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President's Message ...



Dear fellow Bulldoggers and Friends,

We have had a busy year. In conjunction with the Pacific Coast Bulldog Club, we put on a cluster of Bulldog Specialty Shows that were very

successful. Thanks to Susan Rohringer, Andy Rohringer, Amber Ferreira, Janice Hochstetler, Gay Lewis, Cindy Liebeck, Laurie Nack, Rosie Verdugo, and Debra Munt for a wonderful show and for all their hard work.

On the 6th of June, we participated in the San Diego County fair and had a great time with the fair goers who always love the bullies. A Special thanks to Pattie and Anthony Camacho-Marquez, Rosie and Stewart Verdugo Tulledge, Steve and Marie Weir, Jim and Olivia Franklin, and Andy Rohringer.

The hot weather season of summer is upon us. Please

be sure to make an extra effort to keep your dogs cool, comfortable and safe.



Our next activity will be a party at the beach in August.

Derek Rasmussen

DON'T MISS OUT!

We're heading to the BEACH! Bulldog Beach Party on Saturday, August 15 at Ocean Beach Dog Beach.

Take a peak inside for details!



So, you want to be a breeder ...

Article submitted by BCGSD member Kathy Hairston

Here are 10 important lessons I've learned in 45 years as a dog breeder.

By [Kathy Lorentzen](#) | Posted: February 13, 2015 11 a.m. PST

1. Start slow. Regardless of how much you think you know, you probably don't know very much when you are a fledgling breeder. The faster you go, the more mistakes you will make and the more messes you will have to clean up. Plan your first few litters with great care and a lot of help from your mentors, and take the time to watch them grow up before you breed again. Waiting and watching those first litters will fill you with knowledge that you didn't realize you were missing.

2. Believe in survival of the fittest. This is one of the most difficult lessons a breeder must learn but also one of the most critical. Going to great lengths to save a puppy that nature says was not meant to survive brings nothing but heartache. I have yet to see a happy outcome at the end of a monumental attempt to save a dog at all costs.

3. Listen to the opinions of your peers. An opposing opinion from a successful breeder may give you something completely different to think about. Nobody says you have to do what other people tell you, but by all means be open to what they have to say.

4. Don't succumb to Frequently Used Sire syndrome. It happens all the time. Ten other people bred to a dog, so you think you should breed to him too. Stop and ask yourself why you think you should breed to that dog. Are you familiar with several generations of the dogs in his pedigree? Does he have ancestors in common with your bitch that were strong for the characteristics you are looking for from your litter? Have you had your hands on the dog and a number of his children? Does he (and do his children) have the strengths you are looking for? If he is a total outcross for you, is he even the same style as your bitch? Are you comfortable with not only his health clearances but also those of his parents, grandparents and siblings? Forcing yourself to honestly answer all of these questions may bring you to the conclusion that he is not at all the right dog for your bitch.

5. Listen to your gut, not to your heart. Difficult as it might be, do not let sentimentality enter into your breeding decisions. I don't care if your best friend has a dog that she wants you to breed to; if he isn't the right dog, say no. I don't care if you raised a singleton puppy and are incredibly attached to it; if it isn't of the quality to move you forward in your breeding program, find a pet home for it. I don't care if you have two dogs of your own that you absolutely love; if they are not the right match, then don't breed them to one another. If someone wants to buy a dog from you but your gut is telling you it's a bad idea, then I will bet you that it is a bad idea. Just say no. Learning to say no is very important. Do not get sucked into anything that your head and your gut tell you is wrong. You can be nice and say no at the same time. It is a word that will serve you well.

6. Create your own stud force. Having watched the most successful breeders in many breeds for 50 years, I firmly believe that your family of dogs will be better if you create your own stud dogs to breed to your own bitches. Make two lines of dogs that are loosely related yet far enough apart so that you can breed them back and forth to one another. Keep the characteristics that you consider critical in your breed prominent in both lines, but differ the style of the two lines somewhat. Example: You cannot keep breeding elegant to elegant to elegant without eventually losing size and



Difficult as it might be, do not let sentimentality enter into your breeding decisions.

