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OFFICERS REPORTS

President's Report

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Huge congratulations are due to Barb Salvadore and every member of the of the 2018 National Specialty committee for a job well done. They were assisted by multiple club members stepping up and helping out at the show. The location was beautiful, the rooms comfortable and the ballroom was spacious. It was so nice to have all the events in one ballroom and grooming rooms right around the corner. Many people made the trip and brought their entire families to enjoy Orlando in addition to the show. Thank you to all for making this a fabulous event.

As the New Year is right around the corner, starting in January we are going to try something new. Since the newsletter only comes out every other month, a bulletin will be emailed to you in the off months.

Hopefully this will keep you better informed about things that the committees and the board are discussing and accomplishing. Let us know what you think.

The online election had a great turnout this year, with almost 75 percent of the members voting! The paper ballots were rather expensive for AMCA this year and the Board will examine ways to reduce that cost in the future.

One of the first things done by the incoming Board is to vote for the Nominating Committee from the list of names provided by the outgoing Board. While we have already voted for 2019 NC, we will need volunteers for 2020 in about ten months. Let a board member know you would be willing to be on the committee.

The Board is reviewing the Standing Rules and committee objectives and volunteers, as done every year. There are currently more than two dozen committees. That's a lot of needed volunteers! Most of the work done for

AMCA is done by committees. If you have an idea, or want to volunteer, please contact that chairperson.

Happy Holidays to everyone!

Recording Secretary

JoAnne Krause
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MOTIONS FROM 2017-18 AMCA BOARD:

Motion 21: 2017-18: That AMCA cover customary expenses (flights, accommodation and meals) for Andrea Fiumefreddo (AKC CHF Director of Research Programs) to attend the Chondrodysplasia discussion at the AMCA National Specialty, up to a limit of \$750. (Colman)
For: ALL

Motion 22: 2017-18: Membership Pins
AMCA accept the quote from PinSource for the purchase of 800 additional membership pins in the amount of \$1170. This quantity is expected to fulfil our needs for the next 5+ years. (Levesque)
For: ALL

Results - Annual Election 2018
Turnout: 511 (73.2%) of 698 electors voted in this ballot.
Note: 48 votes were manually input by the administrators.

Election of President 2018-2020

Option	Votes
Pam Fusco (MI)	200 (40.6%)
Terry Toussaint (CA)	155 (31.4%)
Ruth Levesque (CT)	138 (28.0%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total	511
Abstain	18 (3.5%)

Selection of 2021 (Northeast Region) Regional and National Specialty

Conformation Judges

Option	Votes
Bedford, Shilon	181 (11.0%)
Hastings, Patricia	131 (8.0%)
Meredith-Cavana, Kimberly	128 (7.8%)

Vics, Beverly	123 (7.5%)
Cole, Jon	100 (6.1%)
Jenkins, Pat	99 (6.0%)
Putman, Pat	96 (5.9%)
Bivin, Edd	93 (5.7%)
Box-Young, Gena	93 (5.7%)
Clark, Houston	93 (5.7%)
Cline, Dana	89 (5.4%)
Leist, Rosemary	87 (5.3%)
Alderman, Barbara	86 (5.2%)
Olvis, Charles	86 (5.2%)
Buxton, Kenneth	80 (4.9%)
Hartinger, Roger	76 (4.6%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total	511
Abstain	55 (10.8%)

Selection of 2020 (West Coast Region) Regional and National Specialty

Sweepstakes Judges

Option	Votes
Coburn, Michele	151 (9.2%)
Pohl, Ron	137 (8.3%)
Remazki, Jennifer	135 (8.2%)
Baker, Twila	134 (8.1%)
Thomas, Leesa	122 (7.4%)
Robertson, Gaylene	120 (7.3%)
Colman, Karyn	114 (6.9%)
Till, Tricia	112 (6.8%)
Schmidt, Kathy	104 (6.3%)
Effler-Leveille, Jennifer L.	102 (6.2%)
Uraynar, Cyndy	101 (6.1%)
Corkum, Kathleen	93 (5.6%)
Lind, Jacquita	86 (5.2%)
Bedell, Suzanne	72 (4.4%)
Price, Eddie	66 (4.0%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total	511
Abstain	46 (9.0%)

Outstanding Service Award 2018

Option	Votes
Allen, Andrea (UT)	155 (36.3%)
Croft, Jan (MN)	149 (34.9%)
Dunn, Tina (CA)	123 (28.8%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total	511
Abstain	84 (16.4%)

Membership Area - Information Only

Area	Votes
GL	67 (14.4%)

SO	52 (11.2%)
RM	47 (10.1%)
MW	43 (9.2%)
AL	42 (9.0%)
IL/WI	42 (9.0%)
NY/NJ	41 (8.8%)
WC	38 (8.2%)
PNW	37 (7.9%)
ME	33 (7.1%)
NE	24 (5.2%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total 511

Abstain 45 (8.8%)

Membership Seniority - Information Only

Option Votes

30 Years and over	132 (27.0%)
0-9 Years	128 (26.2%)
20-29 Years	127 (26.0%)
10-19 Years	101 (20.7%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total 511

Abstain 23 (4.5%)

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**ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES,
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2018,
ORLANDO, FLORIDA**

The 65th AMCA Annual Meeting was called to order by AMCA President, Terry Toussaint at 9:05 a.m.

There was not a quorum, so no official business (motions) could be conducted. This would be an informational meeting.

Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting were approved as presented in the November/December Newsletter.

Officer Reports:

Stacey Moore, Corresponding Secretary, recognized Committee Chairs, AKC Delegate, Gazette Writer and thanked them for their service to AMCA.

Lucy Sanders, Treasurer, reported that AMCA had a good year with no "crazy" expenditures.

Committee Reports:

Sandi Shrager: Health Committee Chairperson

Pam Fusco: IT Chairperson. Pam

explained that the current website is being revamped. It is 12 years old. Bids were sent out. Note that updates are to be sent in by the Committee Chairs.

Shilon Bedford: Judges Education. Mentors are to focus on the positive of the dogs presented and do not sign the form, if mentor doesn't think the person "gets it" and needs additional mentoring.

Dan Anderson: Stud Book
Top Twenty: Suzanne Bedell

Ruth Levesque: Futurity. Changes will be suggested to revise rules and procedures.

AMAL: Andrea Allen

AKC Delegate: Patty Peel.

AKC Gazette: Terry for Dian McComb

NOTE: COMMITTEE CHAIRS WILL BE SUBMITTING THEIR FULL ANNUAL REPORTS TO THE NL.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Straw vote showed that the majority oppose removing limited registration. Pet Rescue be included in the AMCA Website. What other things Malamutes can do such as scent, therapy, reading education, etc.

Seminar on CHD this afternoon.

Information sheet placed on Judges table was a proposal from the JE Committee, had not been approved by the Board. It was removed. Membership will review it.

History Committee would like albums of early dogs, older kennels.

RECOGNITIONS:

Members attending for the first time. International attendees.

Steve Anderson: Registered Parliamentarian

2019 Show Chairperson: Jan Croft (Topeka, Kansas, October

28-November 2. Yes, there will be agility!)

Ruth Levesque: Standing ovation for all the work she has done for AMCA. Special Award!

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Jo Ann Krause
Recording Secretary

ANNUAL MEETING MEMBERS SIGN IN:

- Dan Anderson SO
- Steve Anderson NY/NJ
- Kim Bass SO
- Roger Bass SO
- Suzanne Bedell SO
- Shilon Bedford MW
- Colleen Belanger GL
- Dave Belanger GL
- Karen Berry SO
- Vincenzo Bompadre AL
- Gena Box SO
- Debbie Carter GL
- Linda Cathey RM
- Michele Coburn PNW
- Dennis Collins ME
- Karyn Colman NY/NJ
- Jennifer Corr WC
- Jan Croft MW
- Marilyn Curtis SO
- Roseann Deutsch ME
- John Dewing PNW
- Diana Edwards MW
- Jen Effler-Leveille IL/WI
- Jeri El Dissi IL/WI
- Diane Franck ME
- Pam Fusco GL
- Eileen Gabriel NE
- Cheryl Gelbert GL
- Nicole Green AL
- Susanne Gutierrez AL
- Robin Haggard IL/WI
- Mary Jane Holabach PNW
- Robin Hug RM
- Delicia Johnson MW
- Jo Ann Krause MW
- Diane Krieger GL
- Brenda Lemon ME
- Ruth Levesque NE
- Dru Anne Martin-Nutzell SO
- Bonnie McMahan Howen GL
- Stacey Moore SO
- Judith Morella Camunas AL
- Laurie Newburn RM
- Marcos Nieto De Los Dolores AL

Patty Peel GL
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(Prepared by Jan Croft, Vice President & Specialty Events Coordinator)

AMCA Specialties & Affiliated Club Specialty Events

	Dates	Location / Closing	Supt / Event Contact	Judging Panel	Competition
SO Alaskan Malamute Club of Greater Houston Specialty Event	11/30	Lone Star Convention Center Conroe, TX Closes 11/14	Onofrio Dog Shows www.onofrio.com mail@onofrio.com Margie Serage, Show Chair texalmal@gmail.com	Nancy Simmons Paula Lambert McSwain	C PS/VS
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GL GLAMC Affiliate Club Designated specialty with Hoosier Kennel Club	2/08	Indiana State Fairgrounds Indianapolis, IN Closes 1/23	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 Jan Croft, Show Chair 612-716-0895 jan.croft@delta.com	Pending Anne R Palmer	C PS/VS
GL Great Lakes Area Designated specialty with Hoosier Kennel Club	2/09	Indiana State Fairgrounds Indianapolis, IN Closes 1/23	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 Jan Croft, Show Chair 612-716-0895 jan.croft@delta.com	Pending Kathy Raynes	C PS/VS
WC SCAMC Independent Specialty	3/01	Los Angeles County Fairplex 1101 W McKinley Ave Pomona, CA Closes 1/23	Jack Bradshaw Dog Shows 323-727-0136 www.jbradshaw.com Patricia Starks, Show Chair kodiackmal@gmail.com	Dr Albert P Bianchi Cassandra Clark	C PS/VS
ME AMC Eastern Pa in-conjunction with Lebanon KC WEIGHT PULL	4/12	PA Farm Show Complex Harrisburg, PA Closes 3/27	Jim Rau Dog Shows P O Box 6898 Reading, PA 19610 Phyllis Hamilton, show chair Benchmark1946@gmail.com	Pending Ms Kathleen Corkum	C PS/VS
ME Mid-East Area Specialty in-conjunction with Harrisburg KC WEIGHT PULL	4/13	PA Farm Show Complex Harrisburg, PA Closes 3/27	Jim Rau Dog Shows P O Box 6898 Reading, PA 19610 Richard Deutsch, show chair kloudburst@aol.com	Mrs. Kimberly Meredith-Cavanna Ms Karyn Colman	C PS/VS
ME AMC Eastern Pa in-conjunction with Mason Dixon KC	4/14	PA Farm Show Complex Harrisburg, PA Closes 3/27	Jim Rau Dog Shows P O Box 6898 Reading, PA 19610 Sandra Komaromy, show chair jskomar@aol.com	Mrs. Paula Hartinger Ms Laurie Wells	C PS/VS
SO AMCA Area Concurrent Specialty with Atlanta KC	4/13	GA National Fairgrounds Perry, GA Closes 3/27	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 Edie Thomas et963@aol.com	Mrs Sharon C Smith Ms Bunny Cebula	C PS/VS
SO AMCA Area Independent Specialty Event with Combined Specialty Clubs of Atlanta	4/14	GA National Fairgrounds Perry, GA Closes 3/27	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 Edie Thomas et963@aol.com	Mrs Wendy G Willhauck Ms Cathie Turner	C PS/VS
RM AMCA RM Area Specialties TWO EVENTS (am & pm)	5/15	Cache County Fairgrounds Logan, UT Closes 5/1	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764 Brock Powell, Show Chair 801-201-2038 Brock75p@yahoo.com	Ms Catherine Loft Kathie Warner Mr Michael L Van Tassel Cathie Turner	C PS/VS C/JR PS/VS

SUPPORTED ENTRY EVENTS

Area/Host / Kennel Club	Dates	Location / Closing	Supt / Event Contact	Judging Panel	Competition
MW Minnesota Malamute Club Supported Entry with Land O'Lakes Kennel Club	1/05	St. Paul River Centre St. Paul, MN.	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764	Ms Rita S Walker	C
	1/06	Closes 12/19	Jan Croft jan.croft@delta.com	Dr. Albert P Bianchi	C
GL Supported Entry with Central Indiana Kennel Club Supported Entry with Hoosier Kennel Club	2/07	Indiana State Fairgrounds Indianapolis, IN	Onofrio Dog Shows Box 25764 Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0764	Pending	C
	2/10	Closes 1/23	Jan Croft jan.croft@delta.com	Pending	C
ME AMC Eastern Pa Supported Entry with Lebanon County Kennel Club	4/11	PA Farm Show Complex Harrisburg, PA Closes 3/27	Jim Rau Dog Shows P O Box 6898 Reading, PA 19610 Barb Lichota, show chair blichota@hotmail.com	Pending TBD	C PS/VS

Committee Reports & Special Reports

Performance Awards & Statistics report

Laura Heft
granitemalamutes@gmail.com

It is snowing here in NY today as I write this. My malamutes are delighted, but I'm not sure I'm quite ready. At least I finally got the camper winterized and buttoned up for the season.

The National just wrapped up, and while the next newsletter is the one dedicated to Nationals results, I want to mention that malamutes at the National in Orlando put Colleen Belanger to work in the CGC and AKC Trick dog venues. Colleen was able to record 14 Trick Dog Novice, six Trick Dog Intermediate, four Trick Dog Advanced, and seven new CGC titles! How fun!

Speaking of AKC Companion Event programs, Connie Jankowski has been very busy proving malamutes have good noses, attaining Masters titling levels in the AKC Scent Work program. Scent work is not an event I've done anything with, so I'm hoping we can get Connie to enlighten us in a future issue about this fairly new venue.

Over the entire course of 2017, Alaskan malamutes competing in AKC Companion Events earned: 18 Obedience titles, 1 Tracking title, 50 Rally titles, 81 Agility titles, 1 Versatile Companion, 5 Coursing Ability titles, 11 Scent Work titles, 67 CGC program titles, 74 Trick Dog titles, 3 Therapy Dog titles, and 4 Barn Hunt titles. I'm so impressed by everyone that is out there proving the real versatility of our breed.

Now that I've had a chance to fully review the reports from last year, let me also announce the 2017 Obedience Awards! These traditional awards have been in existence for many, many years in AMCA, and I am proud to announce that the 2017 BlackHawk Memorial award winner, with an average score for his three title earning legs of 193.167 is: HAWKEYE, bred and owned by Raissa Hinman. HAWKEYE finished 2017 officially per AKC as: **Arcticdawn's Midnight Sun CD PCD BN GN RAE MX MXJ OF**. There was no opposite sex CD earner in 2017, so no Flaming Flirt is awarded. The Oonank Memorial Award, for any advanced title earned, is won once more by BOOTSTRAP, bred and owned by Raissa Hinman! BOOTSTRAP earned an Obedience Master 9 title, finishing out 2017 as MACH7 Arcticdawn's Boots R' Made For Mushin' UDX7 OM9 RE MXC2 MJB3 MFB TQX T2B. Amazing!! @Speaking of AKC Obedience: I have been doing some stewarding in obedience locally this fall. It is a great way to learn and to give back to the sport. In the past months, there have been some very large changes made to the AKC Obedience program, with the elimination of off-leash group stays in Novice, and the Open level out of sight group stay exercises, as of May 2018. In Novice, this has now become an on-leash pair of stays of shorter duration, and also in the individual exercises there is a "sit-stay" while the handler goes to retrieve their leash (typically set on a chair) from a point inside the ring, then return to the dog. In Open, they have added a "Command Discrimination" exercise,

which tests the dog's ability to stay in place while you command them to sit, down, or stand, from a distance. There has been initially also a one minute stay (of sit or down), return to dog, then the opposite position while you went to a point OUTSIDE the ring, to get your leash, then return to the dog. They have now made another change, effective January 1, to eliminate this stay exercise, and replace it with a STAND-Stay, get your leash exercise. Of course, this explanation is much condensed. Please see the AKC Rule updates for complete details.

I turned to AMCA member Jen Effler-Leveille for some insight into the multiple changes in Rally over the last year: Below is the very VERY good info she has to share with us:

"There's some really great news on the Rally front. In 2017, AKC announced two new titling levels (Intermediate and Masters) as well as a new Rally Championship title (RACH, pronounced "rock"). The qualifications were daunting: 20 triple qualifying scores (so a "Q" in Masters, Excellent B, and Advanced B at the same trial), 300 points, at least 200 of them coming from Masters and the balance could be from Excellent B. No points were earned for Advanced B. You earned points based on your score. 100 = 5 points, 99 = 4, 98 = 3, 97 = 2, 96-91 = 1 point and any score beneath that earned nothing. Participants were pretty outraged given the difficulty of the point schedule because of Advanced carrying no weight outside a Q, and the cost of the whole thing, as unlike the

other levels, Masters allows no retries. In other levels you can retry a station for a minimum three point deduction. In Masters, if you don't perform it correctly, that's an automatic 10 point deduction on a single station. Also, you could not start accumulating points or triple Qs until you had completed your Rally Masters title which was in itself 10 qualifying legs. Do understand that a Rally entry is the same price as a conformation entry.

"Championships SHOULD be hard but few people wanted to take on the task or the expense. For the 20 triple Qs alone, it was expected to cost about \$2,500 and it is not mathematically possible to earn the requisite Masters points in 20 trials so if you were absolutely perfect in every single trial, you COULD finish for another \$500 or so in entries. In reality, even the dogs who have MACHs and OTCHs weren't pulling those scores. In October, AKC made some monumental

changes that made the title more attainable and more in line with some of the other Championships. The 20 triple Q requirement remains. The points needed are still 300, however, at least 150 points are needed from Masters and the rest may come from Excellent B AND Advanced B. Additionally, people no longer need to complete their Masters title to start accumulating points and triple Qs. They can gain the title concurrently. Perhaps most importantly though, AKC adjusted the point schedule to be more generous; a score of 100 = 10 points, 99 = 9, 98 = 8, 97 = 7, 96-95 = 6, and 95-91 = 5.

