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The 10 most popular dog breeds in N.J. for 2017

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Which dog breeds are really making their mark in (and on) the Garden State? On March28, the American Kennel Club released its annual list of the most popular dog breeds in the country.

The 2017 ranking is determined by tracking a year's worth of national registrations for purebred dogs. Using this information, the AKC can also tell us which breeds came out on top in the state last year.

New Jersey's 10 most popular breeds are partially a mirror on the nation, since the top five breeds are identical to the top five in the United States, with the state also holding steady from the same top five in 2016.

But there are also some surprises further down the list, with breeds either climbing or falling in the rankings.

10. Beagle

While beagles are ranked No. 6 in the nation in 2017, the breed makes a big comeback in New Jersey. In 2016, the dog wasn't even in the state's top 10. Now it stands at No. 10.

9. **German Shorthaired Pointer**

The German Shorthaired Pointer is slightly more popular in New Jersey than the country at large, where it ranks No. 10. In 2016, when the breed didn't even make the national list, it ranked No. 10 in the state. This move up the rankings could mean the breed will only grow in popularity.

8. Boxer

The Boxer, a longtime favorite, slips a spot on the list from No. 7 in 2016. But the Boxer is more popular in New Jersey than in the country at large, where it doesn't even make the top 10 in 2017, slipping one spot to No. 11.

7. Rottweiler

Rottweilers, ranked No. 8 in the nation, are slightly more popular in New Jersey, where they moved down one spot from No. 6 in 2016.

6. Poodle

In 2017, Poodles climbed the New Jersey rankings, jumping two places after ranking No. 8 in 2016. Nationally, the breed is ranked just a tad lower, at No. 7, which is the same spot it occupied last year.

5. Bulldog

Bulldogs rank No. 5 in the country and in New Jersey, holding their spot from 2016. The breed was No. 4 in 2014 and 2015, but was bested by its cousin — the French bulldog, formerly at No. 7 — in 2016.

4. French bulldog

Frenchies have been a rising star over the past few years, soaring up three spots from No. 7 after 2015. They now hold steady in New Jersey at No. 4, the same spot they occupied in 2016 and the same place they claim on the national list for 2017.

3. Golden retriever

Golden Retrievers are a perennial favorite, and hold strong at No. 3, the same New Jersey ranking from 2016 and 2015. Goldens are also the No. 3 breed in the country.

2. German Shepherd

German Shepherds continue their reign at No. 2 in New Jersey and the nation.

1. Labrador Retriever

For 27 years now, the Labrador Retriever has been the top dog in America. New Jersey is no different in this respect, with registrations for Labs again outpacing every other breed in the state in 2017.

JACK GRASSA

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President's Message

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Sharon Fremer

Mother Nature just won't quit! We had 7" of snow on our deck today. There is something wrong with this picture - it's time to put away our boots and winter coats. The good news is we should have plenty of water in the reservoirs this spring and summer. The bad news is there will be mud. Regardless, I welcome the warm weather and sunshine when they are finally here to stay. I've missed them.

Our spring match show will be held Saturday, June 2nd. Cindy McMillen is our match show chairman and Gerrie Oliver is her assistant chair. Our judges are in place and all systems are GO. There are many jobs to be done at our matches, they are truly a group effort. As Cindy says, "all hands on deck!" We need all our members to pitch in to make this another memorable event. Please contact Cindy to learn how you can contribute. She can be reached at 973-809-8345.

Ramapo Kennel Club's 60th 'birthday' is this year! To celebrate the occasion our annual dinner in June will be extra special. It will be held at Amore in Wayne (where it was last year), with an open-bar cocktail hour preceding the meal. Members that meet the necessary criteria will eat for free and guests will cost $55 this year. Please contact Lorraine Fennemore for more information (*lorrfenn1@optonline.net* or 973-227-0945).

The slate put together by this year's nominating committee can be found elsewhere in this issue of the Growl. Please be sure to review it. Reminder: April is the only meeting where we accept nominations from the floor for Officers and Board Members. We cannot accept them in May. Please refer to our Constitution and Bylaws for the rules about floor nominations. If you have questions please feel free to reach out to me. If an immediate answer is not available, I will get one for you as quickly as possible.

I believe we must allow extra time for Brags next week! Ramapo is kicking off the spring show season with a bang! Big congratulations to everyone that enjoyed success with their dogs in Edison! I won't say who – I'll let the suspense build....

See you all next week!
Sharon

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Minutes

Call to Order
The Membership meeting of Ramapo Kennel Club was held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at The American Legion Hall, 11 Oak Street, Pequannock, NJ. The meeting was called to order at 8:42pm and was presided over by President Sharon Fremer.

