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BONANZA KENNEL CLUB



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NO MAY 2020 Meeting

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President's Message

You would think with everybody being under a stay at home order, I would have had plenty of time to get everything done... Somehow, there just aren't enough hours in my day & I am further behind than ever!

There isn't much to report this month. No meetings for two months manages to leave a hole in "business as usual"! So, since we don't have much business to report, I asked for blurbs from members to let us know what you've been up to since we saw each other last. Thank you to those who sent information! I am asking now that those of you who didn't send anything this month will send something for next month so we have more to put in our newsletter!

One thing I received that is just too long to include in the newsletter is a delegate report from a recent AKC meeting. Some of you might find it interesting. Because it is so long, I have attached it as a separate document. If you find something you think would be interesting to share in the newsletter, please send it on to me and I will include it if there is any way I can. Thank you to Vikki for the delegate report and to Carolyn for the report about the Georgia shows (included in the newsletter).

If the pandemic doesn't prevent it from happening, we will have a B Match in late July.

At this point everything is still a "go" for our September shows. Fingers are crossed that we won't have a second wave of coronavirus to prevent it from happening! We are moving ahead with our plans as usual. We have firmed up the details with the new overnight RV parking company. We have not been able to meet with the Parks Department due to the virus situation. As soon as we can go back to "life as (somewhat) normal" we will meet with them to be sure we haven't missed any details that need taken care of.

One **FINAL REMINDER** about your membership dues ~ If we don't receive your payment **by May 15, 2020**, your membership will **lapse**. After that date if you want to be a member, you will need to fill out a new membership application & go through the new member process.

Take care and we hope we can see everyone in June!

Candy





~*~ What have you been up to? ~*~



"Here is a picture of grandma Ch Mattie after the home-bath on a sunny day last week - she's 13 Years + 9.5 months ;) She naps a lot these days!" ~ Sharon White

"We are fine here, as there is always something to do when you have critters. Now that it is "Spring", the chickens are becoming self supporting again. We can't go to shows so we were going to get some more chickies. They are almost as rare as TP. Have any of you seen the TP ad that has the website name ShareaSquare? I thought it was good for a smile.

Elaine is working at REMSA with all the entertainment cancelled or rescheduled. She is managing the center and training UNR medical students at the phone center for people to call with Corona questions. We are going to make face masks for non-medical use. I got the fabric washed and ready to cut today.

That about takes up the day, when you add in napping and binge watching TV series. The one I found is Great America Hero. It is small series of many years ago." ~ Carolyn Goepner

UPDATE: A package of 20 face masks has been delivered to REMSA! Carolyn is continuing to make more.

"Hi all. Things have been quiet. Occasional trips to grocery store or pharmacy. Ken is recovering well from lung surgery, and I've been refrigerator diving. Dogs are fine have never been groomed so much. Hope we get off grounding soon." ~ Nancy Hurwitz

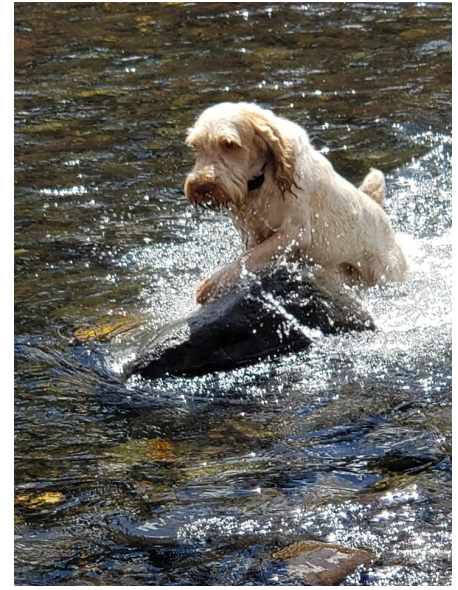
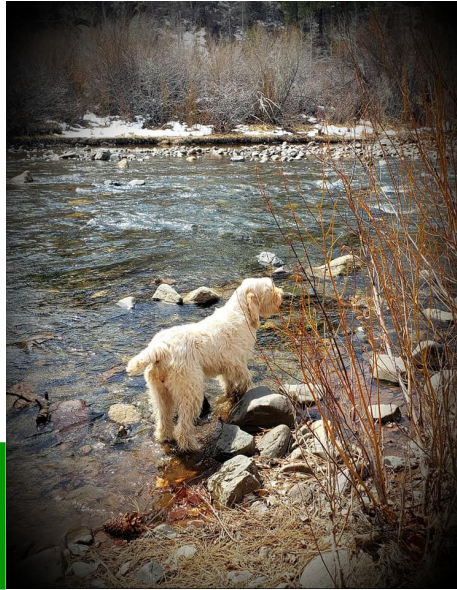




~*~ What have you been up to? ~*~



Elaine Bergenheier did some social distancing with the dogs at the river early in April.



