

The Official Newsletter of the Grand Rapids Kennel Club

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Cascade Animal Hospital 6730 Cascade Road SE Grand Rapids 49456 7:30 PM

NEXT GENERAL MEETING January 23rd, 2018



The 2017 year ended with another fun filled Christmas party that was organized by **Pat DenBoer**. A big Thank You goes out to Pat for all her hard work!

Here are a few resolutions for 2018 for club members:

work at the shows, donate a trophy, attend the club's educational speakers, help set up or work the Pet Expo, or work at the fall club match.

Your continued support of the GRKC will make 2018 another standout year for our club.

January's Meeting Program

AKC Field Representative Sandra D'Andrea will be bringing us up to date about happenings at AKC and answer any of our AKC-related questions. Weather-permitting, we are hoping for a good turn-out and have invited members of our neighboring Kennel Clubs to attend. Carol Lynn is planning some extra-yummy refreshments for the occasion, too. Please plan to attend if you can!

Pet Expo

As in the past years, GRKC will have a booth at the Pet Expo which will be on Saturday, April 7th and Sunday, April 8th. Can you help out? Continue to send me photos of your dogs to use in the booth display. Candid shots are wonderful. Contact me at <u>londonfarms@charter.net</u>.

Club Dues

Membership dues are due on the 1st of January each year. Please send your dues check to:

Pat Kronemeyer

6530 Myers Lake Avenue Rockford, MI 49641



Special thanks to our party planner extraordinaire, Pat DenBoer, for another fantastic Christmas Party -- good food, lively auction, great prizes, and warm fellowship among friends! Thanks, also, to Awards Chair, Jan Hamming, for the planning the Awards Ceremony and for the new attractive trophy plaques she presented to the titlists. Congratulations to everyone who earned those titles with their dogs in 2017! And special congratulations to Kay Janus who was awarded the Good Sportsmanship Award and to Richard and Ann Horvitz who received the Community Service Award.

The newly elected GRKC Board of Directors officially took office on January 1st and will be meeting on January 30th to plan for the coming year. If you have ideas for programs or activities, please share them with any board member, and we will try to include them in the coming year.

Looking forward to the spring shows always seems to make the cold of winter pass more quickly. And, believe it or not, the premium list information is already due to the Superintendent for the West Michigan Apple Blossom Cluster shows, and the Cluster Committee members have been hard at work compiling all the information. Thanks to those of you who have sponsored trophies for your Breed.

We have a special speaker coming for our next meeting on January 23rd --- AKC Field Representative Sandra D'Andrea. She will be bringing us up to date about happenings at AKC and answer any of our AKC-related questions. Weather-permitting, we are hoping for a good turn-out and have invited members of our neighboring Kennel Clubs to attend. Carol Lynn is planning some extra-yummy refreshments for the occasion, too. Please plan to attend if you can!

Wishing everyone the BEST in 2018!

Sandee



Grand Rapids Kennel Club Titles & Awards for 2017

CONFORMATION

COUNTRY TIME'S MILLIE

Basset Hound, bred & owned by <u>Pat DePree</u> AKC CHAMPION AKC GRAND CHAMPION BRONZE

NEXUS DARLING BE HOME SOON

Clumber Spaniel, owed by <u>Sandee Lovett</u> & James Fankhauser **AKC CHAMPION**

CZAR WILLAMENA DUCHESS OF CROMTON

Welsh Terrier, bred & owned by <u>Char Czarnecki</u> **AKC CHAMPION**

CZAR MAY MARYDALE

Welsh Terrier, bred & owned by <u>Char Czarnecki</u> **AKC CHAMPION**

VERITA'S SPOT ON

Boston Terrier, bred & owned by <u>Ann Timmer</u> AKC CHAMPION

AKC WORKING TITLES

No Obedience Awards No Tracking Awards No Barn Hunt Awards No Trick Dog Awards

AKC AGILITY TITLES

BRIO'S AVENGER OF VERITAS CD BN RAE NA OAJ NF Boston Terrier, bred & owned by

<u>Ann Timmer</u> & Kim Rutherford OPEN AGILITY EXCELLENT AGILITY JUMPER GRCH BRIO'S ELEGANT IMPRESSION

AT VERITAS NA NAJ NF CGC Boston Terrier, bred by <u>Ann Timmer</u> OPEN AGILITY OPEN AGILITY JUMPER EXCELLENT AGILITY JUMPER PREFERRED REGISTER OF MERIT

2016 SHOW DOG OF THE YEAR NONE

2016 OBEDIENCE DOG OF THE YEAR NONE

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2016 AGILITY DOG OF THE YEAR

GRCH BRIO'S ELEGANT IMPRESSION AT VERITAS NA NAJ NF CGC Boston Terrier, bred by <u>Ann Timmer</u>

2016 RALLY DOG OF THE YEAR NONE

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2016 AKC OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD Kay Janus

Grand Rapids Kennel Club Awards for 2017 Continued

AKC GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD WINNER

Kay Janus

Kay has been a long time member of the Grand Rapids Kennel Club and has shown a positive attitude with the best interests of the dogs at heart. She has been supportive of the Grand Rapids Club's special projects and participated whenever possible. When actively involved in showing dogs, this she was especially helpful to other exhibitors and handlers. Kay would often come early to help set up for the shows and stay to clean up at the end. Win or lose, she has remained faithful to the objectives of our club and always exhibited the qualities of a "good sport".