Approval of Minutes
A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting of February 14, 2018 was made by Janis Hayes and was seconded by Lorraine Fennemore. Officers' Reports.

Treasurer Report
Ruth Henningsen stated that the checking account balance was $19,610.67 and the money market is at $34,894.63.

Other Reports
Sunshine: The 2018 June Awards Dinner will be held at Amore of Wayne, 611 Ratzer Road, Wayne, NJ on Wednesday, June 13th. This will include a cocktail hour and dinner. Please see requirements to attend the dinner at no charge. Guests will be $55.
Obedience: Next session of classes begins at in April and classes are filling up.
Awards: Elaine Barone stated that the award forms are available and the deadline for submission is April 15th.
NJFDC: Their meeting is scheduled for the first Monday in April at the Hampton Inn in Somerset.
AKC: Board elections were finalized. The relocation of the AKC Dog Museum to NYC is in the works. The new AKC website was launched today.
Membership: This is the second reading of Terri Gerrish.
Match Show: Scheduled for Saturday, June 2nd. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are available. All members should consider volunteering as we need all hands on deck to make this a successful show. The Flyer is almost complete and will be ready for distribution. The Match Show is already AKC approved, the site is approved, we have all the breed judges and will have CGC/Therapy testing and a handling clinic.
Point Show: Jeffrey Ball will be the 2018 Show Chair. Entry fees will be $34 first dog/$28 second. The show is scheduled for Saturday, October 13th and Sunday, October 14th.

New Business
Anne Hulsizer stated that for Amazon, if you login to your account through *www.smile.amazon.com*, you can select an organization for a portion of your sale to receive a donation and to please select Seeing Eye Dog. This is good through March 31st.

Adjournment
Janis Hayes moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Tilly Grassa, at 9:14pm.

Recording Secretary – Amy Starost

NOMINATION AND ELECTION COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES 2018/2019 SLATE

The nominating committee consisting of Sharon Fremer, Chairman; Fred Hachtel and Rita Marchese would like to present the 2018 slate for Ramapo Kennel Club. All terms are for 2 years.

President: Sharon Fremer
Treasurer: Ruth Henningsen
Corresponding Sec'y: Tilly Grassa

Sue Leonard - Board position
Cindy McMillen - Board position
Rita Marchese - Board position

Additional nominations may be made at the April meeting by any member in attendance, provided that the person so nominated does not decline when their name is proposed. If the proposed candidate is not in attendance at the meeting, the proposer shall present to the Recording Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying willingness to be a candidate. The additional nominations which are provided for may be made only from among those members who were not nominated by the Nominating Committee or who declined such nomination. No person may be a candidate for more than one position.

Respectfully submitted
Amy Starost,
RKC Recording Secretary

Photos, Brags etc.

RKC MEMBERS BIG WINNERS AT THE MARCH MADNESS WEEKEND

Above: Ch Sno Sky Winter Magic owned by Elaine Barone and Ruth Henningsen finished his championship on. Sat.- WD/ BOW at New Brunswick KC and 3pt major WD/BOW to finish the next day at Bronx KC. He is only 18 mos old and finished in 10 mos. Now on to Rally and Obedience!

Right: Here's Winter sporting his Bunny ears.

Sharon Fremer owner-handled GCH Shadowalk Houston to a BOB at the New Brunswick KC show.

JACK GRASSA

Fred and Linda Hachtel's Solitaire's Runnin' Down A Dream, (left, with Fred) went Winners Bitch/Best Puppy/Best of Opposite Sex at the Big Apple Sporting Society show in Edison on March 22nd.

Also Brock, GCH CH Linmar N Brazenrock Brock N' Roll, CGC, received an Award of Merit at the Bronx County Kennel Club show in Edison on March 25th.

NJSHC SPONSORED ALL BREED EYE CLINIC

The North Jersey Siberian Husky Club is once again sponsoring its annual Eye Clinic for all breeds on Friday, May 11 at the Somerset County 4-H Center on Milltown Rd. Bridgewater, NJ. Please share the attached Registration Form with your club members at you next club meeting. For more information call Kathy Murarik, Eye Clinic Chair at 973-663-2164.

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_____
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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*

RKC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS DEADLINE APRIL 15TH!

Attention Members! Please remember to apply for your achievement awards each year. There are many categories in which you may qualify. Please check the website *Ramapokennelclub.com* for the complete list of categories. Descriptions and requirements for Special Club awards are also listed in the front portion of your Roster. Applications due by April 15, 2018.

