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## CHATTANOOGA CHEW CHEW NEWS

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR THE CHATTANOOGA KENNEL CLUB

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### DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES AND BRAGS

22nd OF EACH MONTH

### GENERAL MEETING

October 12, 2010

7:30 PM

Golden Corral, 1808 Gunbarrel Rd.

Come early for dinner!

### PROGRAM

Ramona Nichols from the Goodwill Assistance Dog Academy will be speaking in October.

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## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Sept. 7, 2010

Attending: Jane Price, Jerry Davis, Gail Evans, Anna Quarles, Sandra Weigle, Ashley Watkins, David Gilstrap, Carlene Gilstrap, Barbara Kreisher, Marilyn Harban, Mary Menozi, Bob Asztalos. Absent Lisa Asbury

Meeting was called to Order at 7:15 pm by Jane Price at Old Fort Restaurant in Cleveland, TN.

Minutes were accepted as printed in bulletin.

Corresponding Secretary: Mary reviewed the nominations for lifetime achievement awards by AKC.

Bulletin Secretary : Marilyn says please continue to send items to be published.

Treasurers report was given by Ashley. No corrections or questions.

Show Committee Report by Carlene. Things are on track. There was a motion to recommend to general membership that we change the date of our show. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership Committee report by Jerry Davis.

Legislative Report by Jane Price.

Nominating Committee Report by Gail Evans.

New Business: Sandra Weigle is to check on a social networking site to see if there is a way to see any post before they are posted on the site and security information.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Respectfully submitted: Anna Quarles, Recording Secretary

## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Sept. 14, 2010

Meeting call to order by President, Jane Price at 7:30 pm at Golden Corral Restaurant.

Board Meeting Minutes were read.

Corresponding Secretary report was given by Mary Menozi. Chattanooga Kennel Club nominations for AKC lifetime awards were sent to AKC.

Treasurer's Report was given by Ashley. There were no questions or corrections. There was a motion to accept report as written. M/S/P

Education & Training Committee Report. Training classes are going well in Cleveland and Jerry spoke about how much better the classes are since we now have mats. Again thank you to Quinto and Donna Burchi.



## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES cont

Legislative Report was given by Jane Price. The PUPS Bill is in Committees in both House and Senate and everyone needs to take action. This bill has 100 cosponsors and is evidence of how much this is being pushed behind the scenes. Wording in the bill is concerning to all dog breeders. There is also a very concerning bill in Memphis that is a mandatory Spay/Neuter for all dogs over a certain weight. Please contact anyone in that area that you know to have them contact their representatives in Memphis. This bill is not one that dog fanciers will want to see passed.

Show Committee report was given by Carlene Gilstrap who states things are going fine.

Membership Committee: We had second reading on two potential members, Marge White and Michael Thompson. We will be voting at the end of tonight's meeting.

Nominating Committee Report: The Nominating Committee is recommending the following slate of officers and Board members for next year: President-Jerry Davis, Vice-President - Jo Beth Kelley, Recording Secretary - Gail Evans, Bulletin Secretary - Marilyn Harban, Corresponding Secretary -Gail Balabon, Treasurer - Mary Menozi, Board of Directors - Paula Steele, Henry Evans, Ashley Watkins.

New Business: Ramona Nichols contacted the club about a program at Heritage Park called "Bark in the Park" and is requesting people to do a Meet the Breed from 12:45 until 2:00 pm on Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup>. Sandra Weigle will spearhead this and contact Ms. Nichols and is getting together a list of those who can and will attend. She reminds everyone that any dog brought for Meet the Breed should be in "Full Show Form" meaning "clean and groomed." Also she ask that anyone who is bringing their dog to please bring a small amount of information to hand out about your breed. She will bring Chattanooga Kennel Club Cards and AKC information. Also anyone attending should wear you Chattanooga Kennel Club Shirt if you have one or a green shirt if possible.

Marilyn Harban announced that they will be placing another order for CKC throws and anyone who wants to purchase a throw may do so. The price is \$35.00 and Marilyn will be turning the order in so contact her if you want to purchase one of these throws.

Rita Farmer announced that she would like anyone who has Championship Certificates for this year to please get them to her soon so she can have the plaques made before the Christmas Banquet. Deadline for turning in certificates is the November Kennel Club Meeting. All certificates will be returned, undamaged to the owner and they will also receive a very nice plaque at the Christmas Banquet.

Show Committee Chair Carlene Gilstrap presented to the general membership the possibility of changing the date of the Chattanooga Kennel Club Show to week #38 on the AKC Calendar. The Show is currently held on week #37. This would involve moving our show forward 1 week. There was much discussion about pros and cons and other shows that are held on week #37 and other shows that may apply for week #38. There was a motion and second to keep the Chattanooga Kennel Club Shows at week #37 on the AKC Calendar. Motion was passed.

