

June, 2019

BONANZA KENNEL CLUB



****Next Meeting Notice****

July 2, 2019

7:00 p.m.

Carson City Community Center
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President's Message

Here we are nearly at the first of July! I had so many plans this year and it is already half gone! I suppose that means I'd better get myself in gear and start pushing! I have succeeded in getting moved, so that's a big start! Please keep in mind I have gotten rid of my home phone number & only have my cell number now! It is listed on the last page of the newsletter.

The premium proof has arrived. It is being proofed & will go for final printing next week. We are currently putting our list of stewards together. If you are interested in being a steward this fall (September 28-29), please contact Bob Kinney or Candy Roper. We need to get our stewards lined up now so we don't come up short last minute. I will be contacting Anne Katona (AKC Judge) after the 4th of July to get her availability & get a steward class scheduled.

If you have any judge suggestions for upcoming shows, please let Candy Roper or Rick Berger know so we can try to fit them in to one of our judging panels.

FYI - I have seen conversations on the internet this past week about three clubs moving their show locations in 2020. They are Coyote Hills KC & Santa Clara Valley KC, both of which are moving to Turlock. What I read says Santa Clara Valley will have three all breed shows at the end of April, and Coyote Hills will be keeping their weekend. I also read that Donner Trail KC has been moved to Dixon. I do not know for sure if that is effective in 2020 but I believe it is. The person who posted this information is a very reliable source.

Brunch for Dog People is at Northstar at Lake Tahoe every Sunday through September 4. information is on the back page of the newsletter.

There will be a meeting on Tuesday, July 2, at 7:00 p.m. See you then!

Have a Happy 4th of July!

Candy





Bonanza Kennel Club

General Membership Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2019

President Candy Roper called the meeting called to order at 7:16 p.m.

Motion by Vikki Jaramillo, second Thea Tsurumoto, to accept the May minutes as printed in the newsletter. Motion passed unanimously. There was no mail. No Secretary reports.

Treasurer report: Candy reported that bills paid included telephone, website, & website domain registration; income included dues & a \$300 donation to cover printing extra premium pages for our list of trophy donations this year.

Committee Reports:

Sunshine Committee: Nancy Hurwitz has had health problems for a couple months. Carolyn sent her a card. Candy heard that Judy Davis was in the hospital recently. We were told that she is fine and is going to shows this weekend.

Show Committee: The premium is at MB-F for first print. If you have any judge suggestions for the next two years, get the names to Rick Berger or Candy.

Unfinished Business:

Discussion about holding a match this year. At this point we do not have a match chairman. This is something Candy is working on, hoping that by next year we will have a match. We need to be sure we remain compliant with AKC & a match is a good way for that.

Thea Tsurumoto will offer CGC at our shows this fall. She can also do Trick Dog testing. She will need a couple volunteers at certain points during the day for portions of the testing.

Carson City Kiwanis will feed our judges and workers this fall. We will buy the groceries & they would like a \$500 donation for providing the service. We would be supporting a local service group & the money would be used for local programs like Meals on Wheels. Discussion followed about trying to get the price lower. Bob Kinney said he has spoken to a few caterers & they are more than what Kiwanis wants. Motion Rick Berger, second Cindra Smith, to have Kiwanis provide meals for our judges & workers, but to try to get it for less than \$500. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Bob Kinney told us that Ann's service dog "Jenny" passed away on the 24th. Carolyn will send Ann a card. Bob also told us that Ann & her mom, Jean Warner – better known to most of us as "Grandma Kinney" – are going on the Honor Flight June 6 – 9. Jean is a Korean War Veteran.

Cindra Smith is fostering a German Shepherd Dog for WARF. He needs a home! He is approximately 6 to 7 years old & has some obedience training. He is a very sweet dog. If you know anyone interested, please get in touch! Cindra's number is (775) 815-0440.

Bob Kinney asked if there is any way he can teleconference to our general membership meetings. It is a 2 ½ hour round trip drive for him to attend a short meeting. Candy will get information.

Motion to adjourn by Carolyn Goepner. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.





... From the Soap Box ...



Many of you know that I have a real concern that our club has lost a big portion of our presence in our community. Our club **used to be** where people would go for information when they were looking for a puppy ... or classes ... or for other information. The "City Fathers" knew who we were & were happy to hear from us. I don't think we would find that to be true today. The *only* thing we're known for currently is "the big dog show at Fuji." That saddens me. We are not here just to hold dog shows for our friends. We are also here to educate the general pet owning population in our area.