60th Anniversary Ramapo Kennel Club Annual Awards Dinner

Wednesday, June 11, 2018

Amore of Wayne

611 Ratzer Road Wayne, NJ 07470

Cocktail hour with appetizers from 7- 8 p.m. (two free drinks per member)

Sit-down dinner including a choice of 3 entrees (chicken, veal or fish)

Members - Free* Guests - $55.00

Please R.S.V.P. to Lorraine Fennemore

973-227-0945 or lorrfenn1@optonline.net

**Dinner is free to members who have fulfilled 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)

NEW MEMBER INFORMATION:
Catherine-Cremin-Dewar & Timothy Dewar
38 Marlen Avenue
Pequannock,NJ 07440-1620
201-264-7175
mara_jade_0@yahoo.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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DOG SHOW/OBEDIENCE

MATCH

AKC Sanctioned All-Breed Conformation "B" Match/Obedience and Rally "C" Match
(Mixed Breeds welcome in Obedience and Rally)

SATURDAY JUNE 2, 2018, RAIN OR SHINE

Entries for Conformation, Obedience/Rally from 9:00 AM until time of judging
Obedience judging starts at 10:00AM; Conformation judging starts at 11:30AM.

SUNNYBANK PARK

Route 202, 381 Terhune Drive, Wayne, NJ 07470

CONFORMATION CLASSES:

Puppy 3-6, 6-9, 9-12 months and Open
Working, Non-Sporting, Toy, Hound, Sporting, Herding, Terrier and Miscellaneous.
Best Puppy in Match and Best Adult in Match.
Junior Showmanship.

OBEDIENCE CLASSES (RUN THRUS):

Rally: Novice, Advanced, Excellence, and Masters.
Obedience: Beginner Novice, Novice, Open, Utility.

(Obedience and Rally will allow "verbal and gentle corrections" and food or toys may be used in the ring).

FREE HANDLING CLINIC

For Adults and Juniors - starts at 10:00 AM.

ENTRY FEES:

Pre-entry available for Obedience only - $8. Closing date 5/26/18. Use any AKC form. Mail to: Vivian Bregman, 3 Hershey Road, Wayne, NJ 07470-5516.

DAY-OF ENTRIES (9AM until time fo judging)
Conformation and Obedience:
First Dog - $10
Second entry/same dog - $8
CGC Testing - $15
Therapy Testing - $20
Junior Showmanship - FREE
Handling Clinic - FREE

Pro handlers may only handle their own dogs.
Dogs with 3 or more points for exhibition only.

Copy of Rabies Certificate should be available.
Exhibitors should follow their veterinarians' recommedations to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases and have appropriate vaccinations.

PLENTY OF SHADE UNDER THE TREES!

Refreshments will be available. Please bring chairs, and plenty of food and water for your dogs.

DIRECTIONS:

From the North and East: Rt. 287-S to Exit 58 - Rt. 202/ Ramapo Valley Rd. Turn left at light. Follow Rt. 202-S for 3 miles. Park entrance is on right. Watch for low stone wall.
From the East: GWB, Rt. 4-W to Rt. 208-N to 287-S. Follow directions as from the North above.
From South and West: Take Rt. 287-N to Exit 53 (Bloomingdale, Pompton Lakes). Make right at light onto Hamburg Tpke. At 5th light, turn left onto Terhune Drive (CVS is on corner). Park entrance is about 1 mile on left. Watch for low stone wall.
From the South: Take GSP-N to exit 153 to Rt. 3-W to Rt. 46-W to Rt. 23-N (4 miles). Stay right to Rt. 202-N (Black Oak Ridge Rd.) Follow to Hamburg Tpke. Turn left on Hamburg Tpke. Turn right onto Terhune Dr. (still Rte. 202). Park entrance is about 1 mile on left. Watch for low stone wall.

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The Northern NJ Great Dane Club will join Ramapo KC with their own match from 10-11:30 AM. For more information go to *nnjgdc.org*.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cindy McMillen, Match Chair—848-888-3901 or 973-809-8345
Gerrie Oliver, Asst. Match Chair—201-768-1282 or *olivergerrie@gmail.com*
Vivian Bregman, Obedience/Rally Match Chair—973-696-1517 or *vbreg@optimum.net*

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, April 11	**M**ember meeting 8PM, Board Meeting 7:15 PM, Program TBA. Refreshments, Phyllis Lasser
Wednesday, May 9	**M**ember meeting 8PM, Board Meeting 7:15 PM, Club elections- no program, no guests. Pot luck dinner.
Saturday, June 2	RKC 2018 Match Show, Sunnybank, Wayne.
Wednesday, June 13	60th Anniversary Awards Dinner 7PM at Amore of Wayne, Ratzer Rd. Wayne, NJ.

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