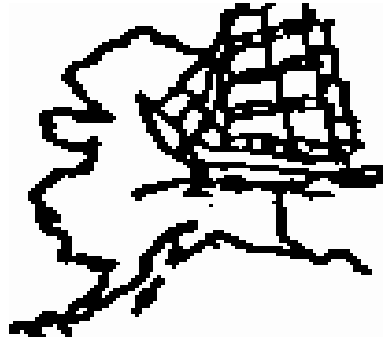


The Cook Inlet Kennel Club GAZETTE



GROUP REALIGNMENT INFORMATION

In October, 2007, the AKC Board of Directors appointed a committee to evaluate the existing alignment of breeds within the seven variety groups and determine if a different alignment would better serve the Sport.

In 2008, the committee reported its recommendations to expand the number of groups from seven to ten and to move breeds from the current groups to the new groups. The proposal was scheduled to be voted on at the March 2009 Delegate meeting.

At the March, 2009 Delegate meeting, the Committee recommended that the proposal be referred back to the BOD, as additional information had rendered a vote premature. The BOD subsequently referred the action back to a re-formed Realignment committee, which began its work in 2010.

In accomplishing its task the Realignment Committee met in person, via conference call and through email coordination. In its study, the committee considered the current groupings, the previous comments from all stakeholders, the development of AKC record keeping and event management software, the numbers of breeds in the recognition pipeline and AKC plans for streamlining the breed recognition process, and the parallel work of the AKC Judging Approval Process committee. A composite of Frequently Asked Questions (and Answers) which provide detail is included in this summary.

The committee recommends the addition of four groups to the listing currently in place (7 groups). This change which requires Delegate approval to amend Chapter 3, Sections 1, 15, 17, 18, 19 and 20, and Chapter 6, Section 3 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Concurrently, the committee notes that it may be useful to remove the reference to the number of groups from all of the above sections, except Chapter 3, Section 1.

In addition, Chapter 2 of the Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline refers to the number of groups, and would require Delegate approval to amend.

The committee, by submission of this report, requests the Board of Directors of the American Kennel Club, in accordance with Article XX of the Bylaws of the American Kennel Club, propose and submit the necessary amendments to the Delegate body, to be read at the December, 2011 meeting of the Delegate Body, published in two issues of AKC Gazette, and voted upon at the March, 2012 meeting of the Delegate Body.

Respectfully submitted,
S/ Tom Davies, Chair

REALIGNMENT FAQ

Why realign the groups?

- The proposed Group Realignment will Align breeds that are similar in conformation, structure or function
- Improve judges' education by building on similarities
- Accommodate new breeds within the groups
- Increase entries/enhance exhibitor experience by providing additional opportunities for group placement
- Improve spectator understanding of dog shows

Why now, when the proposal two years ago was set aside?

A number of factors influenced the decision to postpone the Realignment Initiative. Most of those issues are now resolved, or are on parallel timelines to implement solutions. Revision is inevitable, or the current scheme becomes unmanageable.

With entries declining, how can AKC justify enlarging the number of Groups?

AKC recently revised the process for accepting new breeds. As these breeds gain full recognition, and begin appearing in our

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2011 Board Members

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

October 4th at 7:00 P.M.

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General Membership Meeting
September 6, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Motion to approved minutes as published was made by Christine Asay, Jon Zylstra second. Motion carried.

Corresponding Secretary was absent - no report

Treasurer Report - Christine Asay gave a report on August show. Judges expenses were up. All other expenses we the same except additional person for BaRay.

Show Committee - passed around premium to proof.

Training committee - Rally Class starts Sept 25 @ 10; Puppy classes Sept 30 @ 7 - 8 pm; Beginning Agility Oct. 5 @ 6:30 at Sirius Ranch. First Sunday of the month Obedience and Rally run through for \$5 per dog.

First reading for Vicki McConnell. No second readings.

Unfinished Business - Tina Mahurin volunteered to answer the phone.

New Business - no new business.
Adjournment - @ 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Tolson



Board Meeting
September 20, 2011

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Judges Committee – No Report

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Carolyn Tolson, Cheri Hagen, Rene'e Clayton, Mike Chester, Judi Rideout, Jon Zylstra, Chris Asay, Linda Cunningham

Motion made by Chris Asay to accept minutes as published. Second by Judi Rideout, motion passed.