I am a member of the Facebook group **Preservationists of Purebred and Purposefully Bred Dogs**. Recently, someone posted about a letter to the "Ask Amy" column of a newspaper. The letter was written by a 74-year-old man who bought a five month old Golden Retriever puppy as a companion. He had lost his dog about a year and a half before and thought about getting an older dog, but decided to get this puppy instead. He told how the dog had positively affected his life, how he now has a reason to get out of bed and go for walks several times a day. He said his lady friend or his son would take his dog if something happened to him first, but friends were asking him why he bought a *puppy* that would possibly outlive him, so he wrote asking for advice on how to respond to them. Instead of giving this gentleman any advice, Amy laid into him about purchasing a purebred dog instead of rescuing an older dog. She said there's **no reason** for anyone to *ever* buy a dog. This post brought on a discussion about a lost chance to educate, rescue versus pure bred dogs and, more so, whether to lambaste the author of the column or not.

A comment that really caught my eye actually didn't talk about what "Amy" had responded, but rather asked some questions to us as stewards of purebred dogs. I sent a note to the author of that post requesting permission to share it in our newsletter. Permission was granted, and I submit it to you for serious consideration. It reads as follows:

"Soap box.

Folks, we are the ones who have ceded ground. We've let them win the narrative. How many of us (folks in purebred dogs) have a strong presence in our communities?

How many of us do pet fairs, parades or get involved in community events? Are we out there making our case? Do our kennel clubs actually service our communities and represent purebred dogs within them?

For the most part, the answer is no. We spend time going to dog shows, flying under the radar and preaching to the choir.

We're headed for extinction and can't be bothered to connect with the people who could actually insure our existence.

This column doesn't surprise me.

In the battle for our soul we are reactionary and we must become proactive."

Diane Baker

Illinois

Shared with permission of the author

From the facebook group "Preservationists of Purebred and Purposefully Bred Dogs" 06/19/2019

What are **we** doing to be proactive? Sure, we have someone at the legislature every other year watching legislation as it comes through. We halfheartedly support or protest certain bills. Very few of us, myself included, are pounding the halls of the legislature talking to our representatives. We offer breeder referral on a phone that barely rings now. Matches have fallen by the wayside. We have become apathetic. We need to wake up and become an active group again!

Now that I have moved and am somewhat settled, I intend to become more active. We need to get our name out in the community again. That is **my** goal! Will you join me?



** BRAGS **

JB & Lex Thompson went to Woofstock. On Friday 06/07 at Yosemite KC, "Archie" took breed with a very nice entry of Tibbies.

Saturday 06/08 at Contra Costa KC, JB & "Archie" went Select for 2 (Lex thinks) points. He is well on his way to being a Grand Champion with 12 points, two 5 point majors, beating specials at 3 shows. Almost there with 4 shows!

Sunday 6/9 Lex got to show "Archie" at the second Contra Costa show. They were Select for another 3 points. "Archie" now has 16 points from 5 shows. (Lex, does that mean the Saturday Select was 3 points?)



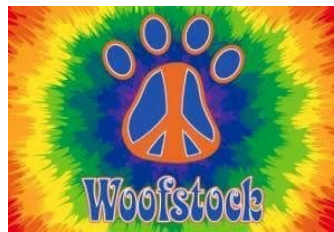
Woofstock Friday 6/7



When you win Breed, you eat well!



When you're "only" Select your dessert isn't as big ...



Carol Colavecchio reported that on Thursday 6/6 Sandy & Glee earned 2 Q's & 2 4th placements at their first Herding Trials! It was a HOT one in Patterson but they all survived, Carol said "I handled Glee to her Farm Dog Certificate & was close to heat stroke but We Did It!!"



** BRAGS **

Elaine Bergenheier went to the Spinoni Club of America National Specialty in Colorado the first week of June and here's what happened ...

June 4: 2019 SCOA **Top 20** winner is "**RYKER**"!!!
Such an exciting evening!

Judges:

Handler Judge - Douglas Johnson

AKC Judge - Robert Schreve

Breeder Judge - Bonnie Blink



On Friday 6/7/19, "Ryker" won the 2019 **SCOA Parent Specialty** held in conjunction with the National Specialty in Colorado!!! He was BOB under Judge Charlene Rutar!!!! I am so happy and blessed to be a part of this experience and proud beyond words.

**BIS BISS GCHS SPINFANDEL
THE FORCE IS STRONG**

Vikki Jaramillo tells us her Podengo "Joy" let two male judges touch her—that's progress!





** BRAGS **

6/15 Shawn Petersen has his hands on another Belgian Tervuren "Rossi", who was winner dog for his first point! [Sorry I don't have which show.] Judge Sheila Polk



Our motor vehicle registration renewal form did double duty renewing dog licenses. "The fee," it said, "is \$6.50 for altered, \$9 for unaltered and \$2 for citizens over 65." ~ John O'Brian Jr. in *Reader's Digest*



While waiting at the veterinarian's office, I overheard two women chatting about their dogs.

