RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB

GROWL

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AKC Videos Available of the New Obedience Exercises

With the approved Obedience Regulation changes, effective May 1, 2018, AKC videos have been produced and are being distributed for the new obedience exercises on the AKC Obedience/Rally YouTube Channel.

These videos demonstrate correctly performed exercises in an easy to view widespread platform.

In addition, if you were not in attendance for the AKC Obedience Classic in Orlando in December where a demonstration of the new exercises was performed, you may view that video on the YouTube Channel as well.

The new Obedience Regulations may be viewed in a green insert in the online regulation book.

Sincerely,
Pamela ManatonPamela Manaton
Director of Obedience, Rally & Tracking

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In the snow. Elaine Barone and Ruth Hennigsen's Hunter, left and Winter, right

President's Message

JACK GRASSA

Sharon Fremer

I know our next meeting is Valentine's Day – but who better to spend it with than fellow dog lovers?! Come watch the second half of Dogsteps before we hold our meeting. It's a fascinating presentation of how our dogs move and how their anatomy impacts that movement.

It's "that" time of year again! Westminster and the AKC Meet the Breeds (MTB) preceding it. I'm sure we have members who will participate in one way or another over those 3 days. To all of you – ENJOY!

It's wonderful that Westminster includes Obedience and Agility. They have opened their eyes and realized that there is more to the sport of dogs than just Conformation. How exciting for anyone to be part of what is arguably the most prestigious dog event in our nation. Memories to be cherished for years to come. To all that are entered, I wish you the time of your life. Go forth and conquer!

The AKC MTB event is a long, tiring and exhilarating day that is SO important as outreach to the general public. This venue gives us in the fancy a valuable platform to educate people about our passion and to introduce them to our dogs. How better to fight the stereotypes forced on us by the Animal Rights fanatics than to let people see our dogs, pet them and see that they are deeply loved members of our families and treated that way? I have run the Cardigan Welsh Corgi booth since the first NYC MTB in 2009. It has grown in stature and popularity over the years. I always get home thoroughly exhausted, but thrilled that our volunteers spoke to so many people about not just our own breed, but about purebred dogs in general and the many activities they participate in. This is something each of us can do anywhere, anytime we are out with our dogs. Take every opportunity presented to you to talk up our dogs and our sport. We must overcome the people trying to take them away!

I continue to look for interesting programs for our meetings. We have only one more opportunity to bring someone in until our September meeting. What are you interested in learning? I want to find topics that are valuable for everyone in the club, but I need your input. Let me know what you want to hear.

Although the weather has been kind to us so far this year, you never know what February and March may bring. If there is any question about a meeting being held, please confirm it before heading out the door. We will post cancellations on the website as early as possible and will use the call tree to notify everyone. Feel free to call my cell phone (201-665-2565) or email me (teneo@mac.com) if you are unsure.

Sharon

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Minutes

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING (1/10/2018)

CALL TO ORDER

The Membership meeting of Ramapo Kennel Club was held on Wednesday, January 10, 2018 at The American Legion Hall, 11 Oak Street, Pequannock, NJ. The meeting was called to order at 9:10pm and was presided over by President Sharon Fremer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting of December 13, 2017 was made by Vivian Bregman and was seconded by Kristen Pierson.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Treasurer Report – Ruth Henningsen stated that the checking account balance was $27,197.91 and the money market is at $24,892.10. A thank you was received from "Out To Pasture" rescue group for RKC's donation, which was made in lieu of judges fee of 2017 Obedience judge Susan King.

OTHER REPORTS

Sunshine: Lorraine Fennermore stated that Joan Murko's brother passed away and a card was sent.
Obedience: Elaine Barone stated that the next session of classes begins at the end of January.
Awards: Elaine Barone stated that the award forms will be in the February Growl and will also be available at future meetings. The deadline for submission is April 15th.
NJFDC: Jeffrey Ball stated that the Federation is looking to produce educational videos, such as the importance of micro-chipping; community service, etc., for towns and clubs. Jeffrey Ball also encourages RKC to make a short video on the importance of puppy kindergarten classes, etc. A suggestion about donating Micro-Chip Scanners to specific police departments was suggested as an idea.

