



# KeesTales



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# Meet The Breeds Booth 2011



# Braggs

Donna & Celine  
Girls Just Wanna Have FUN!!!



May 16. Just had to brag for DD and I as Celine really did us proud this week-end. She is really coming into her own. She just got better each day!!! Every one of the judges had lovely things to say about her. We found her buttons, a squeaky and dried beef lung!!! Up until then she thought confirmation was boringggg!!!

Celine's comments: " Man you can't zoom around the ring and they won't let you jump over the gating but hey those nice people standing at the end of the run way have crinkly noisy things that are fun to cock your head at or make funny noises coming out of their mouth and Mom gave me something really yummy to eat!!!

Oh and then we got to go run in the field and flirt with the handsome red boy that was with Auntie Cindy and even jump from bed to bed and zoom around the room---maybe this confirmation thing will be OK---then we might get to do agility---I can hardly wait."

"Covenant Dance Incognito At Ashwood" Does Denton

Thank you Judges, Norm Patton for WB/BOS North TX Non-Sporting As.

Dr Roger Pritchard for WB/BOS Denton KC (1) and Roger Hartinger for WB/BOW/BOS Denton KC (2).

We had a wonderful time. Congratulations to all the other winners.

Karen & Sierra Earn RAE Legs



Mon, Jul 18, 2011

My little Sierra got her 5th and 6th RAE legs this weekend...and some very nice compliments. The one that meant the most came after our last run of the weekend. I was putting the leash on Sierra when the judge came up, patted me on the back, and said "I love your dog". I was surprised, but thanked her and explained that she does well for a 12 year old. Neither the judge or anyone at the judges table could believe she was 12 years old! Now, let me explain why I was surprised at this compliment...Our scores weren't the best, at all, this weekend. We were in the low - mid 70s on Sat and the mid - hi 80s on Sunday. We didn't place at all. At times Saturday, Sierra did her own thing. We qualified, but we didn't have spectacular runs. However, she had GREAT attitude the entire time she was in the ring. She was a little bouncy Sat. and she talked back to me a couple of times. She was definitely showing her silly personality both days!. However, she was also working...just a little over excited. I guess the judge saw the dog that Sierra could be (on her good days) and appreciated her for it. I will say I'd rather have an overly excited dog than one that is mopey in the ring. In any case, I thought it was very nice of the judge. I would expect those comments if she was placing. So to get it when Sierra's just being herself, meant even more. And, of course, I'm still pleasantly surprised she loves it so much at 12 years old.

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### **Pat & Sunny Earn RAE Title With Placements**

At Tallahassee on June 5th, Covenant Rising Sun (Sunny) earned her rally championship (RAE) title. She placed in all her runs that weekend, and made us very proud. Handled by Pat Ferguson

### **Fran & Dash Earn RN Title**

At Tallahassee on June 4th, Dash earned his RN title at the age of 16 months old. Covenant's Dash- ing Casanova (Dash) handled by Fran D'Amico

### **Fran & Dash Earn RN Title**

At Tallahassee on June 4th, Pixie earned her RN title at the age of 16 months old. Covenant's Connect the Dots (Pixie) handled by Pat Ferguson

### **Celine Earns Best In Match**

October 1, 2011

Covenant Dance Incognito At Ashwood aka Celine, went BEST IN MATCH at the Guadalupe Valley Dog Fanciers B Match in Seguin, TX today.

So proud of my baby girl. Congratulations to Co-owner/Breeder DD Houchins and to Karen Roberts her daddy's owner. Donna



# Minutes

## **SANDALFOOT KEESHOND CLUB**

### **MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

**April 10, 2011**

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Reading of Minutes from last meeting - Minutes were read by Divya Parthasarathy
2. Report of Corresponding Secretary –Nothing to report
3. Report of Recording Secretary – Nothing to report

4. Report of Treasurer – Denise Skillman sent the treasures report out to everyone. Beginning balance was \$617.96 and ending balance of \$876.57. For details refer to attached treasures report.

