

The OnonDogger

*Official Newsletter of the
Onondaga Kennel Association
August 2024*



**Next General Meeting
September 3, 2024
6:00pm**

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

**General Meeting Dates for
Third Quarter**

July 17th * August - no meeting * September 11th

**Next Board Meeting
August 6, 2024**

**Special Finance Meeting
6:00pm**

**Board Meeting Dates for
Third Quarter**

July - no meeting * August 6th * September 3rd

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

Please send all submission material to the Editor, Jennifer LaMere: at jenlamere103@gmail.com.

OKA EVENTS ON THE HORIZON



The performance committee is requesting volunteers to help set up on October 4th for OKA's First FastCAT Event! The FastCAT will be held on October 5th & 6th, starting at 8am. Linda and the performance committee worked hard to make this event happen. Please show your support and help at this event. If you wish to run your dog(s), please see Linda's August 1st post on our Facebook page for the premium link.

Holiday Party will be on December 11th. Details will be posted when available.

New Feature

SUPPORT LOCAL KENNEL CLUBS!

Friday, August 16th - Sunday, August 18th
Syracuse Obedience Training Club
East Syracuse, NY
FastCAT - closes August 7th, 10pm

Friday, August 23rd - Sunday, August 25th
North Country Kennel Club
Clayton, NY
FastCAT - closes August 16th, 1pm

Friday, August 30th - Sunday, September 1st
WNY Twin Valley Cluster
Genesee Valley Kennel Club, Inc.
Tonawanda Valley Kennel Club, Inc.
All Breed Confirmation - closes August 14th, noon

Thursday, September 26th - Sunday, September 29th
Wine Country Circuit
Elmira Kennel Club, Inc.
Kanadasaga Kennel Club, Inc.
Finger Lakes Kennel Club, Inc.
All Breed Confirmation, Obedience & Rally - closes

If you find yourself with some down time while at Wine Country, Seneca Resorts has added a miniature golf course!

2024 OKA Meeting Schedule

General Meetings

January 10
February 14
March 13
April 10
May 8
June 12
July 17 - Summer Party
August - No Meeting
September 11
October 9
November 13
December 11 - Party!

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 6th - Special
Finance Meeting**
September 3
October 1
November 5
December 3

Rabies Clinics

Onondaga County:

Appointment are appreciated. Register at ongov.net/health/env or call 315-435-3165 for questions.

August 24th, 5-7pm

Meachem Ice Rink

121 W. Seneca Tpke, Syracuse

September 21st, 4:30-6:30pm

Burnet Park

522 Burnet Park Drive, Syracuse

Oswego County:

All clinics are by appointment only on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 8pm. Suggested donation is \$7.00 per pet.

Call 315-349-3564 or visit oswegocounty.com

August 7th

Bristol Hill Landfill Facility, Maintenance Building

3125 NYS Route 3, Fulton

September 18th

County Highway Garage

24 Dill Pickle Alley, Parish

October 16th

Oswego Town Highway Garage

2227 County Route 7, Oswego

Madison County:

All clinics are by appointment only, call 315-366-2526 or visit healthymadisoncounty.org. Appointments open 60 days before a clinic.

Suggested donation is \$7.00. Out of county pet owners are limited to 4 pets per household.

Wednesday, August 28th, 4-7pm

Delphi Falls County Park

2006 Gardner Road, Cazenovia

September 21st, 10am-1pm

Morrisville-Eaton Elementary School

55 Eaton St, Morrisville

Committee Reports

AKC Delegate: Glenn Glass

The AKC was very active this past month. Get the scoop starting on page X, then click the boxer to jump to Glenn's AKC Delegate's Corner to catch up on past AKC news you may have missed.

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.

Committee Chairs:

If you are actively looking for new members for your committee, please let me know. I will post them here.

July General Meeting Minutes

No official minutes as we had our annual summer picnic.

I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Pam, Debbie and David for the planning and execution of our picnic.

I would also like to thank Becky for handling the awards portion of the evening.

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HANDLING CLASSES



Place: Cicero Animal Clinic
8803 NYS Route 11
Brewerton, NY 13029

When: Mondays 6-7pm

Fee: OKA Member Free
Non-Member \$10.00

Fall Classes

September 9th - 23rd

October 7th - November 18th

Winter Classes

January 6th - March 10th



Glenn Glass



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Thursday, August 1, 2024

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/new-dog-import-rules-effect-today/>

Today, Thursday, August 1, 2024, new rules for the importation of dogs into the United States have gone into effect.

HISTORY

In July 2023, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) proposed new rules to address the public health risk of dog-maintained rabies virus variant (aka, canine rabies) associated with the importation of dogs into the U.S. In addition to issuing multiple calls to action for all dog owners, the American Kennel Club (AKC) submitted a formal comment in September 2023 to CDC, urging it to retain its policy allowing personally-owned dogs that have not spent time in countries classified as high-risk or restricted for canine rabies to be imported into the U.S. younger than six months of age if they met health and vaccination requirements.

On May 8, 2024, CDC released a letter to stakeholders advising of coming changes to the rules pertaining to the importation of dogs and cats into the U.S. The text of the final rule was published in the Federal Register on May 13, 2024.

Since then, many concerned purebred dog owners, enthusiasts, and sportsmen, along with airlines and groups that import rescue dogs from foreign countries, have expressed deep concerns with the impact the new rules will have. This feedback has resulted in changes to how the new rules' requirements will be enforced.

