

The OnonDogger

*Official Newsletter of the
Onondaga Kennel Association
January 2024*



**Next General Meeting
January 10, 2024
7:00pm**

**Masonic Center
648 Centerville Pl.,
North Syracuse, NY 13212**

**General Meeting Dates for
First Quarter
January 10th * February 14th * March 13th**

**Next Board Meeting
January 2, 2024
6:00pm**

**Board Meeting Dates for
First Quarter
January 2nd * February 6th * March 5th**

**OKA's Official Website is
<http://www.onondagakennel.com>**

Please send all submission material to the Editor, Jennifer LaMere: atjenlamere103@gmail.com.

Happy New Year 2024

Kudos to Debi Carentz, Pam Fennessey, and Deidre Brennan for throwing a Christmas bash that was the talk of the club! The decorations were so cute and festive, and the food from Wrap It Up was delicious. We had a packed house with over 40 merry-makers! Sadly, our photographer took the night off, but some club members posted a few photos on Facebook.

I got bombarded with phone calls and compliments from members gushing about how much they enjoyed the party. Debi, Pam, and Deidre, you three are rockstars! Thanks for your hard work and brainpower in making this Christmas Party a wild success.

Upcoming OKA Events

Spring Match, March 17th, 2024, Bring your Irish Spirit with you, there are prizes again this year. Jamie Goodrich will be collecting raffle baskets. Flyer coming soon.

Salt City Cluster, March 28th through March 31st, 2024. Tapping day will be on Tuesday, March 26th. OKA's day is Thursday. Jamie Goodrich will be collecting baskets for the raffle again this year. Flyer will be coming soon. Once again OKA will be holding Meet the Breeds, Linda Walawander is leading the charge again this year!

Scent Work Trial, May 11th & 12th. Details will be coming in soon.

FastCAT, October 5th & 6th, pending - updates will be announced as they come in.



Onondaga Kennel Association

Handling CLASSES



Place: Cicero Animal Clinic
8803 NYS Route 11
Brewerton, NY 13029
When: Mondays 6-7pm
OKA Member Free
Non-Member \$10.00

You can find our Winter Handling Class schedule on the OKA Website Calendar.



Upcoming Rabies Clinics

Onondaga County:
Done for the season

Oswego County:
Done for the season

October General Meeting Minutes

OKA General Meeting
Wednesday, October 11th, 2023
Masonic Center, North Syracuse, NY.

The meeting was called to order by President Jen LaMere at 7:10pm.

Glenn Glass read the minutes from the September 13th - 2023 General Meeting.

Barb Drake moved to accept the minutes as written. Jamie Goodrich 2nd the motion. Vote taken. Motion carried.

Treasurer Suzanne Hamilton was not present. No report provided.

Checking account Balance: \$n/a
Investment Fund Balance \$n/a

Becky Tehon stated ADCNY is very quiet right now. Debarking is still legal in NYS.

Becky Tehon stated the awards forms will be published on the web site.

Voted on prospective member Lynn Coates. Lynn Coates was voted into membership.

The annual Christmas party will be held at the Masonic Temple, the same building as where our General Membership meetings are held.

Jamie Goodrich provided the list of Fire Companies she gave animal resuscitation masks too.

Barb Drake stated handling classes have started and going well. The new dates will be in the newsletter and on our website. The classes are still being held at the Cicero Animal Clinic.

Committee Reports



AKC Delegate:

Glenn Glass

Click the link on page 6 to jump to Glenn's AKC Delegate's Corner.

Judges Selection Input:

Suzanne DelPriore & Dave Kittredge

Anyone wanting to suggest we try to get a particular judge please email it to Suzanne at smgd49@gmail.com or call 315-430-5228.

Ethics:

Jamie Goodrich

Any property inspections, please report when needed. If there are any prospective members who have not had their property (kennels) checked yet, please let Jamie know. Also, If anyone is interested in joining Jamie on the ethics committee, please contact her at prospectridge.kennel@yahoo.com or call 315-560-6309.

The Spring Match will be held on March 17th, St. Patrick's Day. Watch your newsletter for additional information.

Brenda Rath requested the board discuss giving Clear Path a donation, and bring it back to the membership for a vote.

The Jones Road Agility Trial went very well. We could have used additional volunteers.

David Owen's-Williams is working on judges for our Spring Show. A few judges had conflicts in their assignments.

OLD BUSINESS

The Board rescinded the membership fee increase from \$20 to \$40. The new membership fee will be \$25.00 per person, \$35.00 for a family of two. This increase will take effect in 2024.

NEW BUSINESS

Members presented brags.

Barbara Drake moved to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm

Respectfully submitted

Glenn Glass

OKA Recording Secretary



November General Meeting Minutes

Onondaga Kennel Association November 8, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Jen LaMere at 715

There is no reading of the minutes, due to Glenn's absence.