#### 5. Reports of Committees:

- a. Ways & Means – DD Houchins, Edna Corney & Divya Parthasarathy - wait until General Meeting to discuss
- b. Trophies - DD Houchins discussed trophies for December 2011 shows & June shows. Edna is gathering donations for trophies for the June show and she has gotten them for every class and she is starting on second classes. Edna was supportive to get trophies for the rally trial coming up in May. Karen to find out when the Brevard club trial is and send it to DD. DD will speak to Edna and tell her to send the trophies to Karen or Jen. Jen mentioned she might not go. The Brevard club trial is May 14 and 15th Wendy clarified.
- c. Awards – Jen Rother --Wait until General Meeting
- d. Education – DD Houchins, Carol Harris - Nose Works seminar was a great success. Thank you to Carol for arranging this seminar.
- e. Rescue – Gary Parker - Wait to discuss until General Meeting
- f. Membership – Karen Staats- Wait to discuss until General Meeting
- g. Publicity –Carol Harris - Wait to discuss until General Meeting
- h. FAKC – Wendy Kurtz -Wait to discuss until General Meeting
- i. Hearts & Flowers – Divya Parthasarathy – Wait to discuss until General Meeting
- j. Bylaws - Denise Skillman, Karen Staats, DD Houchins - Wait to discuss until General Meeting
- k. Newsletter – Carol Harris, Divya Parthasarathy- Wait to discuss until General Meeting

#### 6. Unfinished Business

- a. Insurance – Nothing to report
- b. Bylaws committee meeting -- We are meeting today

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- c. Eukanuba booth 2011 - Wait to discuss until General Meeting
  - d. Rally or agility seminar - Jen and Karen going to have one Rally seminar in the Fall at Karen's house.
  - e. Specialty 2011 - DD has gotten a call for individual trophies. Denise has all the information about what we gave last year so we need the information to make a decision. We will wait until the General Meeting to discuss in detail.
  - f. Trophies for obedience show in May 2011 - Refer to May Brevard Show details
  - g. Match in June - We will discuss more in our next board meeting.
8. New Business
- a. Nothing to report.
9. Next meeting will be sometime in May details to be announced at the General Meeting

**SANDALFOOT KEESHOND CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING**  
**April 10, 2011**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Report of the president - Thank you Karen and Carol and Linda for the Nose Work's seminar. It was a great success!
2. Reading of Minutes from last meeting - Decision was made to accept the board meeting minutes read by Divya Parthasarathy
3. Report of Corresponding Secretary –Nothing to report
4. Report of Recording Secretary – Nothing to report
5. Report of Treasurer – Denise Skillman sent the treasures report out to everyone. Beginning balance was \$617.96 and ending balance of \$876.57. For details refer to attached treasures report.
6. Reports of Committees:
  - a. Ways & Means – DD Houchins, Edna Corney & Divya Parthasarathy - we are approved by AKC. We made it in the premium list, and it does show we are accepting other breeds so maybe we will get more money. Linda suggested we consider holding another nose works seminar for people from outside our club as a fund raising effort. Divya

to follow up with Karen on Dancer's picture to add to Cafe press and generate funds for the club with some online sales of keeshond merchandise.

- b. Trophies - DD Houchins discussed trophies for December 2011 shows and June shows. Edna is gathering donations for trophies and she has gotten them for every class and she is starting on second classes. Edna was supportive to get trophies for the rally trial coming up in May. Karen to find out when the Brevard club trial is and send it to DD. DD will speak to Edna and tell her to send the trophies to Karen or Jen. Jen mentioned she might not go. The trial is on May 14 and 15th Wendy clarified. DD mentioned if anyone wants to sponsor any trophies for the June show please let us know.
- c. Awards – Jen Rother -- DD didn't send her information on her awards. Jen had 2 plates to present today: Sierra (Rally Excellent) and Dancer (Open FAST) got their awards. She also had hard plates for Edna for Storm. Mayhem has won 2 awards, for novice jumpers and novice FAST. Carol thanked Jen for getting the awards out in a timely fashion.
- d. Education – DD Houchins, Carol Harris - Nose Works seminar was a great success. There will be a rally seminar in the Fall at Karen's house. Jen will help Karen run the workshop. There is a Eukanuba Classic Show in December. Jen will look for an air-conditioned center where we can have the Rally seminar so our dogs won't get too hot.
- e. Rescue – Gary Parker is out sick. Carol had a suggestion about adding Dee Wingfield to Rescue group.
- f. Membership – Karen Staats- Karen reminded everyone to please sign up for the Google newsgroup if you have not already. Karen had 1 membership application - Dee Wingfield. The club voted all in favor for her to join.
- g. Publicity –Carol Harris - We will be in the match in June. Carol will create the flyer and will send it out a month in advance. If we add our club to the Eukanuba website we are going to get a great deal of traffic. Club suggested using vistaprint or iprint and get busi-

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ness cards printed with the website info where people can go see their pictures from the match.