President Report: Carolyn stated that she made a mistake regarding the December Agility Trial. She had faxed it to AKC but didn't make sure they had received it. AKC was sent another fax and memo about the trial. There may be a possible fine from them because they didn't receive the paperwork.

The premium is out for the November Show.

Corresponding Secretary Report:

MEA Bill
MTA Bill
Notification of MTA Capital Credits of

Treasurer Report:

Committee Reports:

Show – Vendor notices have been sent out by Judi Rideout. The Great Dane club will be doing the food booth again. Judi Rideout is working on trophies. Jon Zylstra is looking for ring stewards for Rally.

Training Committee – Novice Rally class starts September 25 at 10:00, Laura Brodigan is teaching. Puppy class will start September 30 at 7:00, Carolyn Tolson and Tina Mahurin will teach. Beginning Agility will start October 5 at 7:00 at Sirius Ranch in Ring A, Mike Chester and Carolyn Tolson is teaching. Obedience and Rally Run Throughs are the first Sunday of the month. Next run through will be October 2nd starting at Noon, run throughs are conducted by Cheri Hagen. We still need someone to teach a Beginning Obedience class.

Legislative Committee – No Report

Agility – Terri Morefield is the secretary for the trial in November.

Unfinished Business:

Tina Mahurin has volunteered to take over the phones from Jon Zylstra. Thank you Jon for your many years of answering the phones.

New Business:

Contract with Sirius Ranch for the November Agility and December trials was discussed. Motion was made by Jon Zylstra to approve the contract with Sirius Ranch pending approval by Sirius Ranch of one small change made. Linda Cunningham seconded. Discussion followed. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn made by Cheri Hagen, seconded by Judi Rideout. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheri Hagen

GROUP REALIGNMENT FROM AKC
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events, the current groups will become unmanageable. Additional groups bring additional positive competitive opportunities for our exhibitors.

If we do nothing what happens to sizes of the Groups?

As of 7/1/2011	Current	2014 Projected (adding Miscellaneous)
Sporting	29	39
Hound	28	41
Working	28	42
Terrier	29	31
Toy	23	25
Non-Sporting	20	23
Herding	26	38

Can't we just divide fix the large groups and avoid moving other breeds around?

Incremental solutions only solve half of the problem, but not at half of the cost. After reviewing the comments from the previous proposal, and understanding the impact that new breeds will have, the committee felt that a comprehensive revision now would mean we should not have to revisit the groups in 3, 5 or 10 years.

What's different about this proposal?

A major concern with the 2008 proposal was that the projected size of the working group was not addressed. This proposal answers that concern.

How long will this take to implement?

Current estimate is 3 years from approval to implementation. Assuming approval would occur in March 2012, implementation would be mid-2015.

How do these groups align with other organizations?

There was no attempt to mirror any other

organization's structure. There are similarities - and differences - to FCI and others.

What input do Parent Clubs have in this process? Will they have opportunity to determine what which group their breed is assigned?

The committee took into consideration the previous comments of all stakeholders. Cogent, well-supported Parent Club inputs will be given due weight. In the long term, however, the groups will be based on an overall plan to enhance the Sport.

Eleven groups?

- Group 1: Sporting - Pointer & Setter
- Group 2: Sporting - Retriever & Spaniel
- Group 3: Scent Hounds
- Group 4: Sight Hounds
- Group 5: Working - Utility
- Group 6: Working - Molosser
- Group 7: Working - Spitz
- Group 8: Terriers
- Group 9: Toy
- Group 10: Non-Sporting
- Group 11: Herding

Sporting group: Divided into Pointer/ Setter and Retriever/Spaniel breeds by considering both physical form and function

Hound group: Divided into Sight and Scent by function and the physical characteristics related to each

Working group: Divided into Working-Utility (multi-purpose breeds which vary in ancestry and function) , Working-Molosser (generally dogs of the Mastiff type) and Working-Spitz (breeds which common physical characteristics and ancestry.)