"To put this in perspective: BUMPER and I trialed 10 times from December, when the new program was put into place, to January when he earned the Rally Masters title. MOST people do not live in an area where Rally trials are so plentiful. From January 28, 2018 through the AMCA National this

year, BUMPER has earned 14 triple Qs. And despite **winning** the Masters and Excellent B classes many times at all-breed trials and almost always placing in the top four, under the original scheme he has only 13 points in Masters and 19 in Excellent B...out of a necessary 300. Honestly, with a nine year old dog, I was starting to doubt if we would finish. As of a month ago, no one had yet earned a RACH though a few were starting to close in. Under the updated scheme, we have "minored out" in that we have over 150 points from Excellent B and Advanced B, and we have 84 Masters points. We just have six triple Qs and 66 Masters points to finish the RACH. We can do this! I think others will be inspired to go for it as well now that it's a bit more feasible for a decent Rally dog."

Thank you, Jen! I know you'll have this title locked down soon, I can't wait to hear about it.

Conformation Awards / Statistics Annual Report - 2018

The Conformation Awards / Statistics committee continues to mine the AKC web page, checking every show for Malamute entries and placements. We make every attempt to be accurate & timely with our quarterly reports as well as getting the awards compiled,

printed, and mailed to the members.

This year we were transitioned from a club checking account to a club credit card to use for the award expenses. The beginning balance in the checking account was used for supplies until it was depleted so the account could be closed. At that time the club credit card was then used for the remaining

expenses and will be going forward.

If you are interested in working with us in 2019, please contact me at "gotroots @ AOL.com.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Berry

Conformation Awards / Statistics Committee Financial Report - 2018

Date	Form of Payment	Expenses	Balance	Description
12/31/17			69.22	2017 Year End Balance of checking account
03/10/18	Debit Card	42.50	26.72	Printer Ink
06/08/18	Debit Card	26.72	0.00	Mailing Envelopes, Labels, more Printer Ink
06/08/18	Credit Card	64.81	--	Balance from above – checking account funds depleted. Committee switched over to a Club Credit Card.
06/11/18	Credit Card	79.37	--	Certificates – 2 boxes
07/06/18	Credit Card	110.62	--	Postage for 2017 Annual & ROM Awards
12/31/18			0.00	2018 Year End Balance

2018 Working Dog Committee Report

by Helen Schultz and Leesa Thomas

We are pleased to have the new fillable online forms available on the AMCA website. Our thanks to Karina Burger for making them and Tricia Till for making the website accept them. Most of our applicants are paying via PayPal but can pay by check if they prefer.

New titles: applications came from Italy, England, Canada, Denmark, the Netherlands and the USA.

WLD: 4

WTD: 19

WPD: 7

WWPD: 15

There are 9 applications still in committee: 1 WLD, 3 WTD, 5 WPD

WWPDA: 13

WTDA: 4

WWPDX: 10

WPDX: 2

The advanced and excellent applications came from the USA and the UK about evenly.

Working ROM: No report.

Beginning check book balance: \$6577.12

Expenses:

WD Certification Committee: \$400.00

WDX Certification Committee: \$150.00

Bank Fees: \$3.00

WD Showcase Trophies: Anticipating expense will appear in next year's budget

Total Expenses: \$553.00

Income: \$714.00

Ending balance in PayPal account:

\$256.78

Ending balance in checkbook:

\$6729.12

Total committee balance: \$6985.90

All Around Alaskan Malamute Committee annual

by Charlene LaBelle

The All Around Alaskan Malamute committee is a committee of 3; Mary Swinyer, Carol Williams and Charlene LaBelle.

For 2018 our committee processed 1

application. We had 1 dog apply for and earn a SAM.

At this time I would like to read into the record this year's certificate recipient.

SAM #24 "Varda" - Winterstarz Lady of Crickhollow * Owned by Alexis Smith

For the last few years we collect an application fee of \$20 to cover supplies, printing and postage. Because of this fee, the committee members no longer pay for the postage or supplies out of our own pockets and our committee has \$302.01 in our account. We will be sending money to the General fund later this year. This year's certificate recipient will not be attending the National, so the certificate will be mailed to President Terry Toussaint for his signature. And will be mailed to Varda's owner.

The application packet is simply a collection of your dog's accomplishments. My committee and I enjoy reading the application packets that each person puts together for their dog. There is no application form, but we ask for copies of titles, certificates, pictures and letters from people who have had contact with your dog(s). It's a beautiful thing seeing the love shared. It's something to be cherished to earn any of these awards. These certificates are a lot of fun and work to receive. And everyone that has worked with their dog to earn one or more of these will tell you it is a true labor of love.

We welcome anyone and everyone, (this includes non AMCA members) to apply for any or all of these. If you think you have a dog that may qualify for one of these awards; the complete set of rules is on the AMCA web site under "shows & trials". Along with a list with pictures of all the dogs that have earned any of the awards our committee issues.

You can ask questions of any committee member, but please submit your application packet to Charlene LaBelle (Charlene@BelleKennels.com).

End of the Year Delegate Report 2018

by Patty Peel

AKC delegate approved 6 dog show rules and approved 4 new member dog clubs.

AKC Museum of the Dog opens January 2019.

In February 2018, AKC TV brought dog lovers into the world of American Kennel Club through interesting and educational content that can be accessed 24/7. AKC TV is an OTT digital channel over the top, which means AKC broadcast over the Internet not cable or network TV examples of OTT channels include HBO GO, Netflix, Roku, and AppleTV.

This is the fifth year anniversary of AKC Pet Disaster Relief. During that time, 393 clubs have raised \$1,059,000, individuals and organizations have raised an additional \$246,000 and the AKC Reunite board has pledged \$450,000 with 68 trailers on the ground in 28 different states, with six in the pipeline which would make 74 trailers.

There have been several recent changes from AKC Events Operations. The Show Conflict Distance policy now includes a 300 miles restriction between same competition-type events on any day of the cluster/circuit for all-breed and limited-breed clubs accredited after January 1, 2019. AKC clubs accredited before January 1, 2019 are required to adhere to the current 200-mile event conflict distance.

The Limited Number of Events policy has been changed to allow a third all-breed or limited-breed event when a club meets all the criteria outlined in the policy. This criterion includes holding all shows within 50 miles of your territory, having at least 20 open weekends within 400 miles of the show site, and no other all-breed/limited breed events within 400 miles on the weekend of the third show. If your club believes they may qualify for a third show, contact Glenn Lycan at glenn.lycan@akc.org.

At the July Board meeting, the Board approved changes to the Junior Showmanship Regulations which allows the Juniors to make a change to their class or age division prior to the judging of that class. Previously, this change was required to be made at least 30 minutes prior to any Junior Showmanship judging. Also, a change

was approved to require a Junior to move into the Master class at an event if they meet the criteria, even if it happened after closing.

AKC is working towards making the Achiever Dog Certificate a title. That AKC Achiever Dog Certificate program is designed to recognize those exhibitors and dogs who participate in multiple sports. A dog will receive an AKC Achiever Dog Certificate when they have been awarded a placement or earned a qualifying score in three different sports (for example, a Champion title, Trick Dog title, and CAT title).

Performance events are up 28 percent. Modern performance events - CAT, fast CAT and Scent Work - are growing rapidly and this year will pass 100,000 entries. Barn Hunt, Dock Diving and Therapy Dogs have also been growing in numbers. Launched on May 1, the Trick Dog program has reached 18,000 Trick Dog titles, which took AKC by complete surprise. They originally had one person working in the department and had to increase their staff to handle the volume. People are really excited about this program and it looks like it's a big success.

AKC has 25 different sports and 20,000 events a year it manages itself. Every weekend on average there are 400 AKC events going on around the country with 3.1 million entries total in a year. About a year ago, the Canine Influenza Virus hit the sports world and hurt quite a few shows. They figure they lost about 24,000 entries due to people staying home out of concern about the virus.

There are some AKC individuals that are still concerned about the limited registration and would like to do away with limited registration. The Breeder of Merit Program from 2012-2017 has seen an increase of 6.3 percent in litter registrations. In 2017, 42 percent of these Breeder of Merit puppies were registered on a limited registration which they feel will have an impact on conformation show entries. About 50 percent of the increase in dog registration has been offset by limited registration. Overall registration

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is increasing, but only 50 breeds count for the 80 percent increase in registration. These top breeds include the Retrievers, French Bulldogs, Beagles, German Shepherds, Poodles and Rottweilers. Alaskan Malamutes are number 59 out of 190 different breeds. Of the 190 breeds, 56 have been growing in popularity in the past 10 years with 109 breeds in decline during the same 10 years. Increases in limited registration correlates with a decline in litters and entries in many breeds. This is why some at AKC feel there is a decline in conformation dog show entries.

In December, the Delegates will vote on the new 1 plus 1 equals 1 point. This would provide dog going Best of Winners the opportunity to earn one championship point if the combined number of regular class dogs for both sexes is the minimum required for one point (usually two dogs).

The American Kennel Club® (AKC®), the sole member of Smart PetTechnologies, LLC (SPT), announced today that the Link AKC® smart collar was acquired by Wagz Inc. The Link AKC® smart collar is a GPS-enabled dog collar that uses cutting-edge technology to help people stay connected to their dogs like never before.

SPT officially launched the Link AKC® smart collar and app in May 2017, and soon after became a leading player in the rapidly growing pet technology market. CES recognized the product as a 2017 "Best of Innovation" in the Wearable Technologies category. SPT has valued the AKC's more than 130 years of commitment to the health and well-being of dogs to enhance the bond between dogs and owners with this advanced piece of technology.

Health Committee Report

We have had a fairly full year with Alaskan Malamute Health in 2018.

A few updates on our research initiatives:

1. In 2018, the Canine Health Foundation announced a Hemangiosarcoma Research Initiative, in which all donations

for hemangiosarcoma research were matched by AKC. Hemangiosarcoma is a very common and aggressive cancer in dogs, with poor prognosis and no cure. AMCA became an official sponsor of the Canine Health Foundation's Hemangiosarcoma Initiative with a fully matched donation of \$2500.

2. Our Donor Advised Fund continues to grow. Even with contributions to research, we began the year with 29,000 and as of 9/30 our fund was at over \$32,000. I am very proud of the growth of this fund, which was at only \$3,000 in 2013. A huge thanks to all of our hard working volunteers and donors who have contributed to these efforts.

3. In September, I had a long discussion with Diane Brown, the (newer) Chief Executive and Scientific Officer at the CHF, as well as Andrea Fiumfredo, Director of Research Programs. We went over the projects AMCA has sponsored, and I provided a fairly detailed history of our work in the area of Chondrodysplasia research. They are very impressed with our diligence and attention to this area and fully supportive of ongoing work with Dr. Hannes Lohi at the University of Helsinki. Andrea graciously agreed to attend the seminar at the National in Orlando on the Past/Present/Future of Chondrodysplasia research, and presented on the CHF's role in canine health research. This meeting was taped and we are hopeful that it will be available for download once the new website is developed. It provided an excellent overview of the history of the project as well as next steps in finding a marker.

4. With regards to our Chondrodysplasia project, I have some extremely good news there. We have finally been able to get DNA on two dwarf dogs whose semen was stored for test-breeding. Some of the semen was converted to DNA, which will be both sent directly to Dr Lohi as well

as banked with CHIC. I have been trying unsuccessfully for years to get this semen released for this purpose, so am VERY excited that this has finally happened. These two dogs represent two of the sires of the majority of the research dogs in the project, so are extremely valuable to the project. Along with these samples, we also have DNA from a dwarf who recently passed away, when the owners arranged for DNA to be shipped at the time of her passing. We are hopeful that these new samples will help move the project forward.

5. We hope to put out a breed health survey this year. I will need assistance with this project, but the goal is to determine the research priorities that the membership has over the coming few years. If you would like to be involved, please drop me an email at sandis@uw.edu.

I would like to thank all of the past and present AMCA Board members for their help and support over the past few years. You have always been able to ask difficult questions, receive complicated answers, and remain supportive of the committee and our work. Let's keep at it!

Health Committee Financial Report 2018

Checking Account balance 1/1/2018: \$4259.20

Deposit: \$22.00 (coloring books sold at local show)

Withdrawal: \$246.95 (reimbursement for shipping expenses of dwarf semen)

Ending Balance 11/13/2018: \$4,034.25

(Note, I anticipate a check deposit of \$55.00 for additional coloring books sold at 2018 National, likely deposited before end of year)

Newsletter Annual Report To The AMCA Annual

by Holly Levinter

This has been a busy year for us and six issues of the Newsletter have been published. We want to thank Betsy

Morphew and Steve Anderson for their help in producing and ensuring the content is factual. Steve does not want to receive thanks publicly. He is too humble for that by far, but he has been an incomparable resource to us of all things dog. He has the advantage of long term experience in AMCA and thus knows the correct spelling of kennel and dogs' names as well as competitors. In addition, he guides us on AMCA procedures.

Thank you to the AMCA members and Area Reporters for writing about your experiences in a variety of dog sports and competitions. We want to hear about your adventures, exploits and the escapades of your dogs to make NL interesting and educational, even to armchair members, people who have retired from the sport or others who just enjoy reading about other people's activities with their dogs.

We are grateful to have received some good articles from the Health Committee, Sandi Shrager and Tammy Doukas and expect to receive many more. Now, if only we could find a veterinarian who can or will write about dog ailments, diseases and/or first aid on how to recognize them and some suggestions for treatments.

Keep those articles coming. No one enjoys them more than we do, and please remember to send all contributions to both Steve Anderson and me.

Public Education Committee

by Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake

AMCA had another successful year with its Meet the Breeds booth at Westminster KC. This event takes place every year in February in conjunction with the prestigious Westminster KC Show. It took place on Saturday at the Piers alongside its Agility Trials. As usual, the crowd was enormous – over 50,000 and very enthusiastic. There were many questions about our breed, and the never ending ones about the difference between the Alaskan Malamute and the Siberian Husky.

We continued with the same theme of Malamutes In Film, and this year added some artificial snow, and an electronic collage made by Patty Bryce.

This event is a big deal for our Committee members. We all have to drive into the City, park far away, bring dogs and crates into the building, set up and get the booth ready. Our team members were from the Empire Alaskan Malamute Association and included me, Joe Hisatake, Klynn Hisatake, Brent Turrin, Patty Bruce, and Xavier Santiago. The four legged helpers were Klynn's Kendra, Patty's King, Brent's Hila, and Xavier's Duncan. Without their help the booth would be a bust!

I am not sure what the plan is for Orlando and the Canine Extravaganza this year as we are still looking for someone to help with the booth. Barb Salvadore has done all the hard work for several years, and after Chairing the National this year, is taking a well-deserved break. I am hoping that someone will step up!

Public Education is so important for this breed, and I know other AMCA Areas and members have done similar Meet the Breed activities. Please let me know of any public education events others have conducted. Public Education Meet the Breed events can be held in a park, pet store, at a dog show, school, county fair or other public place. I would love to hear from you about any such events you have conducted.

Signing off for now, and getting ready for February in NYC and praying for no snow!!



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Stud Book Committee:
by Dan Anderson

The AKC sends to me, by email, at the first of every month the Alaskan Malamute section of their Stud Book. Although this is sent to no one else, they have instructed me that I may supply a copy to any member of the Alaskan Malamute Club of America who may request it.

Electronic Communications Committee Report
by Tricia Till

The Electronic Communications Committee has been in communication with AMCA about transferring our website to a new company. This will help get rid of some of the problems

users have encountered on the website. Catalpha Advertising and Design is charging AMCA a total of \$5750 to transfer the old website to a new platform, which will always be kept up-to-date. AMCA has paid \$2875 so far. The Electronic Communication Committee does not have its own funds. We will also be looking to expand AMCA's social media presence in the upcoming year. Should you wish to help in our efforts, please contact Tricia Till or Yogev 'Harel.

Judges Education Committee
by Shilon Bedford

Last year 7 judges attended our National Specialty Workshop in Huron, OH. This year 7 are registered to participate at the National in Orlando,

FL. On October 3rd, Pat Putman gave a workshop sponsored by the Oregon Dog Judges Association to 8 aspiring judges. This year marks the end of my term as the committee chair and Gena Box Young will be taking over at the end of this year. She has been an excellent partner, assisting in the Hands On portion of our program.

Mentors are reminded to always use breed specific language when describing our breed. Do not teach fault judging but help judges learn to find the positive attributes each dog exemplifies. If you have any concerns about the knowledge of the person you have mentored, please do not sign their form. As a mentor you are attesting to the fact that your mentee understands our breed standard.