Here are 10 important lessons I've learned in 45 years as a dog breeder ... (continued)

6. Create your own stud force. (cont'd) substance. If your breed should be strong yet elegant, you can maintain size and substance and also keep the correct amount of elegance if you breed two lines back and forth where one is more elegant and one is more compact, bigger boned and ribbed. The blending of your two lines of dogs will result in a family that has a specific look that will be recognizable as having come from your kennel. Your dogs will breed more true and consistently higher in quality than if you just keep a few brood bitches and continually breed them to the stud dogs around the country that are the flavor of the month.

7. Know how to add new blood to your program. Obviously, you will eventually have to introduce at least a partial outcross into your family of dogs. I learned long ago from a very savvy breeder that the way to do this is to buy the right bitch to bring in to breed to your own stud dogs. Choose very carefully. Buy one that is the same style as your dogs, from a pedigree that has some common ancestors with your dogs and make certain that she (hopefully) will be useful to breed to at least two of your own stud dogs. If you are looking to introduce a characteristic that you think is somewhat lacking in your breeding program, be absolutely certain that not only does the bitch have that characteristic but that she is from a pedigree filled with dogs that had it. Then when you breed her to your dogs, select those that have the characteristic and breed those back into your lines. In this manner, your dogs will not lose their "look," and you will have introduced some new blood and a new strength to your bloodlines.

8. Look back often, but never go backward. Advances in the use of semen from dogs long dead have given breeders options never before available. It's one thing to use frozen semen from a dog that was your own or a dog you knew well. It's quite another to use frozen from a piece of breed history that you never laid eyes on. Predicting the outcome of such a breeding is not possible, and it could be a giant step backward. I also have watched while some breeders have used semen from one of their own deceased dogs over and over and over, which results in a program that never moves forward. The outcome of someone using a particular dog over and over is a decrease in the general quality of their family of dogs. Breeding programs are meant to move forward with each generation, in my opinion, and while an occasional dose of a long-deceased dog might be a

wonderful thing to have, I believe that too much can lead to ruination.

9. Deal with your mistakes. Everybody makes mistakes, but it's what you do about fixing it and trying to never make that same mistake again that defines you as a dog breeder. Keep the best interest of your breed, not just your own dogs, foremost. Follow that path and you will leave your breed healthy, sound and full of quality for the next generation of breeders. Honesty is always the best policy in dog breeding. If you create a problem, own up to it and perhaps you will save someone else from the same fate.

10. Be objective about judging. The first thing I would ask you all to do is to remove the word "dumped" from your vocabulary. Just because your dog did not win does not mean that it got dumped. I have always disliked that word and never use it in reference to judging. Train yourself to understand what individual judges are looking for. Different people have different priorities, and understanding those priorities will help you decipher their judging. If you feel that you have a legitimate question about why another dog defeated yours, there is nothing wrong with approaching the judge when on break (with your dog in tow, please) and asking. Please do not open the conversation with, "What didn't you like about my dog?" Instead, ask why the other dog placed over yours. Try to make the conversation a positive learning experience. If you find that dogs from a particular family consistently defeat yours, sit down and watch those dogs, and try to understand why. If your dogs don't win, do not immediately think politics. The great majority of the time, it simply isn't. School yourself in your breed, how to condition, trim and present it to its absolute best, and take a step back and ask yourself if your dogs are truly worthy of winning in good competition. Ask seasoned, successful breeders for advice. We want you to stay in our sport, not get frustrated and leave because your dogs don't win. We want you to learn, have good dogs and develop into the next generation of knowledgeable breeders so that we can breathe easy when we hand the reins of our breed over to you.

From the February 2015 issue of Dogs in Review magazine.