On April 16, Elaine Tolle told us: "I had my last puppy leave today. They were so cute, but a lot of work! Weather is getting better (some days) so I will be working on landscaping and taking the dogs for their sage-trail outings! I hope everyone will keep themselves safe!" Elaine also told me that "Banshee only had 4 babies. That was fine for a first time mom. I don't know about anyone else, but they sold quickly and as everyone had the stay-in-place order, you will not believe the number of people that contacted me off of my AKC Marketplace add! I averaged about 3-4 inquiries a day! Some from the east coast even though it would have been impossible to ship due to the plague!"



Having over an acre has been a blessing.....dogs, owned and fosters alike are doing fine. Plus we can do walks in the neighborhood. Have 4 hospice seniors that go to the vet on a regular bases. Such fun. ... In another email Cindra provided more information: "I have 9 dogs here, owner and foster dogs.....4 hospice dogs, 1 healthy, nutty senior, and 4 middle aged dogs. 3 are purebreds (2 GSDs and 1 Lab) 5 are All-Americans but a properly doggy educated person could venture a guess on the mix. The 4 could go any time and are seen by their vets once a month (\$\$\$\$!!!!) The little one, Stacy is supposed to be in stage 4 CKD, but she is a maniac.....loves her zoomies and can do a 3 ft broad jump, twirls and jumps, issues orders without hesitation, and rules the big dogs. She spent a hour and a half running along side me while I was doing horse chores this morning. Ate half a can of KD, and is now napping." ~ Cindra Smith



~*~ What have you been up to? ~*~



JB & Lex ~ spending quality time with their Tibbies



JB & Lex have a new addition on the way ... "Edie"



On April 15, Cindy Craig was social distancing at Silver State Ranch!



~*~ What have you been up to? ~*~

Do you know these women?
See page 10 to find out if you're right!



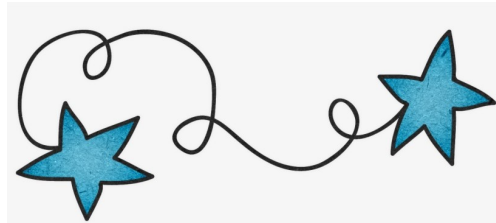
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Laurel Consalvo's daughter Samantha & her husband gave her a new grandson who arrived April 18! They named him Levi Fox Sligar. They have their Wolfhounds in at night. The reason she mentioned that is because they are bred to protect children. Laurel said "Omg you have them all checking out baby to make sure everything is alright! If Levi is wet or messed they are in your face till you change him! They are something else ~ instantly bonded."

Congratulations!!!





Georgia on Our Minds

Is scheduling nine days of dog shows in June a sign of laudable optimism or reckless small-mindedness? Apparently, it depends on whom you ask.

The rescheduling of two popular clusters in Perry, Georgia, has ignited a scorching debate on social media. Here, we recap this complex issue, omitting the name calling and laying out the arguments on both sides.

Should the Show Go On?

By Denise Flaim

Spend just a few minutes flipping through the cable news channels, and it becomes painfully obvious that there is a chasm of opinion about when and how the nation should reopen during the COVID-10 pandemic.

That same dichotomy is reflected in our dog world – and just as contentiously.

The most recent flashpoint is a nine-day dog-show circuit planned for mid-June in Georgia. After their Peach Blossom Cluster in April and Crossroads of Georgia Cluster in May were cancelled, the Atlanta and Valdosta kennel clubs, and the Macon and Southeast Alabama kennel clubs, respectively, rescheduled their events. The nine days of shows will take place at the Georgia National Fairgrounds in Perry from June 11 through 21, with a two-day break on June 15 and 16.

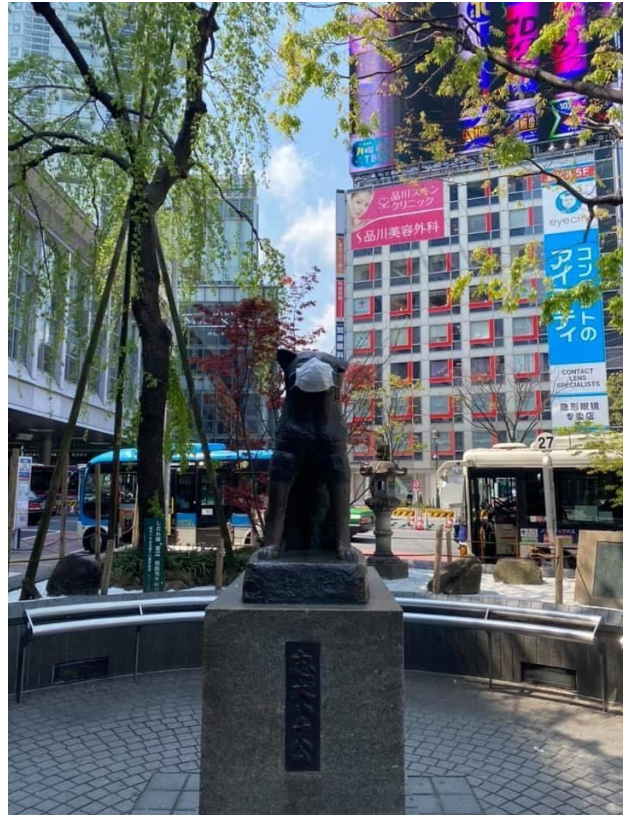
Clubs in the two clusters say that their planned policies to mitigate the spread of the highly infectious coronavirus have been reviewed by both the American Kennel Club and the show superintendent, Jack Onofrio Dog Shows. Among the rules expected to be in effect: Anyone entering the show buildings will be required to wear a mask, as will judges and stewards. While not mandated, gloves will be recommended. Hand sanitizer will be available to judges in between examining exhibits. Ringside seats will not be provided, and exhibitors will be required to maintain social distancing. While “household units” can sit together, no group gatherings or congregating in the buildings will be permitted.