- h. FAKC – Wendy Kurtz - Nothing to report.
  - i. Hearts & Flowers – Divya Parthasarathy – Send Divya your birthday for an e-card.
  - j. Bylaws - Denise Skillman, Karen Staats, DD Houchins - Karen and DD worked together on the bylaws at the meeting. Karen will email the bylaws out for everyone to review.
  - k. Newsletter – Carol Harris, Divya Parthasarathy- We have one, yay!. Carol sent it out to Karen to put it on the web site. We still need pictures and articles about your dog so please feel free to keep sending them.
6. Unfinished Business
- a. Insurance – Nothing to report
  - b. Bylaws committee meeting -- DD and Karen met today and Karen is going to send out to the changes to everyone to review.
  - c. Eukanuba booth 2011 (2 days long/ Sat/ Sunday) - Karen confirmed up to \$500 from KCA has been approved for us for the both. She also reminded us to keep your receipts for whatever you spend because we need that to get reimbursed. DD took pictures of Walt Disney World entrance as an idea to use for our booth. We will have 1 person in costume. Everyone will dress cohesively so we will look well organized so people will know who is actually working the booth and who are not. DD had an idea about wearing a dutch costume. Karen and DD asked if Jen's mother would be able to help with the costumes however purchasing one online might be much more faster. We will have to setup Friday night. Carol's mentioned that her mother and sister are going to be in Holland in July and maybe they can get us some costumes, we just need to let Carol know what we need ahead of time. The club discussed dressing the kids that show up to the booth with a hat and take pictures of them. DD asked everyone to keep an eye out for silk tulips on sale (really good quality ones). Karen suggested we designate the person that is in the charge for different items so we can check with them and see if we need anything that we missed. Jen to find the photo frames that are 8 - 10 inches. Carol suggested we reach out to Niki Muth who is good at finding

items online. We will have a slide show of what the dogs can do and what types of dogs they are. We have 1 frame dedicated to the people that own keeshonds. Someone suggested adding flags to the booth because it signifies that something fun is happening. Jen and Karen suggested we should assign out items for people to do for the next time we meet.

- i) Jen - digital frames
  - ii) Dave - Figure out the best way to build the columns (14x14)
  - iii) Edna - To check on how high we can go up for the columns
  - iv) Divya - Art of dog / Karen - for the picture
  - v) Karen - Website / Jen - design for the Website
  - vi) DD - Tulip and Keeshond branding
  - vii) Jen - Backdrop (Jen will bring options for designs to the next meeting)
  - viii) Jen - Red carpet
  - ix) Jen - Twinkly light screen thing from Magic Kingdom
  - x) Edna - Confirming the height size and if we are on the corner
  - xi) DD - to ask Donna about costumes. Karen - to ask the California club what they did for costumes
  - xii) Karen - scheduler and handler (who is in costume / who is bringing their dog)
  - xiii) Karen - Get the information from KCA (pamphlet and sheet)
  - xiv) Jen - Pictures from KCA
  - xv) Jen - in-charge of the vision, Karen - is the right hand person
  - xvi) Carol - business cards
  - xvii) Jen - QR code
- d. Rally or agility seminar - Jen and Karen are going to have one Rally seminar in the Fall at Karen's house.
  - e. National Specialty 2011 - DD has gotten called for individual trophies. Denise has all the information about what we gave last year so we need the information to make a decision. Wait until the next meeting to discuss.
  - f. Trophies for obedience show in May 2011 - Refer to May Brevard Show details
  - g. Match in June - Carol recommended if we can have a specific time for specific events will start it will help people know what time they need to be there. DD and Karen men-

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tioned that people need to get there early so they have time to get setup. 7:00 pm seems to be the time when we start so that is the time we will communicate (this is only for the flyer). We will have sub-novice obedience, novice - obedience. DD will send the premium match list for the flyer to Carol.

8. New Business

a. Park and Bark - Today and May 8th in Mt Dora where you can go to restaurants etc with your pet. Its a very pet friendly location.

b. George Alston - 6/11- 6/12 Seminar in Orlando. Contact DD for additional details.

c. Trophies for the Nationals - DD is going to talk to Denise to see how much we spent last few years. All were wondering what is the range is for the trophies. Karen says we spend up to \$75 for trophies. We don't have to do the basket this year. Jen made the motion and Carol 2nd it. Denise could go on the Website and found out what was needed and she can pay it online. DD will call Cathy to find out which one is preferable.

9. Next meeting - will be in May 21, 12:00pm-2:00pm @ Logans @ Kissimmee. Jen to send Karen the exact location so there is no confusion.