"Wha your dog's name?" asked the first woman.

"We used to call her Pork Chop," answered the second. "But after all the vet bills we've had for her, we now call her Filet Mignon."

~ Laura Sanders in *Reader's Digest*



LEGISLATION

Sorry, I haven't learned how to make links work yet!
You can copy & paste to read the articles.

USDA/APHIS FINALIZES RULE IMPACTING PET BREEDERS

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/usda-aphis-finalizes-rule-impacting-pet-breeders/?fbclid=IwAR0kmUteopnQIKcjl4xqt781Qq2n2o7kxCC0eZpPxyvp1R9VLI7JDJt9MBw>

RI House approves bill to ban sale of dogs, cats not acquired from animal shelters

<https://turnto10.com/politics/ri-house-approves-bill-to-ban-sale-of-dogs-cats-not-acquired-from-animal-shelters?fbclid=IwAR2pNTw66OsSRZBrZVXfSDmU0->

Join AKC Government Relations and the Silver State Kennel Club on July 13 to Learn How to Protect Your Rights in Nevada

Please send to club members and dog owners in the Las Vegas area. Those interested in attending should respond directly to the Silver State Kennel Club at the email listed below.

The Silver State Kennel Club and the AKC Government Relations Department invites Nevada dog owners, breeders, exhibitors and sportsmen to join us on Saturday, July 13, to learn how we can work together to protect our rights to own, breed, exhibit, and enjoy activities with our dogs.

Robert Miller, AKC Western States Legislative Analyst, will be presenting on current legislative trends in Nevada, the West and the rest of the nation that could impact dog owners and clubs in Nevada. He will also discuss tools and resources AKC can provide to dog owners and breeders, and other Nevada dog clubs and organizations to be a voice for purebred and purpose-bred dog owners.

The meeting details are as follows:

Silver State Kennel Club meeting with guest speaker Robert Miller from the AKC Government Relations Department

Saturday, July 13, 2019

1:00 pm

Paradise Palms Commercial Offices

1600 East Desert Inn Road

Las Vegas, NV 89169

We look forward to seeing you on July 13 and talking more about how we can be a united voice for purebred and purpose-bred dogs in Nevada.

To confirm your attendance, please email Club President Ginger Austin (heyging@aol.com) by July 5.



Brucellosis Outbreak in the Midwest: How to Avoid Infection and Manage an Outbreak

By Mary Robins ~ May 15, 2019

An outbreak of the contagious disease brucellosis has hit Iowa, after starting at a dog breeding facility in Marion County, southeastern Iowa.

Brucellosis is a contagious disease caused by the bacterium brucellosis, specifically *Brucella canis* in dogs, which can result in infertility, abortions, and stillbirths. *Brucella canis* can devastate a kennel, and it is zoonotic, meaning it can infect humans too. Handling infected canine blood, semen, or reproductive tissues can be a source of infection to humans—though cases of infection in humans are rare.

AKC.org consulted veterinarian and diagnostics specialist Dr. Matthew Krecic for more information about brucellosis and how breeders can avoid this contagious disease in their kennels.

Symptoms Of Brucellosis in Dogs

Clinical signs are often vague and non-specific, if they develop at all.

Since many dogs have no clinical sign of an infection, and yet the disease can have a huge impact on reproductive success, all dogs involved in a breeding program should be tested for the presence of brucellosis, even if they show no clinical signs of the disease.

For stud dogs, some infected dogs will have epididymitis, scrotal enlargement (which can be painful), and scrotal dermatitis. For bitches, some will abort in late gestation without any other clinical signs.

Sometimes an infected bitch will deliver stillborn puppies—but not always. Some bitches deliver weak puppies. Some bitches that have had unsuccessful pregnancies go on to deliver normally in the future. However, these bitches may still in fact be infected.

While brucellosis affects the viability of the litter, it doesn't always affect fertility. An infected bitch will often continue to go into heat and breed.

Brucellosis in Humans: Risks and How to Avoid Infection

There's no vaccine for either humans or dogs, though infection in humans in the U.S. is rare. However, certain populations are considered more vulnerable than others, namely: pregnant women, children, and those with compromised immunity.

Brucellosis is carried in bodily fluids, so infection can spread to humans through direct contact with the urine, feces, blood, semen, milk, vaginal secretions, and other fluids of an infected dog.

Also beware contact with aborted dog fetuses from infected bitches, as these can also carry infection. In very rare cases, humans might contract the disease by breathing in air contaminated with the bacteria.