“One of the reasons that we wanted to try to reschedule rather than just cancel is the impact all the cancellations have on our vendors, handlers and employees at sites that have real financial impact from this pandemic,” says Mary Ellen Macke, show chair for the [Peach Blossom cluster](#). “We really have been blessed with good entries throughout the years, as well as with great vendors and a wonderful site. We all wanted to say, ‘We are thinking of you as well as our club.’”

A statue of Hachiko in Shibuya wears a face mask in a social commentary of Japanese life in the age of COVID-19. A popular meeting spot, the bronze statue commemorates the famously loyal Akita who waited at the Shibuya train station for his master for nearly a decade after his death in 1925.

Photo from

<https://www.timeout.com/tokyo/news/stop-putting-masks-on-hachiko-tokyoites-urged-040820>





Georgia on Our Minds ~ continued

Critics of the rescheduled shows do not see them as expressions of magnanimity, arguing instead that they will only exacerbate infection rates and prolong the current containment crisis.

“I would be fine if you want to go infect yourselves, but the sad truth is that this is going to kill people in other states, and reseed the virus to states that hopefully have reduced their infection rates through great personal sacrifice,” wrote Whippet fancier Jill Hopfenbeck on a recent Facebook thread about the cluster’s safety guidelines. “This is the height of selfishness.”

Among the other concerns expressed on social media: In order to properly examine dogs, judges cannot maintain social distance. Forced-air dryers in an indoor venue have the potential to circulate the virus. And clubs face potential liability for everything from exhibitors who might later become infected to dogs that could become bite risks after being unnerved by the unfamiliar sight of so many masked humans.

Fanciers who plan to enter the shows counter that they are quite simply tired of being immobilized by the many “what ifs” posed by the virus.

“So why should our entire state suffer financially with businesses closing and people out of work?” Alaskan Malamute fancier Vicky Jones asked rhetorically in a post on the Facebook page of Atlanta Kennel Club board member Sandra Weaver. “They shouldn’t. If you have a health issue (as several of my dear friends do), then continue to stay home for as long as you’re comfortable. But the rest of the nation needs to get back to work and prosperity.”

Given the polarized opinions about whether the dog fancy should return to the show rings, turnout will be hard to predict, says Weaver, who is scheduled to judge at the Peach Blossom cluster. “We’re hearing from many in the professional handling community that they’ll be there with lots of client dogs. We’re also hearing from people who aren’t ready to be in crowds and aren’t planning on attending,” she says. “We’re pretty sure it’ll be somewhere between the very worst entries ever and the very best entries ever, and we’re focused on preparing for the entries we actually get.”

One predictable thing about the COVID-19 pandemic has been its unpredictability, something that could in the end make the uproar over the upcoming Georgia clusters a moot point: Currently, the state’s plans to re-open non-essential businesses such as hair salons and tattoo parlors do not meet the White House-issued recommendation of waiting for a downward trajectory of cases for two weeks before reopening, in turn earning Georgia governor Brian Kemp sharp rebukes from President Trump. If such early openings result in increased infection rates, the state could again limit social gatherings.

As with much to do this pandemic, it’s a matter of wait and see.

What do you think about rescheduling the clusters in Perry, Georgia? Too soon, or about time? Send your opinions to info@dognews.com. Dog News reserves the right to publish your responses and edit them for length and clarity.



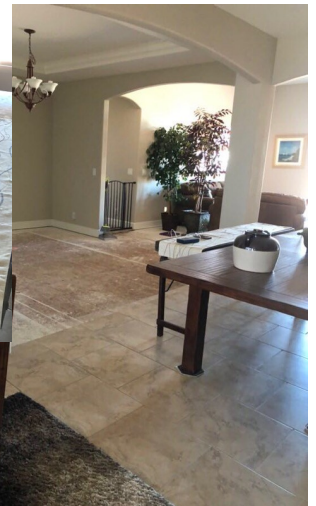
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Hello ~ We are all doing well, home schooling and Dog walking for PE
Take care !!! ~ Tracy, Terri, Cydnie



Manny, Vikki, & Yvonne are busy remodeling their home





~*~ What have you been up to? ~*~

Vikki & Yvonne gave their dogs a home "Spa Day" at Rancho Vijara!



"Lexi" & "Tegan"

"Calypso"



"Joy"

Some of Vikki & Yvonne's dogs were painted in a mural ...





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Do you know these women? ~ ANSWERS

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