2015 Upcoming Shows

UPCOMING CONFORMATION SHOWS:

- 6/12-6/14 **Bahia Sur Kennel Club of Chula Vista**
Fri-Sun Southwestern College, Chula Vista, CA
- 6/27-6/28 **Kennel Club of Beverly Hills**
Sat-Sun Queen Mary Events Park, Long Beach, CA
- 7/03 **Channel City Kennel Club**
Fri Seaside Park, Ventura, CA
- 7/04 **Santa Maria Kennel Club**
Sat Seaside Park, Ventura, CA
- 7/05 **Ventura County Dog Fanciers Assoc.**
Sun Seaside Park, Ventura, CA
- 7/11-7/12 **Cabrillo Kennel Club**
Sat-Sun Bates Nut Farm, Valley Center, CA
- 7/25-7/26 **Lompoc Valley Kennel Club**
Sat-Sun Ryon Park, Lompoc, CA
- 8/08-8/09 **South Bay Kennel Club**
Sat-Sun North High School, Torrance, CA
- 8/21 **Simi Valley Kennel Club**
Fri Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barb, CA
- 8/22-8/23 **Santa Barbara Kennel Club**
Sat-Sun Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barb, CA
- 8/24 **Los Encinos Kennel Club**
Mon Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barb, CA
- 9/12-9/13 **Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club**
Sat-Sun City of Industry, CA
- 9/19-9/20 **San Luis Obispo Kennel Club**
Sat-Sun Calif. Mid-State Fairgrnds, Paso Robles, CA

AGILITY/OBEDIENCE/RALLY CLUBS:

- Agility Club of San Diego**
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2015 AKC Conformation Points Schedule

The new schedule is effective May 13, 2015.

1 Point		2 Points		3 Points (Major)		4 Points (Major)		5 Points (Major)	
Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches	Dogs	Bitches
2	2	6	9	11	16	16	21	28	29

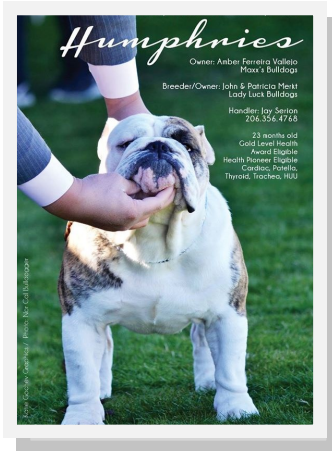
Visit www.jbradshaw.com for a complete list of upcoming shows in our area.



BRAGS-N-WAGS!

Congratulations to Amber Vallejo on finishing her dog Humphries on his Championship! Way to go!

Another New Champion on the block! Congratulations to Andrew and Susan Rohringer on the completion of Felina's Championship!



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Litter Announcements

None this month



If you would like your name listed in the Breeders Directory & Litter Announcements, please send your Kennel name (if applicable), your name, city, state and phone number, you may also send your web site, and e-mail to the Bullytin Editor at silverdollarsue@hotmail.com.