**SANDALFOOT KEESHOND CLUB  
MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING  
May 21, 2011**

**Order of Business:**

1. Report of the President – DD Houchins - Nothing to report, thank you Jen for letting us have the meeting here.
2. Divya Read the Minutes from last General meeting
3. Report of Corresponding Secretary –Wendy Kurtz - Nothing to report
4. Report of Recording Secretary – Divya Parthasarathy - Nothing to report
5. Report of Treasurer – Denise Skillman-Refer to Board meeting minutes
6. Reports of Committees:
  - a. *Ways & Means* – DD Houchins, Edna Corney & Divya Parthasarathy - Refer to board meeting minutes
  - b. *Trophies* - DD Houchins - Refer to board meeting minutes

c. *Awards* – Jen Rother -- Refer to board meeting minutes

d. *Education* – DD Houchins, Carol Harris - Refer to board meeting minutes

e. *Rescue* – Gary Parker - Refer to board meeting minutes

f. *Membership* – Karen Staats - Refer to board meeting minutes

g. *Publicity* – Ken Corlew, Carol Harris - Refer to board meeting minutes

h. *FAKC* – Wendy Kurtz - Refer to board meeting minutes

i. *Hearts & Flowers* – Divya Parthasarathy – Refer to board meeting minutes

j. *Bylaws* - Denise Skillman, Karen Staats, DD Houchins - Refer to board meeting minutes

k. *Newsletter* – Carol Harris, Divya Parthasarathy - Refer to board meeting minutes

6. Unfinished Business

a. *Insurance* - Refer to board meeting minutes

b. *Bylaws committee* – reviewed bylaws - Refer to board meeting minutes

c. *Eukanuba booth 2011* - Refer to board meeting minutes

i. *Costumes* – Wendy started work on costumes. See picture attached of Denise and Jen with Mayhem in costume. Denise offered to make more as long as we have more material available. The costumes cost about \$20 each.

ii. Jen showed us a 3D model of the booth in Google Sketchup which she created. Please keep sending pictures to Jen's email address (mayhemkees@gmail.com) for the digital picture frame in the booth. We need to have key attributes of the dog on the digital picture frame and we will probably use an SD card to swap the pictures every 2 hours. One frame will be dedicated to the people that are taking the pictures.

iii. Jen will work on the web page design that will affect the business cards for our next meeting.

iv. Carol was concerned about the construction of the columns and she offered to store it in her garage. Jen also mentioned

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she has some storage room in her garage. Jen to talk to Divya about the dog image. Jen is building the arch out of stable foam core.

- v. Carol asked if we should start looking for literature holder on sale. Jen is going to Disney property control to see if she can find some literature holders.

- d. Match in June - Carol was waiting on information from DD

#### 7. New Business

- a. New Members – no new members to report

#### 8. Next meeting - July 30 at 12:00 @ Jen's house.

### **SANDALFOOT KEESHOND CLUB**

### **MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING**

**July 30, 2011**

#### **Order of Business:**

1. Report of the President – DD Houchins – June 2011 Match
2. Reading of Minutes from last meeting
3. Report of Corresponding Secretary –Wendy Kurtz
4. Report of Recording Secretary – Divya Parthasarathy
5. Report of Treasurer – Denise Skillman
6. Reports of Committees:
  - a. Ways & Means – DD Houchins, Edna Corney & Divya Parthasarathy
  - b. Trophies - DD Houchins - trophies for December 2011 shows (Edna) – Eukanuba
  - c. Awards – Jen Rother --
  - d. Education – DD Houchins, Carol Harris - August Breeding Better Dogs - \$95.00
  - e. Rescue – Gary Parker –
  - f. Membership – Karen Staats – new member Traci King
  - g. Publicity – Ken Corlew , Carol Harris -
  - h. FAKC – Wendy Kurtz - Meeting August 14, 2011
  - i. Hearts & Flowers – Divya Parthasarathy –
  - j. Bylaws - Denise Skillman, Karen Staats, DD Houchins
  - k. Newsletter – Carol Harris, Divya Parthasarathy

#### 6. Unfinished Business

- a. Insurance – any more about event insurance?
- b. Bylaws committee – reviewed bylaws
- c. Eukanuba booth 2011
- d. costumes – Wendy, structure - Jen
- e. Supported entry December – pay for sponsored trophies

#### 7. New Business

- a. New Members – Traci King
- b. Fall picnic, election & awards
- c. Nominating committee