2018 Companion Event/Performance Rankings: 1st Quarter				
	RALLY			
NOVICE				
1	Wayeh Ski Flyer Of Summerice	6	L & M Nappi	SO
2	Arctic Dawn's Starry Starry Night	5	B Taylor	GL
3	Snobuc's Watching Over Me	3	M & R Dinwoodie, E French, T Johnston	NY/NJ
INTERMEDIATE				
1	Wayeh Ski Flyer Of Summerice	18	L & M Nappi	SO
2	Arctic Hope's Brave Spirit	17	L Thomas	GL
3	Arctic Hope's Brave Heart	10	L Thomas	GL
4	Granite's Only On Istari Starri Night	6	L Heft	NY/NJ
ADVANCED				
1	Powderhound's Silver Lining	27	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
2	Canamarok's Angel's Taizen	23	L Maffei & N Snyder	PNW
3	Arctic Hope's Brave The Snow Storm	21	A & T Spurrier	GL
4	Powderhound's Blaze Of Glory	17	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
5	Spectre's O Brother, Where Art Thou?	9	Julia Cole	MW
6	Istari's Epic Trilogee	3	H & J Schultz	IL/WI

EXCELLENT				
1	Powderhound's Silver Lining	26	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
2	Canamarok's Angel's Taizen	23	L Maffei & N Snyder	PNW
3	Powderhound's Blaze Of Glory	14	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
4	Arctic Hope's Brave The Snow Storm	12	A & T Spurrier	GL
5	Sno Shire's Winsome Wind	10	D & J Bauman	GL
6	Spectre's O Brother, Where Art Thou?	9	J Cole	MW
7	Spectre's Just Keep Talkin'	6	J Cole	MW

MASTER				
1	Canamarok's Angel's Taizen	34	L Maffei & N Snyder	PNW
2	Powderhound's Silver Lining	33	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
3	Mountain Home's Powder Hound	23	M Mead & L McDonald	PNW

2018 Companion Event/Performance Rankings: 2nd Quarter				

RALLY				

NOVICE				
1	Hallstatt "X" Marks The Spot	12	L Maffei & N Snyder	PNW
2	Powderhound's Sif Of Aesir	11	M Anderson	NY/NJ
3	Powderhound's A Force Of Won	10	C Simon & J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
4	Storm Kloud's Test Of Time	10	J El Dissi	IL/WI
5	Wayeh Ski Flyer Of Summerice	6	L & M Nappi	SO
6	Arctic Dawn's Starry Starry Night	5	B Taylor	GL
7	Winterstarz Stella Mira	4	P Herzfeld	IL/WI
8	Snobuc's Watching Over Me	3	M & Rolfe Dinwoodie, E. French & T. Johnston	NY/NJ
9	Adair'N'Hug Fair Winds And Following Seas	3	C Hess	RM

INTERMEDIATE				
1	Wayeh Ski Flyer Of Summerice	18	L & M Nappi	SO
2	Arctic Hope's Brave Spirit	17	L Thomas	GL
3	Arctic Hope's Brave Heart	10	L Thomas	GL
4	Winterstarz Rocket J Dog	9	P Herzfeld	IL/WI
5	Granite's Starfire Of Arctic Mist	8	J Gumtow	NY/NJ
6	Dreameatcher's Mystical Treasure	7	P Warrichaiet	IL/WI
7	Granite's Only On Istari Starri Night	6	L Heft	NY/NJ
tie	Adair'N'Hug Fair Winds And Following Seas	6	C Hess	RM
9	Arctic Dawn's Starry Starry Night	2	B Taylor	GL

ADVANCED				
1	Powderhound's Silver Lining	71	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
2	Arctic Hope's Brave The Snow Storm	45	A & T Spurrier	GL
3	Spectre's O Brother, Where Art Thou?	44	J Cole	MW
4	Canamarok's Angel's Taizen	40	L Maffei & N Snyder	PNW
5	Powderhound's Blaze Of Glory	34	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
6	Peace River's Lucky Omen	18	L Maffei	PNW
7	Powderhound's Show Me The Way	12	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
8	Powderhound's U Can'T Handle The Truth	11	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
9	Arcticdawn's Midnight Sun	6	R Hinman	GL
10	Lakopac's Shiloh Of The Yukon	5	P Bryce	NY/NJ
tie	Lakopac's Koda Bear Of The Yukon	5	P Bryce	NY/NJ
EXCELLENT				
1	Powderhound's Silver Lining	69	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
2	Spectre's O Brother, Where Art Thou?	40	J Cole	MW
3	Canamarok's Angel's Taizen	37	L Maffei & N Snyder	PNW
4	Powderhound's Blaze Of Glory	30	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
5	Arctic Hope's Brave The Snow Storm	24	A & T Spurrier	GL
6	Peace River's Lucky Omen	15	L Maffei	PNW
7	Sno Shire's Winsome Wind	10	D & J Bauman	GL
8	Spectre's Just Keep Talkin'	6	J Cole	MW
MASTER				
1	Powderhound's Silver Lining	73	J Effler-Leveille	IL/WI
2	Canamarok's Angel's Taizen	53	L Maffei & N Snyder	PNW
3	Mountain Home's Powder Hound	42	M Mead & L McDonald	PNW
4	Arcticdawn's Midnight Sun	33	R Hinman	GL

A little back story: In Rally, there are five classes, from simplest to most difficult: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Excellent, and Masters. In each, a qualifying score is at least 70 out of 100 points. For everything below Masters, you need three qualifying legs to title. Masters (RM) takes 10 qualifications. Additional titles are the Rally Advanced-Excellent (RAE) and the Rally Champion (RACH). The RAE takes 10 double Qs (a Q in Excellent B and Advanced B in the same trial). After Rally Excellent, you may work toward the RM and RAE either singly or concurrently.

2018 THIRD QUARTER CONFORMATION STATISTICS

If you have any questions or corrections contact Karen Berry (committee chair). **Please make sure you notify the committee chair in writing if you are the primary owner of a dog (first name listed on the AKC registration) but the dog is residing with another co-owner. In that case, the dog will be noted in the area in which the co-owner is residing.** All statistics reflect points and titles earned as of September 30, 2018.

Congratulations to all the winners and best of luck through 2018!

TOP 10 BEST OF BREED/BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX

DOGS

1	GCH Corazon Wild Wind Pedal To The Medal	SO	G Box-Young	417
2	GCH Onan House Of The Rising Sun	GL	E Myers/ A Kanzelberger/ L Wirth-Poirier/ P Hazelwood	400
3	GCH Onak'Stough Of Gold	WC	J Corr/W Corr/ T Dunn	234
4	GCH Peace River Rogue You Just Gotta Believe	PNW	S Weston/ J Weston	195
5	GCH Taolanquest Flying Cloud	WC	A Syar/ L Newburn/ R Pohl/M Stone	159
6	GCH Tugar's Taking On Tyson	NY/NJ	K Hausner	117
7	GCH Pale Moon's Arctic Chaos	GL	K McCallum/ J McCallum/ P Scheid	100
8	GCH Northern Lites Mr. Lincoln	GL	H Donovan	90
9	GCH Adair'N'Hugs Spirit Of Chandalar	RM	B Goodman/ M Goodman	80
9	GCH Windswepts The Games Afoot At Stormrunner	RM	C & L Rogowski/ M Wild/ J Schoffield	80

BITCHES

1	GCH Ixa's Dontcha Wish Your Girl Friend Was Hot Likeme	SO	A Mayberry- Welch	201
2	GCH Kumata's Elevate Your Game	PNW	J Dewing/ R Dysart	198
3	GCH Onak's The Blonde Enchantress	WC	J Corr/ W Corr/ T Dunn	69
4	GCH Spiritruns Ohmygosh Ewvys Here	GL	J Slusher/ B Slusher/ A Kunkel	61
4	GCH Storm Sky's Every Second Counts	IL/WI	S Czarapata/ J ElDissi/ J Gonzalez	61
6	GCH Spiritrun's Cool Ride	GL	J Remazki/ E Remazki/ A Syar	54
7	GCH Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie Of Dreamekatcher	IL/WI	P Warrichaiet	53
8	GCH Vykon's Aluk Busy Bein' Fabulous	RM	B Erickson/ C Erickson	44
9	GCH Kasaan Sno Klassic's Kiss The Fortune	GL	P PEEL/ M Peel	43
10	GCH Snodanc Snoangel At Stormrunner	RM	C Rogowski/ L Rogowski	37

TOP 10 CLASS DOGS/BITCHES

DOGS

1	(CH) Sno Quest's Gold 'N' Genes	IL/WI	A Sautbine/ M Sautbine	44
1	(CH) Shekinah's Wind & Strong Waters Whiskey	SO	A Schireman/ T Schuring/ E Flores	44
3	(CH) Shekinah Earth To Miacis	SO	C Bowen/ T Bowen	35
4	(CH) Kaviak's Gone West	MW	J Delay	33
5	(CH) Mytuk's The Main Event	PNW	A Milburn/ D Milburn	28
5	(CH) Owyhee's I'm A Rocket Man	NY/NJ	G Kuehnel- Hisatake/ B Turrin	28
5	(CH) Poker Flat's Ironman	IL/WI	R Haggard/ J Kuehl	28
5	(CH) Uyak Hurricane Harry	NY/NJ	P Honigman	28
9	(CH) Catoico's New Found Adventure	SO	S Moore	25

BITCHES

1	(CH) Dreamekatcher's Mystical Treasure	IL/WI	P Warrichaiet	39
1	(CH) Katabatic's Hollaback Girl	AL	K Copley- Holland/R Hug/ J Hug	39
3	(CH) Terraglo 'N Bearcat's Milagro	RM	H Prather/ G Toussaint/ T Toussaint	37
4	Catera N Chikara's Driven By Passion	IL/WI	A Kanzelberger/ J Dewing/ R Dysart	33
5	Double T N Onak Corner Stone	WC	T Dunn/W Corr/ J Corr/T Crome	28
6	(CH) Bad Axe Wild Chevy 2	IL/WI	L Missana/ J Missana/J Wild	27
7	(CH) Kasaan's Bless The Fortune	GL	B McMahan Howen	26
7	(CH) Skyblue Pale Moon'N Qavvik's Moonlight Reflection	GL	D Nusz/T Nusz/ C Gelbert	26
9	Kasaan Kumata's Rollin 'N Th' Fortune	GL	B McMahan Howen/S Bedell	24

10	Silverice Catanya's Winter Solstice	RM	P Harrison/ K Solberg/ A Syar/M Stone	23
10	(CH) Staghorn Owyhee Winternight At Kerica	NY/NJ	G Kuehnel- Hisatake/ C Skyler	23
10	(CH) Viriato De Kabluna	AL	J Iglesias Rodriguez/ E Kelley	23

9	Sno Ridge's Can'T Tame A Wild Thing	MW	J Wild/C Kinnas Hocking	24

TOP 10 BRED-BY EXHIBITOR DOGS/BITCHES

DOGS

1	(CH) Sno Quest's Gold 'N' Genes	IL/WI	A Sautbine/ M Sautbine	51
2	(CH) Poker Flat's Ironman	IL/WI	R Haggard/ J Kuehl	32
3	(CH) Owyhee's I'm A Rocket Man	NY/NJ	G Kuehnel- Hisatake/ B Turrin	25
4	Nyrakym's Spiritrn At Samaljankan	NY/NJ	K Colman/ J Nirhamo/ J Remazki	18
5	Winter Park Silverice Black Tie Affair	ME	M Park/J Park/ S Park	17
6	(CH) Adair'N'Hug Mts Mark Of Excellence	RM	R Hug/J Hug	15
7	(CH) Wildwood's Winkler	GL	A Kunkel/ J Slusher/ B Slusher	13
8	(CH) Storm Sky's Keeper Of The Past At Storm Kloud	IL/WI	S Czarapata/ J Eldissi/ J Gonzalez	11
9	Lakopac's Koda Bear Of The Yukon	NY/NJ	P Bryce	11
10	Sno Quest's Gold'N Spoon	IL/WI	A Sautbine/ M Sautbine	10
10	(CH) Sno Ridge's Ty On Another Wild Won	IL/WI	E Kinnas/ C Kinnas Hocking	10

BITCHES

1	(CH) Double T N Onak Corner Stone	WC	T Dunn/W Corr/ J Corr/T Crome	49
2	(CH) Bad Axe Wild Chevy 2	IL/WI	L Missana/ J Missana/J Wild	44
3	(CH) Terraglo 'N Bearcat's Milagro	RM	H Prather/ G Toussaint/ T Toussaint	33
4	Catoico's All Star Adventure	SO	S Moore	30
5	Tru North's Phyllis Jean	RM	L Cathey	29
6	Storm Sky's Money Is On Storm Kloud	IL/WI	S Czarapata/ N Russell	17
7	Strong Waters Strike A Pose	SO	A & K Schireman/ E Flores/ A Ross/ M & A Reeves	17
8	Peace River's Golden Girl	PNW	M Coburn	11
9	Winterstarz Power Of Astraea	MW	T O'Brien/ K Burger	11
10	Snobuc's Haze Gray And On Her Way	NY/NJ	M & R Dinwoodie/ S Capp/ T Johnston	7

TOP 10 PUPPY DOGS/BITCHES

DOGS

1	(CH) Kaviak's Gone West	MW	J Delay	34
2	Coon Creek 's Stone Cold Country	MW	D Johnson/ M Johnson	19
3	(CH) Vykon's Starman	SO	V Jones	18
4	Silverice Catanya's Winter Solstice	RM	P Harrison/ K Solberg/ A Syar/ M Stone	16
5	Northern Lites Lincoln's Legacy H Donovan	GL	H Donovan	15
6	(CH) Onak N Double T's The Force Awakens	WC	W Corr/ J Corr/ M White/ T Dunn	14
7	Skyblue Pale Moon's Midnight Arctic Fury	GL	C Roth Gelbert	10
8	Silverice Peacerever A Winter Tale	WC	A Syar	7
9	Kaviak's Kanook Flash Pelzel	SO	C Pelzel	3
9	(CH) Shekinah Earth To Miacis	SO	C Bowen/ T Bowen	3

BITCHES

1	(CH) Skyblue Pale Moon'N Qavvik's Moonlight Reflection	GL	D Nusz/T Nusz	38
2	(CH) Kasaan's A Sweeter Piece Of Fortune	GL	B McMahon Howen	21
3	(CH) Dreamekatcher's Mystical Treasure	IL/WI	P Warrichaiet	17
3	(CH) Onak N Double T's The Way Of The Force	WC	W Corr/ J Corr/ M White/ T Dunn	17
5	Azeahli's Watch Me Glow In Wild Wind	MW	D Mewes	13
6	Arctic Thunder She's Like The Wind	SO	J Edwards	9
6	Bearhug'N Winterwind Georgia On My Mind	PNW	K HUSSEY	9
6	Kataum Inua's Ataciara	MW	T O'Brien/ K Burger	9
6	(CH) Palemoon Skyblue's Beauty Queen From A Movie Scene	GL	K Vernoy	9
6	Storm Sky's Oh What Did I Say To Sno-Cub	MW	C Foster	9

TOP 10 JUNIORS

1	Coby Kearl	5 BJH	53
2	Emily Flores	3 BJH	50
3	Jayden A Durst	---BJH	31
4	Megan Christensen	---BJH	5
5	Jaiden M Christensen	---BJH	4
6	Grant Thomas	---BJH	2

GREAT LAKES

D	GCH Onan House Of The Rising Sun	E Myers/ A Kanzelberger/ L Wirth-Poirier/ P Hazelwood	400
CD	Tyohni's Keikewabic Yuki	M Bouchard	18
BBD	(CH) Wildwood's Winkler	A Kunkel/J Slusher/ B Slusher	13
PD	Northern Lites Lincoln's Legacy H Donovan	H Donovan	15

B	GCH Spiritruns Ohmygosh Evvys Here	J Slusher/B Slusher/ A Kunkel	61
CB	(CH) Kasaan's Bless The Fortune	B McMahon Howen	26
CB	(CH) Skyblue Pale Moon'N Qavvik's Moonlight Reflection	D Nusz/T Nusz/ C Gelbert	26
BBB	Fireflight & Arctic Thunder's Prom Date	C Watts/D Watts/ J Effler-Leveille/ L Leutner-Boese	4
PB	(CH) Skyblue Pale Moon'N Qavvik's Moonlight Reflection	D Nusz/T Nusz	38

ILLINOIS/WISCONSIN

D	GCH Sno Ridge's Ty On Another Wild Won	E Kinnas/ C Kinnas Hocking	78
CD	(CH) Sno Quest's Gold 'N' Genes	A Sautbine/M Sautbine	44
BBD	(CH) Sno Quest's Gold 'N' Genes	A Sautbine/M Sautbine	51
PD	Sno Quest's Arctic Legendary Explorer	M Christiansen/ K Christiansen	2

B	GCH Storm Sky's Every Second Counts	S Czarapata/J Eldissi/ J Gonzalez	61
CB	(CH) Dreamekatcher's Mystical Treasure	P Warrichaiet	39
BBB	(CH) Bad Axe Wild Chevy 2	L Missana/J Missana/ J Wild	44
PB	(CH) Dreamekatcher's Mystical Treasure	P Warrichaiet	17

MID-EAST

D	Kwik-Pak Screamin Eagle	D Childers/T Bussard	15
CD	Kwik-Pak Screamin Eagle	D Childers/T Bussard	16
BBD	Winter Park Silverice Black Tie Affair	M Park/J Park/S Park	17
PD	NONE	NONE	

B	CH Stellar Road Ayla Black Diamond	B Ferianc	13
CB	(CH) Snocreek American Spirit Of Ken-Dar	D Puhatch/B Martin	15
BBB	Kwik-Pak Just As I Am	D Childers/T Bussard	6
PB	Kwik-Pak Just As I Am	D Childers/T Bussard	5

MIDWEST

D	GCH Northern Exposure Rocket Man Of Sno-Cub	C Foster/C Foster	27
CD	(CH) Kaviak's Gone West	J Delay	33
BBD	(CH) Kaviak's Gone West	J Delay	1
PD	(CH) Kaviak's Gone West	J Delay	34

B	CH Anua's Meteoric Rise To Flame	J Berquist	22
CB	Sno Ridge's Can'T Tame A Wild Thing	J Wild/C Kinnas Hocking	24
BBB	Winterstarz Power Of Astraea	T O'Brien/K Burger	11
PB	Azeahli's Watch Me Glow In Wild Wind	D Mewes	13

NEW ENGLAND

D	CH Pekaboos Red Bull	J Theriaque	1
CD	Tugar's Built To Last	B Scully/K Hausner	2
BBD	NONE	NONE	
PD	NONE	NONE	

B	NONE	NONE	
CB	(CH) Owyhee 4th Of July Independent Lady At Small Bear	E Snyder/ G Kuehnel-Hisatake	10
BBB	NONE	NONE	
PB	NONE	NONE	

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ALASKAN MALAMUTE CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please **PRINT** or **TYPE** application. Complete all pages and sign the bottom of this page. Incomplete forms will be returned. Renewal may be submitted by mail or email to the Corresponding Secretary at the addresses above. **RENEWAL DEADLINE IS MARCH 31.** This form is available online at www.alaskanmalamute.org.
2. Do not add non-members to this form. To become members, all new applicants must go through the standard new member application procedure. Request the New Member Application Form from the Corresponding Secretary, or download it at www.alaskanmalamute.org.
3. Please notify the AMCA Corresponding Secretary (CS) immediately of any address changes. Any member who fails to receive a Newsletter issue through no fault of the member should request replacement in writing from the CS. AMCA will pay for a one-time First Class mailing of a single replacement issue. Any additional issues will be paid for by the member. (Standing Rule: F-7)

RENEWING MEMBERS: No change from previous renewal form (*This form must still be signed, dated and fees page completed*)

FULL NAME:

Regular (18+ y/o) Associate (18+ y/o) Junior (<18 y/o) Life 30-40 Yrs. Life 40+ Yrs.

