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Grand Valley Kennel Club  
December General Meeting and Christmas Party  
Thursday December 12 at 6:30 pm at  
Redlands Mesa Golf Club  
2325 West Ridges Blvd  
Grand Junction Co 81507

**Tis the season for all club members to come have a great dinner and some cheer.**

There will be live music from Ron Cross. He does a wonderful job in entertaining us all. If you have not been to one of the past parties you have been missing out.

We will have a White Elephant gift exchange. Price range of the gift should be \$15.00 to \$20.00. This is a reel hoot.

The cost of the dinner is \$15.00 per person. Please bring a family member or a friend. Now here is the great part. If you titled a dog in 2013, your dinner will be picked up by the club. Max 2 dinners.

We would like to see all members there. A big change for the Club will happen in 2014 since we have all 3 board members stepping down along with Cindy and Wendy. So we need every one to cast your vote for the new President, Vice President and 3 board members. If you would like to nominate someone, you can at this meeting or call Wendy.

We had a great year lots of dog stuff and new members so this party will be a wonderful way to end 2013.

Jordon will do a slide show of dogs and show pictures. If you would please send him pictures of your dog and you doing the thing you all love. Send pictures to Jordylei2@msn.com

R.S.V.P TO JORDON LEIGH jordylei2@msn.com or call 970-260-7925

I hope to see all my fellow club members for some Holiday Fun.

MENU

MIXED FIELD GREENS, VINAIGRETTE  
OVEN ROASTED TURKEY & PAN GRAVY  
SPIRAL CUT HONEY HAM  
SAUTÉED FRESH VEGETABLE MEDLEY  
CRANBERRY, ROASTED SHALLOT RELISH  
CORN BREAD STUFFING  
SKIN ON RANCH MASHED POTATOES  
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# Pet Portraits with Santa



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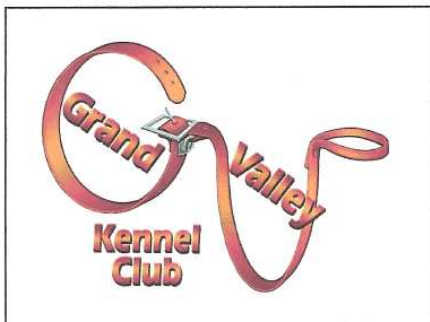
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## Slate of Officers & Board Members to be Voted on

President—Jordon Leigh  
 Vice President—Ruth Coates  
 Treasurer—Ashley Edstrom  
 Secretary—Joe Giannone

### Board Members — Vote for 3

Chris Barnes  
 Tammy Barslund  
 Mark Edstrom  
 Linda Lee  
 Joanne Weatherly



## November Brags

**Tammy Barslund**—Titus received him Rally Novice A Title at our September Show.

**Linda Lee & Jordon Leigh**—Ratitatt Buzablu Daisy Jamboree, RN, CGC, NBOB, UROL, GRCH, GRCH (Daisy) . Daisy is #10 AKC Rat Terrier and in the top 10 for UKC. CH Black Sands' Black Diamond Wilson BN, RN, CGC, UROL, GRCH (Wilson). Wilson is #5 AKC Rat Terrier and invited to Westminster. Hoggsden Leo A Wonder, BN, RN, CGC, GRCH AGIB, UROL (Leo). Leo is #16 AKC Rat Terrier.





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Dear AKC Clubs,

In the AKC's Canine Good Citizen® program, we recognize the importance of early training and socialization for puppies. Currently, AKC clubs, individual dog trainers and pet supply stores can hold AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy® and Canine Good Citizen training and testing. Annually, S.T.A.R./CGC training and testing is held at events nationwide with AKC Clubs making up 15% of the total.

We believe that increasing the availability of AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy classes will benefit puppies and their owners as well as educate these new owners about additional training opportunities at AKC clubs in their community. That's why we are pleased to tell you that AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy classes will be available in additional Petco stores beginning in January 2014.