#### 8. Next meeting to be announced

#### 9. Adjourn

### **SANDALFOOT KEESHOND CLUB**

### **MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING**

**Sept 11, 2011**

#### **Order of Business:**

1. Report of the President – DD Houchins – Thanks to everyone who has, is, or will be working on the Eukanuba booth.
2. Reading of Minutes from last meeting accepted as read
3. Report of Corresponding Secretary –Wendy Kurtz – nothing to report
4. Report of Recording Secretary – Divya Parthasarathy – nothing to report
5. Report of Treasurer – Denise Skillman - Total \$1177.10 after expenses – Denise will figure out how much we donated to all charities next year before we decide what we want to donate this year. This will also help us make better choices as to who to donate to.
6. Reports of Committees:
  - a. Ways & Means – DD Houchins, Edna Corney & Divya Parthasarathy - silent auction
  - b. Trophies - DD Houchins - trophies update for December 2011 shows – Edna showed the necklaces for the Supported Entry. All trophies have sponsors.
  - c. Awards – Jen Rother -- awards this fall at the picnic - October 29
  - d. Education – DD Houchins, Carol Harris -
    - i. Eukanuba booth

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- ii. Responsible Dog Ownership day Sept 17 at Tampa State Fairgrounds contact Dee Wingfield if interested in helping
- iii. Nov 6 Brevard County Dog Training Club is having Responsible Dog Ownership day – Edna has requested a table
- e. Rescue – Gary Parker –
  - i. Dee has a girl 10 years old, Star found on the street near Pine Hills and Silver Star, had fleas, but is recovering nicely. Needs to have her teeth cleaned, thyroid low, and possibly intact. She's not available yet.
  - ii. Traci also has a dog. We are unsure if she is still available for adoption.
- f. Membership – Karen Staats – The application for Susan Wellman was read. She was voted into the club unanimously.
- g. Publicity – Carol Harris – Carol and Dee would like to create a brochure of why to belong to a breed club.
- h. FAKC – Wendy Kurtz - Meeting Aug 14, report Wendy got a breeders manual at the meeting. New officers were elected. And went over basically the same things as last year. Orange Park is fighting spay/neuter legislation.
- i. Hearts & Flowers – Divya Parthasarathy – no report
- j. Bylaws - Denise Skillman, Karen Staats, DD Houchins – waiting for proofreading to be finished to send to the AKC
- k. Newsletter – Carol Harris, Divya Parthasarathy –
  - i. Carol will get with Divya to get it published to the membership.
  - ii. Please send all brags/articles to keestales@gmail.com

## 6. Unfinished Business

- a. Insurance – RVNA - We can get insurance for \$265/year \$1M-\$2M per occurrence, body, liquor, property damage, personal inju-

ry, advertising, fire legal - Medical is additional \$123

- b. Bylaws committee – being proofread
- c. Eukanuba booth 2011 –
  - i. Shirts are white polo with dark blue/black pants
  - ii. Get pic of dog and name you want on your name tag to Karen Staats
  - iii. Wendy will get with Jen to get dimensions for flower boxes
  - iv. Dogs that come into the booth need to be a good representative of the breed. Dogs that look good, smell good, and have a nice disposition.
  - v. Business Cards – Jen got Carol the QR Code.
  - vi. Karen will email Rick for pamphlets.
  - vii. Jen has been able to find a vendor that can produce the artwork for the front of the dog at a cost that fits into our budget -- aka free. She asked Divya if she can have the artwork ready in the next couple of weeks as she'd like to get them into production (in case we need to move on-to plan b). If she can't do it, Jen can also ask her Aunt to do something for us -- her job is using photoshop stuff for a professional studio. Jen will just need the image that Divya has in mind.

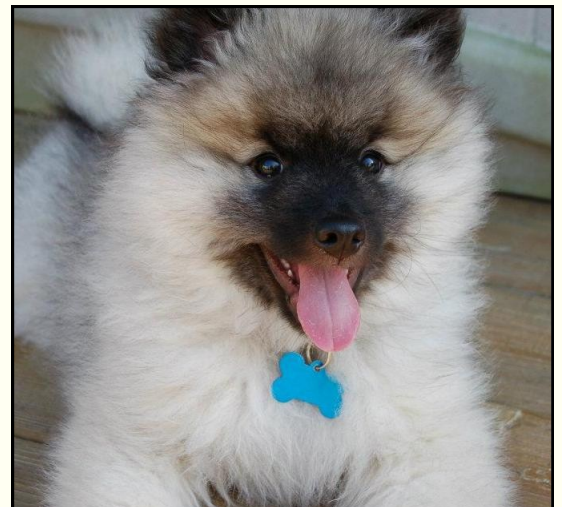


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- viii. Jen feels good about plan b for hanging the curtains in the back. One of her friends that works for WDI has offered to help build free-standing poles in a cement base. They will be heavy and hard to move, but should give the stability we need to hang the curtains and for the booth in general. They think that they may make 3 -- two for the back and one for the middle of side with the full curtains as extra support.
- ix. Jen has started reaching out to individuals in KCA that have dogs invited for photos to use in the booth and is getting some responses already. She's also going to reach out to the folks highlighted in the latest KCA newsletter for their therapy dogs. Those photos would be nice additions to the booth as well.
- x. Jen says the photo frames arrived this week. Only remaining items for booth are dogs for the front, pillars, support poles and flower boxes (which Wendy is working on). Goal is to have remaining items completed by end of October to have full run-through in November. Still a lot of work to do, but feels doable.

