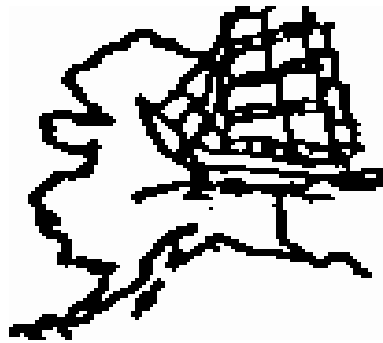


# The Cook Inlet Kennel Club GAZETTE



## AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB INTRODUCES PREFERRED AGILITY CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE

New Title to Take Effect July 1, 2011 --

New York, NY - The American Kennel Club® (AKC®) is pleased to introduce the new Preferred Agility Champion title (PACH). Created as a way to recognize the superior performance, speed and consistency of AKC's preferred agility competitors, dogs must achieve a minimum of 750 championship points and 20 double qualifying scores from the Excellent B Preferred Standard class and the Excellent B Preferred Jumpers with Weaves class to obtain this prestigious championship.

"The Agility department is thrilled to be able to implement the Preferred Agility Champion title almost two years ahead of the original scheduled start date," said AKC Director of Agility Carrie DeYoung. "The Preferred Championship is designed to recognize the excellent quality of dogs and handlers that are exhibiting in our Preferred Agility program at the top level."

The PACH title is a prefix title and is retroactive, so any dogs that earned the title prior to July 1st, 2011 will be "grandfathered" in and will automatically have PACH added to their AKC name in the

AKC computer system. Exhibitors will not need to request this to happen. Owners who wish to obtain a title certificate for dogs that earned the title prior to July 1st will need to order one by calling Customer Service at (919) 233-9767.

The dogs that earn the title from July 1st onward will automatically be mailed a certificate.

The retroactive points will be based on the new point schedule as of July 1st, 2011 that will earn all dogs 1 point per second under the Standard Course Time. There will not be any point multipliers applied at any time for the points earned toward the PACH title.

More about the PACH:

\* There are no changes to the PAX title and both the PAX and the PACH will exist. PAX and PACH titles may be earned from the same set of double qualifying scores (although they may not be achieved on the same dates, depending on when the 750 points for the PACH are earned).

\* One point is awarded for each full second under the Standard Course Time. (No partial points are awarded.)

\* Dogs earn points from the Ex B Preferred Agility Class and/or the Ex B Preferred Jumpers With Weaves

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### 2011 Board Members

President— Carolyn Tolson  
(745-2322)

V-President—Cheri Hagen

Treasurer—Kristine Asay

Corresponding Secretary—

Linda Cunningham

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Gretchen Keim

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Mike Chester

Rene'e Clayton

Judi Rideout

Jon Zylstra

### 2010 Committee Chairs

Judges Committee -

Training Committee—Gretchen Keim

Show Committee—

Carolyn Tolson

Hospitality Committee -

Earthdog Committee -

Carolyn Tolson

## COME JOIN US AT OUR NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING!

APRIL 5th AT 7:00 P.M.

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General Membership Meeting  
March 1, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm.

**Minutes:** Judi Rideout made a motion to accept the minutes as published, Holly Lewis seconded. Motion passed.

**President's Report-**Agility Trial A match has been approved. Alaska Herding Group Club sent a letter asking for approval of holding a Group show in November on Saturday.

**Corresponding Secretary:**

- Response from Theresa Temple for judging 07/11
- Response from J.H. Ireland for judging 07/11
- Response from Marsha Dandridge for judging 7/11

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Committee Reports**

**Show Committee:** Next meeting 4/5/11 @ 6:30; signup sheet for show positions was sent around.

**Training Committee:** Next meeting is 3/1/11 after the General Membership Meeting

**Legislative Committee:** No report.

Check [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org) for legislative updates around the country.

**Judges Committee:** Next meeting is 3/13/11 @ 2:00. July shows are set, November slate is almost complete.

**Agility:** A match is approved and will be held 4/23/11 at Sirius Ranch

**Earth Dog:** Carolyn Tolson reported that she went to a real earth dog trial while on vacation and thinks that setting up a tunnel course for practice would be a good place to start

**New Members**

No First Readings

**Second Readings**

-Evan and Diana Wimm  
Welcome new members!

**Old Business**

Optigen Clinic-Marcia Fisher will resend Optigen letter to Linda Cunningham to be mailed off. Zoe Vey said she would be willing to assist with the clinic.

**New Business**

Alaska Herding Group-Judi Rideout made a motion to write a letter of support for the group show on 11/5/11, Zoe Vey seconded. Motion passed.