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

FULL NAME:

Regular (18+ y/o) Associate (18+ y/o) Junior (<18 y/o) Life 30-40 Yrs. Life 40+ Yrs.

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

FULL NAME:

Regular (18+ y/o) Associate (18+ y/o) Junior (<18 y/o) Life 30-40 Yrs. Life 40+ Yrs.

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Phone: _____

FULL NAME:

Regular (18+ y/o) Associate (18+ y/o) Junior (<18 y/o) Life 30-40 Yrs. Life 40+ Yrs.

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

HOME PHONE & MAILING ADDRESS:

Primary Phone: _____

Secondary Phone: _____

Address 1: _____

Address 2: _____

City: _____

State/Province/Region: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____

KENNEL INFORMATION (OPTIONAL):

Kennel Name: _____

Kennel Website: _____

ANNUAL ELECTION BALLOT PREFERENCE:

AMCA uses Electronic Balloting (E-Balloting) for all elections through a third party registrar. For the **ANNUAL ELECTION ONLY:** Please make ONE selection only for Electronic Voting or mailed paper postal ballot.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL OTHER POLLS CONDUCTED BY AMCA WILL BE CONDUCTED ELECTRONICALLY & THROUGH THE NEWSLETTER. THE OPTION OF POSTAL BALLOT ONLY APPLIES TO THE ANNUAL ELECTION.

I/We request to vote Electronically: I/We request to receive paper US Postal Service mailed ballots:

WAIVER & SIGNATURE(S):

I hereby apply for renewal of membership in the Alaskan Malamute Club of America, Inc. (hereinafter "AMCA"). I recognize that AMCA is an incorporated, private, non-profit club. I agree to abide by AMCA's Constitution, By-Laws, and all other Rules and Regulations, and shall abide by its Code of Ethics. Regarding all activities relating to my membership in AMCA, including any charges of misconduct that may be preferred against me by the AMCA and/or another member, I acknowledge and accept the jurisdiction of the AMCA Board of Directors as the body designated to manage the affairs of AMCA and resolve disciplinary actions pursuant to the Club's Constitution and By-Laws, and all Rules and Regulation thereof.

In consideration of being granted membership in AMCA, I hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify AMCA, its Officers and Board of Directors, or any of them, from any demands, court costs, attorney's fees and all other expenses incurred in the defense of any action which I may bring, or which is brought on my behalf, singularly or in conjunction with others, and against AMCA, its Officers and Board of Directors, jointly or severally, and upon which I prove unsuccessful upon the merits.

Additionally, in consideration of being granted membership in AMCA, I hereby release, discharge and agree to hold harmless and indemnify each individual officer, member of the Board of Directors, and member of any Trial Board duly appointed by the Board of Directors, regarding any reasonable actions taken by them in their designated corporate capacities, from any and all liability, claims, demands, court costs, attorney's fees and other expenses arising as a result of any action which I may bring, or which is brought in my behalf, singularly or in conjunction with others, which is brought against any of them, and upon which I prove unsuccessful upon the merits.

I HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THIS WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, AND FREELY AND WILLINGLY CONSENT TO ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

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PAYMENT AND ADDITIONAL OPTIONS:

MEMBERSHIP	Adult Regular and Adult Associate Membership(s):	(Insert qty.) _____ x	\$10.00 each	=	\$ _____ .00
	Junior Membership(s):	(Insert qty.) _____ x	\$ 5.00 each	=	\$ _____ .00
	Junior Members Date of Birth: ____/____/____	Juniors who are now 18 years of age, please renew as Adult.			
	Junior Members Date of Birth: ____/____/____	Juniors who are now 18 years of age, please renew as Adult.			
	Life Membership(s) (30-40 and 40+ yrs.):	(Insert qty.) _____ x	\$ FREE	=	\$ _____ .00
MEMBERSHIP	Affiliated Club Membership: (be sure to fill out Page 3 – NO NEWSLETTER):	1 ea.	X	\$25.00 each	= \$ _____ .00
	Non-Affiliated Club Membership: (be sure to fill out Page 3 – NO NEWSLETTER):	1 ea.	X	\$ 5.00 each	= \$ _____ .00
NEWSLETTER	If you are a Regular, Associate, Junior Member or Club, check one box below and fill in the price on the right:				
	NL Subscription [with print Membership Dir.]:	<input type="checkbox"/> Print & Electronic = \$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic ONLY = \$10.00	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE = \$ 0.00	= \$ _____ .00
	NL Subscription [with print Membership Dir.]:	<input type="checkbox"/> Print & Electronic = \$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic ONLY = \$ 5.00	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE = \$ 0.00	= \$ _____ .00
NEWSLETTER	If you are a Life Member (30-40 years), check one box and fill in the price on the right:				
	NL Subscription [with print Membership Dir.]:	<input type="checkbox"/> Print & Electronic = \$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic ONLY = \$ FREE	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE = \$ 0.00	= \$ _____ .00
	NL Subscription [with print Membership Dir.]:	<input type="checkbox"/> Print & Electronic = \$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Electronic ONLY = \$ FREE	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE = \$ 0.00	= \$ _____ .00
POSTAGE	CHOOSE YOUR POSTAGE (Note: Print Newsletter is mailed free as a Periodical to US addresses ONLY):				
	OPTIONAL US 1 st CLASS UPGRADE – US Postal Service First Class Mail:			+	\$20.00 USD = \$ _____ .00
	REQUIRED US Foreign Postage – Australia, Canada & Great Britain:			+	\$20.00 USD = \$ _____ .00
	REQUIRED US Foreign Postage – Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland & Spain:			+	\$45.00 USD = \$ _____ .00
	REQUIRED US Foreign Postage – Czech Republic:			+	\$55.00 USD = \$ _____ .00
REQUIRED US Foreign Postage – Residents of all other Countries NOT mentioned above:			+	\$33.00 USD = \$ _____ .00	
ADDITIONAL OPTIONS	CHOOSE YOUR ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OPTION(S):				
	List me on AMCA Website - Breeder's Listing (City & State must be displayed, street address is optional):			+	\$25.00 USD = \$ _____ .00
	List Kennel in Directory & Website: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	List Kennel Street Address: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
	Kennel Services: <input type="checkbox"/> Boarding <input type="checkbox"/> Older Dogs <input type="checkbox"/> Grooming <input type="checkbox"/> Handling <input type="checkbox"/> Information <input type="checkbox"/> Puppies <input type="checkbox"/> Rescue <input type="checkbox"/> Stud Service				
	Donation to National and Regional Specialty Trophy Fund:			=	\$ _____ .00
	Donate to health research via AMCA CHF Alaskan Malamute Donor Advised Fund [tax deductible 501(c)(3)]:			=	\$ _____ .00
	Alaskan Malamute Assistance League (AMAL) donation [tax deductible 501(c)(3)]:			=	\$ _____ .00
	Please provide my Name and Donation Amount to AMAL: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>				
	<i>If you want to be on the next ballot as a judge candidate for the 2021 AMCA National Specialty Sweepstakes Judge (anticipated Mideast Area), please PRINT or TYPE your name below (You must have been a member of AMCA for at least the last 10 years, and have not judged the Regional or National Sweepstakes within the last 5 years):</i>				
	Name as it is to appear on the ballot: _____				
TOTAL FEES	SUB-TOTAL:				= \$ _____ .00
	LATE FEE (Required payment if renewal is postmarked/emailed after March 31):			+	\$20.00 USD = \$ _____ .00
	(Waived for Life Members of 30+ years)				
TOTAL ENCLOSED (Overpayments of \$10 or less will be donated in your name to AMAL):				=	\$ _____ .00

Non-renewal or unpaid dues will result in termination of your AMCA Membership at midnight March 31. Your membership may be reinstated, upon approval of the AMCA Board of Directors, if you renew your membership within the next 11 months and pay the current annual dues plus a late fee of \$20.00 (See Constitution & By-Laws – ARTICLE 1, Section 2c & Section 5b for complete text.)

- Hard-copy renewals must be accompanied by check or money order, in US funds only, payable to AMCA. A \$35.00 charge will be assessed on all checks returned for insufficient funds.
- Online payment is NOT available for hard-copy renewals.
- Mail this form with fees (payable to: "AMCA, Inc.") to: Stacey Moore, 3812 Tumbleweed Trail, Midland, TX 79707

- For online renewal go to: <http://www.amca-renew.org>
- Online renewals MUST use online payment, using a Major Credit/Debit Card or your PayPal account.
- PayPal account IS NOT required in order to use a Major Credit/Debit Card.
- PayPal securely processes your payment so that AMCA does not have access to your financial data.



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Affiliated Club Membership:

Non-Affiliated Club Membership:

Full Club Name: _____

Club Contact Name: _____ Club Contact Phone: _____

Club Contact E-Mail: _____ Club Website Address: _____

Mailing Address 1: _____ Mailing Address 2: _____

City: _____ State/Province/Region: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____ Country: _____

For Affiliated and Non-Affiliated Club Memberships:

Please insure you completely fill out the above section, and enter the payment amounts correctly on Page 2 of this form.

Submit all three (3) pages together.

Thank you.

Notes:

- Individual Members are required to submit pages 1 and 2 of this form.
- Affiliated and Non-Affiliated Clubs are required to submit pages 2 and 3 of this form.

NEW YORK/NEW JERSEY

D	GCH Tugar's Taking On Tyson	K Hausner	117
CD	(CH) Owyhee's I'm A Rocket Man	G Kuehnel-Hisatake/ B Turrin	28
CD	(CH) Uyak Hurricane Harry	P Honigman	28
BBD	(CH) Owyhee's I'm A Rocket Man	G Kuehnel-Hisatake/ B Turrin	25
PD	NONE	NONE	

B	GCH Owyhee Bar-Vic's Girlz Gone Wild	G Kuehnel-Hisatake	34
CB	(CH) Tugar's American Idol	K Hausner	10
BBB	Snobuc's Haze Gray And On Her Way	M Dinwoodie/ R Dinwoodie/S Capp/ T Johnston	7
PB	NONE	NONE	

PACIFIC NORTHWEST

D	GCH Peace River Rogue You Just Gotta Believe	S Weston/J Weston	195
CD	(CH) Mytuk's The Main Event	A Milburn/D Milburn	28
BBD	(CH) Mytuk's The Main Event	A Milburn/D Milburn	6
PD	Snowybleu The Rush Is On	G Hagan	2

B	GCH Kumata's Elevate Your Game	J Dewing/R Dysart	198
CB	Peace River's Golden Girl	M Coburn	22
BBB	Peace River's Golden Girl	M Coburn	11
PB	Bearhug'N Winterwind Georgia On My Mind	K HUSSEY	9

ROCKY MOUNTAIN

D	GCH Adair'N'Hugs Spirit Of Chandalar	B Goodman/ M Goodman	80
D	GCH Windswepts The Games Afoot At Stormrunner	C Rogowski/ L Rogowski/M Wild/ J Schofield	80
CD	Silverice Catanya's Winter Solstice	P Harrison/K Solberg/ A Syar/M Stone	23
BBD	(CH) Adair'N'Hug Mts Mark Of Excellence	R Hug/J Hug	15
PD	Silverice Catanya's Winter Solstice	P Harrison/K Solberg/ A Syar/M Stone	16

B	GCH Vykon's Aluk Busy Bein' Fabulous	B Erickson/C Erickson	44
CB	(CH) Terraglo 'N Bearcat's Milagro	H Prather/ G Toussaint/T Toussaint	37
BBB	(CH) Terraglo 'N Bearcat's Milagro	H Prather/ G Toussaint/T Toussaint	33
PB	Adair'N'Hug It's My Time At Snopeak	B White/R Hug/A White	4
PB	Huffy's Lilly Belle Of Storm Kloud	R Hufziger/R Hufziger	4

SOUTHERN

D	GCH Corazon Wild Wind Pedal To The Medal	G Box-Young	417
CD	(CH) Shekinah's Wind & Strong Waters Whiskey	A Schireman/ T Schuring/ E Flores	44
BBD	(CH) Strong Water's Crime Lord Of Tatoonie	A & K Schireman/ A Ross/E Flores/ A & M Reeves	4
PD	(CH) Vykon's Starman	V Jones	18

B	GCH Ixa's Dontcha Wish Your Girl Friend Was Hot Likeme	A Mayberry-Welch	201
CB	Catoico's All Star Adventure	S Moore	13
BBB	Catoico's All Star Adventure	S Moore	30
PB	Arctic Thunder She's Like The Wind	J Edwards	9

WEST COAST

D	GCH Onak'Stouch Of Gold	J Corr/W Corr/T Dunn	234
CD	(CH) Onak N Double T's The Force Awakens	W Corr/J Corr/ M White/T Dunn	14
BBD	(CH) Onak N Double T's The Force Awakens	W Corr/J Corr/ M White/T Dunn	5
PD	(CH) Onak N Double T's The Force Awakens	W Corr/J Corr/ M White/T Dunn	14

B	GCH Onak's The Blonde Enchantress	J Corr/W Corr/T Dunn	69
CB	Double T N Onak Corner Stone	T Dunn/W Corr/J Corr/ T Crome	28
BBB	(CH) Double T N Onak Corner Stone	T Dunn/W Corr/J Corr/ T Crome	49
PB	(CH) Onak N Double T's The Way Of The Force	W Corr/J Corr/ M White/T Dunn	17

AT LARGE

D	CH Viriato De Kabluna	J Iglesias Rodriguez/ E Kelley	6
CD	(CH) Viriato De Kabluna	J Iglesias Rodriguez/ E Kelley	23
BBD	NONE	NONE	
PD	NONE	NONE	

B	CH Aria De Kabluna	J Iglesias Rodriguez/ E Kelley	21
CB	(CH) Katabatic's Hollaback Girl	K Copley-Holland/ R Hug/J Hug	39
BBB	NONE	NONE	
PB	NONE	NONE	



TOP TWENTY



Hey everyone!

First, I'd like to thank everyone who supported this year's Top 20 Event in Orlando. Without your support, the Top 20 wouldn't be the magnificent event that it has become.

As for next year, I'm excited to announce that the 2019 Top 20 Event will be held on HALLOWEEN!!! So bring all your witches, ghosts, and goblins, and let's make the 2019 Top 20 Event the best one yet!

Below you'll see the Top 20 Standings through October 31, 2018. That brings us halfway through the current qualifying period. As always, if you have any questions, comments, worries or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Congratulations to the winners!

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Rank	The Top 20	Points	Owner
1	GCH Corazon Wild Wind Pedal To The Medal (D)	263	G Box-Young
2	GCH Onan House Of The Rising Sun (D)	220	E Myers/A Kanzelberger/L Wirth-Poirier/P Hazelwood
3	GCH Onak'Stouch Of Gold (D)	148	J Corr
4	GCH Ixa's Dontcha Wish Your Girl Friend Was Hot Like Me (B)	127	A Mayberry-Welch
5	GCH Peace River Rogue You Just Gotta Believe (D)	122	J Weston/S Weston
6	GCH Kumata's Elevate Your Game (B)	111	J Dewing/R Dysart
7	GCH Sno Ridge's Ty On Another Wild Won (D)	102	E Kinnas/C Kinnas Hocking
8	GCH Silverice's Jager Bomb (D)	93	A Syar/M Stone
9	GCH Silverice's Sensational Celebutante (B)	81	A Syar/M Stone/P Harrison
10	GCH Windswepts The Games Afoot At Stormrunner (D)	80	C Rogowski/L Rogowski/M Wild/J Scoffield
11	GCH Taolanquest Flying Cloud (D)	76	A Syar/L Newburn/R Pohl/M Stone
12	GCH Chayo Time After Time (D)***	66	A Gunardi
13	GCH Adair'N'Hugs Spirit Of Chandalar (D)	54	B Goodman/M Goodman
13	GCH Onak's The Blonde Enchantress (B)	54	J Corr/R Caprio
15	GCH Snocreek's Silver Lining (D)	53	M Mustich/B Martin/M Mustich
15	GCH Wolfmountain's Stormin' Norman (D)	53	P Jenkins/E Jenkins
17	GCH Vykon's Ixa Heart Of The Matter (B)	52	V Jones
18	GCH Spiritruns Ohmygosh Evvys Here (B)	49	J Slusher/B Slusher/A Kunkel
18	GCH Tugar's Taking On Tyson (D)	49	K Hausner
20	GCH Northern Lites Mr. Lincoln (D)	48	H Donovan

The Contenders

21	GCH Dreamekatcher Kasaan's Ketch T' Fortune (D)	45	B McMahon Howen/S Lindeman
21	GCH Vykon's Aluk Busy Bein' Fabulous (B)	45	B Erickson/C Erickson
23	GCH Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie Of Dreamekatcher (B)	43	P Warrichaiet
23	GCH Orionblu's Got My Mojo Working (D)	43	B Reiser
25	GCH Aeon Mytuk's Phoenix Rising (B)	39	A Milburn/W Lei

NOTE: Any Malamute who does not have at least one owner that is an AMCA member is marked with a * next to their name.**



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AREA REPORTS

GREAT LAKES

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September 12 through 17 was a good time to be in the upper peninsula of Michigan. This is where four members of the Motown Working Alaskan Malamutes club gathered with five dogs for three days of hikes and picture taking. The spot was at the Tahquamenon Falls state park. Lucy Sanders with COCO, Diane Krieger with GATOR and Colleen and Dave Belanger with CRICKET, COUPE and MADISON hiked over four miles per day and shot hundreds of pictures of the upper and lower falls. The weather during the day was perfect if not a little to hot which prevented the dogs from earning legs toward a hiking title. The night time sky was something you don't see in more populated areas.