- xi. Karen passed around the layout of the convention center and pointed out where AKC plans to put everything.
  - xii. Karen also will be sending off the \$110 for electricity along with the form and reminder of wanting a corner booth and request to be on the main floor.
  - xiii. Karen also passed around the AKC's FAQs. She will post to the membership through the club's Google group.
  - d. Supported entry December – pay for sponsored trophies – All trophies have been sponsored
  - e. Picnic in October/ elections/awards – Picnic will be Wendy's 2:30pm **POTLUCK (snacks) and BYOB**
  - f. Ballot for November elections – Nominating committee will announce appointments at the next meeting
  - g. Silent auction for fundraiser – Website needs to be set up
7. New Business
8. Next meeting to be announced Saturday Oct 29 at 2:30pm at Wendy's house
9. Adjourn – Karen moved to adjourn the meeting, Carol 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Ashwood's Latest Drama



# Articles of Interest

## SUPPORT SB1852 Regarding Shelters & Animal Control Agencies

I receive Dr. Karen Becker DVM's weekly newsletter. She is a licensed veterinarian, animal acupuncturist and homeopath.

This week's newsletter contained an article about the AAHA's (American Animal Hospital Association) recommended vaccine schedule for 2011.

For the list of all the changes, you can go to the AAHA's website: <https://www.aahanet.org/PublicDocuments/CanineVaccineGuidelines.pdf>

This is a synopsis of the changes the AAHA are recommending:

### CORE VACCINES

#### Canine Distemper (CDV)

##### *Initial vaccination in puppies < 16 weeks of age*

- Starting at 6 weeks, vaccinate every 3 to 4 weeks (6, 10, 14 or 8, 12, 16 weeks) up to 14 or 16 weeks; final shot should be given between 14 and 16 weeks to minimize risk of maternal antibody interference

##### *Initial vaccination in dogs > 16 weeks of age*

- One dose

##### *Revaccination*

- For puppies who received initial vaccination series by 16 weeks, a booster no later than 1 year after completion of initial series, then  $\geq 3$  years thereafter
- For dogs who received initial vaccination after 16 weeks of age, every  $\geq 3$  years thereafter

*Notes: Among healthy dogs, distemper vaccines are expected to induce immunity for at least 5 years.*

#### Canine Parvo (CPV-2)

##### *Initial vaccination in puppies < 16 weeks of age*

- Starting at 6 weeks, vaccinate every 3 to 4 weeks (6, 10, 14 or 8, 12, 16 weeks) up to 14 or 16 weeks; final shot should be given between 14 and 16 weeks to minimize risk of maternal antibody interference

##### *Initial vaccination in dogs > 16 weeks of age*

- One dose

##### *Revaccination*

- For puppies who received initial vaccination series by 16 weeks, a booster no later than 1 year after completion of initial series, then  $\geq 3$  years thereafter
- For dogs who received initial vaccination after 16 weeks of age, every  $\geq 3$  years thereafter

*Notes: Among healthy dogs, distemper vaccines are expected to induce immunity for at least 5 years.*

#### Canine Adenovirus (CAV-2)

##### *Initial vaccination in puppies < 16 weeks of age*

- Starting at 6 weeks, vaccinate every 3 to 4 weeks (6, 10, 14 or 8, 12, 16 weeks) up to 14 or 16 weeks; final shot should be given between 14 and 16 weeks to minimize risk of maternal antibody interference

##### *Initial vaccination in dogs > 16 weeks of age*

- One dose

##### *Revaccination*

- For puppies who received initial vaccination series by 16 weeks, a booster no later than 1 year after completion of initial series, then  $\geq 3$  years thereafter
- For dogs who received initial vaccination after 16 weeks of age, every  $\geq 3$  years thereafter

*Notes: Among healthy dogs, distemper vaccines are expected to induce immunity for at least 7 years.*