This initiative will not only expand AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy to a broader audience; it will also increase access to clubs and enhance AKC brand awareness. To promote our clubs and their programs, Petco S.T.A.R./CGC graduates receiving certificates will be sent information about AKC events including obedience, rally, agility, tracking, and the Therapy Dog title. We will reach out to Petco customers with information on AKC training club courses for additional education and fun with their dogs.



Petco trainers who conduct AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy and Canine Good Citizen testing will complete the same application process as other approved CGC Evaluators. Dog owners in Petco classes will follow the same process for obtaining certificates as all other dog owners.

We thank you for your help in reaching more than 650,000 S.T.A.R. / CGC dogs so far and we encourage clubs to continue to participate in the Canine Good Citizen program at all levels — S.T.A.R., CGC and AKC Community Canine. We believe these programs will continue to play an important role in defining the AKC for the general public and bringing new participants to Companion Events.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact us at [cgc@akc.org](mailto:cgc@akc.org).

Sincerely,

Mary Burch  
Director, AKC Canine Good Citizen program

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# Obedience & Rally

November 11, 2013

## Obedience and Rally Regulation Changes

The AKC Board VOTED to amend five sections of the *Obedience Regulations* and one section of the *AKC Rally® Regulations* to make the events more enjoyable.

These changes are effective **January 1, 2014**; please share this information with your Obedience/Rally Trial Chairmen and Trial Secretaries/Superintendents.

In summary the changes (underlined below) are:

1. Allow premium lists to measure not less than 5½ x 8½ inches up to 8½ x 11 inches. (*Obedience Regulations Chapter 1, Section 3*)
2. Require clubs to refund the entry fee for females in season. A processing fee may be retained by the club. (*Obedience Regulations Chapter 1, Section 14*)
3. Allow clubs, at their option, to establish a wait list to fill openings created by entries that are withdrawn **prior to the event closing date**. (*Obedience Regulations Chapter 1, Section 27*)
4. Allow dogs to be picked up by their handlers when they are called back into the ring for the awards ceremony. (*Obedience Regulations Chapter 2, Sections 11 & 22*)
5. Allow rally ring sizes to be determined by square footage (2,000 to 3,000 square feet, with a minimum width of 30 feet). This will provide clubs flexibility in determining the location of their rally trial, perhaps allowing them to lower their cost. While the square footage area listed above is the minimum size allowed, a 40' x 50' or 50' x 60' ring size is ideal for rally. (*Rally Regulations Chapter 2, Section 1*)

### Obedience Regulations — Chapter 1, Section 3

**Section 3. Premium Lists/Entries.** A premium list must be provided for sanctioned "A", licensed or member trials. The premium shall be printed and shall measure not less than 5½ x 8½ inches or more than 8½ x 11 inches.

*The remainder of this section is unchanged.*

### Obedience Regulations — Chapter 1, Section 14

**Section 14. Dogs That May Not Compete.** No dog under six months of age may compete. No dog belonging wholly or in part to a judge, or superintendent, or any member of such a person's household may be entered in any obedience trial at which such person officiates or is scheduled to officiate. Nor may they handle or act as agent for any dog entered at that obedience trial.

Females in season are not permitted to compete. If a female is withdrawn from competition because it came into season and the event secretary is notified no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class in the trial, the club is required to refund the entry fee. The club may retain a processing fee and must publish this information in the premium. Clubs may determine the documentation, if any that is required to confirm the female is in season. This shall be stated in the premium. Note: No fee is paid to the AKC for females in season who are withdrawn.

If allowed by the host club, the obedience trial secretary may enter dogs owned or co-owned by the secretary and may handle dogs in the obedience trial. The secretary's priority must be the handling of official secretary duties in a timely manner. If participation in the trial interferes with these duties, other arrangements for handling dogs must be made.

*The remainder of this section is unchanged.*

**I can't remember where I got this information on vaccines so I don't know who to credit, but thought I should include them anyway.**

## **The Canine Influenza Vaccine – Is It Really Necessary?**

I also asked Dr. Schultz about the canine influenza vaccine, which is another vaccine commonly required at boarding facilities and similar businesses. He answered that he's not sure the vaccine should be required, because canine influenza isn't a casually transmitted virus. It's not something the average well cared-for dog will pick up at the local dog park.

