

February 1, 2016

# CHATTER

Lawrenceville Kennel Club February Newsletter

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## Prevent Pet Suffocation!



Most people are not aware of the SUFFOCATION hazards of chip bags. Many chip bags are made from a strong mylar-like material that can be deadly to your pets.

Once the dog puts his head into the bag, the bag creates a vacuum-like seal around his neck. As he tries to breathe, the bag tightens around his neck, cutting off the oxygen. Dogs can and do die within minutes!

Please store chip bags safely away from your dog's reach. Cut or tear up all chip bags after use!



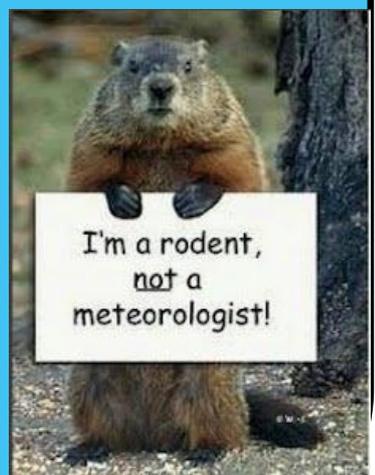
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Hi, My name is Barbara Reichenbach and I am your new newsletter editor. I am open to comments and suggestions as to what you would like to see in your newsletter. Please bear with me as I stumble my way through this process. Please send your comments and suggestions along with anything else that you would like to see published to: [barbr58@aol.com](mailto:barbr58@aol.com)

I believe that I speak for everyone when I say a great big thank you to Heidi Owen for providing the dinner for our January meeting. Dinner and dessert were excellent. Also, thank you to Susan Saulvester for the very informative program that she put together about the different alternatives to dog food. I enjoyed it so much that I never realized how late it was until it was time to go.

I would also like to thank Ruth Baranowski for all of her patience and help with my endless questions and emails about the newsletter.



# Board Meeting Minutes

## LAWRENCEVILLE KENNEL CLUB January 19, 2016 BOARD MEETING

President Bob LaBerge called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the training building.

Present at the meeting were Directors, George Cooper, Ouida Blackwelder, Charles Baranowski, and club officers Susan Saulvester, Ruth Baranowski, Don Bush.

Not present: Casey Kilcullen-Steiner

**Minutes of Meeting:** The Board approved the minutes of December 15, 2015 Board Meeting, as published.

**Report of Secretary:** No report.

**Report of Treasurer:** Balance in checking \$46,277.

. The balance above includes the vendor money for the dog show.

. Susan closed the 2015 checkbook, noting that there is one long-standing check that has not cleared.

. The Board reviewed the end of December bank statements.

. An LKC reloadable gift card was obtained for Ouida to pay dog show expenses.

. Susan renewed the State of Georgia corporate license.

. All 1099 forms will be mailed by the end of January.

. The Georgia Canine Coalition received \$500 from LKC before the end of December.

. The Board discussed the \$3,000 donation for scholarships that LKC has awarded to UGA in previous years.

MOTION: Susan made the motion to donate 3-\$1,000 donations to UGA to small animal vet students, with the same stipulations as in previous years.

Ouida seconded the motion.

The motion was approved by the Board.

### Committees

**Training:** Charles stated the next session starts the week of February 29.

. The CGC for the current classes is February 25.

. More than \$1,400 was collected in tuition for the current session.

**Show Committee:** Ouida will present all information at the general meeting next Tuesday.

. Everything is in place with the Cluster.

. An LKC member presented a poster titled "How to Approach a Dog". The poster will be hung at the dog show for public information.

. There will be 2 electric carts available for the show.

. There is no Owner-Handler on Sunday.

. There will be a veterinarian at the dog show on Thursday, but none available for Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

### Old Business

**Mats:** Bob stated the mats for LKC are currently out of stock.

. When the product is in stock, pricing and sizes of rolls can be established.

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. **Newsletter Editor:** Barbara Reichenbach has volunteered to take over this duty.

- Please send your information for “The Chatter” to:  
[barbr58@aol.com](mailto:barbr58@aol.com)

. Thank you for your help, Barbara.

**January 26 Program:** Susan and three other LKC members will conduct a panel discussion at the upcoming general meeting. The discussion will be about the different diets that our members’ dogs enjoy.

No other business having come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Motion made by Don, seconded by Ouida.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Ruth Baranowski  
Secretary of LKC

# General Meeting Minutes

## Lawrenceville Kennel Club January 26, 2016 General Meeting

President Bob LaBerge opened the meeting 7:45 pm at the training building.