#### Rabies 1-year

##### *Initial vaccination in puppies < 16 weeks of age*

- One dose not earlier than 12 weeks or as required by law

##### *Initial vaccination in dogs > 16 weeks of age*

- One dose

##### *Revaccination*

- For all dogs: annually as required by law

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### **Rabies 3-year**

#### *Initial vaccination in puppies < 16 weeks of age*

- One dose not earlier than 12 weeks or as required by law

#### *Initial vaccination in dogs > 16 weeks of age*

- One dose

#### *Revaccination*

- For all dogs: within 1 year of initial dose regardless of age at time of initial dose, then every 3 years thereafter as required by law

## **NON-CORE VACCINES**

### **Measles Vaccine (MV)**

This vaccine is supposed to provide temporary immunization of young puppies against distemper by 'cross-protecting' them against the disease in the event there are still maternally derived antibodies present. It is always given in combination with other vaccines – distemper plus measles, or a 4-way combination of distemper plus measles plus adenovirus plus parainfluenza.

It is only recommended for healthy dogs between 6 and 12 weeks of age.

### **Canine Parainfluenza (CPIV)**

There are two delivery systems for this vaccine – intranasal and parenteral (injected).

This is a flu vaccine. The intranasal form prevents clinical signs of illness, infection and shedding. The injected form prevents clinical illness, but not infection or shedding. It is used for dogs that aggressively resist intranasal delivery.

The parenteral vaccine is always given in combination with certain core vaccines; the intranasal form is always given in combination with the bordetella vaccine alone, or with bordetella plus adenovirus.

It is always given in a single dose. Revaccination recommendations, depending on the form of the vaccine (intranasal or parenteral), are per the combined core vaccine schedule, annually, or more frequently for 'high risk' animals.

### **Bordetella (Bb) Vaccine**

The bordetella vaccine can also be delivered intranasally or by injection.

Parenteral administration requires two doses, 2 to 4 weeks apart. For the initial vaccination, it is recommended the second dose be given at least a week

before the dog is boarded, attends a dog show, etc. Revaccination is recommended annually

The intranasal vaccine is single dose, with revaccination recommended annually or more often for 'high risk' dogs. Some dogs experience side effects for 3 to 10 days after vaccination, including coughing, sneezing and nasal discharge.

### **Canine Adenovirus (CAV-2) – Intranasal**

The intranasal form of the adenovirus vaccine is a non-core vaccine.

It's recommended for dogs at risk for respiratory infection caused by the adenovirus, and it may not provide immunity against canine hepatitis. It should not be considered a replacement for the injectable form of the vaccine.

This vaccine is available only in combination with the intranasal bordetella and parainfluenza vaccines.

### **Canine Influenza**

Vaccine is given in two doses, 2 to 4 weeks apart, in dogs older than 6 weeks. Annual revaccination is recommended.

### **Borrelia burgdorferi (Lyme disease)**

Vaccine is given in two doses, 2 to 4 weeks apart, in dogs older than 12 weeks of age. Revaccination is recommended annually and/or at the beginning of tick season as determined regionally.

*Notes: Recommended only for use in dogs with known risk of exposure, living in or visiting regions where exposure risk is high or where Lyme disease is endemic. Tick control products are required in addition to the vaccine.*

### **Leptospira interrogans**

This refers to the 4-way killed whole cell or subunit bacterin. The 2-way killed bacterin form of this vaccine is not recommended.

Vaccine is given in two doses, 2 to 4 weeks apart, in dogs older than 12 weeks of age. Revaccination is recommended annually, but only for dogs with reasonable risk of exposure.

*Notes: Vaccination should be based on known geographic occurrence/prevalence and exposure risk of the individual dog.*

### **Canine Oral Melanoma**

This vaccine is only available for treatment of dogs with malignant melanoma. It is not intended for the prevention of oral melanoma.

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### **Crotalus atrox (Western Diamondback rattlesnake vaccine) (toxoid)**

Field efficacy and experimental challenge data in dogs are not available at this time. (Vaccine efficacy and dose recommendations are based on toxin neutralization studies conducted in mice.)

### **Canine Coronavirus (CCov)**

This vaccine is not recommended. Neither the modified live nor the killed CCov vaccine has proved effective against combination coronavirus/parvo disease. Only the parvo vaccine is protective against dual viruses.

## **Thundershirt - Is it Just for Storms?**

By now, many of you have probably seen the ads on TV for the Thundershirt. If you have a dog with Thunderstorm issues, you might wonder if it really works or if it's just another gimmick. From personal experience—I can tell you it really works!