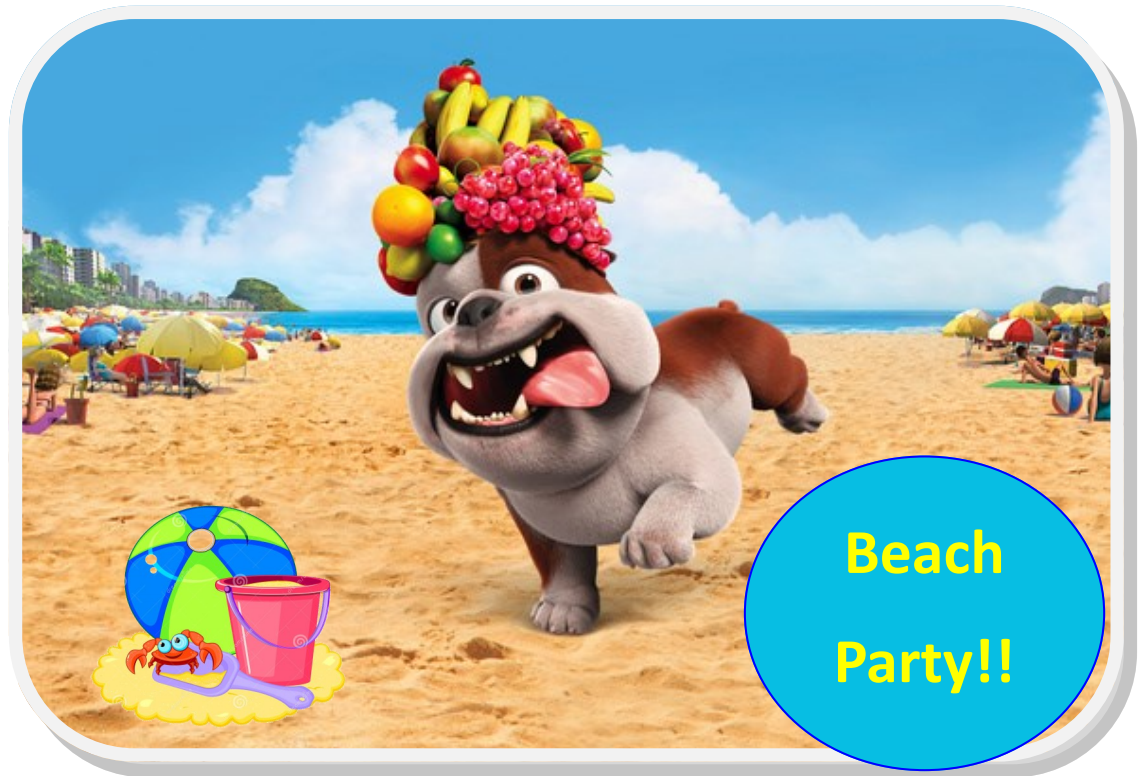
UPCOMING EVENT ...

The Club will provide:

- EZ-Up Sun Shade
- Ice cream
- Games!

What You should bring:

- Water/water dish for you and your dog(s)
- Your own food/snacks, if you wish.
- Chair(s)
- Beach Umbrella for add'l shade.
- Pet Waste bags



Aug 15 - Beach Party! Dig out your beach balls and doggie life jackets for some fun and sun at the beach! We'll be meeting at Ocean Beach Dog Beach, off of W. Point Loma Blvd and Voltaire St, San Diego at 9:00 am on Saturday, 8/15. Note: all dogs are allowed off-leash, so be prepared and make sure your dog gets along well with our dogs. For Directions & Parking, please go to our website, we will have a link with details and directions posted. www.sdbulldogs.org.

Important! We will also be conducting our regularly scheduled monthly meeting, after some fun of course, as we need to vote on the upcoming BCA Division III Board election.

Monthly Meeting Schedule

Our meetings are scheduled bi-monthly on even months of the year, at the Veterinary Specialty Hospital in San Diego. Members and Non-Members are welcome! If you'd like to have something on the agenda, please contact our club Secretary.

2015 Schedule:
 February 18
 April 15
 June 17
 August 8 (at beach)
 October 19
 December 5

Veterinary Specialty Hospital
10435 Sorrento Valley Rd
San Diego, CA 92121
858-875-7500
Meetings begin at 7:00 pm



Bulldog Club of America (BCA) Division III News



For the first time in a number of years, BCA Division III is having a Board Election. This is a significant and important event, which needs BCGSD member participation. Each BCA member CLUB gets to cast one ballot on behalf of the club. You do NOT need to be a BCA member to cast your CLUB vote, only a BCGSD member. There are seven clubs in our division, and each ballot is an important vote!

All ballots must reach the Division III Secretary by September 11, 2015. Counting of the Ballots will be conducted at the 4th Quarter Division Meeting to be held on Saturday, September 26, in Carson City, NV.

The Division III Board of Directors is composed of four (4) Officers and five (5) Governors. Officers and Governors have voting power for agenda items only within our Division. In addition, there is a slate of Councilors who represent our Division and vote only once a year at the BCA National show at the National Councilors Meeting. BCA rules allow one (1) Councilor for every 50 BCA members within our division. At present, we have five (5) Councilors. Each position is for a 2-year term.

We will be holding our club election for the Bulldog Club of America Division III, Board Members on Saturday, August 15 at the Beach Party. The Bulldog Club of Greater San Diego needs both a Board and Member quorum so that our club can vote in this important election. Please plan to attend!