Show Committee report by Carlene Gilstrap: Sign up sheets are going around, please sign up to help. Things are on track for this weekend and very busy. We have a slightly larger entry this year over last year which is very good during these economic times and we are one of a very few shows that can make that statement. Carlene request that everyone be very nice to the specialty people because they are bringing in a lot of entries and they are very excited that they have had such good results with their specialty entries. There will be some setting up on Thursday since the Boxer Specialty will be held beginning on Friday morning and then some more setting up on Friday of the Trophy Table and other tables. Anyone who is free to help, please drop by as there is always plenty of work for everyone willing to help.

Potential new members were then asked to leave so membership could vote. They will be notified by the Membership Chairman of the results of voting. Both Michael Thompson and Marge White were voted in as new members.

Braggs!!!

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Anna Quarles, Recording Secretary



Thanks to everyone who contributed in making 2010 another great show. With show entries down everywhere we increased a few dogs over 2009. It takes everyone working together to make the show a success. I had several judges comment on the number of "green" shirt workers we had. We have a great club of friendly, hard-working individuals. We have a lot to be proud of.

There will be a show committee meeting in the near future. I encourage anyone who would like to participate in plans for next year's show to please attend. Again, thank you for another great show.

Carlene

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**Premium List  
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**AKC Sanctioned B Match**

**Wed, Oct 6, 2010  
Doors open 4:30 PM  
Judging starts at 6:15 PM**

**Show Location:  
Chilhowee Park—Sheep Barn  
3302 East Magnolia avenue  
Knoxville, TN 37914**

**For more information contact:**

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**ROSTER CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS**

**Please check your roster to make sure your listing is correct.  
Send all corrections to Jerry Davis, boondock1@charter.net  
904 Tri Circle Dr. NE, Cleveland, TN 37312**

**PLEASE PRINT OFF AND ATTACH TO YOUR ROSTER**

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

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Border Collie  
no email addy

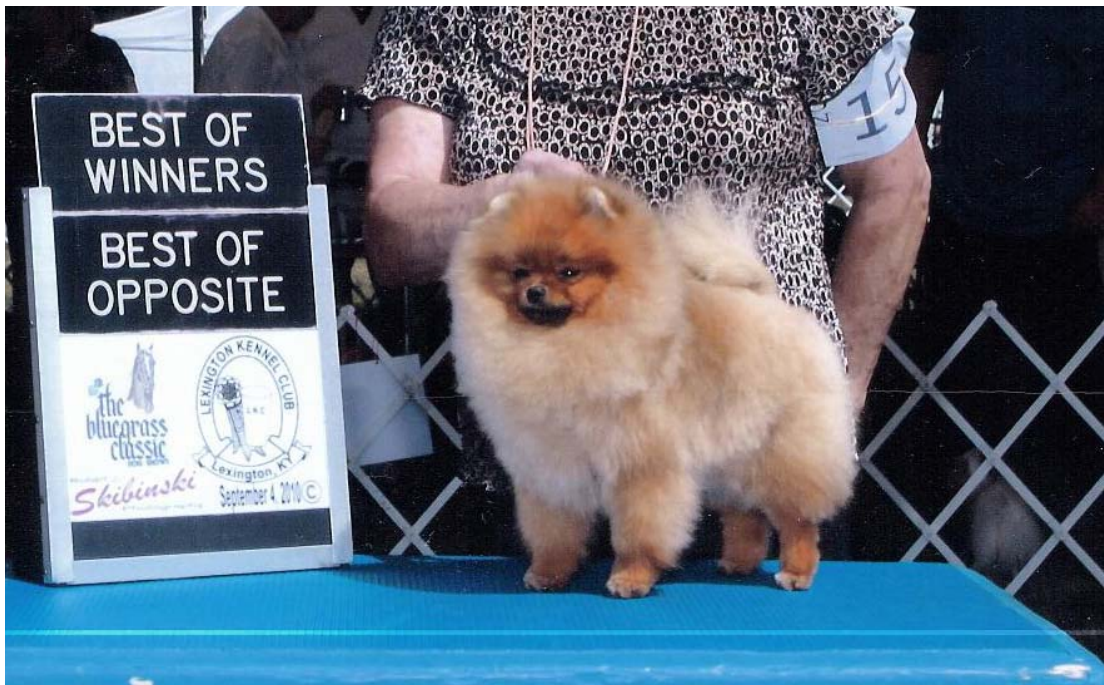
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Cane Corso



## BRAGS



Congratulations to Janet Suber and her Cardigan Welsh Corgi, **GCH CH CARDIRIDGE JEAN LOUISE FINCH HT RN CGC**.



Congratulations to David & Carlene Gilstrap and their Pomeranian, **MOUNTAIN CREST CHERRY DELIGHT**. Sire: Ch Damascusroad Dream Buster, Dam: Ch Mountain Crest Private Dancer II. She went BW/BOS at Lexington KC and Northern Kentucky KC.

## GOOD JUDGES SPEAK DOGS

E. [Katie Gammill](#), TheDogPlace Exhibition Editor / September 2010

**In MY day, we breeder/exhibitors were captive audiences at bench shows. To fill the long hours, we discussed and examined many breeds. Few stay for Best in Show today with our “show and go” attitude.**

Whether breeding, showing or judging, everyone wants to do it right and we can still learn a lot from those ringside discussions.