On September 29 and 30, the Motown Working Alaskan Malamutes club held weight pulls in conjunction with the Monroe County Kennel Club all breed show. On Saturday the 29 there were 28 dogs entered in the pull. Besides Malamutes the breeds included two Basenjis, a white German Shepherd and a Staffordshire Bull Terrier.

On Saturday the class winners were: Under 40 pounds was DARRELL a Basenji owned by Kelli Harmon who pulled 728 pounds and the 41 to 60 pounds was won by RORI the Staffordshire Bull Terrier owned by Tony Yokum who pulled 928 pounds. The 61 to 80 pound class was won by HAWKEYE owned by Raissa Hinman who pulled 1,730 pounds. In the 81 to 100 pound class, NAVI owned by Michelle Podolak pulled 2,732 pounds and finally in the 101 to 120 class, GATOR owned by Diane Krieger pulled 2,631 pounds. DARRELL, the Basenji won highest percentage pulled with 45 times his weight, and NAVI won most weight pulled with 2,732 pounds.

Sunday saw 27 dogs entered. STEVIE, a Basenji owned by Kelli Harmon pulled 1,028 pounds in the under 40 pound class. MISHKA, owned by Nerine McGarigle, took the 41 to 60 pound

class with a pull of 1,529 pounds. In the 61 to 80 pound class, BOOTSTRAP, owned by Raissa Hinman, won with a pull of 2,431 pounds. The 81 to 100 pound class was won by NAVI who pulled 3,132 pounds. Lastly the 101 to 120 pound class was taken by GATOR who pulled 3,233 pounds which also took the most weight pulled. STEVI, the Besenji had the highest percentage with 54 times her weight.

Colleen and Dave Belanger report that on October 19-20, 2018 at a C-Wags nosework trial COUPE, **UCH Aanbuaq's Little Deuce Coupe CGC SPOT TKP CW-SP, CW-SD, Achiever Dog**, finished his Scent Patrol and Scent Detective titles. MADISON, **U-CH, INT'L/Cdn CH, RO3 Spritrun's Utter Maddness CGC CGCA CGCU BN RE NJP RATO TKP FDC WTD WPD, SAM VAM**, finished her Scent Patrol title and two legs toward her Scent Detective title.

I know there are many more dogs out there going to shows but I can't report what is not sent to me, we need to brag about our dogs!

ILLINOIS/WISCONSIN

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As only a small number of Illinois members managed to get to the National in Orlando, we have only a few items to report from the National:

Bev Pfeiffer reports that her handsome WILSON, **CH Awanuna & SnoQuest Let The Wind Blow** was awarded Grand Maturity under breeder judge Tricia Till. Congratulations to WILSON and Bev.

Pam Warrichaiet has been busy with her girls as she tells us in the following:

"I want to start with my youngest girl MYSTIC, **Dreamekatcher's Mystical Treasure**. I am proud to say that she finished her championship with very little limited showing, going Best of Breed on May 13 under Mrs. Patricia Hastings. She finished with three major wins (a 5, 4, and a 3 pt), a Best of

Opposite win (thanks to Mrs. Barbara Dempsey Alderman) over some very nice bitch specials along with an AMCA Grand Sweepstakes win. Then her first weekend out as a special she went Best of Breed both days under judges Ms. Joyce Siddall and Mr. John Wade.

"MYSTIC had some fun working on Rally this year as well. I am proud to say she has finished her Rally Intermediate title earning fourth place also at the Indianhead Kennel Club show on May 13 under Judge Sharon D. Hodgens-Wood. I love this girl and am having so much fun with her. She is a can do/will do anything kind of girl, so with some encouragement from our rally instructors and friends, we went on to attempt the "OFF LEASH" adventure of trying for the Advance Rally title. Now I try to be very realistic when it comes to doing too much because, after all I have a malamute, but she has blown my mind at our trials. She Qd in all three leg attempts finishing with yet one more title. I am sure this will not be the last of my brags, but we are now going to focus on some working titles and goals to finish this year. MYSTIC is out of my girl **GCH Dreamekatcher's Miki Qannik CGC** and **CH Kassin's Your Fortune Awaits** owned by Bonnie McHahon-Howen. She is owned and loved by me and Bob Rossman, and as of now can be known as **CH Dreamekatcher's Mystical Treasure CGCA CGCU RA TKN**.

"Meanwhile her half-sister MAMIE, **GCH Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie of Dreamekatcher CGC CA**, is back out in the show ring after taking time off to become a mom. She went Grand Champion Select at the AMCA Specialty show, one under judge Ms. Kristen L. Francis, and then to finish the day winning Best of Opposite Sex at AMCA Specialty at the Waukesha Kennel Club show two under judge Dr. Mary-Helene Brown MD. Huge thank you to Jeri El Dissi and her team for taking her to the show for me as I had to work. A few short months later in Hutchinson, MN at the Wright County

Minnesota Kennel Club, MAMIE went Best of Breed on Oct 6 under Judge Mrs. Loraine Boutwell finishing the day earning an Owner Handler Working Group 4 in a large/strong working group under breeder/judge Mrs. Shilon L. Bedford. We finished the weekend going Best of Opposite under Judge Mr. Arley Hussin on Sunday.

"So, to occupy my time about missing the National, I entered MAMIE in an International Dog Show in Hutchinson, MN. I am so happy to announce that MAMIE did very well. She earned three Best of Breed wins, three Best Bred By wins, one Bred By group first and two second placements and a group 2 in the regular working group. She finished her championship under judge Mr. Tim Peterson (USA). Thank you to Mr. Peterson and our other judges Mrs. Patrica Aida Mendoza (Argentina) and Ms. Amy Gau-Rosepoint (USA). I am so very proud to have my first home bred International Champion. MAMIE is now known as **INT CH/GCH CH/CH/UKC CH Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie of Dreamekatcher CGC CA**. She is out of my girl MIYA, **GCH Miki Qannik CGC** and KENY, **CH Zulem Morning Singer**. MAMIE was bred by me and Lucy Sanders and is owned and loved by me.

"Now, saving the best for last, I get to share my news about my most beloved girl MERCEDES. I have waited a very long time to get to bring her back out as a veteran, as her show career was so short in her younger years. That day came back in February thanks to Bob Rossman. MERCEDES, **CH Sno Quest's Driven to Win CGCA CGCU** won Best Veteran In Sweepstakes under judge Karyn Colman at the Hoosier Kennel Club on February 9 and then went on to go Best Veteran In Sweepstakes under Judge Mr. Mark Peterson at the Central Indiana Kennel Club on February 10. Huge thank you to both judges and their very nice compliments of our special girl. MERCEDES got to come back to play at the AMCA Specialty at the Waukesha Kennel Club show in July and to my amazement MERCEDES won back to back Best Veteran in Sweepstakes show 1 also earning a

Grand Champion Select win. Thank you to Judge Kevin Carlson and show 2 Dr. Mary-Helen Brown MD and Mrs. Judy Cooper. Again big hugs and thanks to Jeri El Dissi and her team for presenting her so well.

"I had the pleasure of taking her into the Rally Novice ring where we earned two qualifying legs under judges Cythnia Rustad and Phillip Rustad. Then she earned her last leg to finish her Rally novice title under Judge Richard Wood in August at the Marshfield Area Kennel Club. Best of all she went Best Veteran in breed with Judge Ms. Joyce Siddall and a working group 3 placement in Veterans. I am looking forward to working her in Rally Intermediate soon. MERCEDES is out of **CH Sno Quest's Sound Investment & New Salem's Almytee Oze**. Bred by Benjamin Woltman. She is loved and owned by me and Bob Rossman and is now known as **Multi BVSS CH Sno Quest's Driven to Win CGCA CGCU RN**."

Lastly, on a personal note, my SAUCY, **Awanuna & ThunderKloud's Secret Sauce**, has earned her AKC S.T.A.R. puppy designation. She zipped through the class and already has two CGC classes under her belt. She's as sweet as they come and we are having fun together.

I can't believe I'm saying this already, but Merry Christmas. Wishing everyone a happy and blessed holiday season. See you in the New Year. Yikes!!!

MID-EAST

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From Darlene Puhatch: My girl SPIRIT, took Winners Bitch for a 4-Point Major at the Butler County KC show on Saturday, September **UKC-CH/AKC CH Snocreek's American Spirit of Ken-Dar CGCA BN PCD RA CD 21** under judge Ms. Nancy Bodine, and again took Winners Bitch and another 4-Point Major on Sunday, September 22 under judge Ms. Nancy S. Amburgey completing her AKC Championship. See Howls and Major Reports for more details.

From Carlene Way: "I had a great time

at National this week and would like to thank Barb Salvadore and the rest of the National Team for an absolutely fantastic show.

"My girl MEDA, **GGM Banshee's Midnight Sioux** had a good week taking fourth Place in Puppy Sweepstakes Class in the Regional Specialty; First Place in the 6 to 9 Puppy Bitch class in Futurity; and third Place in the 6 to 9 Puppy Class in the National Specialty in a very tough class.

"My boy ROMEO, **CH Banshee's Above All Else**, took Best of Opposite Sex to Best in Show in the Breeder Extravaganza. He also made the first cut during the National Specialty. Thank you to everyone again for a great National; the best yet."

From Valerie Thawley: "HAN-SOLO, **Winterstarz N Northpaws Galactic Warrior, CGC** started the AMCA specialty with a bang. He competed in Sunday's Regional Weight Pull. HAN SOLO started off by taking Second Place in his weight class by pulling 2164 lbs. HAN SOLO also was awarded "High Body percentage" for pulling 26.4 times his body weight. This all lead to his winning his first "Brockway Husky" trophy. HAN SOLO also got his Trick Dog Novice and Trick Dog Intermediate titles as well. During the National Specialty Weight Pull, HAN SOLO again came in second place in his weight class, but missed the "High Percent" by 1%. He was in the top three dogs in the weight pull all week. I'm so proud of Han Solo!"

From Alicia and me: "We hope everyone had a great time at the National this year. Unfortunately, Alicia and I were not able to attend, and we are bummed to have missed what was reportedly one of the most fun and enjoyable specialties in years. To Barb Salvadore and her team, "Well done!" We hope to be able to see all of you next year."

Until next time ... Michael G. McGuire

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No Report

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Mals and their people in the NY/NJ area have been very busy lately and we have an abundance of titles from rings to farm land.

We have news from Lori Hicks. Her Masasyu Kennels has been very busy earning numerous titles. Her dogs have garnered Coursing Ability CA, Coursing Ability Advanced CAA, Farm Dog Certified FDC, Temperament Testing TT, Canine Good Citizen CGC, Trick Dog Novice and Intermediate. REIKKI, **Masasyu's Treasured Gift CGC CAA FDC**, GUS, **Masasyu's Mr. Gustapher CGC CAA FDC** CONNIE, **Masasyu's Miss Conduct CGC TDN FDC**, HANNAH, **Masasyu's Queen of Hearts CGC TDI FDC**, and JOHN HENRY, **Masasyu's Mighty Hammer CGC WPD WPPD TT**. She hopes to get back to the weight pull chute soon with some of her dogs.

Paula Honigman is happy to boast that **Uyak Hurricane Harry** finished his championship within one week this past September. He began with a Best of Breed over Special and took Best of Winners at all the shows including the NY/NJ Regional Specialty under Breeder Judge Roger Gifford and the Empire Supported Entry Show under long time malamute Handler Terry Hundt. HARRY is a pleasure to show and thoroughly enjoys his time in the ring. Many thanks to Dennis and Carol Collins for their training, grooming and presentation of young HARRY. They are hoping that his show career will continue beyond his very quick achievement and towards that end have photos and videos of HARRY on Paula's FB page.

News from Maria Dinwoodie, at the Nickel City Cluster in Hamburg, NY October 11 – 14 HAZEL, **Snobuc's Haze Gray and On Her Way**, competed two of the four days and was Winners Bitch and Best of Breed at the Thursday show, and Winner's Bitch/Best of Opposite on Saturday. ALICE, **Snobuc's Watching Ove Me RN**, competed in Beginner Novice B obedience and earned three qualifying scores with placements to complete her Beginner Novice title. Maria is waiting for the girls' hair to come back
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to hopefully get to some November shows, they will need those coats in the upcoming months.

Jackie Gumtow has some rally news, **Granite's Starfire of Artic Mist BN RN TKN** has a new Rally Intermediate title. PHOEBE competed in the same class the next day after her title under Judge Lynn Curie and obtained a first place finish and the fastest time to complete the course. She does a nice job of executing the exercises, but there have been a couple of shows where the team leader has tried to make the course more complicated than it was (which says it all)

Pam Renock has been busy with her young little girl CHROME, **Mountain Home's April Nor'easter**. As a young dog of nine months, CHROME achieved her CGC Canine Good Citizen title, then two days later she got her TKN Tricks Novice Title and TKI Tricks Intermediate Title, an amazing feat. I have to apologize to Pam and to KODA, **Abenaki's Piece of Cyberspace**. I missed submitting their Achiever Dog title. My apologies and a cookie, a very big cookie when I see you both.

SOUTHERN

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I have a couple of things to report, but I know next month there will be more! I am sure there will be lots to report from the National and Regional that just finished up in Orlando.

I received these nice words from Tina Sanderford: "I want to thank the exhibitors who supported our Regional and National shows this year. Our committee heard many compliments on the site. Thanks to everyone who picked up after their dog(s) and kept the show site very clean." And Tina's brag—"Our SALLY JANE, **Int/Nat HnrCH/ AmGCH Shosan's Mustang Sally AOM**, had an awesome time at the shows in Orlando. She won first place in the Breeder's Extravaganza Grand Champion Bitch class and we were given a Breeder of Honor trophy. SALLY made the cuts in the BOB ring for both shows and I am very pleased with the compliments I received from everyone." Thank you Tina and congratulations!

Ann Mayberry-Welch reports that SPICY, **Ixa's Don't You Wish Your Girlfriend Was Hot Like Me**, got an Award of Merit at the Regional under Judge Roseann Deutschland. Congratulations Ann!

Amber Schireman reports that on September 30, 2018 MERIDA, **Strong Waters Change My Fate, (CH Odin God of War (ODIN x GCHB Shekinah Strong Waters ROM MIRIAM)** in Hot Springs, AR went WB back to back for double 3 pt majors from the Bred By Class. This was her first weekend out at six months old. We are very proud of this baby. ODIN was Select Dog for a GC point. And on November 3 and 4, 2018 at Brazoria Kennel Club Humble, Texas Madison Reeves handled VOGUE, **Strong Waters Strike A Pose**, to WB from the BBE class for a point. On Sunday MERIDA in the breed ring going WB from the BBE class and Best Opposite over the special. MIRIAM **GCHB Shekinah Strong Waters ROM** was Select Bitch and ODIN was Select Dog.

Congratulations Amber.

And lest I forget my own brag....there is a temperament testing organization called American Temperament Test Society, Inc. (ATTS). The dog is tested in several ways to see how he/she reacts to different situations and how well they recover if startled in any way. Two hundred and forty-four Alaskan malamutes have been tested, with 207 passing, since 1977 through December 2017. I have taken this test with my previous two malamutes and both passed. One of the tests is to see how the dog reacts to a threatening situation. Both just stood there with their tails wagging and wondered what this crazy guy was doing. This was acceptable because our breed is not known for its protective or guarding tendencies. This past October I took SKI, **Wayeh Ski Flyer of SummerIce**, to his first TT and he passed with flying colors. The judge said he was "very solid" and to me, it looked like his scores were right down the middle, which is a good thing. I was very surprised at his reaction to the threatening stranger—he went to the end of his leash, stood there almost on his toes as if to say—"I dare ya!" I think this is a very good test and would recommend it to ANY dog owner.

I will not know for a couple of months what SKI's actual score is, but I will certainly report on it.

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MIDWEST

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It sounds as though many of our area members were at the National in Florida this year. I wish I could have gone, but that would have required a whole lot of vacation time. The weather is getting very cool now so I just hope the roads can stay dry when we all need to travel on them.

I received a report from John Podolak it is written below.

It has been a hot summer, too hot to weight train and the Podolak boys tried some new adventures. During the summer, NAVI and ZIGGY tested for CGC, CGCA and TDI. They passed all of the tests. ZIGGY earned his CGC at last year's AMCA NS, in Huron, OH.

NAVI is now **Storm Kloud's Valiant Blackhawk Warrior WWPDX/ IWPA Working Dog Superior CGC CGCA TDI.** ZIGGY is now **Edgemere's Second to None- WWPDA / IWPA Working Dog Excellent CGC CGCA TDI.**

"On September 9, the Gateway Sled Dog Club was invited to Purina Farms, in Gray Summit, MO to participate in their "Truck and Tails" program. Example:

Dalmatians teamed with fire engines, Bull Dogs teamed with bulldozers and sled dogs teamed with a heavy duty recovery / tow truck. NAVI and ZIGGY had a great time meeting the people attending the event.

On September 27, we drove to Monroe, MI for our yearly pilgrimage to The Monroe Kennel Club dog show and to the friendly confines of the Motown Working Alaskan Malamutes weight pulls. Like always there were great friends, great food and great competition. On Sept 29, Pg. 30 November/December 2018

NAVI pulled 2732#s for "most weight pulled" and First Place in the 81-100# Class. ZIGGY pulled 1429#s for Second Place in the 101-120# Class. The pulling surface was all carpet donated to MWAM by another breed club.

On September 30, MWAM used their club's carpet and the weights improved. NAVI pulled 3132#s for First Place in 81-100# Class and ZIGGY pulled 2032#s for Second Place in the 101-120# Class.

Michelle decided to try NAVI at a new dog sport - lure coursing. We have never attempted the Coursing Ability Test. Later we learned, NAVI needed to run the course - 600 yards in two minutes, in three separate runs for a title. NAVI ran successfully Friday, Saturday and Sunday and qualified for a CA (Coursing Ability) title. ZIGGY attempted it on Friday and started very well. He sprinted over one hundred yards but when the lure made a 90 degree right turn, ZIGGY ran two clockwise circles and ran back to us. I guess ZIGGY is a sprinter.