MAIN MOTIONS

- APPROVED: Elaine Barone made a motion for Tilly Grassa to proceed with Blue Ridge Graphics for the redesigning of the RKC Website.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A Show Chair and Assistant Show Chair is needed for the 2018 Point Show in October. Amy Starost has agreed to be Obedience Chair for 2018 but needs an Assistant Obedience Chair. If our members have any suggestions for judges, please let Sharon know. Please suggest judges that can judge more than a few breeds and/or groups.

A post show and pre-2018 show meeting will be necessary and will be planned for a Monday or Thursday. Sharon Fremer will send out dates for confirmation of attending.

Tilly Grassa received additional quotes for the redesign of our website.

NEW BUSINESS

Vivian Bregman is requesting for dog/handler teams to visit the Daughters of Miriam Nursing Care in Clifton, NJ. She needs 10-12 teams available and will schedule visits during the week day. Your dog does not need to be therapy certified as it is for socialization. If interested, please contact Vivian.
Match Show 2018 was discussed and Cindy McMillian has agreed to be Match Show Chair with Gerrie Oliver as the Assistant Chair. Sunnybank is the desired location and Sunday, June 3rd is the desired date. Vivian Bregman has agreed to be the Obedience/Rally Chair and needs an Assistant Obedience Chair. It was agreed that pre entries for obedience and rally only will be accepted and should be mailed to Vivian.
World Dog Expo in Secaucus will be held June 9th & 10th and RKC would like to have a booth for the Meet The Breeds section only and would like volunteers.

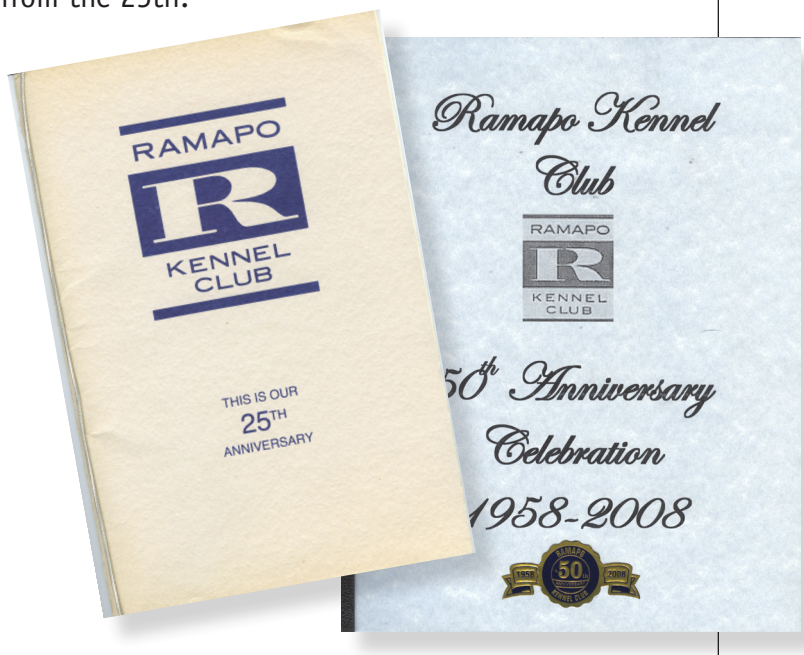
ADJOURNMENT

Elaine Barone moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Vivian Bregman, and this was agreed upon at 10:01pm.

Recording Secretary – Amy Starost
Ramapo Kennel Club

From the Archives...

In celebration of Ramapo Kennel Club's 60th anniversary this year, here are the covers of the 25th and 50th anniversary brochure, and a page from the 25th.



A Sterling Celebration

By Rose J. Radel

When the thought of a year-long celebration was first conceived, Eleanor Rotman and I were both enthusiastic and concerned. The enthusiasm was for the possibility such a celebration offered to make our members and others fully aware of all that Ramapo is and has been. The concern was for the time and financial commitments involved. The Board came through financially and our many very busy members somehow managed to find the time to make it a banner year. The response received served to strenthen our belief in and affection for all that is Ramapo.