28 members and 6 guests were present.

### **Guests:**

Bob welcomed guests:

- . Tara McDonald, with American Staffordshires . Amanda Palmer, with American Staffordshires
- . Jenny Patrick, also with American Staffordshires . Kristy McTaggart, with Collies
- . Marilyn Cummins, with Golden Retrievers . Jason Muller, with Labs

**Program:** Susan presented a program about “*What we Feed our Dogs.*” Four members of LKC told how they had found the correct dog food.

- . Casey Kilcullen-Steiner, who has a Master’s degree in Nutrition, stated the food must have protein, carbs, fat as needed by the specific dog. Premium dog food will use better quality protein and fats.
- . Peggy Watson uses a raw diet for her dogs. Basically chicken backs, turkey necks. Because all chicken is 8 weeks old when processed, the raw bones are not a problem. Mixed with vegetables - and Turmeric for older dogs. She recommended studying the subject before changing to raw.
- . Susan Saulvester prepares her dogs’ food at home, boiling turkey and vegetables, eggs, organ meats, nutritional yeast. Her dogs thrive on this diet.
- . Caryn Godin started using raw when her dog had allergies and other issues from being neutered too early in life. She feeds her puppies the raw diet, and they love it.

Bob thanked the speakers for a very informative discussion. The meeting resumed.

**Minutes of Meeting:** There were no changes to the minutes of the November 17, 2015 meeting, and the minutes were approved as published.

**Report of President:** Bob spoke about the election of LKC officers and Directors which will take place in May.

- . Bob explained that in February the Board will set up a Nominating Committee. That committee will meet and propose a slate of candidates.
- . The Secretary will disclose this slate to the members at the March general meeting, and will publish the nominees in the April newsletter (*The Chatter*).
- . Nominations will be taken from the floor at the April general meeting, and those nominations will be published in the May newsletter.
- . The election will take place at the May general meeting.

Anyone who has been a member for two years or more, in good standing, and has attended at least four general meetings in the past year may be nominated for an officer position.

Anyone who has been a member for one year or more, in good standing, and has attended at least four general meetings in the past year may be nominated for a Director position.

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Bob spoke of how pleased the club members are at the new members who joined LKC in the past year. Some new members are experienced in the dog world, and others are new to the pure-bred dog world.

All are most welcome.

Bob stated we need to assess where we want to take this club, and how we want the club to grow.

**Report of Secretary:** No report.

**Report of Treasurer:** Balance in checking \$42,477.

. Susan stated the higher balance is the result of LKC having received the vendor money for the show. That money will be distributed to the other clubs in the Cluster during the show settlement.

. The hotel will be paid for the show guests.

. The State of Georgia corporate tax has been renewed.

. The UGA scholarships have been paid.

. The 1099's will be mailed.

## Committees

**Training:** Charles stated the next training session starts the week of February 29.

. The CGC for the current session is February 25.

. The weather has delayed some classes, so those classes will end one week later, the week of Feb. 15.

. Depending upon the status of George Cooper, it may be necessary to ask the two members who are conducting his class to continue into the next session.

. A reminder to LKC members, those who have been members for 6 months or longer can take a training class for \$40 (1/2 price). The website has been changed to reflect this information.

. Non-members will pay \$80 for first dog, \$40 for second.

Charles stated that to remain competitive with the others who are now conducting training classes, LKC needs to initiate some daytime classes and some Saturday classes. Will need more trainers to open more classes.

Charles encouraged LKC members to take LKC business cards to vets, to keep our name out there.

**Membership:** Judy conducted the second reading for Marilyn Cummins.

. Marilyn has Golden Retrievers.

. Her sponsors are Gail LaBerge and Mary McElroy.

A private vote was conducted with the members present at this meeting.

Marilyn was voted into LKC.

Congratulations Marilyn! We're glad you're with us.

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**Dog Show:** Ouida stated the entries have closed for the February show.

- . The judges' program has gone to the printer.
- . The entries are down a few from last February, but much higher than August 2015 – about 2,000 entries. Entries also higher for Obedience and Rally.
- . There will no Owner-Handler on LKC's day, and no specialties.
- . Volunteers will load the items at LKC on Monday evening, Feb. 1. The items will be transported to the show site Tuesday morning.
- . Pole-wrapping, sign hanging, space marking will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 2, 10:00 am or earlier.  
Volunteers are needed for this process.
- . If you have a camera, please feel free to take pictures of the show venue. Our friend Mary, who has always done the photography, will be out of town.
- . A breakfast for exhibitors and volunteers will take place Sunday, 7 – 8 am in the "Groups" area.