Swap Meet-Annette Hagen brought up the idea of doing a swap meet focusing

on dog items, but other items could be sold as well. Half of the proceeds would go to CIKC trophy fund. Annette made a motion to hold the swap meet on 5/7/11. Holly Lewis seconded. Zoe Vey asked to amend the motion to have it end at 3:30 so it wouldn't interfere with Renee Clayton's classes. If Renee doesn't have a class, it could go longer. Motion passed.

Holly Lewis brought in information regarding the Coursing Ability Title (CAT), a lure coursing title that is open to all breeds and mixed breeds. Could bring in a good sum of money.

Mats-Carolyn Tolson still has to order the new mats. Will charge \$10/mat for the old ones.

Mike Chester made a motion to adjourn, Holly Lewis seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Keim

Board Meeting  
March 15, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

**Minutes:** Christine Asay made a motion to accept the minutes as published, Jon Zylstra seconded. Motion passed.

**President's Report:** No report

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:**

- MTA Bill
- MEA Bill
- Wells Fargo Money Market Statement
- Wells Fargo Checking Account Statement
- AKKC Newsletter
- Valerie Rappleyear membership dues
- Seven event numbers for July shows

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Committee Reports**

**Show:** Next meeting 4/5/11 @ 6:30, trophy donation form on website

**Training:** Holly Lewis is looking into a children's dog training class; Susan K. is looking into a CGC; Gretchen Keim is looking into a fall 2011 schedule

**Earth Dog:** No report

**Agility:** A Match sign up form is on the website.

**Old Business**

Mats-Carolyn Tolson is still working on mats.  
CAT-Holly Lewis reported we can't hold the CAT since CIKC is not a lure coursing club.

**New Business**

Judi Rideout made a motion that CIKC allow advertising on the website, all proposed ads would have to be approved by the Board. Linda

Cunningham seconded. Motion passed.

Gretchen Keim made a motion to adjourn. Judi Rideout seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Keim



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**Class.**

\* Qualifying with scores of 100 in both the Ex B Preferred Agility Class and the Ex B Preferred Jumpers With Weaves Class on the same day equals one double qualifying score (2Q).

\* The PACH title points and 2Q's progression will be able to be viewed in the AKC online store reports after the title's implementation.

Requirements General Scoring: A dog does not have to obtain the Master Excellent Preferred title (MXP) or the Master Excellent Jumpers With Weaves Preferred title (MJP) prior to achieving scores that will count toward their Preferred Agility Championship title (PACH). A dog need not be in both "B" classes in order to start accruing PACH points. Any score of 100 (clear round) obtained in the Excellent B Preferred classes will count towards both the dog's Preferred Championship requirements, and the dog's MXP/MJP titling requirements.

Titles: The PACH title initials will be followed by a numeric designation indicating the quantity of times the dog has met the requirements of the PACH title as defined above, e.g., 1500 PACH points and 40 2Q's =PACH2.

For more information, visit [www.akc.org/events/agility](http://www.akc.org/events/agility) or download a copy of the Regulations



**Upcoming Events**

TVKC Agility, April 8, 9, 10—Fairbanks

RCA Obed/Rally Trial/TDI & CGC Testing —April 16 & 17—Valley Canine Training Center, Wasilla

MACH Agility Trials—April 30 & May 1, Sirius Ranch, Wasilla

OTCC Obedience & Rally Trials—May 14 & 15 CBA Ballfields—Chugiak

TVKC Conformation/Obedience & Rally—May 28, 29 & 30—Tanana Valley Fairgrounds—Fairbanks

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# Monthly Schedule

# April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 April Fool's Day Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	2 Rene'e Clayton Private Classes 4:00—6:00 p.m.
3	4	5 General Meeting 7:00 p.m.	6	7 Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	8 TVKC Agility Fairbanks Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	9 TVKC Agility Fairbanks Rene'e Clayton Private Classes 4:00—6:00 p.m.
10 TVKC Agility Fairbanks	11	12	13	14 Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	15 Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	16 RCA Obed/Rally Trials Wasilla Rene'e Clayton Private Classes 4:00—6:00 p.m.
17 RCA Obed/Rally Trials Wasilla	18	19 Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	20	21 Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	22 Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	23 Rene'e Clayton Private Classes 4:00—6:00 p.m.
24	25	26	27	28 Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	29 Show n Go 7:00 p.m.	30 MACH Agility Trial—Sirius Ranch Rene'e Clayton Private Classes 4:00—6:00 p.m.