Enormous thanks are due to:

- The entire Board for all they did to make our celebration possible
- My Co-Chairperson, Ellie Rotman whose encouragement, creativity, support and plain hard work were ever present
- Our great Committee and the Chairpersons of various club Committees for their extra efforts in promoting our theme throughout the year
- The many people who contributed to this commemorative booklet and helped with its publication
- And, finally, all the wonderful members for making Ramapo an organization worthy of such a celebration.

It's truly been a "HAPPY ANNIVERSARY"!!!

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Looking for therapy dog volunteers

For many years RKC put on a demonstration at the Daughters of Miriam home in Clifton, NJ.

Unfortunately, those who used to go with me are now gone. We used to go once a year. However, what they are looking for now is a group who can come and visit monthly, not for a demo, but rather to spend time with the patients.

For those of you with therapy dogs that are interested in creating a group that will visit monthly, please email me. At the moment there is no day or time scheduled, the group will have to coordinate and decide. We can discuss further at the upcoming meeting.

Vivian Bregman
vbreg@optimum.net

The North Jersey Siberian Husky Club held its annual holiday party on Jan. 14 and along with the party we had a celebration of our club having been granted AKC approval to hold licensed championship point events (ie: specialty shows).

Our member Karen Stickel surprised us with this beautiful, home made Husky cake.

Thank You Karen, it was the hit of the party!!

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD APPLICATION

CALENDAR YEAR JAN. 1, 2017 THROUGH DEC. 31, 2017

Reg. Name of Dog _____
Dog_____ Bitch _____
AKC#_____Breed/Variety_____

Owner(s)_____

Address_____
_____email_____
Breeder_____

Owned by member(s) _____ Bred by Member(s)_____

Handled by Member(s)_____
*Indicate name of RKC Member who is to receive the award.

CATEGORY

HIGHEST ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

BIS (All Breed) Show _____ Date _____
BIS (Specialty) Show _____ Date _____
HIT Obedience Show _____ Date _____
Best in Field Trial Show _____ Date_____
High in Trial Rally RA/RE Combined_____ Date_____

CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS

Conformation Champion Show _____ Date _____
Grand Champion Show _____ Date _____
Bronze, Silver, Gold Gr CH Show_____Date _____
Obedience Trial Champion Show _____ Date _____
Field Trial Champion Show _____ Date _____

OBEDIENCE & RALLY TITLE AWARDS

AKC, UKC, WCS CDSP will be recognized

TITLE

_____ Show _____ Date _____
_____ Show _____ Date _____
_____ Show _____ Date _____

OTHER AKC TITLES (Herding, Field, Agility, Barn Hunt etc.).)

_____ Show _____ Date _____Country_____
_____ Show _____ Date _____Country_____
_____ Show _____ Date _____Country_____

Photocopies of all Titles must be sent with entry. No awards will be given without photocopies. NO EXCEPTIONS!! Non-regular Titles will only count towards the breeders' award and certificates of achievement. Temperament testing is a Non-AKC Title.

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION, continued

Non-Regular Awards or Achievements and Requirements

Additional Awards (STAR, CGC, CGCA, THERAPY DOG,CAT, TT, or parent club titles etc. (applicable for Certificate of Achievement only)

_____Show _____ Date _____ Country_____
_____Show _____ Date _____ Country_____
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_____Show _____ Date _____ Country_____

AENNCHEN ANTONELLI / GILMA BLAUVELT - MOSS BREEDERS AWARD

1. Presented to a club member who is the breeder of record of dogs winning the most titles in each calendar year. Dogs do not need to be owned by the club member. It is the total number of titles won which determines the winner, not the number of individual dogs.
2. Any recognized titles shall be included, ie Champion, Obedience, Field, Working Dog, etc.
3. Titles may be won in any country of the world.

LEE ABRAHAM AWARD FOR BREEDER OF THE YEAR

Presented to the owner of the bitch who:

1. Produced the most champions (bred by owner from one bitch only) during the calendar year.
2. Only American Kennel Club Championships to count.