Volunteers are very much needed Sunday night, (after Best in Show). Every item in the building has to be removed. We need vehicles that can be loaded with these items.

The Catalog desk needs help all day Sunday.

Obedience needs back-up for when Leslye is required to leave the area.

Trophy needs help Saturday night with set-up. The boxes of tablecloths are heavy, and there are lots of trophies to be set up.

**Legislation:** Gail stated the Georgia General Assembly is in session for two weeks.

- . The Georgia Canine Coalition were invited to the Sportsman Day at the Capitol.
- . GCC was presented with Legislator of the year.
- . AKC also presented with Georgia Legislator of the Year.
- . Gwinnett is interviewing candidates for the position of Director of Animal Control.
- . Because the position reports to the Police Department, much extensive security is employed in picking a candidate.

Gail said that the AKC Director of Government Relations will attend the dog show on Saturday and Sunday

Saturday, the Georgia House Majority Leader and family will attend the dog show.

## Old Business

**Mats:** Bob stated the mats that LKC wants to purchase are currently out of stock.

- . These mats are much more reasonable than other mats that were considered by LKC.
- . Will proceed as soon as the mats are available.

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## New Business

**Building Repair:** The club thanked Marty for repairing the club facilities door, which got stuck. There is a key for opening the door inside the metal cabinet in the front room of the training building, in case the door gets stuck again.

This program is supported by donations. LKC has always been a supporter of the Jail Dogs program, and there is always a need for supplies. Any leashes, collars, anything for dogs that you no longer need, can be donated to the Jail Dogs. Just bring it to the training building, put a note on the item.

Also, if a group of club members want to see the Jail Dogs program, a tour can be arranged.

NOTE: Gail stated that when the program started, a number of trainers volunteered to train the inmates. Six years later, Charles is the only trainer who is still working with the inmates to train the dogs.

Congratulations, All!

AN OUTSIDE NOTE: AOC is inviting anyone who wants to attend their program on *Canine Rehab and Fitness*.

. The event will take place Tuesday, February 8, at the vet clinic at Tilly Mill and Peachtree Industrial.

. Check the AOC website.

No other business having come before the members, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 pm. Motion made by Carol Yoklic, seconded by Bill Barnes.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Ruth Baranowski  
Secretary of LKC



It looks like we are bragging  
because we are!

Caryn Godin's Rough Collie "Keeper" (Whitehall Blu Ridge Finders Keepers), won his class (4 – 6 mos.) at Clemson KC "Fun" Match on Friday, January 8. First time in a "real" ring, and kept all 4 feet on the floor.

Caryn's "Trey" (Apple Valley Third Time a Charm), went RWD Saturday, and WD Sunday at Clemson.

Carol Ochs' and Barbara Z's Papillon "Gus" (Satin Doll's Moonlight Serenade) earned WD – BW at the Clemson KC show.

Carol's Papillon "Noelle" (Bronze GCH Candella Me and My Shadow), earned Best Owner-Handler Papillon at Eukanuba in December

Bill Barnes' Border Collie "Zin", at the AOC Obedience Trials, Q'd in Utility and Open both days and got two legs toward her UDX. She has 4 legs.

Jinnie Stricklands' Corgi "Bailey" aka GCH Solstice Flying Circus, RATS, CA earned her Coursing Aptitude Test title and her photo was featured on the front page of the AKC website on 1/26/16 highlighting the Cardigan Welsh Corgi as dog of the day

Charles Baranowski's brag is that the Jail Dogs "*Second Chance Program*" is now in the sixth year of operation. The program matches Gwinnett County jail inmates with shelter dogs for training and adoption.

330 dogs have been adopted, to date.  
There are 17 – 23 dogs in the program.

One of our dogs got away a year ago. A volunteer was walking her and she slipped away. Many people have looked for this dog as she moved around to various locations in Lawrenceville. Apparently, people were feeding her, and she didn't want to be found. She was finally located and brought back to the program. She was trained and will be adopted very soon.