Terrier Group: Unchanged

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Upcoming Events

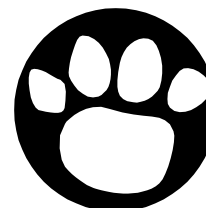
DOTCA Obedience/Rally—
October 22 & 23, Anchorage

CIKC Conformation/Obedience/
Rally—November 5 & 6, Raven
Hall, Palmer

CIKC Agility— November 11, 12
& 13—Sirius Ranch, Wasilla

CIKC Agility—December 30 &
31—Sirius Ranch, Wasilla

AKKC/KKC—Conformation
January 28 & 29, 2012—Egan
Center, Anchorage



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Monthly Schedule

October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Novice Rally 10:00 a.m. Obed/Rally Run-throughs Noon	3	4 General Meeting 7:00 p.m.	5 Agility Class Sirius Ranch 7:00 p.m.	6 Show n Go's 7:00 p.m.	7 Puppy Class 7:00 p.m.	8
9 Novice Rally 10:00 a.m.	10	11	12 Agility Class Sirius Ranch 7:00 p.m.	13 Show n Go's 7:00 p.m.	14 Puppy Class 7:00 p.m.	15
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23 Novice Rally 10:00 a.m. DOTCA Obed/Rally Trials	24	25	26 Agility Class Sirius Ranch 7:00 p.m.	27 Show n Go's 7:00 p.m.	28 Puppy Class 7:00 p.m.	29
30 Novice Rally 10:00 a.m.	31 Halloween					

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MEET THE MEMBER

Editor's Note: This is a new column devoted to getting to know our members. Each month a member will be featured. Members will be chosen at random.

Name: Lynn Budzak

Breed(s) of dog currently owned: Scottish and Border Terrier

Breed(s) of dog owned in the past: Bichon Frise and Yorkshire Terrier

Kennel Name (if you have one):----

How long have you been in the sport of dogs? 1995

How long have you been a member of CIKC? 3 months

Are you a member of any other club (breed or performance)? If so, which ones?

Oshkosh KC, Scottish Terrier Club of America, Border Terrier Club of America

What accomplishments have you and your dogs done in the past?

Olivia, my Novice A obedience dog became the first Scottie to earn the Utility Dog Excellent (UDX) title. We also participated at the National Obedience Invitational. Olivia and Urban have both been High in Trial at the STCA National Obedience show. Urb is also my best earthdog running at the Master's level. Yankee is my first breed champion, owner handled.

What are your goals for the future? Currently focusing on work with Bindy the BT one title a time and will see how far she can go.

What part of the sport (conformation, obedience, rally, agility, earth dog, field trials, lure coursing etc.) do you like the best and why?

Obedience. I grew up riding horses in dressage so the formality of obedience is much the same.

What do you feel is the most important aspect of owning your breed(s)? Socialization at an early age.

What health issues are in your breed(s)?

Scotties—bladder cancer

BT—very few

What information would you want someone interested in your breed(s) know about it?

BTs require lots of exercise, not for a sedentary person.



Lynn Budzak's dog Bindy hiking



Gabi in the woods. Owned by Cheri Hagen

BOOK REVIEW

Editor's Note: This is a new addition to our newsletter. If you have read a book and would like to submit a short review on it, please send to me at stoneridgeak@gmail.com and I will include it in an upcoming newsletter.

Review written by: Cheri Hagen



The month's book is titled "The Evolution of Canine Social Behavior" by Roger Abrantes, Ph.D.

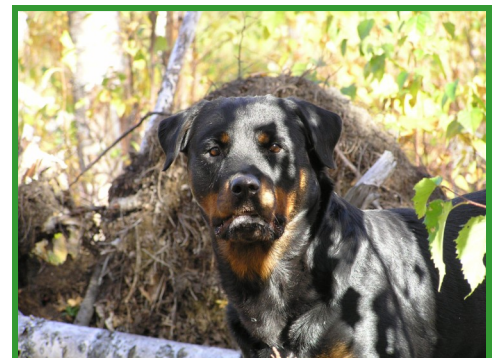
The book is fairly short, only 89 pages long but packed with some interesting scientific fact and data. The author, Dr. Abrantes, has a Ph.D. in Evolutionary Biology and Ethology, however the book is written so that anyone with an interest in Canine Social Behavior can understand it.