MILLIE MC CABE AWARD FOR STUD DOG OF THE YEAR

Presented to the owner of the Stud Dog who:

1. Produced the most "Champions" during the calendar year.
2. Only American Kennel Club Championships to count.

WILLIAM AND RUBY KLEINMANNS MEMORIAL AWARD

This Award is figured from January 1, 2016 thru December 31, 2016. This award will be based on the greatest number of dogs defeated in breed competition (up to and including Best in Show) by a single dog **handled by its Owner.** Dogs owned or co-owned by a Professional handler are excluded. If the dog is owned and handled by more than one member (neither of which is a Professional handler), both members will share the award equally.

LESLEE VALENTE MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR EXCELLENCE IN OBEDIENCE

This award is given to a member who handled the dog with the highest average scores in AKC Novice A or B from January 1, 2017, thru December 31, 2017. Minimum of three scores required. Shows and scores must be provided. Winner is to retain custody of the award for the year.

RALLY AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

This award is presented to the RKC member who has achieved the AKC Rally Advanced/Excellent title. To earn this title, the dog must have completed the requirements for the Rally Excellent title and received qualifying scores in both Rally Advanced B and Rally Excellent B at 10 separate trials. 1/1/17-12/31/17

PATRICIA A. SCULLY MEMORIAL TROPHY FOR EXCELLENCE IN OPEN OBEDIENCE

This award is given to a member who handled the dog with the highest average scores to obtain the title of CDX in AKC Open A or B from January 1, 2017, thru December 31, 2017. Minimum of three scores required. Shows and scores must be provided. Winner is to retain custody of the award for the year.

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINATION, continued

RAMAPO KENNEL CLUB GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The following rules govern the choice of the recipient of this award each year.

1. This award is presented to the RKC member who has provided dedicated service to the club and the sport of purebred dogs.
2. Award is given to a club member who has received the most letters of recommendation by the membership.
3. In the event of a tie the recipient shall be chosen by the Board of Directors from those individuals recommended by letters from the membership.
4. To be presented at the June Awards Dinner. Recipient only may be told to insure their being present.

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

1. This award celebrates those individuals who deserve special recognition for having made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embody the AKC code of sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club. The award is given to a club member who has been nominated and approved by the majority of the board of directors and officers **PRIOR** to the May meeting and shall be presented at the June awards dinner. The awards chair will be notified by April 15th. The recipient only may be notified by the awards chair to insure their being present.

Eligibility for Ramapo Kennel Club Awards

In order to apply and receive any Achievement Awards MEMBERS must fulfill at least two of the following:

1. Work the Point Show.
2. Work the Match Show.
3. Attend two (2) Club Meetings
4. Work at Obedience and/or Show Handling Classes
5. Work on a Club Committee.
6. Participate in a Public Education Demonstration through the Club
7. Participate in a Pet Therapy Session through the Club.

(Life Members or members living more than 60 miles from show functions are exempt)
In addition, to give recognition to a greater number of members, Achievement Awards will be limited to three (3) consecutive wins by a member.

All award entries must be received by APRIL 15th, 2018 with photocopies of Wins and Titles to:

ELAINE BARONE
10 BIRCH ROAD
KINNELON, NJ 07405-2505
E-mail elaineb.bowow@juno.com

YOU MAY E-MAIL YOUR LETTERS FOR THE "GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD"
Feel free to e-mail me your awards ONLY if you can scan the forms and certificates required.
Thank you and I look forward to hearing from all of you. *Elaine Barone*

Photos, Brags etc.

PHOEBE & BIRDIE

Ch. Kilyka's Witch Upon a Star CD NA NAJ earned her CD in three weekends, finishing at the Ramapo show. She placed first two times and second once. At the Terrier Specialty Phoebe was not only top Norwich but High in Trial. Phoebe is polishing her skills for her CDX now.

Phoebe's dam, Ch. Kilyka's Rare Bird Alert UD NA NAJ completed her UD in Wildwood on January 18. Birdie's

Birdie-Ch. Kilyka's Rare Bird Alert UD NA NAJ

scores were not spectacular but she also won first twice and second place once. As many of you know passing rate in Utility A is about 10 percent, so I was happy to have reached my goal no matter the scores. Birdie is the 24th (champion) dog that I have titled with a UD. A friendly judge suggested that perhaps I was slowing down. Perhaps!