Dr. Schultz does caution, however, that if the canine influenza vaccine is to be given, it can't be administered at the last minute. Dogs that have never received the vaccine need at least three weeks to develop immunity after being vaccinated. And two doses must be given, with a minimum of two weeks separating them. If a dog is receiving annual boosters of the vaccine, it won't take three weeks for immunity to develop after revaccination.

Dr. Schultz explains that bordetella (as well as other bacterial diseases such as streptococcal infections) and canine influenza together can create severe disease.

Dr. Schultz mentioned that many kennels do require the canine influenza vaccine, so I asked him if that is out of concern about spreading disease, or concern about covering their bases from a liability standpoint. Dr. Schultz thinks much of it comes from a concern that if there were to be an outbreak of canine influenza, the facilities would be found at fault because they didn't require the vaccine. Fortunately, to date there have only been a few outbreaks of canine influenza in shelters and kennels.

I agree. I feel a lot of those requirements are simply a way to bounce liability away from the business owner. And it's up to pet owners to determine the true motivation behind the requirement if they choose to board or have their dog groomed at a facility that demands certain vaccines. And as Dr. Schultz points out, if any of the vaccines required by these businesses cause an adverse reaction in a pet, the costs (both financial and emotional) associated with the adverse event are the owner's responsibility even though the vaccines were required by a third party.

## **Adverse Reactions to Vaccines Can be Immediate, or They Can Develop Weeks, Months or Even Years Post-Vaccination**

So we've established that the majority of adverse events occur with bacterin-type vaccines. These vaccines can cause all types of hypersensitivity reactions in some animals. Type 1 adverse reactions typically occur immediately after vaccination and are obviously directly linked to the vaccine.

But as Dr. Schultz goes on to explain, when we have a reaction like the development of autoimmune hemolytic anemia or another autoimmune disease in a genetically predisposed animal, it usually occurs weeks, months or even years after vaccination. Often the offending vaccine in those cases is a live viral vaccine, and it isn't blamed for causing the disease because there's a span of time between vaccination and development of the autoimmune disorder.

Many veterinarians will say, in response to the suggestion that a vaccine caused an autoimmune disorder, something like, "What do you mean? There's no correlation. It was last year when the dog received that vaccine." And even worse, both Dr. Schultz and I have seen veterinarians tell pet owners their animal's illness couldn't be a vaccine reaction even when the two events happen within days of each other.

## Dr. Schultz's Bordetella Vaccine Recommendation

Next I asked Dr. Schultz to talk to us about bordetella vaccines. He explained that the vaccine is available now in a variety of forms. There's an oral vaccine, which is a live, attenuated bordetella organism. There's the intranasal form, which is also the live organism. And there's the injectable form, which is a killed product. Dr. Schultz says he has been able to clearly demonstrate that the live product is the most effective, whether oral or intranasal.

But one of the problems with bordetella is that it is always accompanied by other agents in causing canine infectious respiratory disease complex, otherwise known as kennel cough. There are many infectious agents involved, but the most important one from a bacterial standpoint is bordetella. From a viral standpoint, an impressive number of infectious agents can play a role.

I personally can't see a reason to use injectable bordetella when there are other safer, non-adjuvanted and attenuated vaccines available. Dr. Schultz points out that one of the reasons the injectable is popular is that it can be used with dogs that won't cooperate with intranasal or oral administration of the vaccine. He does a lot of work with shelters, and there are many difficult dogs in that population that must receive the vaccine by injection. Some dogs can be muzzled and given the oral vaccine, but often it's too dangerous for shelter staff to even try to muzzle certain dogs.

In my opinion, the bordetella vaccine should only be given when a dog must be boarded. If you don't board your dog, or if you don't plan to have your dog in contact with other dogs (such as at shows and training classes), then my recommendation is to opt out.