GRKC COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

Anne & Richard Horvitz

Anne and Richard have been members of the Grand Rapids Kennel Club for seventeen years. They have given a lifetime of service to the citizens of the Grand Rapids community in their chosen professions. They have set positive examples of responsible dog ownership, motivating others along the way and always with the best interests of dogs at heart Anne and Richard continue to increase their knowledge and are willing to share their experiences. We have them to thank for the securing the use of the meeting room at the Cascade Animal Hospital for our monthly meetings. They are active members of GRKC, regularly stewarding at our shows, suggesting programs ideas, attending meetings, and supporting club projects.

DOG SHOV	V REPORT No Ordinary Income/Expen		
Income			
	MBF checks	20,468.35	
	Cluster check	52	
	Total Show	20,520.35	
Total Inco	ome	20,520.35	
Expense			
	Show expenses		
	to cluster	13,000.00	
	trophies	192.35	
	Total Show Expense	13,192.35	
Total Exp	ense	13,192.35	
Net Inco	me	7,328.00	

GRKC Treasurer's Report

PROFIT LOSS STATEMENT Consolidated

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			YTD	Budget		
		Dec 2017	2017	2017		
Income	_					
	Apple Blossom Cluster	\$0.00	\$27,062.49	\$24,000.00		
	Harvest Cluster Income	\$559.06	\$20,520.35	\$21,000.00		
	Fundraiser	\$0.00	\$1,070.83			
	Interest	\$4.00	\$15.73			
	Match	\$0.00	\$196.00	\$400.00		
	Membership Dues	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$280.00</u>		
Total Income		\$663.06	\$48,502.34	\$45,680.00		
Expense						
2.100	Advertising and Promotion	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00		
	Apple Blossom Cluster	\$0.00	\$15,772.42	\$16,000.00		
	Awards	\$310.00	\$310.00	\$100.00		
	Club Acitvities		·			
	Christmas Party	\$3,153.87	\$3,653.87	\$3,500.00		
	Picnic	\$0.00	\$213.52	\$250.00		
	Donation	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00			
	KC Sheriff K9	\$0.00	\$12,500.00			
	Fundraiser K9	\$0.00	\$1,070.83			
	Dues and Subscriptions	\$0.00	\$55.00	\$55.00		
	Hairy	\$0.00	\$186.55	\$200.00		
Harvest Cluster		\$0.00	\$13,212.35	\$13,000.00		
Insurance Expense		\$491.00	\$1,938.00	\$1,938.00		
	Match	\$0.00	\$1,377.75	\$800.00		
	Club Meeting					
	Meeting Program	\$0.00	\$115.00	\$250.00		
	Meeting Expense - Other	\$0.00	\$31.91	\$140.00		
	Permits & Fees	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$20.00		
	Professional Fees	\$0.00	\$60.00	\$60.00		
	Public Ed/Pet Expo/Booth	\$0.00	\$390.66			
	Public Ed/Pet Expo/Printing		\$335.55	\$600.00		
Public Ed/Publications		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00		
	Sunshine		\$50.00	\$300.00		
	Supplies	\$0.00	\$67.02	\$100.00		
	Website	\$181.50	\$233.49	\$300.00		
Total Expense		\$7,136.37	\$54,693.92	\$37,863.00		
Net Ordinary Income		-\$6,473.31	-\$6,191.58	\$7,817.00		
Transfer sav-check		\$7,000.00	\$54,700.00			
Checking balance Nov 30, 2017		\$499.08	-			
Saving balance Nov 30, 2017		\$85,099.24				
-	Total Cash	\$85,598.32				

Keeping Your Dog's Teeth Clean



Did you know that keeping your dog's teeth clean is a vital part of his care? The American Veterinary Dental College estimates that a majority of dogs show signs of periodontal disease by the time they're three years old. This can lead to even more serious consequences, such as systemic infection, abscesses, and even heart disease. So, if you've been reluctant to brush your dog's teeth, now is the time to get into the habit. By brushing his teeth often, you'll protect his health, as well as save money on expensive in-office procedures. Start by choosing toothpaste that gets the job done, and may even be tasty for your canine pal.