There are some very interesting chapters discussing aggression, aggressiveness and dominance that anyone wanting to understand canine behavior should read. They are well written with good explanations and demonstrations of the behavior.

I would recommend this book to anyone, newcomer to dogs, long time owner and definitely breeders.

Have fun reading!

This book is available from Dogwise.com and other sites.



GROUP REALIGNMENT

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Toy Group: Essentially unchanged.
Non-Sporting Group: Based on similarity of form and function, Spitz-type breeds were moved to Working-Spitz. Non-Sporting name is retained
Herding Group: Several breeds moved to other groups.
Remainder of composition unchanged

With this many groups won't shows take longer?

The administrative time to move additional groups in and out of the ring(s) should not add more than five to ten minutes. Groups can also be judged concurrently. Of course, more entries resulting from realignment could mean shows would become longer---and that would be a good thing.

How much more will this cost for AB clubs?

The club determines actual costs based on what it decides to award. Should the club opt for rosettes, estimated pricing is \$35-\$50 per each additional group. Prizes are also at the discretion of the show-giving club. Note: Rosettes and/or prizes are not required by the Rules.

How will realignment affect the approval of judges?

AKC has developed a favorable package for judging approval which relaxed some requirements and enables judges to attain approvals on a compressed time frame.

What about existing group clubs?

When realignment is implemented, Group Shows may only offer competition for breeds in the new groups. A breed or variety may only be eligible to compete in one group and that would be the new group to which it is assigned. Existing Working, Hound, Sporting and Non-Sporting clubs eligible to hold AKC events at the time of implementation, may concurrently hold shows for the two new Sporting or Hound Groups, the three new Working Groups, and the Non-Sporting Group may hold shows for the Non-Sporting and Working-Spitz groups. There may be no inter-group competition, nor Best in Show at these events. When a club offers competition within the new groupings, they would be treated as two separate, but concurrently held, Group Shows. There are currently nine approved Sporting, eighteen approved Hound, ten approved Working and seven approved Non-Sporting Group Clubs.

The Groups – projections with breeds currently in the Groups, Miscellaneous Class and **Foundation Stock Service**

(with inclusion of FSS, numbers are higher than short term projections listed page 2)

Breed listings subject to refinement.

Group 1: Sporting – Pointers & Setters (18 breeds)

Bracco Italiano
Brittany

Drentsche Patrijshond
Pointer
Pointer (German Shorthaired)
Pointer (German Wirehaired)
Portuguese Pointer
Setter (English)
Setter (Gordon)
Setter (Irish)
Setter (Irish Red & White)
Small Muenstenlander Pointer
Spinone Italiano
Stabyhoun
Vizsla
Weimaraner
Wirehaired Pointing Griffon
Wirehaired Vizsla

Group 2: Sporting - Retrievers & Spaniels (21 breeds)

Barbet
Koolkerhondje
Lagotto Romagnolo
Retriever (Chesapeake Bay)
Retriever (Curly-Coated)
Retriever (Flat-Coated)
Retriever (Golden)
Retriever (Labrador)
Retriever (Nova Scotia Duck Tolling)
Spaniel (American Water)
Spaniel (Boykin)
Spaniel (Clumber)
Spaniel (Cocker) ASCOB
Spaniel (Cocker) Black
Spaniel (Cocker) Parti-color
Spaniel (English Cocker)
Spaniel (English Springer)
Spaniel (Field)
Spaniel (Irish Water)
Spaniel (Sussex)
Spaniel (Welsh Springer)

Group 3: Scent Hounds (21 breeds/varieties)

American Foxhound
American English Coonhound
Basset Hound
Beagle 13 & 15 in
Black & Tan Coonhound
Bloodhound
Bluetick Coonhound
Dachsunds (3 varieties)
English Foxhound
Grand Basset Griffon Vendeen
Harrier
Otterhound
Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen
Plott
Portugese Podengo Pequeno
Redbone Coonhound
Treeing Tennessee Brindle
Treeing Walker Coonhound

Group 3: Scent Hounds (21 breeds/varieties)

American Foxhound

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GROUP REALIGNMENT

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 Redbone Coonhound
 Treeing Tennessee Brindle
 Treeing Walker Coonhound