NAVI and ZIGGY sure are busy boys. Congratulations on how well they pull.

Michelle has an update on NAVI below. Congratulations John and Michelle now we know why NAVI does so well in the weight pulls.

In the last week of October, we received official notice of NAVI'S CA (Coursing Ability) title and were surprised by an Achiever Dog certificate for him. NAVI also accompanied Michelle on a demo visit to Valley Park Schools to talk with the 7th grade ELA class about NAVI'S connection to the Storm Kloud Iditarod team of 1994. NAVI'S sire is **CH Storm Kloud's Oomiak** - sire and grandsire of the team. We brought along a sled and a 16 dog gang line. NAVI was a big hit and loved getting all the attention from the teachers and students.

Big congratulations go out to Pam Jahnke and John and Michelle Podolak on NAVI'S and RACER'S Achiever dog. Also big congrats on NAVI'S coursing title.

Pam Jahnke reports below.

"I was thrilled to see RACER ranked #1

in the Rally Intermediate Finals for 2017 as well as ranked #5 in the Beginner Novice Obedience for 2017. Woo-Woo!!" Pam also reported that her RACER got an Achiever dog award and that will be listed in the howls.

Be sure to check out the howl section we have a few new howls.

"I have not been to many shows since the last report but I did make it to Des Moines Kennel Club the first week in September and my ROCKY, **VET CH/ INT CH GCHB Northern Exposure Rocket Man Of Sno-Cub CGC RN**, earned his Bronze Grand Championship. This was a great day for me. I was at the shows by myself with both ROCKY and SASSY; I was only showing SASSY in order to hold the possible point for another class bitch. The other bitch was Deb Fisher's little girl **Windchaser's Famous By Association** and she took WB/BOS on Saturday and SASSY took WB/BOS on Sunday. Then on 10-20-18 at the Platte Valley Kennel Club Of Fremont under Ms Cathleen A Rubens, SASSY, **INT CH Storm Sky's Oh What Did I Say To Sno-Cub**, took BOB over ROCKY.

I do not have a lot to report.

ROCKY is #1 owner handler Alaskan Malamute in the Lifetime of the program and he earned #5 AKC Owner Handler Alaskan malamute. ROCKY has been in the top 10 AKC Owner Handler Alaskan malamute for five years in a row being #8 in 2014, #4 in 2015, #6 in 2016, #3 and #1 male in 2017 and #5 this year.

What more can I expect from him? Needless to say we will be slowing down and taking a breather from showing so much. SASSY is #5 top AMCA Puppy bitch for the second Quarter and top AMCA Midwest Puppy Bitch. The first quarter she was also top Midwest Class Bitch and Bitch. I do not know how long she will hold on to Top AMCA Midwest Puppy bitch but I am very proud of her. ROCKY is sitting at top AMCA Midwest Area Dog for the second Quarter so I am also very proud of him.

I hope everyone has a very happy Thanksgiving and a great Christmas. I am looking forward to more reports from some of you next year.

WEST COAST

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Many thanks to, Sue Maranto-Carnall for this entry and congrats on your rally success.

"AURORA, **URO1 Aluk's Northern Lights RN,CGC TKP**, was entered in, of all things, the San Diego Sheltie Specialty Show in Rally Intermediate. It's a difficult show for breeds other than Shelties to get in but she made the cut. This is the fourth time she was entered and was accepted, but was the first time actually showing. For the past three years in a row, the temperature rose to 105 degrees in October; much too hot for a malamute. This year, the weather was cool and enjoyable. So off we went. We got a good parking spot and a nice place at the show. Unfortunately, the judging ran late and we didn't get into the ring until 4:30 p.m. but it was well worth the wait. She could not have worked better. The judge said I would have gotten first place except that I made a mistake. AURORA did exactly what I told her to do. So we ended up in second place which was fine with me. Two weeks later, we again entered Rally Intermediate hoping to finish her title. Well, back to hot weather, but we had a morning time so I thought we would try. The judge ran on time, but we looked like we just fell off the turnip truck. Half the dogs in Rally Intermediate did not qualify and pretty much for the same reasons. The field is a training field so lots of food is dropped during the week not to mention a ton of bunnies roaming around. My friend said AURORA had moments of greatness. My friend was being too kind."

Thanks to Dian McComb who sent in the following::

"I'm waiting for SEAMUS, **CH Alcan L.A. Lawman** to grow up, I finally sent him off to eight shows in Arizona with a new handler and hopefully, a new attitude. He came back with six BOBs, a Group 2 and a Group 3, so it looks like some part of his brain matured. He also got a three column shot in the Prescott (AZ) newspaper of himself and handler, Katelyn Ford, who was waiting outside the ring, ready to go

in .It was a lovely shot, only one thing would have been nicer....it was taken from the rear."Congratulations on your boy's accomplishment.

Jean Say sent in the following news:" My now three year old PETULA, **CH Vykons Windansea Rock Siren**, earned her CGC, then her TDI (Therapy Dogs Intl) certification on 8/26/18 at Santee, CA under examiner Colleen Gimpel. Fun conditions in the test field included rabbits and distractions by onlookers which Petula ignored...this time!

"October marked the one year anniversary of my older HOWIE'S, **CH Vykons How Dare You CGC TDI**, mandiblectomy and I am happy to report he continues to thrive! He is now cancer-free, still beautiful, still active, and doing his regular therapy work. I am blessed indeed to have had this year with him and can look forward to more; he's nearly 10".

Thank you, for sharing PETULA's and HOWIE's updates with us and many thanks for all the therapy they provide!

My own news:

Since I mentioned COMET's wrist injury last time, I'll update you by saying after three weeks of rest, she's fine.

I found some cool material at Joann's Fabrics. One is cotton fabric of a repeat face shot of a wolf wearing sunglasses in different colors. (The wolf looks like a sled dog and anyone who knows me probably knows how my COMET loves dressing up and has a huge collection of decorative eye glasses). The other fabric is fleece with a variety of breeds on it, including sled dogs. The fleece will probably end up being throw blankets, no plans for the cotton yet.

In September, a friend did a senior photo shoot with 14+ year old ARWAH. She got some great shots, which I will treasure. Southern California artist, Katherine Warren, aka The Paintlady or Dogpainter, Wingit Designs, even did a painting of one of the photos!

For anyone with an elderly dog starting to have mobility issues, I highly recommend Kurgo's Up and About Dog

Lifter. It is a soft, fabric sling style that easily velcros on/off. There is a strap across the front of the chest to help keep it in place and handles that can just lay freely on top when not being used to assist the dog up/down stairs, in/out of vehicles, etc. It's comfortable for the dog, not at all offensive or restricting, I leave it on 14+ year old ARWAH during walks 'just in case!' It does not interfere with his ability to urinate. It recently dawned on me that it would also be helpful for dogs recovering from knee or other orthopedic surgeries. The best part is it's only \$30 online and I found it for \$25 at Pet Food Express stores. The worst drawback is it's a 'one size fits all' garment, so you do need to make sure your dog falls within the measurements.

A local hardware chain went out of business and I purchased a variety of ropes for half price. I've been experimenting with making dog leashes, longlines, tracking or scent/nosework lines, etc. I like my 12' multi-function leashes with clips at both ends, that can be worn around the waist or over the body. I'm currently learning how to weave the ends back into a braided leash.

COMET was a Ladybug for Halloween, complete with polka dog skirt, wings and antenna

I put a tarp on the big kennel for winter. So far we only had two days of rain at the start of October. Things are so dry that when our humidity drops below 10% and winds get above 35 mph, we still have the red flag fire danger!

I renewed my dog trainer certification for another three years through the Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers.

AT LARGE – N HEMISPHERE

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Hello from Europe.

Erna Hartveld-Upmeijer has sent news from the Netherlands; "I have been busy helping to organize the World Dogshow 2018 in the hospitality team

and judging so had no time over the summer with our own dogs. This wasn't too much of a problem, as we had the hottest driest summer ever! The dogs were happy to lay in the shade and an evening walk was all that they needed. "Being the chairman of the Dutch Nordic Breed Specialty, I couldn't enter myself, but out of our kennel; **CH Kataum Inua's Alianaitchuk** went best of opposite sex. She is owned by a good friend of ours, Veronique van Delen. We were delighted for her, as her male was BOB and her puppy, the offspring of them both, was best puppy.

"On to our own dogs: **Kataum Inua's Akimaruk** took another best of breed, and earned his last point to become Dutch Champion at the International Dogshow in Maastricht (see howl about). He did finish his championship at an early age, but as he likes to go to the show grounds, I will show him at some more shows once he has matured a bit more.

"Fortunately the temperatures have gone down, so we are able to start cycling the dogs to get them back into shape for the real work in the team." UK member, Anna Darlow has sent news; "I'm so proud of my two home bred pups who've had a very busy last two months of their puppy career. At Birmingham Championship show, under breed specialist judge, John Phillips, **GLACIER, Iceclimb On Point**, won Third in puppy bitch and **KEBNE RBJISS Iceclimb Ascent** won his

puppy dog class and then went on to best puppy in breed. We sat our obedience exams this month and with the pups only being 11 months old, **KEBNE** gained his Good Citizen Dog Silver award with ease and then **GLACIER** gained her Gold award. **GLACIER** is our first Gold trained dog. **KEBNE** then notched up another best dog puppy at Darlington Championship show. But the highlight of his career so far, was winning junior dog at our Specialty Show and becoming BOS Best Junior In Show, whilst his sister took a very respectable Second place in her puppy bitch class, under breed specialist, Maureen Boyd. This all gave us respite whilst coming to terms with losing their dad, **MACKENZIE, RBPISS RBPIS Sledog Forest Mist WLD, WTD, WWPD, WPD, WTDA, AWPD'B**, suddenly in August. We miss him terribly. I'm sure they will do us proud this winter, when they start their working careers, spending many weeks in Scandinavia."

French member, Regine Michaudon has news from the French Specialty show. "**ZOE, Highland Phantom L'Atanik Leavin Life Large, (Atanik Kuskokwim Incognito x Silver Ice French Kiss)**, who was bred by Regine, was selected at the show. Many thanks to the judges, Solange Roser, Senay Usta and Darren Walker and to all of the breeders in her pedigree."

Sadly, German member, Tanja Gube has a black ribbon to report this month. "**SKY, Benchmark My Blue Heaven II, CGC, RN**, left our pack on October 30. As she was one of the few blue malamutes, many will remember her from the 2007 or 2009 National. If you see a picture of a blue malamute on the internet, there is a high chance that it is one of my SKY. I am thankful that she was part of my life for nearly 14 years, thank you Phyllis Hamilton for letting SKY live with me."

Our own news this month:

We've resumed back pack training now that the temperatures have finally dropped in the UK. Hopefully, we will be able to complete **RAIN's, Sledog Indian Monsoon WTD, WLD, WWPD**, final leg and **STAX's, BJISS Mountain Home Sledog Staxtacular (imp USA)**, second leg for their WPD titles shortly. We have also started weight pull training with them both and are looking forward to attending some of the Allerton weight pull events this winter.

Please remember to send me your news. If any member is not receiving my bi-monthly reminder, please let me know.

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SOMETHING TO HOWL ABOUT

NEW AKC TITLES

GRAND CHAMPION (BRONZE)

VETCH/INTCH/ GCHB NORTHERN EXPOSURE ROCKET MAN OF SNO-CUB CGC RN (D)

Sire: GCH Mach Halatsuu Indiana Snow
Raider VCD1 RN MXC MJB XF CGC
Dam: CH Sno Shire's Sahara Snow Angel RN OAJ
Breeder: Tammy Doukas
Owner: Cindy and Curt Foster
Show: Des Moines Kennel Club
Date: 9-9-18
Breed: Mrs. Patti Widick Neale

GCHB OWYHEE BAR-VIC'S GIRLZ GONE WILD (B)

Sire: CH Rapid Run's Havin A Ball
Dam: CH Owyhee's Dancin in a Grass Skirt ROM
Breeder: Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake & Klynn Hisatake
Owner: Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake & Klynn Hisatake
Show: Westchester KC
Date: Sept. 9, 2018
Judge: Terry L. Hundt

CHAMPION

UKC-CH AKC-CH SNO-CREEK'S AMERICAN SPIRIT OF KEN-DAR CGCA BN PCD RA CD

Sire: CH Snocreek's Lightning Strikes@Ken-
Dar CD PCD BN RA CGCA
Dam: CH Snocreek's Undercover Lover
Breeder: Bonnie Martin
Owner: Darlene Puhatch & Bonnie Martin
Date: September 23rd, 2018
Show: Butler County Kennel Club
Judge: Ms. Nancy S. Amburgey

CH DREAMEKATCHER'S MYSTICAL TREASURE RI CGCA CGCU TKN (B)

Sire: CH Kassin's Your Fortune Awaits
Dam: GCH Dreamekatcher's Miki Qannik CGC
Breeder: Pamela Warrichaiet
Owner: Pamela Warrichaiet & Bob Rossman
Show: Indianhead Kennel Club
Date: 5/13/18
Judge: Patricia Hastings

CH UYAK HURRICANE HARRY (D)

Sire: Intl CH Dusty
Dam: Uyak Shinnecock Shelby
Breeder: Paula Honigman
Owner: Paula Honigman
Show: Westchester Kennel Club
Date: Sept. 9, 2018
Judge: Terry Hundt

CH STAGHORN OWYHEE WINTERNIGHT AT KERICA (D)

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Sire: GCH Owyhee's Monday Night
Football

Dam: CH Staghorn & Snokist
Enchantress

Breeder: Cheena Villano & Donelle
Roberts-Burrill

Owner: Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake & Cindy Skyler

Show: Sussex Hills KC

Date: Sept. 2, 2018

Judge: Mrs. Linda Berberich

CH OWYHEE'S 4TH OF JULY INDEPENDENT LADY AT SMALL BEAR (B)

Sire: GCH Owyhee's Monday Night Football

Dam: GCH Wolfholic's Turbulence Over
Owyhee

Breeder: Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake & Brent Turrin

Owner: Elmer Snyder & Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake

Show: Sussex Hills KC

Date: Sept. 2, 2018

Judge: Mrs. Linda Berberich

CH OWYHEE'S I'M A ROCKET MAN (D)

Sire: GCH Owyhee's Monday Night Football

Dam: GCH Wolfholic's Turbulence Over
Owyhee

Breeder: Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake & Brent Turrin

Owner: Gay Kuehnel-Hisatake & Brent Turrin

Show: Kanasasaga KC

Date: Sept. 29, 2018

Judge: Charles E. Trotter

CH SHEKINAH EARTH TO MIACIS (D)

Sire: GCH CH Strong Waters Double or Nothing

Dam: CH Wild Winds Calm and Cool at Shekinah

Breeder: Jay VanZandt

Owner: Carol and Teddy Bowen

Date: July 21, 2018

Show: Beaumont Kennel Club (SO)

Judge: Joe C. Walton

AGILITY - NOVICE PREFERRED

KLOUD BURST'S BROWN EYED GIRL, CDX, RAE, CGC, CGCA, CGCU, TKA, RATO, NJP, NAP (B)

Sire: Kloud Burst's Strait From The Heart

Dam: Kloud Burst's Sweet Intoxication

Breeder: Roseanne & Richard Deutsch

Owner: Sarah Todd

Trial: Mayflower Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club

Date: October 21, 2018

Judge: Oksana Syrkin

OBEDIENCE - BEGINNER NOVICE:

SNOBUC'S WATCHING OVER ME BN RN (B)

Sire: CH Snobuc's Reddy for Action RN

Dam: GCH Snobuc's Genny Cream of the
Crop CD BN RE

Breeder: Maria & Rolfe Dinwoodie, S. Capp,
E. French

Owner: M & R Dinwoodie, S. Capp, T.
Johnson

Show: Kennel Club of Buffalo

Date: Oct. 14, 2018

Judge: Bonnie Lee

RALLY - NOVICE

CH SNO QUEST'S DRIVEN TO WIN CGCA CGCU RN

Sire: CH Sno Quest's Sound Investment

Dam: New Salem's Almytee Oze

Breeder: Benjamin Woltman

Owner: Bob Rossman & Pamela Warrichaiet

Show: Waukesha Combined Specialties
(AMCA Show #2)

Date: 8/18/18

Judge: Richard Wood

RALLY - INTERMEDIATE

GRANITE'S STARFIRE OF ARTIC MIST BN RN TKN (B)

Sire: GCH Kasaan's Rise 'N' Up to T'Fortune

Dam: GCH Granite Deal Me a Stone Beauty

Breeder: Laura Heft

Owner: Jacqueline Gumtow

Show: Elmira Kennel Club at Wine Country Circuit

Date: Sept. 27, 2018

Judge: Karen Wrey

CH DREAMEKATCHER'S MYSTICAL TREASURE RI CGCA CGCU TKN (B)

Sire: CH Kassin's Your Fortune Awaits

Dam: GCH Dreamekatcher's Miki Qannik CGC

Breeder: Pamela Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela Warrichaiet & Bob Rossman

Show: Indianhead Kennel Club

Date: 5/13/18

Judge: Sharon D. Hodgens-Wood

RALLY - ADVANCED

CH DREAMEKATCHER'S MYSTICAL TREASURE RI CGCA CGCU TKN (B)

Sire: CH Kassin's Your Fortune Awaits

Dam: GCH Dreamekatcher's Miki Qannik CGC

Breeder: Pamela Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela Warrichaiet & Bob Rossman

Show: Oshkosh Kennel Club

Date: 10/28/18

Judge: Robert Brugin

TRICK - NOVICE

MOUNTAIN HOME'S APRIL NOR'EASTER CGC TKN TKI (B)

Sire: Mountain Home's North to Alaska
Dam: Mountain Home's Kickin' Ash N Chasin' Flames

Breeder: Sue & Roy Fuller

Owner: Pam Renock

Date: Oct. 28, 2018

Evaluator: Lisa Hanley

TRICK - INTERMEDIATE

MOUNTAIN HOME'S APRIL NOR'EASTER CGC TKN TKI (B)