2014-2015 Current Term

Officers:

President—Patricia Ropp
Vice-President—Mike Lerchenmuller
Secretary—Gay Lewis
Treasurer— Bonnie Roberts

Governors:

Melisa Barrett
Mark Benjamin
Lesley DeHaas
Stacey Edwards
Patti Hawkinson

Councilors:

Al Breckley
Suzy Holleran
Link Newcomb
Lalaine Policar
Susan Rohringer

2016-2017 Slate of Nominees

President:

Link Newcomb—unopposed

Vice-President: (Choose 1)

Bill Gray
Mike Lerchenmuller
Susan Rohringer

Secretary:

Gay Lewis—unopposed

Treasurer:

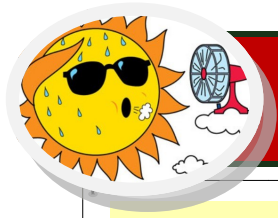
Bonnie Roberts—unopposed

Governors: Choose up to 5

Mark Benjamin
Lesley DeHaas
Stacey Edwards
Patti Hawkinson
Suzy Holleran
Cindy Liebeck
Patricia Ropp

Councilors: Choose up to 5
(all running unopposed)

Al Breckley
Suzy Holleran
Link Newcomb
Lalaine Policar
Susan Rohringer



SUMMER TIME SAFETY!

Hot weather can make us all uncomfortable, and it poses special risks for our Bulldogs and other short-nosed breeds. We should all keep the following safety concerns in mind as we come into the hot summer months.

HEAT HAZARDS

- If your dog is outside on a hot day, make sure he has a shady spot to rest in. Doghouses are not good shelter during the summer as they can trap heat. You may want to fill a child's wading pool with fresh water for your dog to cool off in.
- Never leave your dog in a closed vehicle on a hot day. The temperature inside a car can rise to over 100 degrees in a matter of minutes.
- Always provide plenty of cool, fresh water.
- Avoid strenuous exercise on extremely hot days. Take walks in the early mornings or evenings, when the sun's heat is less intense.
- Try to avoid prolonged exposure to hot asphalt or sand, which can burn your dog's paws.
- Dogs that are brachycephalic (short-faced), such as our Bulldogs, Boxers, Japanese Chins, and Pekingese, have an especially hard time in the heat because they do not pant as efficiently as longer-faced dogs. Keep your brachycephalic dog inside with air-conditioning.



BEACH TIPS

- Make sure your dog has a shady spot to rest in and plenty of fresh water. Dogs, especially those with short hair, white fur, and pink skin, can sunburn. Limit your dog's exposure during the day and apply sunblock to his ears and nose 30 minutes before going outside.
- Check with a lifeguard for daily water conditions. Dogs are easy targets for sea lice and jellyfish.
- Running on the sand is strenuous exercise. A dog that is out of shape can easily pull a tendon or ligament, so keep a check on your dog's activity.
- Do not let your dog drink seawater; the salt will make him sick.
- Salt and other minerals in ocean water can damage your dog's coat, so rinse him off at the end of the day.
- Not all beaches permit dogs; check local ordinances before heading out.

WATER SAFETY

- Most dogs enjoy the water, but some, like our Bulldogs, cannot swim, and others may hate the water. Be conscious of your dog's preferences.
- If you're at the beach for the first time with your dog, start in shallow water. Stay in shallow water with a Bulldog and keep it tethered; they are usually too front heavy to be safe in deeper water.
- Don't let your dog overdo it; swimming is very hard work and he may tire quickly.
- If swimming at the ocean, be careful of strong tides.
- If you have your own pool, make sure it is fenced. Be sure that pool covers are firmly in place; dogs have been known to slip in under openings in the covers and drown. Never leave your Bulldog unattended around water.

SUMMER TIME SAFETY!

HEATSTROKE

Heatstroke can be the serious and often fatal result of a dog's prolonged exposure to excessive heat. Below are the signs of heatstroke and the actions you should take if your dog is overcome.