Phoebe and Birdie are both Norwich Terriers. Phoebe is the sixth generation of my Norwich breeding program.

—Betty McDonnell

Christmas is over according to Gerrie Oliver's Colliecove Silhouette A Nickel's Worth.

MERLIN & WINTER

In January of 2017 when we were just 4 months old we went with our "Moms" Elaine Barone and Ruth Henningsen to Crystal Springs Resort for a sled dog presentation. We met lots of people and kids but the best part was when we got to try on our sled harnesses for the very first time and get hooked up to a dog sled.

Our harnesses were definitely TOO BIG! But we sat pretty while Ruth took pictures.

This January our Husky club once again was invited to do another sled dog demo at Mineral Springs Hotel. Great fun again and as you can see our harnesses finally fit!! THINK SNOW!!!

The Twins—Winter and Merlin

RKC TRAINING CLASS SCHEDULE - 2018

RALLY CLASSES
TUESDAY EVENINGS
Note: Change in time:
6:30 - 7:15 RALLY ADV/EXC.
8:30 - 9:15 RALLY NOVICE
(Basic obedience skills required)

Session 2
Jan. 2, 16, 23

Session 3
Jan. 30
Feb. 6, 20, 27
Mar. 6, 20, 27

Session 4
Apr. 3, 17, 24
May 1, 15, 22, 29

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE
Puppy Kindergarten 6:30-7:15
Beginner Obedience 7:30-8:15
Advanced Beginner 8:30-9:15

Session 2
Jan. 3, 17, 24

FEB. 13 CGC/CGCA/Therapy Testing
(there is a fee for testing)

Session 3
Jan. 31
Feb. 7, 21, 28
Mar. 7, 21, 28

Session 4
Apr. 4, 18, 25
May 2, 16, 23, 30

JUNE 6 CGC/CGCA/Therapy Testing
(there is a fee for testing)

No Classes 2nd Tues/Wed of each month
No Classes July and August

FOR CLASS INFORMATION AND TIMES CONTACT:

Ruth Hennigsen 973-697-9456 or
ruthh.sno-dog@juno.com
OR
Elaine Barone 973-492-1876
elaineb.bowow@juno.com
OR
Amy Starost 201-576-0491
email astarost@yahoo.com

Class registration form available on the website:
ramapokennelclub.com/RKCClasses

We will be holding a
CGC/CGCA/THERAPY DOG TEST
on February 13th
at our training building,
VFW, 69 Carey Ave
Butler NJ 07405

Contact Elaine Barone
elaineb.bowow@juno.com or
Ruth Henningsen
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SHOW HANDLING CLASSES
TUESDAY EVENINGS
7:30 - 8:15
Drop-in classes: $12.00 per dog,
OR 6 classes for $60.00

Session 2
Jan 16 & 23

Session 3
Feb 6 & 20
Mar 6 & 20

Session 4
April 3 & 17
May 1 & 22
No classes July and August

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Linda Hachtel
973-697-4337
or
Sharon Fremer
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teneo@mac.com

Got Stuff?

Send your stories, news, brags, suggestions, comments and photos to Tilly Grassa, *tgcreative@aol.com*. Remember the *Growl* comes out about a week before each monthly meeting. Submissions are due two weeks before the meeting. The *Growl* is by and for the members so I need your help to make it interesting.

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Dates to remember:

All membership meetings are held at

American Legion Post 450
11 Oak Ave.
Pequannock, NJ 07440 at 8:00 PM
(unless otherwise noted)

Wednesday, February 14	Member meeting 8PM, Board Meeting 7:15 PM. Program: Part 2 of "Dog Steps" by Rachel Paige Elliott. Refreshment: Kristin Pierson
Wednesday, March 14	Member meeting 8PM, Board Meeting 7:15 PM. Refreshments: Fred & Linda Hachtel Program: TBA

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FIRST CLASS MAIL