Diana welcomed our guest Ron Elshaug who currently shows Poms.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by Sandy Woodruff to approve the minutes; seconded by Marie Christianson. Motion carried.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Marie presented a flyer for a seminar by Gerianne Darnell at the Badger Kennel Club in Madison, WI. The club also received a thank you note from Patty Kleven for her Bred By Exhibitor award.

Treasurer's Report: Report was given by Diana in Caroline's absence. Diana read the Show Expense and Income sheet prepared by Caroline with no profit recorded for the 2008 All Breed Show. Entries were down, AKC fee was up and rental fees were up.

Old Business:**2008 All Breed Show:**

Judges were very appreciative of the hospitality shown them, along with the helpful ring stewards

Groom space got tight. We are in need of a barrier between grooming and obedience.

Need more volunteers to ring steward.

Could have used more vendors.

Have several inquiries for several breed specialties for next year's show.

Suggestion made to use local judges for next year's show, Rochester Direct instead of renting cars.

Agility Show:

Many compliments on organization of trial

Numbers were down

Food was excellent. May need to adjust volume of food and change location of food wagon for next year. Carole Sorensen to inquiry on Pepsi Wagon.

Linda Limpert suggested the need for a microphone for the "fast" classes.

Agility Seminar:

Seminar was well received.

Very informative.

Lots of activity and exercises for participants and their dogs

Well received by all who attended.

Disaster Preparedness

Had a nice display at the show.

Only sold a few kits however.

Canine Carnival:

Carole Sorensen got information regarding Rochester Fest. There is a \$350 charge which includes advertising, etc. Club members suggestions were:

Join the Doxie Race and Disc dog competition on Saturday June 27th.

RMKC information booth with Meet the Breed

Agility and Rally demonstrations.

Grooming demonstrations

Families encouraged to bring family pets

Carole to contact Rochester Fest committee for contract.

Royal Canin:

Royal Canin has new sales representative. Beth Haas will contact for presentation at our January meeting.

New Business:

None at this time.

Motion was made by Barb Hartman to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Lu Miller. Meeting adjourned at 8:07.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Campbell

Recording Secretary

Proposed Group Re-Alignment (cont'd from Page 1)

Group 1: Sporting - Pointers & Setters

Brittany
Pointer
Pointer (German Shorthaired)
Pointer (German Wirehaired)
Setter (English)
Setter (Gordon)
Setter (Irish)
Setter (Irish Red & White)
Spinone Italiano
Vizsla
Weimeraner
Wirehaired Pointing Griffon

Group 2: Sporting - Retrievers & Spaniels

Retriever (Chesapeake Bay)
Retriever (Curly-Coated)
Retriever (Flat-Coated)
Retriever (Golden)
Retriever (Labrador)
Retriever (Nova Scotia Duck Tolling)
Spaniel (American Water)
Spaniel (Boykin)
Spaniel (Clumber)
Spaniel (Cocker) ASCOB
Spaniel (Cocker) Black
Spaniel (Cocker) Parti-color
Spaniel (English Cocker)
Spaniel (English Springer)
Spaniel (Field)
Spaniel (Irish Water)
Spaniel (Sussex)
Spaniel (Welsh Springer)

Group 3: Scent Hounds

Basset Hound
Beagle (13")
Beagle (15")
Black & Tan Coonhound
Bloodhound
Bluetick Coonhound
Dachshund (Longhaired)
Dachshund (Smooth)
Dachshund (Wirehaired)
English Foxhound
Foxhound (American)
Harrier
Otterhound
Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen
Plott
Redbone Coonhound
Treering Walker Coonhound

Group 4: Sight Hounds

Greyhound
Ibizan Hound
Irish Wolfhound
Italian Greyhound
Pharoah Hound
Rhodesian Ridgeback
Saluki
Scottish Deerhound
Whippet

Group 5: Working

Anatolian Shepherd
Bernese Mountain Dog
Black Russian Terrier

Boxer
Bullmastiff
Cane Corso
Dalmatian
Doberman Pinscher
Dogue de Bordeaux
German Pinscher
Giant Schnauzer
Great Dane
Great Pyrenees
Greater Swiss Mountain Dog
Komondor
Kuvasz
Leonberger
Mastiff
Neapolitan Mastiff
Newfoundland
Portuguese Water Dog
Rottweiler
Saint Bernard
Standard Schnauzer
Tibetan Mastiff

Group 6: Terriers

Airedale Terrier
Australian Terrier
American Sraffordshire Terrier
Bedlington Terrier
Border Terrier
Bull Terrier (Colored)
Bull Terrier (White)
Cairn Terrier
Cesky Terrier
Dandie Dinmont Terrier
Fox Terrier (Smooth)
Fox Terrier (Wire)
Glen of Imaal Terrier
Irish Terrier
Kerry Blue Terrier
Manchester Terrier (Standard)
Miniature Bull Terrier
Miniature Schnauzer
Norfolk Terrier
Parson Russell Terrier
Scottish Terrier
Sealyham Terrier
Skye Terrier
Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier
Welsh Terrier
West Highland White Terrier

Group 7: Toys

Affenpinscher
Brussels Griffon
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel
Chihuahua (Long Coat)
Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)
English Toy Spaniel (Blenheim & Prince Charles)
English Toy Spaniel (King Charles & Ruby)
Havanese
Japanese Chin
Maltese
Manchester Terrier (Toy)
Miniature Pinscher
Papillon
Pekingese
Pomeranian
Poodle (Toy)

Pug
Shih Tzu
Silky Terrier
Toy Fox Terrier
Yorkshire Terrier

Group 8: Companion

Bichon Frise
Boston Terrier
Bulldog
Chinese Crested
French Bulldog
Lhasa Apso
Lowchen
Poodle (Miniature)
Poodle (Standard)
Tibetan Spaniel
Tibetan Terrier
Xoloitzcuintli

Group 9: Herding

Australian Cattle Dog
Australian Shepherd
Bearded Collie
Beauceron
Belgian Malinois
Belgian Tervuren
Belgian Sheepdog
Border Collie
Bouvier des Flandres
Briard
Canaan Dog
Cardigan Welsh Corgi
Collie (Rough)
Collie (Smooth)
German Shepherd
Old English Sheepdog
Pembroke Welsh Corgi
Polish Lowland Sheepdog
Puli
Pyrenean Shepherd
Shetland Sheepdog

Group 10: Northern

Akita
Alaskan Malamute
American Eskimo Dog
Chinese Shar-Pei
Chow Chow
Finnish Spitz
Icelandic Sheepdog
Keeshond
Norwegian Buhund
Norwegian Lundehund
Norwegian Elkhound
Samoyed
Siberian Husky
Schipperke
Shiba Inu
Swedish Valhund

Breeds in *green italics* are currently in the Miscellaneous Group & are due for Full Recognition on 1/1/09; those in *blue italics* are currently in the Miscellaneous Group; breeds in *orange italics* will be added to the Misc Group in January 2009.