TheDogPlace is a venue for real dog people. The editor and her staff are doing a “kick-ass” job. For many, it takes the place of congregating after a show. We are in such a rush today, sometimes it works to just sit down at the computer and STUDY. I wish I had drawings for some of the things we talk about here, maybe someone out there can volunteer!

My column “**Preferred Breed Type**” grew legs. Published in October 2008, it is “*still walking*”. Published in year books, magazines, and newsletters world wide, it seems to have reflected what many people are thinking. That article traveled far beyond our expectations. Editor’s note: It was one of our most requested reprints.

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Still, the great sport of dogs is dwindling. WHY? The economy, inept judges, advertising budgets, and increasing expenses contribute to lower entries. It’s getting harder to study winners and know what to take to a judge today. This “crap shoot” causes long time exhibitors to leave the sport in droves and newcomers don’t stay as long. We have “instant experts” in both fields and our breeds reflect the consequences.

**The Breed Standard is for Breeding Stock!** A breed standard is the ideal dog in writing. In the early days, Judges awarded “breeding stock” and honored them. Today’s exhibitors often are confused by the winners. Some change their breeding program to reflect that which is popular at the moment. Other die hard breeders enjoy an occasional win under a knowledgeable judge but everyone agrees that our sport is losing “seasoned judges” who contributed greatly to our sport.

It’s as though some of the new judges have forgotten they are supposed to put forward the next generation’s BEST BREEDING STOCK. It isn’t about ratings or one’s popularity. The reason we have judges is to judge dogs. As the wisdom of the older judge fades into the past, today’s mind set seems to be “if it wins, it must be good.” That is wrong headed. If it isn’t about judging breeding stock anymore, what is it about? The AKC encourages newcomers to our sport, but they need to take time to learn from the older wise ones.

Most standards describe body shape, top-lines, and breed specific movement. Using these tools, one can sort puppies at eight weeks. If puppy has it, it will remain. If it doesn’t, chances are it won’t grow it. Keeping dogs for a single virtue is like eating a pickle. *You never know which way it will squirt.*

Breeders dedicate their lives to breed excellence only to find their dogs look “different” and are ignored. A newcomer purchases a dog fitting the standard, only to find it looks different in the ring. If judging is really according to the breed standards, then that couldn’t happen. If we aren’t on the same page (of the standard), why breed at all? Should judging reflect breeder preferences? NO!

**Hands On or “Property Classes”** are a bone of contention. Several dogs are brought in. Mentors analyze as follows. “This is the eye you want, this is the ear set you want, this is the coat texture, this is the foot, this is the size, this is the expression, and guess what? Each virtue is on a DIFFERENT exhibit! Is it any wonder judges put too much emphasis on “pieces” and are unable to see the dog as a whole?”

**Type and Soundness?** There’s something I call TYPE CHANGE. It occurs when the concentration of an obvious fault becomes so dominant that it appears as a virtue! If you don’t believe this, look at over angulated rears, size, coats, and bone. And have you noticed the heads in some breeds? Changing skull length may change peripheral vision and in turn, affect temperament. Slight nuances differentiate many breeds. Those virtues deserve respect.

The word “**balance**” is questionable. A bad front and bad rear working in unison is not correct. It can just be an excuse for lack of knowledge. True, our common goal should be a symmetrical dog (no one thing out of place) so if anything “sticks out” on the dog, it usually is incorrect because it is an exaggeration and that is not balance or symmetry. Good dogs “fill the eye”. The balance should be between “type and soundness”. They depend upon each other. When in doubt, go with TYPE.

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**Symmetry?** Visualize the legs beneath the dog. On many breeds, if the length from the nose to the occipital bone is the same length as from the occipital bone to the withers, the legs are where they should be. YEP! Even on the bulldog. Check it out.

**Front and Rear Assembly.** Many dogs that feel good under your hands but don’t have proper reach when moving need ½ inch more leg so they can open their shoulder. When the leg is short, they open from the elbow. Some with good fronts don’t follow through behind because the legs must grab the ground quickly to keep up with the front. Dogs are stretched to fix top lines and faulty angles. Try this. Lift the hock toward the ischium (butt bone) and if the bones touch, this indicates the stifle and lower thigh are the same length. The result is the ideal perpendicular and parallel hocks. Any deviation will affect the croup drop, and in turn, affects tail set.

That song “The thigh bone connects to the knee bone, the knee bone connects to the ankle bone etc., says it all. Any adjustment in a dog's shoulder triggers a compensating rear adjustment and visa versa.

So are breeders addressing faults today or adjusting to them? Do judges choose winners on “pieces” rather than the entire animal? Should judges just judge dogs and let breeders worry about type nuances? Ah, questions demanding answers.

Wise dog people want to assist newcomers and they know how to SPEAK DOG. Don’t wait too long to ask. And keep your e-mails coming.

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