The disease can enter the body through broken skin, or simply through the eyes, nose, or mouth. To avoid infection, always wear protective clothing (i.e. gloves, goggles, and a face mask) when handling dogs that have brucellosis, or anything has come into contact with them. Never allow an infected dog to lick you, particularly on your face. And make sure to wash your hands well after handling dogs.

Brucellosis in Humans: Symptoms and Treatment

Symptoms tend to appear in humans within five to 30 days, most often three to four weeks after exposure, though sometimes it can take months. Be alert for flu-like symptoms, such as fever, body pains (particularly in the back), enlarged lymph nodes, headache, night sweats, vomiting, diarrhea, poor appetite and weight loss, and/or a sense of weakness.

If you suspect you have come into contact with an infected dog, or that you have symptoms of brucellosis, consult your doctor for a blood test. As with dogs, the disease is treated with antibiotics.

Testing For Brucellosis in Dogs

Several tests are available through veterinarians and commercial reference laboratories. These include rapid slide agglutination test (RSAT), agar gel immunodiffusion (AGID), and polymerase chain reaction (PCR). Culture of the bacteria is the gold standard test.

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The RSAT identifies the presence of antibodies to combat the infection, not the bacteria themselves. The test requires one drop of a dog's serum (the clear fluid remaining after collected blood has been allowed to clot), which is combined with Brucella antigen—a sample of brucellosis bacteria, supplied with the test. If the serum contains antibodies for *Brucella canis*, it will agglutinate or adhere to the antigen, causing clumping that your veterinarian sees. This test is quite sensitive and veterinarians can have in-hospital results within two minutes.

If the dog tests positive, there is a second step that involves combining two drops of the dog's serum to two drops of another reagent contained within the test kit. Then this solution is combined with the Brucella antigen and clumping is once again determined within two minutes. If clumping is seen, the dog is presumed to be infected. Confirmation via AGID, PCR, and/or culture tests is recommended.

If clumping is not seen, the dog may not be infected, or the infection may only be in its early stages. In this situation, re-test the dog in three to four weeks with the RSAT.

Treating Brucellosis in Dogs

Veterinarians often prescribe antibiotics, but their success at resolving the infection is questionable because the bacteria like to hide within the dog's cells, and antibiotics are only moderately able to penetrate cells to clear all of the bacteria. Therefore, relapses of infection are common after stopping antibiotics.

Rather, the body's own defenses through cell-mediated immunity are often a better way to clear bacteria within cells.

Infected stud dogs should be removed from the breeding program and neutered to reduce the risk of infection to humans (i.e. their owners, trainers, handlers, and others involved in their care.).

Infected bitches could seemingly "recover" and deliver normal litters in the future, while still, in fact, harboring the bacteria. In such cases, transmission to the offspring in utero is probable.

Preventing a Brucellosis Outbreak—Information for Breeders

Prevention of any infection is so much easier than managing the consequences of infection. Antibiotics often do not resolve the infection, and no vaccine is available. Pre-emptive testing is therefore best.

Have your veterinarian test all dogs in your breeding program for brucellosis prior to every breeding and/or every six months. This is also an ideal time for your veterinarian to examine your dogs completely to ensure health, successful breeding, and healthy litters. The RSAT test is a fast, easy, and economical way to screen dogs and hopefully prevent brucellosis from affecting your kennels.

Managing a Brucellosis Outbreak

A brucellosis-affected kennel is a challenge to manage. With guidance from a veterinarian, the kennel should be quarantined and infected dogs eliminated. If these dogs are to be treated and/or retained as pets, they should be neutered and moved to separate housing. Disinfect and handle dogs and their discharges/secretions, including urine, with gloved hands.

If a breeder suspects a brucellosis outbreak, they should contact their veterinarian, who will provide a course of action.

https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/dog-breeding/avoiding-brucellosis-managing-outbreak/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=20190607-communicates&utm_content=expert-advice-dog-breeding-avoiding-brucellosis-managing-outbreak-p1





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BRUNCH FOR DOG PEOPLE

Grab brunch with your pup on the dog-friendly patio at The Grille At Sawtooth Ridge, benefiting the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

DATES:

Saturday, Sunday: May 25 - Sep 08

TIME:

10am- 4pm

LOCATION:

The Grille At Sawtooth Ridge

Bring your whole family including your furry four legged friends and join us for Brunch on the patio at The Grille at Sawtooth Ridge in the Village at Northstar. Tito's Vodka will make a matching dollar for dollar donation to the Truckee Humane Society for each dollar spent on Tito's cocktails. Reservations are available on our website at www.sawtoothridge.com or via opentable. Walkins welcome!

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