A couple of years ago, a friend bought the shirt for her Whippet—he had issues with Thunderstorms—and it seemed to help. After that, another friend bought it for her dogs. And the stories kept coming in—in each case, the dog was getting relief from the shirt.

Would it work for McGuire? He's not afraid of storms, but he is anxious in the car. After a chat one day, his vet suggested he might be getting car sick—it made sense. He does great on straight roads, but if there are curves—he begins to whine and pant.

I dreaded our annual trek to Sevierville, TN for our family reunion. I see my family and former SKCCF members Donna and Rick Kinder. McGuire meets up with his sister Diamond.

Over the years, I've tried many solutions:

- ◆ Crating McGuire when he travels
- ◆ Ginger Snaps
- ◆ Withholding food before trips
- ◆ Using Homeopet's Travel Anxiety

These solutions provided some relief, but he would still whine and cry. I felt for him, but nothing gave him complete relief.

This year, after consulting with his vet, I came up with the following regimen:

- ◆ One Ginger capsule with small amounts of food at least 30 minutes before leaving. Repeat 6-8 hours into the trip. The Ginger helps with the nausea.
- ◆ Thundershirt
- ◆ Rescue Remedy

It WORKED! The only time McGuire cried or whined was when he had to potty!

A story in the Houston Chronicle <http://www.click2houston.com/news/29576233/detail.html> discusses how the Thundershirt has been used by several dog trainers to help dogs with anxiety issues.

Why does it work? Probably because it “swaddles” the dog. Temple Grandin, author of the book *“Animals in Translation: Using the Mysteries of Autism to Decode Animal Behavior”*, has autism. She found a cattle press allowed her to address the feelings of anxiety that came from over stimulation. She found the uniform pressure helped alleviate the anxiety she felt. Perhaps this is what happens when a dog wears a Thundershirt.

Does the Thundershirt “cure” the dog? No, but it does provide relief. For dogs with storm issues, I recommend using a three pronged approach:

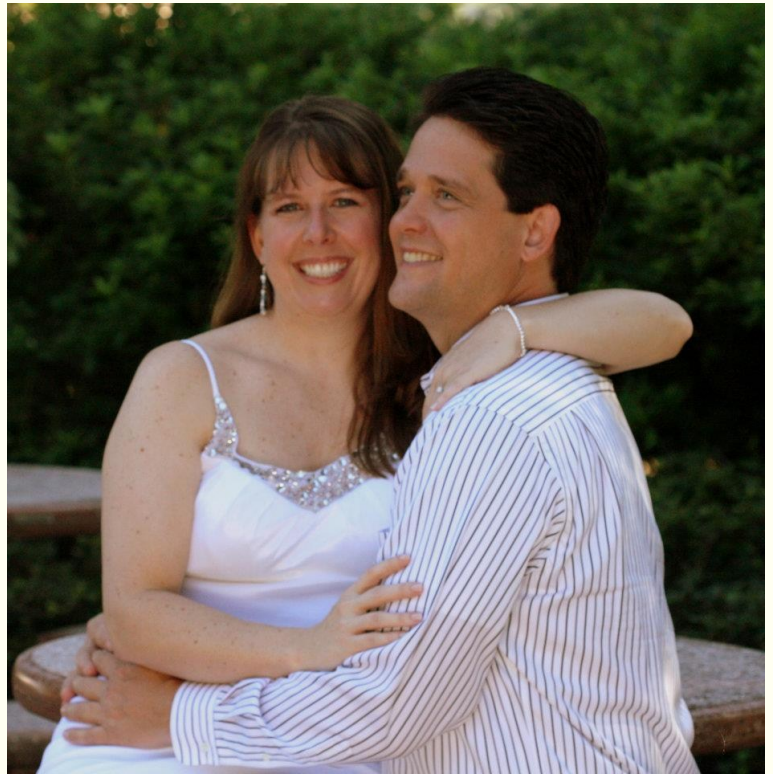
- ◆ Thundershirt
- ◆ Rescue Remedy—can be placed on the dog's ear, feet, or in their water. Some folks add it to their dog's water daily, because it can't hurt them.
- ◆ DAP collar or diffuser. DAP stands for Dog Appeasing Pheromone. It mimics the pheromone that the mother dog produces to calm and reassure her puppies. Dogs recognize these pheromones throughout life. It is an effective natural way to help dogs cope with new and fearful situations. Note: DAP collars are also great for dogs that have general anxiety disorders.

## Why Are Dancer, Sierra, and Sebastian Celebrating?



Because their Mom is so happy! Their mom, Karen, married Daniel Roberts on October 2, 2011.

The smile on her face says it all!



# Congratulations Karen & Daniel!