**Group 5: Working-Utility
(18 breeds)**

Anatolian Shepherd
 Appenzeller Sennenhunde
 Bernese Mtn. Dog
 Black Russian Terrier
 Dalmatian
 Doberman Pinscher
 German Pinscher
 Giant Schnauzer
 Greater Swiss Mountain Dog
 Great Pyrenees
 Entlebucher Mountain Dog
 Komondor
 Kuvasz
 Newfoundland
 Portuguese Water Dog
 Saint Bernard
 Slovensky Cuvac
 Standard Schnauzer

**Group 6: Working-Molosses
(20 breeds)**

Boerboel
 Boxer
 Bullmastiff
 Cane Corso
 Caucasian Ovcharka
 Central Asian Shepherd Dog
 Chinook
 Dogo Argentino
 Dogue De Bordeaux
 Estrela Mountain Dog
 Great Dane
 Leonberger
 Mastiff
 Neapolitan Mastiff
 Perro de Presa Canario
 Rafeiro Do Alentejo
 Rottweiler
 Spanish Mastiff
 Tibetan Mastiff

**Group 7: Working-Spitz
(24 breeds)**

Akita
 Alaskan Malamute
 American Eskimo Dog
 Chinese Shar-Pei
 Chow Chow
 Eurasier
 Finnish Lapphund
 Finnish Spitz
 German Spitz
 Island Sheepdog
 Jindo
 Kai Ken
 Karelean Bear Dog
 Keeshond
 Kishu Ken
 Norrbottenspets
 Norwegian Buhund
 Norwegian Elkhound
 Norwegian Lundehund
 Samoyed
 Schipperke
 Siberian Husky
 Shiba Inu
 Swedish Vallhund

**Group 8: Terriers
(41 Breeds)**

Airedale Terrier
 American Staffordshire Terrier
 Australian Terrier
 Bedlington Terrier
 Border Terrier
 Bull Terrier (Colored)
 Bull Terrier (White)
 Cairn Terrier
 Cesky Terrier
 Dandie Dinmont Terrier
 Fox Terrier (Smooth)
 Fox Terrier (Wire)
 Glen of Imaal Terrier
 Irish Terrier
 Kerry Blue Terrier
 Lakeland Terrier
 Manchester Terrier (Standard)
 Miniature Bull Terrier
 Miniature Schnauzer
 Norfolk Terrier
 Norwich Terrier

**Group 9: Toy
(22 breeds)**

Affenpinscher
 Brussels Griffon
 Cavalier King Charles Spaniel
 Chihuahua (Long Coat)
 Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)
 Chinese Crested
 English Toy Spaniel (B & PC)
 English Toy Spaniel (KC & R)
 Havanese
 Japanese Chin
 Maltese

Manchester Terrier (Toy)
 Miniature Pinscher
 Papillon
 Pekingese
 Pomeranian
 Poodle (Toy)
 Pug
 Shih Tzu
 Silky Terrier
 Toy Fox Terrier
 Yorkshire Terrier

**Group 10: Non-Sporting
(14 breeds)**

Bichon Frise
 Boston Terrier
 Bolognese
 Bulldog
 Coton de Tulear
 French Bulldog
 Lhasa Apso
 Lowchen
 Poodle (Miniature)
 Poodle (Standard)
 Peruvian Inca Orchid
 Tibetan Spaniel
 Tibetan Terrier
 Xoloitzcuintli

**Group 11: Herding
(28 Breeds)**

Australian Cattle Dog
 Australian Shepherd
 Bearded Collie
 Beauceron
 Belgian Lakenois
 Belgian Malinois
 Belgian Sheepdog
 Belgian Tervuren
 Bergomasco
 Berger Picard
 Border Collie
 Bouvier des Flandres
 Briard
 Canaan Dog
 Cardigan Welsh Corgi
 Catahoula Leopard Dog
 Collie (Rough)
 Collie (Smooth)
 Czechoslovakian Vicak
 German Shepherd Dog
 Lancashire Heeler
 Mudi
 Old English Sheepdog
 Pembroke Welsh Corgi
 Polish Lowland Sheepdog
 Puli
 Pumi
 Pyrenean Shepherd
 Schapendoes
 Shetland Sheepdog