Early Stages:

- Heavy panting.
- Rapid breathing.
- Excessive drooling.
- Bright red gums and tongue.
- Standing 4-square, posting or spreading out in an attempt to maintain balance.

Advanced Stages:

- White or blue gums.
- Lethargy, unwillingness to move.
- Uncontrollable urination or defecation.
- Labored, noisy breathing.
- Shock.

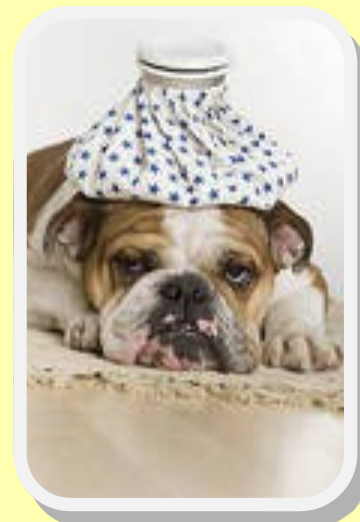
If your dog begins to exhibit signs of heatstroke, you should immediately cool the dog down:

- Wet the dog and put in the shade where there is a breeze or wet the dog and turn on a fan to cool the dog slowly.
- Apply rubbing alcohol to the dog's paw pads.
- Apply ice packs to the groin area.
- Hose down with *tepid* water. Do not cool too rapidly.
- Allow the dog to lick ice chips or drink a small amount of water.
- Offer Pedialyte to restore electrolytes.

Check your dog's temperature regularly during this process. Once the dog's temperature has stabilized at between 100 to 102 degrees, you can stop the cool-down process. If you cannot get the dog cooled down and you begin to see signs of advanced heatstroke, take the dog to the veterinarian immediately.

Final Note:

Bulldog owners, always, always, always exercise caution in summer months!
Be safe and have fun!



Sources: AAHA.com, AKC.org, msnbc.msn.com, suite101.com, associatedcontent.com, vetmedicine.about.com, dog-sabout.com, webvets.com

June Member Profile ... Matt & Crystal Howe

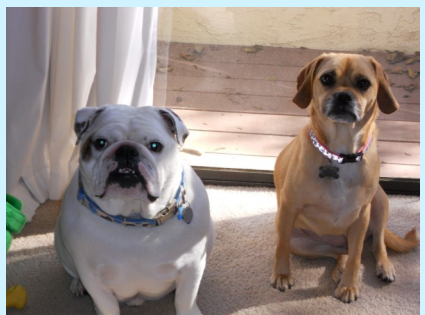
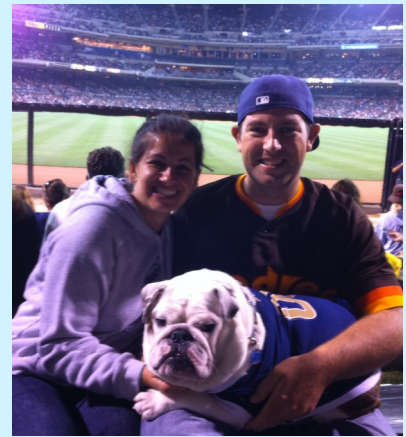
My name is Matt Howe, along with my wife Crystal and two daughters Madeline and Eleanor have a Bulldog named Jameson. We've been members of the club for a little over 5 years now. Crystal and I both attended UCSD for college and have been living in San Diego for over 15 years. Our daughters are 4 years old (Madeline) and 1 ½ years old (Eleanor), they love playing with Jameson and chasing him around the house. Jameson's 6th birthday is on June 12th, it's hard to believe it's been almost 6 years since we got him as a puppy. Our lives have changed a lot since we brought him home, when he came home there were no children in the house yet, just him and our other dog Lani running the house, they got all the attention then. Now the kids get all the attention and it's the dogs running away from the kids in the house.

I always wanted to have a Bulldog as long as I can remember, when my wife and I decided to get a brother for our first dog it had to be a Bulldog. Every Bulldog I had ever come across I loved their personality and how unique they all seemed. Jameson has many of the traits most Bulldogs do, he snores very loudly, he loves resting his head on anything he can, he sleeps A LOT, he's stinky, etc. He thinks he's a lap dog and isn't happy unless he's sleeping on Crystal's lap (and he'll be sure to let you know about it if he isn't in his spot at night). He has been amazing with our 4 year old and 1 ½ year old kids as well. He'll steal a toy here or there but it amazes me to watch him give it up to them when they go to get it back from him.