However, some kennels require dogs to receive a twice-yearly schedule of bordetella revaccinations. Dr. Schultz believes if you're taking your pet to a boarding facility that requires bordetella vaccines every six months, you should change to another facility, because the one you're using has a ventilation or hygiene problem and not an infectious disease problem. "Don't allow anyone to tell you that you need to get bordetella vaccine every six months. If they do, don't go there anymore," says Dr. Schultz.



## USDA/APHIS REGULATIONS RESOURCE PAGE

On September 18, 2013, U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (USDA/APHIS) published new federal regulations that narrow the "retail pet store" exemption which has historically exempted many small/hobby breeders from regulation under the federal Animal Welfare Act (AWA).

The purpose is to bring internet-based pet breeders and sellers under the regulation of the AWA. However, the broadly-based regulation will also expand USDA oversight of pet breeders to also include people who maintain at least five "breeding females" of any species AND sell one pet "sight unseen." There appear to be a number of possible exemptions available for a variety of circumstances. The AKC is currently working with USDA/APHIS to obtain more information and clarification on these and other issues, which we will share with you.

This is a regulatory, not legislative, change. The new regulations will go into effect on November 18, 2013. There was no vote in Congress and AKC has to work within the confines of an administrative – rather than legislative – process. Since the rule was first proposed in May 2012, the AKC has worked to educate USDA/APHIS about responsible breeders and dog owners and the potential impact of this rule change. Unfortunately many of our most important concerns were not addressed.

We strongly encourage you to review the resources below, including the frequently asked questions, to further understand the new rule, and to keep checking back, as we will continue to update this page as information becomes available.

[http://www.akc.org/governmentrelations/usda\\_aphis.cfm](http://www.akc.org/governmentrelations/usda_aphis.cfm)

# How To Teach Your Dog to Play

By Kathy Santo

Oh, sure—some dogs are born to play. Some even seem to live for that moment when you pick up a ball and utter the phrase “Who wants to fetch?” But there are some dogs who couldn’t care less about any toy. Good news: You can teach your dog to love playing with toys. Here’s how:

**Get the right toy.** This is where trial and error (and receipts!) comes into play. The key is to not rely on the glossy photos of the toys in magazines or your personal impression of the toy the minute you see it on the shelf, but to instead pinpoint what your dog loves to do (chasing rabbits, for example), and try and match that interest to a suitable toy (something furry that squeaks).

**Play hard-to-get.** Starting today, you’re going to take a toy that you think is perfect (see previous point) and place it in a drawer in the kitchen. When your dog comes in, take the toy out, throw it up in the air (to yourself), shake it around, make some woohoo! noises, and generally act like you’ve lost your mind. Gradually, when you notice your dog is looking like he wants to be in on the action too, let him get closer to the toy. If he wants to sniff it, let him do so for half a second, praise him enthusiastically, then take it back, play with it, and put it away. It may take a few days, but you’ll create interest in the toy.

**Flavor of the month.** There have been times where I’ve flavored a toy to get the dog’s attention. Rubbing cooked chicken or roast beef on a toy can make it more appealing to a dog, which creates interest.

**You say tomato, I say tom-AH-to.** And so it goes with dog’s style of playing. Don’t aim for a wild game of tug for the less-than-enthusiastic tugger; instead, start by dragging the toy along the floor and see if your dog wants to follow it. When he does pick up the toy, cheer his effort, even though it isn’t the big-picture game of tug that you’re after.

**Leash your toy.** If your dog shows a profound lack of interest in his toy, consider tying a long line to the toy so you can drag it along at high speeds, which may kick in your dog’s prey or chase drive. Also, the result of not having a leash or a string on your toy is that you will potentially lose all control over the game if your dog picks it up and runs off

**Absence makes the heart grow fonder.** Now that you have a fabulous toy that your dog loves to tug and play with, be sure to keep it out of the normal rotation of his daily toys.



## Photos from Noelle’s trip to the International Show in Greeley





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