There is no treasurer's report due to Sue's absence.

Announcements are

Next newsletter will have advertisement available that is in the catalog. We have time for ads until February 14th.

Discussed Christmas party.

Jen LaMere said Masonic Temple letter to club. They've purchased an AED device. Also they are having training for CPR and use of the device on December 16th at 10am. Let them know prior Dec 12th.

Christmas Party: David states Building opens at 9am. Alcohol is allowed, bring your own. Dress up for the party. Jen LaMere is bringing music on her Bose system.

Committee Reports:

ADCNY -none

Handling- Barb would like to see more members attending. We are using mirrors in class, for exhibitors to see themselves. Working on audio show sounds, and other things you find at a show. Spring Match- Barb states we need rally judge. Contacted SOTC, but haven't heard anything back.. Match is March 17th. Really need to order rosettes. Bring raffle baskets.

Newsletter- none

SCC- judging panels are done. Using Fair Market Deli for food. There is still no open bathrooms/water in obedience building. Center of Progress building would be cheaper instead of the 2 buildings we have now. The percentage of the food trucks have to give is 12%. Clinics are Sat/Sun.

Sunshine- Sent card to Gayle Jones. Also sent flowers/card to Glenn.

Old business- We finally got our 100 year banner!!! Per Sylvia.

New business- thinking about charging for preferred grooming space for SCC.

Special Program- Beth Greenfield is presenting a stewarding program. Stewards keep track of whatever the judges mark in their books. Stewarding certification is free. Stewards need to pay attention to inside and outside rings. Judges can never see the catalog before or during judging. Stewards bag includes atleast a catalog, stewards book, ribbons, arm bands, available trophy slips. When looking at a breed, stewards need to take attendance of the dogs who are there and not there. Stewards have to match what dog is put at what placement. Judge is in charge of the ring. Steward is in charge of the gate. At end of the day, stewards need to pick up all the items from that ring. Judges book is only to be touched by the judge. As well as the stewards book is only for stewards. Stewards have to keep their books for 6 months. NOHS has it's own rules, as how the OHBOB is rewarded. Watch your senior judges for competency.

Barb Drakes moves to adjourn, Suzie Beyer 2nds.

Submitted by Jamie Goodrich

Legislation Updates

The quarterly meeting was Associated Dog Clubs of New York State was held, with our lobbyist giving a brief summary of 2023 and outlook for 2024.

2024 is the 2nd year of a 2 year cycle for the Legislature, so any bills submitted in 2023 that were not acted upon are still there. Legislators can also submit new ones. He will give us a list in January, which I will pass on. They will continue to meet with the committees, especially the Agriculture Committees, to be sure they are aware of our concerns.

Three bills were passed in 2023, to go to the governor for signature. The first would require that veterinarians provide their clients with information on any drugs administered to their pets. She signed this one. The second dealt with standards for dog food companies to use the term "Human Food Grade" on their labels. The governor vetoed this one, because it gave the responsibility for coming up with these standards to the Legislature's Agricultural Committee. She doesn't feel this should be their job. The third is the one outlawing contests using wild life, which had the exemption for field trials. This has not yet been sent to her.

The Pet Shop law outlawing sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet shops that was passed last year is due to go into effect December 2024. There had been some talk that small pet shops, which felt this would drive them out of business, were going to file suit against this. Now the feeling is that they will not, and will just quietly close out. It should not have much, if any, effect on the larger chain stores, such as Pet Smart.

One left over to watch is the Tethering Bill, which would ban tethering dogs outside. The sponsor has been working on changing the language to make it more reasonable. Another deals with licensing pet grooming facilities. This one will not go through the Ag Committee, but instead a Licensing committee, so they may not be as aware of our concerns.

Thanks,
Becky



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AKC December 2023 Update to Clubs

Opportunities for Majors at Specialties (Starting July 3, 2024)

A modification to Chapter 16, Section 1 of the AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows was approved by the Delegate body at their December meeting. The modification provides all specialty clubs the option for the Reserve Winners Dog and Reserve Winners Bitch to earn a three-point major provided that the number of dogs competing in the regular classes of the Reserve Winner's sex totals at least twice the number required for a five-point major, in the region in which the event is held. Previously this option was only available at a breed's National Specialty. Clubs must opt-out on their event application if they do not want this option available at their specialty show. This option is available for events held on or after July 3, 2024.

Judging Sweepstakes, Futurities, and Special Attractions and Exhibiting

A clarification has been added to Chapter 11, Section 13 of the AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows. The clarification is: "Judges of sweepstakes and futurities, and all other special attractions held with a conformation show should refer to the Rules, Policies and Guidelines for Conformation Dog Show Judges for any applicable exhibiting restrictions as they are defined by Board policy."