A word of warning: Do NOT use human toothpaste on your dog. Many of them contain xylitol, which is toxic to dogs. Even if you're pretty sure your toothpaste doesn't contain xylitol, don't take a chance. Instead, choose from these made-for-dogs products.

Virbac C.E.T. Enzymatic Toothpaste

Enzymes deep clean your dog's teeth and provide natural antibacterial action. This toothpaste inhibits plaque formation and helps eliminate doggy breath, too. It's safe for dogs to swallow, which they may want to do, given the enticing flavors it comes in.

All-Natural Tooth Salts for Dogs

Completely free of chemicals, this product contains only sea salt, peppermint oil, and sodium bicarbonate. Use a finger applicator or dog toothbrush to get your dog's teeth and gums clean and healthy.

Nylabone Advanced Oral Care Dog Toothpaste

The ingredients in this toothpaste reduce tartar buildup and plaque, which can harbor bacteria. As an added bonus, the natural peanut flavor may have your dog eagerly awaiting teethbrushing time.

Qumy Toothpaste for Dogs and Dental Care Kit

This toothpaste cleans and deodorizes your dog's mouth, and it comes with everything you need: toothpaste, finger toothbrushes, and a dual-sided brush. It has tea tree oil for gum health, and the non-foaming formulation requires no rinsing.

Sentry Petrodex Enzymatic Dog Toothpaste

This non-foaming formula comes in one of dogs' favorite flavors — poultry -- so your dog may look forward to getting his teeth brushed. It controls plaque and tartar buildup and leaves your dog's teeth healthy and his breath fresh. Even the vet may be surprised at his pearly whites. Made in the U.S.

Tropiclean Fresh Breath Plaque Remover Teeth Gel

And now for something completely different — no toothbrush required! This all-natural gel removes plaque, freshens breath, and soothes irritated gums without a toothbrush. Just apply a few drops of the gel with your fingers, and you'll see (and smell) the difference.

KissAble Dog Toothpaste

While most dogs love the taste of meat or poultry-flavored toothpastes, they can leave his breath smelling less than pleasant. This toothpaste is flavored with vanilla, for fresh breath. The natural ingredients fight tartar and plaque buildup for good oral health.

Arm & Hammer Advanced Care Enzymatic Toothpaste for Dogs

From a brand we all can trust, this enzymatic toothpaste removes and prevents plaque buildup. Baking soda deodorizes and cleans, while enzymatic action fights tartar and whitens teeth.

Vet's Best Dental Gel Toothpaste

Made with neem oil, grapefruit seed, and aloe, this gel has antifungal and antibacterial qualities that keep your dog's teeth strong and healthy.

Naturel Promise Fresh Dental Clean Gel

Reduce plaque and tartar with all-natural ingredients. This gel kills the germs that cause gingivitis, plaque, and bad breath and can even be used without a toothbrush. It's great on tartar and promotes fresh breath.

The Top 10 Dog Names of 2017

by Jan Reisen | December 21, 2017

Every year, Rover.com releases its list of top dog names, and the results are in for 2017! One of the most interesting things about the annual list of the 10 most popular dog names is that it rarely changes much. It's a classic group of names that dog owners gravitate to year after year. However, when Rover slices and dices its data, different trends do appear in dog naming, even if they're not apparent in the top 10 names. For those who love statistics, more about that later. But here's the brand new list of top 10 dog names for 2017:

Top 10 Male Dog Names:

- 1. Max
- 2. Charlie
- 3. Cooper
- 4. Buddy
- 5. Jack
- 6. Rocky
- 7. Oliver
- 8. Bear
- 9. Duke
- 10. Tucker



Top 10 Female Dog Names:

- 1. Bella
- 2. Lucy
- 3. Daisy
- 4. Luna
- 5. Lola
- 6. Sadie
- 7. Molly
- 8. Maggie
- 9. Bailey
- 10. Sophie

Popular culture continues to rule the name game. Fifty-three percent of all dog owners name their dogs for a character from a TV show, movie, or book, or after a celebrity. This year, Wonder Woman-themed names are up by 45 percent, and the name Atwood, after the author of "The Handmaid's Tale," is up by 200 percent. "Star Wars" names, like Rey, Finn, Luke, and Leia are up by 70 percent.

One new trend this year is inspired by the Internet. "DoggoLingo" refers to words that are heavy on cuteness and onomatopoeia. They have their origin in videos and pictures that have spread throughout social media, creating a virtual Internet language of dogginess. So this year sees a rise in names like Fluffer (up 500 percent) and others, including Floof, Corgo, Boofer, and Woofer.

And finally, we can hardly call this a trend because it persists year after year: 44 percent of all dog names are human names. Which may go to show that our dogs really are part of the family.