We've enjoyed being members of the club, the Halloween event every year has always been our favorite, especially now that the kids are old enough to dress up with Jameson each year, they really love it. We're really looking forward to this next year's event to see what we can come up with for the kids to wear with Jameson.

Thanks,

Matt, Crystal, Madeline and Eleanor Howe





GOOD DOG TRAINING CORNER

AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program

Started in 1989, the CGC Program is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The Canine Good Citizen Program is a two-part program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. All dogs who pass the 10-step CGC test may receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club.



Many dog owners choose Canine Good Citizen training as the first step in training their dogs. The Canine Good Citizen Program lays the foundation for other AKC activities such as obedience, agility, tracking, and performance events. As you work with your dog to teach the CGC skills, you'll discover the many benefits and joys of training your dog. Training will enhance the bond between you and your dog. Dogs who have a solid obedience education are a joy to live with—they respond well to household routines, have good manners in the presence of people and other dogs, and they fully enjoy the company of the owner who took the time to provide training, intellectual stimulation, and a high quality life. We sincerely hope that CGC will be only a beginning for you and your dog and that after passing the CGC test, you'll continue training in obedience, agility, tracking, or performance events.

AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program is one of the most rapidly growing programs in the American Kennel Club. There are many exciting applications of this wonderful, entry level that go beyond the testing and certifying of dogs.

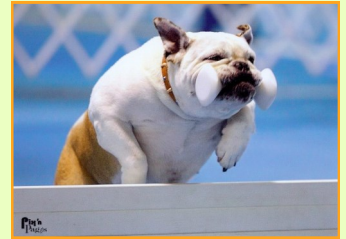
Many other countries (including England, Australia, Japan, Hungary, Denmark, Sweden, Canada, and Finland) have developed CGC programs based on the AKC's CGC Program. A CGC Neighborhood Model has been established, police and animal control agencies use CGC for dealing with dog problems in communities, some therapy dog groups use the CGC as a partial screening tool, and some 4-H groups around the country have been using the CGC as a beginning dog training program for children.

A number of specialty (one breed only) clubs give the CGC at their annual national dog show. Dog clubs have discovered that the CGC is an event that allows everyone to go home a winner. Veterinarians have recognized the benefits of well-trained dogs and there are some CGC programs in place in veterinary hospitals. State legislatures began recognizing the CGC program as a means of advocating responsible dog ownership and 34 states now have Canine Good Citizen resolutions.

In a little over one decade, the Canine Good Citizen Program has begun to have an extremely positive impact in many of our communities. This is a program that can help us assure that the dogs we love will always be welcomed and well-respected members of our communities.



GOOD DOG TRAINING CORNER



WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

All dogs, including both purebred and mixed breed dogs are welcome to participate in the AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program. Dogs must be old enough to have received necessary immunizations such as rabies vaccines. Owners will sign the Responsible Dog Owners Pledge attesting to having the dog under the routine care of a veterinarian who will work with the owner to determine an appropriate plan and schedule for vaccines and other health care procedures.

There is no age limit for the CGC test. A dog is never too old to be a good citizen. Puppies who have completed all immunizations and boosters may be tested, however, because we know that behavior and temperament can change over time, when puppies pass the CGC test, owners should have them re-tested as adults.

There are a few exceptions relating to participation in a CGC test. If the CGC test is given at an AKC show, the age requirements for the show apply to CGC also. Further, when the CGC test is administered at an AKC show, the test may be restricted to only dogs entered in the show or to purebred dogs.

Some dogs who are entered in CGC tests will have completed CGC classes or basic obedience classes. Owners who have trained their dogs themselves may also have their dogs tested. Clubs and training programs in almost every city can provide CGC training to owners and dogs who need to learn a few more skills before taking the test.