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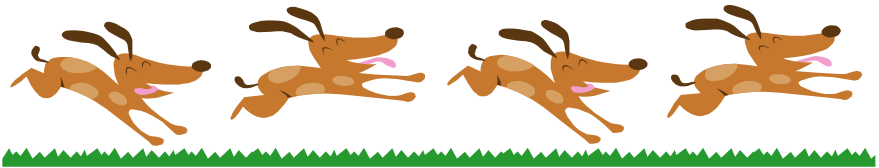
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## AKC HUMANE FUND SEEKS CANINE HEROES FOR 12TH ANNUAL AWARDS FOR CANINE EXCELLENCE

### Development of a canine stifle computer model for evaluation of cranial cruciate ligament deficiency

Dr. Gina Bertocci, PhD,  
University of Louisville

Cranial cruciate ligament (CrCL) deficiency is one of the most common orthopedic problems in dogs, having an economic impact of more than \$1 billion in the United States in 2003. In a recent study, 31,698 of 1,243,681 dogs examined by veterinarians between 1964 and 2003 were diagnosed with CrCL deficiency; a prevalence of 2.55% across all breeds. CrCL rupture is common in some breeds while unlikely in others; Newfoundlands (8.9%), Rottweilers (8.3%), and Labrador Retrievers (5.8%) have the greatest prevalence of CrCL rupture. Despite such high prevalence, CrCL deficiency is still poorly understood and is thought to be due to a degradation process and not the sole result of trauma. We propose to develop a canine pelvic limb 3D computer simulation model of canine walking to gain an improved understanding of stifle (knee) biomechanics and factors that may predispose dogs to CrCL rupture. Such a model will allow for noninvasive visualization and analysis of stifle biomechanics. We will utilize our computer model to investigate anatomical characteristics and biomechanical parameters such as ligament stiffness, joint laxity, etc. to gain an understanding of their role in producing conditions that may predispose dogs to CrCL deficiency. The 3D stifle computer model will be used to evaluate increased stresses placed on remaining ligaments and stifle structures following CrCL rupture. Although beyond the scope of this study, our long-term research goal is to apply the findings of our biomechanical analysis towards an evidence-based assessment of currently used CrCL surgical procedures.

To Donate to this fund go to: <http://www.akcchf.org/research/funded-research/1533.html>



New York, NY - Heroes, like dogs, come in all shapes and sizes.

Since 2000, thousands of dog lovers have nominated special canines for the AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence (ACE). ACE nominees range from skilled assistance dogs and law enforcement K-9s that keep U.S. citizens safe to Search & Rescue dogs who have aided in recovery missions.

Equally important are the Therapy dogs who provided much needed comfort in the wake of tragic national events such as the attacks on 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina as well as the companions who aspire to be champion leg warmers at the foot of their owner's bed at night.

"Over the past eleven years, the AKC has had the honor of recognizing some truly outstanding dogs through ACE," said Ronald Rella, Director of Project Administration. "We encourage anyone that owns or knows of a heroic dog to submit a nomination as a way to pay tribute to the canines that devote their lives to making ours better."

Each year, five dogs that have performed an exemplary act or series of acts that have significantly benefited a community or individual, whether large or seemingly small, are selected for an ACE. One award is given in the following five categories: Companion, Law Enforcement, Search and Rescue, Therapy, and Service. Honorable Mentions are awarded to outstanding entries in each category.

In addition to the prestige of being chosen from hundreds of entries, each of the five honorees receives a cash award of \$1,000, an engraved sterling silver medallion and an all-expenses-paid trip for dog and owner to Orlando, Fla., to be honored at the eleventh annual AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in December 2011. The engraved names of the five recipients will also be added to the ACE plaque that is on permanent display in the AKC's Library in New York City. Dogs receiving honorable mention will be awarded an engraved bronze medallion. All entrants will receive an ACE Certificate of Recognition in acknowledgement of their nomination.

Anyone, including the dog's owner or handler, may submit a nomination. Submissions for the AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence for 2011 must include:

\* A non-returnable, original photograph of the dog. Hi-resolution electronic photos provided on a disc are permissible, but not scans. (electronic requirements: 300dpi and at least 5x7 inches or, 72dpi at least 20x30 inches) \* A 500-word-or-less description of how the dog has demonstrated excellence.

\* Dog's call name, registered name if applicable, breed, age and sex.

\* Owner/Nominator name(s), address, phone number. E-mail address if available.

\*Please note that to be considered, dogs are not required to be AKC registered but must be an AKC recognized breed.

Nominations will be accepted until June 1, 2011 and should be sent to:

Ronald N. Rella: ACE Awards 2011 The AKC Humane Fund  
260 Madison Avenue, 4th Floor  
New York, New York 10016

For more information about the ACE awards or to download a nomination form visit <http://www.akchumanefund.org>

The AKC Humane Funds, founded by the American Kennel Club® in 2008, was created to unite a broad spectrum of animal lovers in promoting the joy and value of responsible pet ownership through education, outreach and grant-making. Through its programs, the AKC Humane Fund's goals are to: support Parent Club Rescue activities; assist shelters for domestic abuse victims that permit pets; provide resources for responsible dog ownership education; contribute to non-profit organizations that support its mission. Contributions to the AKC Humane Fund are fully tax deductible as allowed by law under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code.

For more information, visit [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org).