Sire: Mountain Home's North to Alaska

Dam: Mountain Home's Kickin' Ash N Chasin' Flames

Breeder: Sue & Roy Fuller

Owner: Pam Renock

Date: Oct. 28, 2018

Evaluator: Lisa Hanley

COURSING ABILITY

STORM KLOUD'S VALIANT BLACKHAWK WARRIOR, CA CGCA (D)

Sire: CH Storm Kloud's Oomiak
CD ROM

Dam: GCH Storm Kloud's Kindred
Spirit CGC

Breeder: Nancy Russell

Owner: Michelle and John Podolak

Date: September 30, 2018

Evaluating Club: Raisin River Rhodesian
Ridgeback Club

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

MOUNTAIN HOME'S APRIL NOR'EASTER CGC TKN TKI (B)

Sire: Mountain Home's North to Alaska

Dam: Mountain Home's Kickin' Ash N Chasin' Flames

Breeder: Sue & Roy Fuller

Owner: Pam Renock

Date: Oct. 26, 2018

Evaluator: Lisa Hanley

CH VYKON'S WINDANSEA ROCK SIREN (B)

Sire: BIS Ch, Am. Ch. Chayo All Eyes on
Me"Enzo"

Dam: GCH, Int. Ch Vykon's Burn
Notice, ROM "Fiona"

Breeder: Vicky Jones

Owner: Jean Carol Say

Show: Tests at Mast Park in Santee CA

Evaluator: Colleen Gimpel

Date: 8/26/18

ACHIEVER DOG

STORM KLOUD'S VALIANT BLACKHAWK

WARRIOR, CA CGCA (D)

Sire: CH Storm Kloud's Oomiak CD ROM

Dam: GCH Storm Kloud's Kindred Spirit CGC

Breeder: Nancy Russell

Owner: Michelle and John Podolak

Date: September 28, 2018

NUPAK'S WILD ICE RACER TAKES THE LEAD BN RI CGC TKN

Sire: CH Wild Wind's Double on the Roc

Dam: Ice Fall's Copacabana at Nupak

Breeder: Tricia & Jeffrey Anclam

Owner: Pam Jahnke

Date: September 8, 2018

SHOW WINS

GROUP 2

CH ALCAN L.A. LAWMAN (D)

Sire: CH. Alcan L. A. Law

Dam: CH Alcan Party Girl

Breeders: Dian McComb & Angelina Molinari

Owners: Dian McComb & Gail McIntosh

Show: Arizona White Mountain Kennel Club

Date: Sept. 29, 2018

Breed Judge: Joe Walton

Group Judge: Brian Meyer

GROUP 3

CH ALCAN L.A. LAWMAN (D)

Sire: CH. Alcan L.A. Law

Dam: CH Alcan Party Girl

Breeders: Dian McComb and Angelina Molinari

Owners: Dian McComb and Gail McIntosh

Show: Arizona White Mountain Kennel Club

Date: Sept. 30, 2018

Breed Judge: Linn Brown

Group Judge: Jon Cole

GROUP 3 (VETERAN WORKING GROUP)

CH SNO QUEST'S DRIVEN TO WIN CGCA CGCU RN

Sire: CH Sno Quest's Sound Investment

Dam: New Salem's Almytee Oze

Breeder: Benjamin Woltman

Owner: Bob Rossman & Pamela Warrichaiet

Show: Waukesha Combined Specialties (AMCA
Show #2)

Date: 8/18/18

Judge: Joyce Siddall

GROUP 4 (OWNER HANDLER)

CH DREAMEKATCHER'S MYSTICAL TREASURE RI CGCA CGCU TKN (B)

Sire: CH Kassar's Your Fortune Awaits

Dam: GCH CH Dreamekatcher's Miki Qannik CGC

Breeder: Pamela Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela Warrichaiet & Bob Rossman

Show: Marshfield Area Kennel Club

Date: 8/19/18

Judge: Joyce Siddall

GCH CH FALL MOON'S MAGNIFICENT MAMIE OF DREAMEKATCHER CA CGC (B)

Sire: CH Zulem Morning Singer

Dam: GCH Dreamekatcher's Miki Qannik CGC

Breeder: Lucy Sanders & Pamela Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela Warrichaiet

Show: Wright County Minnesota Kennel Club

Date: 10/13/18

Judge: Shilon Bedford

BEST VETERAN IN SPECIALTY SHOW

CH SNO QUEST'S DRIVEN TO WIN CGCA CGCU RN

Sire: CH Sno Quest's Sound Investment

Dam: New Salem's Almytee Oze

Breeder: Benjamin Woltman

Owner: Bob Rossman & Pamela Warrichaiet

Show: Waukesha Combined Specialties

(AMCA Show #1)

Date: 7/27/18

Judge: Kevin Carlson

CH SNO QUEST'S DRIVEN TO WIN CGCA CGCU RN

Sire: CH Sno Quest's Sound Investment

Dam: New Salem's Almytee Oze

Breeder: Benjamin Woltman

Owner: Bob Rossman & Pamela Warrichaiet

Show: Waukesha Combined Specialties

(AMCA Show #2)

Date: 7/27/18

Judge: Judy Cooper

INTERNATIONAL

GCH FALL MOON'S MAGNIFICENT MAMIE OF DREAMEKATCHER CA CGC (B)

Sire: CH Zulem Morning Singer

Dam: GCH Dreamekatcher's Miki Qannik CGC

Breeder: Lucy Sanders & Pamela Warrichaiet

Owner: Pamela Warrichaiet

Show: The International Dog Show

Date: 11/4/18

Judge: Tim Peterson

DUTCH

KATAUM INUA'S AKIMARUK NJK'17 (D)

Sire: Whininape Ouyw Waziya

Dam: CH Peace River Niviasar

Breeder: C.J. Hartveld & E. Upmeijer

Owner: C.J. Hartveld & E. Upmeijer

Show: Int. Dogshow Maastricht. The
Netherlands

Date: Sept 30, 2018

Breed: Mrs. T. Hensema



Major Show Reports

This section includes Area Show Reports for shows where 3 points or more are awarded (This section includes AKC & Canadian KC shows). It is the responsibility of the exhibitors to submit information to the appropriate Area Reporter. Area Reporters will submit reports only for shows held in their "home AMCA area." Area Reporters will NOT accept reports that are more than 3 MONTHS old. INCOMPLETE REPORTS WILL NOT BE PRINTED.

Mid-East Area (submitted by: Michael McGuire)

Name of show: **Butler County Kennel Club**

Date: Saturday, 09/22/2018

Judges Name: Ms. Nancy Bodine

9: D=1 (0pts) B=5 (4pts) 4 (2D, 1B)

BOB: GCHG NORTHERN LITES MR LINCOLN (Donova)
BOS: CH STELLAR ROAD AYLA BLACK DIAMOND (Ferianc)
BOW: NORTHERN LITES LINCOLN'S LEGACY (Ferianc)
WD: NORTHERN LITES LINCOLN'S LEGACY (Ferianc)
WB: SNOOCREEK AMERICAN SPIRIT OF KEN-DAR CGC
BN PCD CD RA (Puhatch/Martin)
RWD: SNOOCREEK'S LIGHTNING STRIKES2
KEN-DAR CGC (Puhatch/Martin)
RWB: AMANK ENISEY GENTLE CLOUD (Ferianc)
SD: GCH PALE MOON'S ARCTIC CHAOS (McCallum/Scheid)
SB: N/A

Name of show: **Butler County Kennel Club**

Date: Saturday, 09/23/2018

Judges Name: Ms. Nancy S. Amburgey

9: D=1 (0pts) B=5 (4pts) 4 (2D, 1B)

BOB: GCHG NORTHERN LITES MR LINCOLN (Donova)
BOS: CH STELLAR ROAD AYLA BLACK DIAMOND (Ferianc)
BOW: NORTHERN LITES LINCOLN'S LEGACY (Ferianc)
WD: NORTHERN LITES LINCOLN'S LEGACY (Ferianc)
WB: SNOOCREEK AMERICAN SPIRIT OF KEN-DAR CGC
BN PCD CD RA (Puhatch/Martin)
RWD: SNOOCREEK'S LIGHTNING STRIKES2 KEN-DAR
CGC (Puhatch/Martin)
RWB: AMANK ENISEY GENTLE CLOUD (Ferianc)
SD: GCH PALE MOON'S ARCTIC CHAOS (McCallum/Scheid)
SB: N/A

AFFILIATE and INDEPENDENT CLUB

SPECIALTY SHOWS

9-7-18

AMCA Great Lakes Specialty

Show 1

Conformation Judge:

Ms. Sheri L. Wright

23: 4 D (3pts) 10 B (4pts)

BOB: 9 (5D, 4B)

BOB: Sno Ridge's Ty on Another Wild Won (Kinnas/Hocking) CH Snow Ridge's TywonOn/CH Shekinah's Girlz Gone Wild

WD: Quamaniq Crimson Qing (Ash) Ch Quamaniq Mighty Quinn/ Quamaniq Ice Kunik

RWD: Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Force (Laskar) GCHG Storm Kloud's Test Of Time CA CGC/ GCH Fallmoon's Magnificent Mami of Dreamcatcher

BOS: GCHB CH Spiritrun's Ohmygosh Evvys Here (Slusher/Kunkel) Spiritrun's Marking My Mark/Spiritrun's Stands Alone

WB/BOW: Sno Ridge's Can't tame A Wild Thing (Wild/Hocking) Sno Ridge's Tywon On/ Shekinah Girlz Gone Wild

RWB: Kasaan's Lovin The Fortune (McMahon) GCH Kasaan's Your Fortune Awaits/Kasaan's Frost The Fortune

SELECT

CH Wildwood's U Call Me A B---H Like It's A Bad T (Rooney/Ramsey/Kunkel)

GH Chayo's Time After Time (Bayuaji)

REGULAR CLASSES

Puppy Dogs 6 Mos and Under 9 Mos

1. Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Force (Laskar)

Puppy Dogs 9 Mos and Under 12 Mos

(no entry)

Dogs – 12-18 Mos

(no entry)

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs

1. Quamaniq Crimson Qing (Ash)

American Bred Dogs

(No entry.)

Open Dogs

1. Kasaans Game-Set-Match (LaPorte)
2. Catera N Chikara's Drive It Like You Stole It (Kanzelberger/
Dewing/Bennett)

Veteran Dogs

(no entry)

Puppy Bitches 6 Mos and Under 9 Mos

1. Chikara N Catera's Taking The Checkered Flag (Pomes-
Bohay)
2. Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Party (Laskar)

Puppy Bitches 9 Mos and Under 12 Mos

1. Kasaan's Lovin' The Fortune (McMahon)

Bitches – 12-18 Mos

1. Kasaan's A Sweeter Piece Of Fortune (McMahon Howen)
2. IronPride's Seeing Is Believing (Mansy/Wilkins)

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

1. Moonshines Mommas Lucky Shot (Pollack)

American Bred Bitches

(No entry.)

Open Bitches

1. Sno Ridge's Can't Tame A Wild Thing (Wild/Kinnas Hocking)
2. Mytuck Silent Assassin At Ironpride (Wilkins)

Veteran Bitches 8 yrs & under 10yrs

1. Seeka's Written In The Stars CGC (Linderman)
2. Ch Car-Ben's Play Misty For Me (Carlisle)

PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES (Judge – Ms. Lori Conley)

(Entry: 9 = 1 Dogs, 7 Bitches, 1 Veteran Bitch)

Best In Sweeps: Kasaan's A Sweeter Piece Of Fortune (McMahon Howen) GCH Kasaan's Your Fortune Awaits/Ch Kasaan's Sno
Klassic A Piece of The Fortune

Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes: Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Force (Laskar) GCHG Storm Kloud's Test of TimeCA CGC/
GCH Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie of Dreamcatcher

Puppy Dogs 6 Mos and Under 9 Mos

1. DreamcatcherKarlask Kingdom Force (Laskar)

Senior Dogs 9 Mos and Under 12 Mos

(no entry)

Junior Dogs – 12-18 Mos

(no entry)

Puppy Bitches 6 Mos and Under 9 Mos

1. Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Party (Laskar)

Puppy Bitches 9 Mos and Under 12 Mos

1. Kasaan's Lovin The Fortune (McMahon)

Junior Bitches – 12-18 Mos

1. Kasaan's A Sweeter Piece Of Fortune (McMahon Howen)
2. Mytuk Selent Assassin At Ironpride (Wilkins)
3. Ironpride's Seeing Is Believing (Mandy/Wilkins)
4. CH Skyblue Pale Moon'N Qavvik's Moonlight Reflecti (Nusz)

Veteran Sweepstakes: Entry: 1 Dog

Best Veteran In Sweeps:

Seeka's Written In The Stars CGC (Linderman) GCH Kasaan's Rise'N Up To T' Fortune/CH Vykon's Dream On at Seeka

Veteran Bitch (8 Yrs & Under 10 Yrs)

1. Seeka's Written In The Stars CGC (Linderman)

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Conformation Judge:

Mr. James M Fankhauser

23: 3 D (2pts) 9 B (4pts)

BOB: 10 (6D, 4B)

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BOS: Seeka's Written In The Stars CGC (Linderman) GCH Kasaan's Rise'N Up To T' Fortune/ CH Vykon's Dream On at Seeka

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WB/BOW: Sno Ridge's Can't tame A Wild Thing (Wild/Hocking) Sno Ridge's Tywon On/ Shekinah Girlz Gone Wild

RWD: Kasaans Game-Set-Match (LaPorte) Ch Kasaans Your Fortune Awaits/Kasaans The Fortune is Sweeter

RWB: Kasaan's A Sweeter Piece Of Fortune (McMahon Howen) GCH Kasaan's Your Fortune Awaits/CH Kasaan's Sno Klassic A Piece of the Fortune

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GCHB CH Spiritrun's Ohmygosh Evvys Here (Slusher/Kunkel)

GH Chayo's Time After Time (Bayuaji)

REGULAR CLASSES

Puppy Dogs 6 Mos and Under 9 Mos

- 1. Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Force (Laskar)

Puppy Dogs 9 Mos and Under 12 Mos

(no entry)

Dogs – 12-18 Mos

(no entry)

Bred By Exhibitor Dogs

(no entry)

American Bred Dogs

(No entry.)

Open Dogs

- 1. Kasaans Game-Set-Match (LaPorte)
- 2. Catera N Chikara's Drive It Like You Stole It (Kanzelberger/Dewing/Bennett)

Veteran Dogs

(no entry)

Puppy Bitches 6 Mos and Under 9 Mos

- 1. Chikara N Catera's Taking The Checkered Flag (Pomes-Bohay)
- 2. Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Party (Laskar)

Puppy Bitches 9 Mos and Under 12 Mos

- 1. Kasaan's Lovin' The Fortune (McMahon)

Bitches – 12-18 Mos

- 1. Kasaan's A Sweeter Piece Of Fortune (McMahon Howen)
- 2. Ironpride's Seeing is Believing (Mandy/Wilkins)

Bred By Exhibitor Bitches

- 1. Moonshines Mommas Lucky Shot (Pollack)

American Bred Bitches

(No entry.)

Open Bitches

- 1. Sno Ridge's Can't Tame A Wild Thing (Wild/Kinnas Hocking)
- 2. Powderhound N Two Moon Pretty In Pink (Watts/Effler-Leveille)
- 3. Mytuck Silent Assassin At Ironpride (Wilkins)

Veteran Bitches 8 yrs & under 10yrs

- 1. Seeka's Written In The Stars CGC (Linderman)

PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES (Judge – Mr. Michael Pickard)

(Entry: 9 = 1 Dogs, 7 Bitches, 1 Veteran Bitch)

Best In Sweeps: Dreamcatcher Karlask Kingdom Force (Laskar) GCHG Storm Kloud's Test of TimeCA CGC/ GCH Fall Moon's Magnificent Mamie of Dreamcatcher

Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes: Kasaan's A Sweeter Piece Of Fortune (McMahon Howen) GCH Kasaan's Your Fortune Awaits/Ch Kasaan's Sno Klassic A Piece of The Fortune

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Junior Dogs – 12-18 Mos

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Veteran Bitch (8 Yrs & Under 10 Yrs)

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Flea and Tick Prevention Warning

By Holly Levinter

Fact Sheet for Pet Owners and Veterinarians about Potential adverse Events Associated with Isoxazoline Flea and Tick Products.

Attention members who live where there are ticks and fleas.

The FDA is alerting pet owners and veterinarians of the potential for neurologic adverse events in dogs and cats when treated with drugs in the Isoxazoline class. Drugs in this class are **Nexgard, Bravecto, Simparica and Credelio** and are approved for the treatment and prevention of flea and tick infestations.

Though Isoxazoline is approved by the FDA, neurological reactions such as muscle tremors, ataxia and seizures can occur in some cats and dogs.

The literature that accompanies the product of both Nexgard and Simparica states "Use with caution in dogs with a history of seizures or neurologic disorders." Most dogs and cats haven't had neurologic adverse reactions, but seizures may occur in animals with no prior history. Bravecto does not have this warning. A newer FDA approved drug available in January, 2018 named **Credelio** does have the same warning: "Use with caution in dogs with a history of seizures."

Literature to veterinarians about products containing these medications "encourages them to review the dog's history and in consultation with pet owners and determine if a product containing isoxazoline is appropriate for their pet to control flea and tick infestations.."

The FDA continues to monitor adverse drug event reports

and encourages pet owners and veterinarians to report them to the drugs' manufacturers who are required to report this information to the FDA, or report them directly to the FDA. To report these reactions or to obtain a copy of the Safety Data Sheet or for technical assistance, contact the appropriate manufacturers at the following phone numbers:

Merck Animal Health for Bravecto 800-224-5318; Elanco Animal Health for Credelio 888-545-5973; Merial for Nexgard 888-637-4251; and Zoetis for Simparica 888-963-8471.

To report directly to the FDA or want additional information about adverse drug experience reporting for animal drugs, see **How to Report Animal Drug Side Effects and Product Problems /AnimalVeterinary/Safety/Health/ReportaProblem/ucm055.htm**

Ed note: In my opinion, oral products that kill fleas have many disadvantages over topical flea-killing pesticides. Most importantly, is the fact that once consumed, there is no way to reverse or neutralize them in case of an adverse reaction. However, if a dog has an adverse reaction to a topical pesticide, the dog can be thoroughly washed and re-washed to reduce the product's absorption and shorten its effect on the dog.