*Wishing a very Happy Birthday to:*

<i>John</i>	<i>Kirkland</i>	<i>1/6</i>
<i>Pam</i>	<i>Napier-Pfaff</i>	<i>1/9</i>
<i>Lucille</i>	<i>Stefanik</i>	<i>1/18</i>
<i>Katherine</i>	<i>Miller</i>	<i>1/22</i>
<i>Pat</i>	<i>Joyce</i>	<i>1/25</i>
<i>Cindy</i>	<i>Flanary</i>	<i>2/2</i>
<i>Karen</i>	<i>Mays</i>	<i>2/4</i>
<i>Bill</i>	<i>Kelly</i>	<i>2/11</i>
<i>Casey</i>	<i>Kilcullen-Steiner</i>	<i>2/11</i>
<i>Joyce A</i>	<i>Osburn</i>	<i>2/14</i>
<i>Gail</i>	<i>LaBerge</i>	<i>2/15</i>
<i>Tina</i>	<i>Hicks</i>	<i>2/15</i>
<i>Elise</i>	<i>Merkin</i>	<i>2/15</i>
<i>Tammy</i>	<i>Morgan</i>	<i>2/16</i>



*Wishing a very Happy Anniversary to :*

<i>Leslye</i>	<i>Pinnell</i>	<i>2/14</i>
<i>Wendy</i>	<i>Snyder</i>	<i>2/21</i>

# Shine On



*Golden Retriever Foundation*

NEWS RELEASE  
For Immediate Release

## AKC Canine Health Foundation Announces \$432,000 Grant to Fight Cancer in Dogs

RALEIGH, N.C. (DATE) – The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF), a nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing, treating, and curing diseases in all dogs, is pleased to announce the funding of an exciting grant which aims to better understand and prevent hemangiosarcoma, an aggressive form of cancer in dogs. Three groups whose dogs have been affected by this cruel disease -- the American Boxer Charitable Foundation, the Golden Retriever Foundation, and the Portuguese Water Dog Foundation -- are taking a unique, collaborative stand against cancer by pledging \$432,000 to support this research effort.

Dr. Jaime Modiano, VMD, PhD, professor in the College of Veterinary Medicine and the Masonic Cancer Center, University of Minnesota will be leading a team of researchers on this project entitled, “A Novel Approach for Prevention of Canine Hemangiosarcoma,” which aims to pair two novel technologies consisting of a patented test to detect hemangiosarcoma cells in blood samples, and a treatment that attacks the cells that establish and maintain the disease.

According to Dr. Modiano, “Hemangiosarcoma is the cause of death for an estimated one out of every five Golden Retrievers in the United States. Portuguese Water Dogs and Boxers also have an especially high risk for this disease which is devastating for all dogs.” Dr. Modiano continues, “Hemangiosarcoma is incurable partly because the cancer is detected at a very advanced stage when it is resistant to conventional therapies. Thus, an unconventional approach to improve outcomes for hemangiosarcoma patients will involve effective methods for early detection and for disease prevention.”

“The Golden Retriever Foundation is honored to partner with the American Boxer Charitable Foundation and Portuguese Water Dog Foundation to magnify the effectiveness of all of our donors’ contributions through the power of collaboration, said Collette Jaynes, president, Golden Retriever Foundation. “We are particularly proud to continue our commitment to making meaningful strides against hemangiosarcoma.”

This project will create tools to guide further development, licensing, and deployment of new paired technologies against cancer, specifically hemangiosarcoma, with an ultimate goal for disease prevention in all dogs.

“The Portuguese Water Dog Foundation (PWDF) is honored to be included in this unprecedented collaboration. The PWDF played a role in supporting Dr. Modiano’s 2005 research to develop a diagnostic test to detect hemangiosarcoma, and we are happy and proud to help take this research to the next level,” said Carol Mattingley, PWDF president.

“This novel approach to a particularly aggressive form of cancer in dogs has the potential to eventually change the landscape and improve outcomes for all dogs diagnosed with this terrible disease,” said Dr. Diane Brown, CHF chief scientific officer. “The unprecedented collaboration between these three breed club foundations and their dedication to canine health has really driven this project forward – together they are making a significant difference for all dogs.”

CHF supports the funding of this effort and will oversee administration of funds and scientific progress.

For more information about this grant, or to learn about the work of the AKC Canine Health Foundation, visit

### About the AKC Canine Health Foundation

For more than 20 years, the Raleigh, NC-based AKC Canine Health Foundation has leveraged the power of science and research to improve the lives of dogs and their people. The Foundation is dedicated to preventing, treating, and curing diseases impacting all dogs while providing unbiased, professional information and resources for a new breed of dog owner. Take action because you care; find out more online at

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