WHAT IS AKC URBAN CANINE GOOD CITIZEN?

AKC Urban CGC is a title in the Canine Good Citizen family of awards and titles that also include AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy, Canine Good Citizen and AKC Community Canine.

AKC Urban CGC requires that the dog demonstrate CGC skills and beyond in an urban setting.

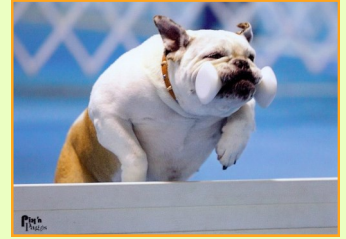
As with Canine Good Citizen, AKC Urban CGC has a 10-step test of skills that dogs must pass to earn the official AKC Urban CGC title. This is a title that appears on the dog's title record at AKC.

THE SETTING

All skills in the test are tested on leash. AKC Urban CGC should be administered in a place where there are cars, streets to be crossed, noises, and distractions. This test is administered in the real world; it should not be simulated in a ring at a dog show.



GOOD DOG TRAINING CORNER



THE SETTING (CONT'D)

When test items (such as riding on an elevator) are administered in public buildings, the buildings must be dog friendly or evaluators must have permission in advance from the business owners, managers, etc.

The goal of AKC Urban CGC is to test the dog's skills in an urban (city) setting.

REQUIREMENTS

To earn the AKC Urban CGC (CGCU) title, dogs must meet the following two requirements:

Must already have a Canine Good Citizen (CGC) certificate or title on record at AKC. While the CGC and CGCU may be tested on the same day, the dog owner should request the CGC first. After receiving the CGC certificate, the CGCU can be applied for.

Must have an AKC number of one of 3 types (AKC registration number, PAL number, or AKC Canine Partners number). All dogs, including mixed breeds, can get an AKC number. The reason for the AKC number requirement is that this is how we create titles at AKC; we attach the titles to the dog's number.

Good dog!





Application for Membership

Becoming a member of the Bulldog Club of Greater San Diego is easy! You can download an application from our website:

www.sdbulldogs.org/membership.html.

Once completed, bring to the next scheduled meeting. Annual dues are \$20 per person or \$30 per couple in the same household.

New Folks Applying for Membership:

None this month

Welcome New BCGSD Members!

Kathy Hariston—approved



Stewards of the Bulldog Breed!



Bulldogs On The Go ...



Summer fun, get the leashes out, put on your walking shoes, and enjoy some outdoor fun and activity with your Bulldog!

Dog Beaches in San Diego!

1. Fiesta Island, Mission Bay Park.

Fiesta Island is a large area of land centrally located in Mission Bay. There are bonfire rings around the shore of the island and DOGS ARE ALLOWED OFF LEASH.

Available Hours

6:00am to 10:00pm

<http://www.sandiego.gov/park-and-recreation/parks/regional/missionbay/fiestaisland.shtml>

2. Ocean Beach Dog Beach. The Original Dog Beach in San Diego, CA, it is nationally famous and one of the first offi-

cial leash-free beaches in the US. It is a landmark in the community of Ocean Beach at the end of I-8 at the mouth of the San Diego River. Dog Beach is a special place where people and pets, beach lovers and surfers celebrate the spirit of Ocean Beach, one of Southern California's last true beach towns.

<https://oceanbeachsandiego.com/attractions/beaches/dog-beach>

3. Del Mar's North Beach.

Del Mar has maintained its status as a dog friendly city since incorporation in 1959. Nine months of the year, dogs are allowed along the entire two plus mile stretch of beach in addition to the city's two major parks, Seagrove Park and Powerhouse Park. North Beach, affectionately called "Dog Beach" by dog owners, is located



north of 29th Street and stretches nearly one half mile to our border with Solana Beach. The area includes the mouth of the San Dieguito River and a stretch of coastal bluff. While laws restrict access to half of the Del Mar beach during the summer months, North Beach remains open to dogs; however, dogs must be restricted to a six foot leash.

<http://www.delmar.ca.us/206/Dog-Friendly-Beaches>