Pet owners and veterinarians who have additional questions can contact AskCVM@fda.hhs.gov or call 240-402-7002

Lapland Quest trip

A 1500 kilometres challenge in snow and coldness

By Dr. Klaus Stüben www.kimbears.de

In February 2018, Doris and Klaus Stüben set out with their six Alaskan Malamutes for a 1500 km long ski tour along the entire Swedish mountain range from Grövelsjön in the south to Treriksröset in the north. They fulfilled a long-lasting wish by following a deep longing for Swedish Lapland by officially registering to participate in the “Vita Bandet”. This made them the first Germans ever and the first Alaskan malamute team to successfully master this challenge. In 53 days and 20 hours (including nine resting days) they reached their destination after 1503 km with 22.388 m climbing uphill.

When I registered for the “Vita Bandet” 2018 in September 2017, I was not yet aware of the challenges we had to face or know what our six Alaskan malamutes are able to do. From the experience of many winter excursions with our Alaskan Malamutes, we had the confidence not only to handle this probably 1500 kilometres long winter tour, but also to make it an unforgettable experience. We knew that we and the dogs were physically and mentally capable of completing it, since we accomplished our last 1000 kilometres winter tour along the Swedish mountain range. What the dogs are able to do is astonishing to both of us over and over again. The calm serenity of taking everything as it comes, the power and endurance with which they pull the heavy pulka and to the spontaneous explosion of power of which they are capable, goes far beyond what we expected them to accomplish. The unconditional affection they give us in difficult situations strengthens our bonds, inspires us again and again and shows us who the real stars are!

“Vita bandet” is the name of an official tour along the Scandinavian mountain range from Grövelsjön in the south to Treriksröset in the north or vice versa (border triangle Sweden/Norway/Finland). It is a personal challenge and a way to experience a longer, more sustainable adventure without focusing on speed or creating competition among the participants. Everyone starts and ends the tour at their own speed; there are no winners or losers (www.vitagronabandet.se). No trail is given except some waypoints that have to be passed. There is no way to compare between participants with skis and pulka, and a dog sled team, or like us with skis and pulka pulled by the dogs. Speed does not have any relevance to the experience itself. For us it is not crucial how much time we need, but how much time we can spend in nature on the way.

Based on the legendary “Yukon Quest” sled dog race, which takes participants over 1000 miles through North America, we gave this endeavour the name “Lapland Quest” as it also embodied our long-standing desire to ski the entire length of the Swedish mountain range. With our registration for “Vita Bandet” in 2018, the plan for our tour became official, and the incentive to put the wish into reality. We were not only the first Germans ever to sign up for this challenge, but also the first Alaskan Malamute team to do (and finish) it.

During the “Vita Bandet” there were no dogs of any kind running either as a companion dog next to a skier or harnessed as a team in front of a sled. In general we did not meet anybody in the mountains traveling as we did with a pulka, dogs and skis on such a long winter tour. When we met other people in cabins they were always amazed and admired for our way of transportation.

When we started the adventure in Grövelsjön on February 19, most of the preparations had already been completed as we began that task soon after we registered. We had planned the route, dried the vegetables, fruits and all the ingredients for the meals, made the fat balls as snacks for the dogs and preserved and packed the food. We also chose suitable depots where we would send our supplies of food for us and food for the dogs. As we came closer to the time of the event, we sent supplies to those depots while we completed and adapted our equipment to withstand the expected conditions of the trip. In addition to all this, the dogs had to be in good physical condition. We had already completed over 800 official touring kilometres of training with a heavy load on the four-wheel training cart over the past three months plus our everyday training of at least another 500 kilometres. We arrived early in Grövelsjön and had some extra days before the start when we were able to test our new equipment on the trails. This equipment included the steel edgeless hunting skis and a new type of harnesses we invented for the dogs to pull the pulka.

When we finally set off on February 19 from Grövelsjön mountain station and crossed the first mountain – in Sweden called fjäll - all worries and concerns about what could happen vanished as the mountain station got out of sight, to be replaced by the incredible experience of the fabulous view of the Swedish fjälls that was overwhelming.





We did not go far that first day and we stayed overnight in one of the huts in Hävlingen that was organized by the local community. We staked out the dogs next to the trees in deep snow.

During this procedure, I unintentionally tested how deep and soft the snow was by sinking in it up to my belly. In Sweden it is called socker snö (sugar snow). We made ourselves comfortable in the hut, heated it with the wood stove, and melted snow on the gas stove to have water for us and the dogs.

I woke up at 6 o'clock the next morning and saw the glow of Doris' headlamp as she dressed in the

Short break on the kungsleden

dark hut prior to her going outside to feed. This is always the first thing that Doris does in the morning.

After breakfast, the dogs should rest and digest for two to three hours until they are hitched up and ready to go. Tokki already suspected or heard Doris getting ready for feeding, and as always, loudly expressed his anticipation of breakfast. Abruptly, my deep sleep ended. As soon as he got his food it became quiet again, and I could expect Doris to reappear about five minutes later to warm herself up in bed for a few minutes after she had turned on the stove. When dawn arrived it promised to become a nice day at minus 13 degrees Celsius and sunshine.



During the first days of such a tour we all have to get used to the morning routine of feeding the dogs, breakfast, filling thermoses, packing and stowing everything in the bag of the pulka. After a few days everything became routine, but that day we needed until 9:30 a.m. before we could get out on the trail heading northward over the lakes. We skied in bright sunshine passing large herds of reindeer and we arrived at the cabin of Rogen (Rogen stuga) quite early to have lunch. We just sat in the sunshine around 12 o'clock. When we continued, we decided to take the groomed way to Tännäs instead of following an unprepared trail over the frozen lake to Skedbrostugan and Tännadalen. Later in spring this trail would be prepared and marked.

A great trail led us to Fjällvattnet, where we stopped for a short time to look for a place to stay that night ... unfortunately we had no success. We continued on knowing that this day would be the first night in the tent. I would like to have enjoyed the shelter and warmth of a cabin, but according to people in Fjällvattnet, there should be a junction with an open shelter after five kilometres. 7.5 kilometres later we stood in front of a small open shelter and set up our tent

where the snow was packed down right next to the intersection. Setting up the tent worked well and we were glad to spend the evening in the shelter, where at least we had a chair to start the long procedure of melting snow.

At that time of the year it is already dark at 6 p.m. and it became misty a bit in the evening when we very briefly saw the wafting Northern lights. We were just at the beginning of our adventure and hoped there would be many more chances to see them.

After three hours of melting snow, we crawled into our sleeping bags. This always took time, especially for me: I had to take off down jacket and pants and roll them up as a pillow, put running jacket and shirt in the sleeping bag to the feet and then close the zippers, first the zipper of the inner sleeping bag, then the one of the synthetic sleeping bag. After this I had to connect the GPS with the battery pack, to be charged overnight in the warmth of the sleeping bag. Charging only works in temperatures above zero and has the disadvantage that the ice-cold battery pack first has to be warmed up by body heat in the sleeping bag. However, while it's charging, it warms up a bit. All this has to be done in

the light of the headlamp which is finally taken off and stored, not too far away in case of emergency so I can grab it immediately. Then it is "good night" and "sleep well".

Even at the planning stage, there were areas of our tour that worried us, especially due to experiences on previous adventures and we knew that we had to face some challenges. Despite careful planning, much depends on daily changing conditions that require a different route. One of these routes is the trail from Rogen to Storulvån, especially between Helags and Sylarna. Because of a snowmobile ban, there are no trails but only ski tracks. If it is very windy, it can be dangerous or, at least, extremely unpleasant. The alternative route via Vålådalen seemed safer, but more complicated in terms of routing because Åre, which is a busy place, must be passed in the west according to the "vita bandet". These rules are intended to ensure that the participants take a trail over the mountains.



This year there was a lot of snow in the Swedish mountains and we decided not to take the shorter, direct route over Tännaldalen and Ramundberget. We continued east via Flattruet, past Helags mountain station head to Storulvån and Enaförholm where our first depot was located. We were lucky that the wind had blown away the deep snow on the Sylarna mountain range. It was calm and sunny during our passing actually - what a gift!

From Enaförholm it was especially hard for Doris. In the morning when she came in to warm up a bit after feeding the dogs, she mentioned outside temperatures of minus 33 degrees Celsius. That worried me quite a bit. We decided to start later that day at around 10 a.m. when it was minus 28 degrees but the sun was shining. We looked forward to a wonderful, solitary trip in crystal



clear air and bright blue sky heading north on well-groomed trails. The path followed the lakes Sönnar Rensjön and Norder Rensjön and then up to Middagsfjället. We were still overwhelmed by the play of light that made the mountains appear almost like mother-of-pearl, until we slowly passed the tree line where the easterly wind in its usual mercilessness pattern began to blow into our faces. This could have been dangerous for us and it actually was for Doris, because the coldness, together with the wind can quickly lead to frostbites. Depending on the temperature and wind, minus 28 degrees combined with wind speed of 8 m/s causes the temperature to feel minus 43 degrees. Luckily we only had to ski uphill for three kilometres. Even though she had wrapped herself warmly and was constantly on the move, it was far enough for Doris to freeze some toes and her face. I was much more careless and felt cold but suffered no frost damage.

We survived these days of extreme cold and then experienced excessive snowfall - a further special challenge for us and the dogs. The snow began just at the passage around the Hotagen national park. The shortest trail passes directly over the mountains through the national park, but with no marked trails, every participant had to find his own way through the deep snow (at least two metres this year) with the help of GPS. For us, this route was not feasible because the dogs have to pull heavy pulkas of 80 kg. They would sink in the deep, loose snow and have no power to pull. An alternative trail follows an 80 km detour, and is a marked snowmobile trail east of Hotagen national park. Last year we experienced these 80 kilometres through isolated terrain in sunny weather with nicely prepared trails as pure joy, and we took great photos. This time it was extremely exhausting physically, mentally and psychologically.

When we arrived at Almdalen at a small and lonely hut east of Hotagen, we decided to take a day off. We had arrived in heavy snowfall which lasted for a total of three days.

We left Almdalen while it was still snowing and had to ski steeply downhill for the first 200 meters. This was only possible because the host of the hut had prepared a trail with her snowmobile. Without this trail, the snow would have been so deep that none of our dogs could have seen over the top as they would be embedded in the freshly fallen snow of 80 centimetres.

The snowmobile trail ended after 500 meters and we continued slowly. Skiing in the deep snow felt heavier and heavier and we became more and more exhausted as we went along. I kept asking myself how the dogs, up to their necks in snow, managed to pull the heavy pulka. For us it was also mentally exhausting, because in this cloudy and foggy weather, everything is white, and often the trail could only be recognized if the eye was offered

something to compare it to, such as a dog leg. Moving in those conditions is extremely energy consuming. Besides the physical challenge, strict attention is needed to maintain our course. After a total of 33 kilometres, it was enough for the day. Because the snow was too deep and too loose to be compressed, we had to camp in the middle of the snowmobile trail. As none of them had passed for days, we did not expect anyone to come by during that night. The



dogs were extremely happy to rest and only the food woke them up for a minute.

In total we managed 65 kilometres through these extreme snow conditions. Sometimes we had to help the dogs to pull



the pulka, but finally we made it back to a well-prepared trail.

We often had small daily challenges to master, especially in places where husky teams stayed the night before, because the northern part of the Kungsleden is preferred by commercial organized sled dog tours. Unlike our Alaskan malamutes, the huskies are bad eaters and often leave some of their meal. The mushers then just dump the rest in the snow so that the dogs may eat at night. This is totally untypical for Alaskan malamutes. If they do not eat, they are sick! Apparently, this is genetic and part of their survival strategy in the sparse Nordic areas like Alaska. So where huskies previously had been staked out, there often was a gold mine for our dogs. They discovered just such a gold mine at our start at Aktse stuga. We tried to ski downhill, but the dogs were drawn by a magical hand to the storage and dumping area of the huskies. We were traveling along at a good pace when the dogs pulled at a right angle to our track so suddenly we nearly fell over the pulka. It took a while before we managed



to bring the dogs back to the desired trail, which led us to Saltoluokta.

After only 800 meters we approached a very steep hill that wound uphill for two kilometres through a narrow forest. We had to take off our skis and fasten them to the pulka, and at the very steep areas we had to help the dogs by pulling in front of the pulka. As we had traveled this section last year, we knew that we were able to master it. We felt this was one of our big challenges and because we often thought of the Yukon Quest, we called this ascent "Eagle Summit". Even snowmobile riders are afraid of this slope which is so steep that even downhill skiing is impossible. Snowmobile drivers switch off the engine to hear if someone is coming, because a meeting on the trail is a disaster.

It was only on another steep ascent two days later that we realized what the dogs really were capable of managing without our help - if they are motivated.

From Teusajaure a 4.5-kilometer detour leads to Kaitumjaure. This trail is an alternative to a one kilometre trail so-called "stairway to heaven" because it is so steep that even the ranger does not travel on it with the snowmobile. The detour has over twenty percent gradient. In addition to

that, it slopes twenty percent to the right, so we took off our skis and struggled step by step uphill. We pushed or pulled the pulka to help the dogs who were working at their limit –or so we thought! Suddenly I noticed a pull on the belt that connected me to the pulka. Instantly it became so strong that I almost got catapulted out of my shoes. I started to run uphill but got out of breath relatively quickly. I could not stop, because the dogs tore up the mountain like crazy. Finally I noticed the reindeer as the reason for their great motivation. We were completely exhausted from laughing and physically drained when we reached the saddle point of the mountain when the dogs slowed down after the reindeer disappeared. Since then, I am aware of the enormous strength and endurance of these dogs, and how they just let us believe that they have reached the limits of their capacity. Instead chasing the reindeer was the limit of their motivation. The appearance of reindeer motivates much more than a musher who just wants to follow and finish the “Vita Bandet!” What I would call stubborn from my point of view is responsible, intelligent and smart from malamute’s point of view!

We reached our destination at Trieriksroset after 1475 exciting and eventful kilometres on April 13 at 10 a.m. after 53 days and 20 hours. We had climbed 23,388 meters in altitude so we allowed ourselves nine resting days. Trieriksroset means “3 kingdom cairn”. It is the triangle where Sweden, Norway and Finland meet and is marked by a concrete yellow stone.



Here we are at Trieriksroset

So when we took a short break we were in that Tri-border region. My dogs were on the Swedish side while I was on the Norwegian and Doris and her team were in Finland.

Our adventure then went further on into civilization to the city of Kilpisjärvi. Here we were faced with completely different challenges such as picking up the car from our starting point at Grövelsjön and getting back home with our dogs, pulka and the all the equipment. But that’s a story of itself.

There is more information, pictures and a short film about the tour at: tourblog.kimbears.de/laplandquest or at www.kimbears.de

More photos from Meet The Breed - Public Education



IT'S NEVER TOO LATE FOR ANOTHER TITLE

By Mary Swinyer with the help of Turbo aka ARCH Mtn Home's Modar Turbocharged BN RE OA OAJ RATN TKP WPD WTD RL1X RL3-AOE NW1

Over a decade ago I brought home a special puppy that learned in a different way from other dogs, and though he may not have excelled in all the traditional activities, he was the trick dog extraordinaire! I always wanted Turbo to get recognition for his tricks, but never made time for the only trick titling venue I knew of. Life is busy; there are too many dogs and too many venues, so I was very excited when AKC's trick titles came along in the spring of 2017 just in time for Turbo to be the first Malamute to earn a Trick Dog Performer title. It wasn't a matter of teaching Turbo anything. Most of Turbo's tricks are natural behaviors that I started to mark/reward and then added a cue. They have always been a great anxiety reducer for Turbo in stressful situations.

At 10 years old, a couple of his most exciting tricks are becoming more physically challenging for him and he doesn't get quite the 'air' he used to get with boing. It was just a matter of finding, and making time for the testing process to happen.

Thankfully, I have a couple trainer friends who are also CGC Evaluators, as that is what is needed for the first three levels of AKC Trick Titles. They have a list of tricks for each level, but also allow a couple 'handler's choice' tricks at each level.

On May 27 2017 Turbo was tested by Erin Callaghan for Novice tricks. As he does not have a CGC on file with the AKC, he had to demonstrate ten tricks, two times each. His tricks were balance beam, speak on cue, get on platform, down hand signal, high five, jump, shake hands, spin in circle and touch it/target and tunnel.

Erin Callaghan witnessed Turbo's Intermediate and Advanced level tricks on July 15, 2017. At the Intermediate level they also have to demonstrate ten tricks twice. He balanced a treat on his nose (this is actually the only 'new' trick I taught



him), go to your place, three hand signals in a row, leg weave, rollover, sit pretty/beg, weave poles, wobble board and two handler's choice: heel with auto sit and 'Where's Turby?' where he comes from behind on cue, puts his head through my legs and looks up as if to say 'Here I am!'

This is Turbo's Sit Pretty/beg

For Advanced they only have to demonstrate five tricks, once each. Turbo did back up, bow/stretch, circle right and left and two handler's choice: grizzly (stand on hind legs) and boing (spring in the air).



Here Turbo is acting like a Grizzly

For Performer level, a video is submitted to the AKC and must include at least 10 tricks, two from the Intermediate level and two from the Advanced



And this is BOING!

level. We did some Canine Freestyle moves like spin and twist (circle right and left), switch and cut (moving in front or behind handler from one side to the other), back up, shake hands, beg, where's Turby, rollover, boing, grizzly and stretch.



It feels so good to stretch

You can view the video here:

<https://youtu.be/g6G7Rv37NAs>. We made the video on August 3 and AKC dated his title certificate August 15.

Some of the AKC Tricks are what most of us consider obedience exercises or agility obstacles. If you haven't already, I encourage you to look into putting a Trick Dog Novice (TKN) on your dog! You may even find yourself continuing through TKI & TKA! If you go for the TKP, I hope you will share the video with us!!

***Note: There were some rule changes to the trick dog program as of spring 2018 and a 4th titling level has been added.*

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