Conformation Applications and Panels Due At Least 18 Weeks Prior to Closing

As a reminder, event applications and judges panels for Conformation shows must be submitted at least eighteen (18) weeks prior to the closing of entries. So that they comply with the rules, we recommend that clubs set a goal to submit their applications and panels six months prior to the date of their event. This will provide ample time for the processing of the applications and panels and the resolution of anything needed for approval.

AKC Event Operations Blog

The AKC Event Operations team maintains a blog that contains these, as well as other, updates to clubs. The blog is a useful resource of information and can be found at <https://akceventoperations.wordpress.com/>.

Please contact the Event Operations department at eventnews@akc.org with any questions.



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AKC BREEDER WEBINARS HEADED TO A SCREEN NEAR YOU

New York, NY- The American Kennel Club (AKC®), a not-for-profit organization, the world's largest purebred dog registry and leading advocate for dogs, is pleased to present the AKC Educated Breeder Webinar Series.

Each webinar will focus on topics that provide educational enrichment for all breeders.

The first in the series is called Pyo: The fear inducing three letter word and will take place on January 9th, 2024 at 7pm ET. It will feature guest speaker Dr. Marty Greer and will teach how to manage pyometra surgically and medically, as well as help further understanding of this serious infection of the uterus that strikes fear into the heart of every knowledgeable breeder and is often undetected. Breeders will also learn how to better equip themselves for managing pyometra.

The next webinar will be Crash Course in Canine Eye Testing on February 13th, 2024 with Dr. Adam King, board certified veterinary ophthalmologist, and will explain the ins and outs of eye testing in breeding programs.

Lastly, there will be Breeder Spotlight on March 12th with Doug Johnson of Clussexx Kennel. He will discuss the establishment of his renowned breeding program and share insights into uniting the world of rare breeds with excellence.

In addition, AKC offers 13 breeder courses educating fanciers and the public which range from free up to \$50.00.

To learn more and sign up, visit <https://www.akc.org/2024-akc-educated-breeder-webinar-/>.



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2024 OKA Meeting Schedule

General Meetings

January 10
February 14
March 13
April 10
May 8
June 12
July 10
August - No Meeting
September 11
October 9
November 13
December 11

Location:
Masonic Center
648 Centerville Place
North Syracuse, NY 13212

Board Meetings

January 2
February 6
March 5
April 2
May 7
June 4
July - No Meeting
August - No Meeting
September 3
October 1
November 5
December 3



Announcements!

Mark your calendars for our January General Meeting, where we'll have the fabulous Candy Ardizzone sharing insider tips on how to become an AKC judge. You won't want to miss it! ★

Plus, we're already gearing up for the 2024 Board nominations, and our superstar Terry Lindsey will be leading the charge. If you're interested in running for one of the three open positions, be sure to chat with Terry to nominate yourself.

Big shoutout to Jamie Goodrich and Jennifer LaMere for dedicating their Saturday to CPR Training at the Masonic Center. Not only did they get certified in CPR until December 2025, but they also learned how to use the AED device, which was recently purchased by the Center. Let's show them some love for their hard work and commitment!

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AWARD APPLICATION FORM

Please read carefully and complete the following information and return this form to : Becky Tehon
4651 Becker Rd. OR E-mail at btehon@twcny.rr.com Brewerton, New York 13029

The deadline for submission is **JANUARY 31, 2024**

Please TYPE or PRINT CLEARLY all information AND CHECK YOUR SPELLING

I AM NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR ERRORS or OMISSIONS

Your Name _____

Kennel Name _____

Dog's Name _____

Breed _____

Is this the dog's first OKA Achievement Award _____

Achievement Award _____

State Title Earned

Year award earned

Certificate of Merit _____

Certificate of Recognition _____

Please remember to list any needed dates, names, etc., as indicated in the criteria For Certificates of Merit and Recognition.

EVENTS WORKED IN 2023 _____

IN WHAT AREA (Catalog, grounds, hospitality, stewarding, etc.) _____

Feel free to photocopy this form and use extra paper if needed in listing any information I may need.

Onondaga Kennel Association – 622, Inc.

Official Dues Notice - 2024
& Membership General Information

O.K.A. dues are due and payable by January 31, 2024

Please fill out the statement of dues and return to Glenn Glass

PLEASE NOTE: If you're a Lifetime member, please send form with updated info.
This form must be completed and returned with your due's payment. Dues will not be
accepted without this form. DO NOT CUT FORM ON DOTTED LINE

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Statement of Dues

Please print

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ E-mail _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ (\$25-Single, \$35-Two family members)

Breeds _____

Kennel Name _____

Checks should be made out to O.K. A., and received by January 31, 2024 send to :

Glenn Glass
O.K.A. Recording Secretary
6143 Diffin Road
Cicero, NY. 13039

Services Offered (check appropriate items)

____ Puppies for sale

____ Grooming

____ Stud Service

____ Dog Food
Brands _____

____ Boarding

____ Dog Supplies

____ Other _____

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