UPDATES ON THE CDC DOG IMPORT FORM

To provide greater flexibility to the requirements for dogs coming from canine rabies-free or low-risk countries, dogs that have spent the prior six months only in canine rabies-free or low-risk countries will be able to enter the U.S. with a CDC Dog Import Form online submission receipt as acceptable documentation. This form can be filled out the day travel, and the receipt can be shown to airlines and border officials by phone or printed copy. For these dogs, the receipt will be good for travel into the U.S. for six months from the date of issuance, including multiple entries into the U.S. However, all dogs entered the U.S. must have a microchip and be over six months of age.

In a recent discussion with AKC staff, CDC staff clarified that for dogs that have not been in a canine rabies high-risk country in the six months prior to importation, the CDC Dog Import Form does not require the importer to provide a photo of the dog or its microchip number. However, both CDC and AKC recommend that importers of these dogs travel with a digital or printed copy of their dog's vaccination record, a photo of their dog, and a record of the dog's microchip number as a precautionary measure. It should be noted that some U.S. states may also require this or similar information.

For dogs that spent any time in a country classified as high-risk for canine rabies in the six months before entering the U.S., additional documents and requirements remain in effect. For these dogs, the CDC Dog Import Form will require the dog's microchip number and photo.



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REQUIREMENTS, BY TYPE OF IMPORTATION

All dogs being imported into the U.S. must:

- Appear healthy upon arrival.
- Be at least six months old at the time of entry or return to the U.S.
- Have a microchip that can be detected with a universal scanner to identify them.
- Be accompanied by a receipt for a [CDC Dog Import Form](#).

Additional requirements may be required by CDC, depending on the type of importation. For:

- Dogs from Dog-Rabies Free or Low Risk Countries, [click here](#).
- S.-Vaccinated Dogs from High-Risk Countries, [click here](#).
- Foreign-Vaccinated Dogs from High-Risk Countries, [click here](#).

For dogs arriving in the U.S. by air and that traveled in-cabin, airlines are now required to generate air waybills. This requirement is the same as has been required of dogs arriving in the U.S. by air but that were flown as cargo. Airlines unable to generate an air waybill for in-cabin dogs due to the time required for technology updates may obtain a temporary waiver by providing the same data to CDC in another format. Anyone travelling with a dog who intends to arrive in the U.S. by air is strongly encouraged to contact their airline to determine and meet requirements prior to arriving at an airport for travel.

CDC staff continues to emphasize that the latest information available to importers is available on its website at www.cdc.gov/dogtravel.

CDC staff also noted that the first nine months of implementation of the new dog importation rules will be an "adaptation" period, during which it will be looking at additional information and program performance to determine reasonableness, feasibility, and potential rule changes.

CONCERNS REMAIN, CONTACT CONGRESS AND CDC

AKC recognizes the serious health threats posed by the recent, continuing import of unhealthy dogs using fraudulent veterinary/import paperwork, and supports CDC's intention of protecting the public from serious health risks. However, AKC remains concerned that banning the import of all dogs younger than six months is overly burdensome and will have a disproportionate impact on the entry/importation of low-risk, personally-owned dogs, including those that regularly cross the U.S.-Canadian border for canine events, training, veterinary care, and breeder collaboration.

If you have concerns about the new import rule, we encourage you to contact your members of the U.S. House and Senate, and the [CDC](#). Respectfully express your concerns. It is recommended that breed enthusiasts who import personally-owned dogs from canine-rabies free or low-risk countries, or owners who routinely cross a land border with their dog, ask Congress and CDC to eliminate the disproportionate impact that they experience, particularly regarding the requirement that puppies be six months of age for importation.



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Share messages in personalized, individual emails, calls, or letters in which you represent your own situation or that of your club. Tell your story about how it negatively impacts you and your colleagues, events, etc., as responsible dog enthusiasts.

Ask the CDC to continue to work with AKC and other organizations that represent responsible dog owners to consider exceptions for personally-owned dogs that can affirmatively demonstrate little risk of canine rabies.

Other points you may wish to include:

The final rule disregards the difference in risk profiles for personally-owned pets and dogs intended for transfer. The proposed rule for comment included exceptions, potentially reducing comment, but the final rule provided no exceptions.

There is little risk from fully vaccinated puppies from low-risk countries entering the U.S. at four months of age.

To find out who represents you in Congress, visit: www.akcgr.org/officials/.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

First, go to www.cdc.gov/dogtravel for the latest information on CDC's dog importation requirements.

Then, for specific inquiries or to express concerns, contact CDC at (404) 498-1600 or cdcanimalimports@cdc.gov.

You may also contact AKC Government Relations at doglaw@akc.org.



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July 2024 Update to Clubs

Online Event Management – Judge Panel History

As part of AKC's effort to modernize and improve the Competition Management System (CMS) and invest in the future of our sports, we are excited to announce the release of the Judge Panel History tool within the Judge Panel Management (JPM) section of Online Event Management (OEM). This tool gives clubs the ability to review the history of judge assignment changes for events. Features include a full history of panel changes (dating back to February 14, 2024), along with the ability to filter, sort, and download history by date ranges, competition types, assignments, and judges. You can leverage this tool to gain valuable insights in determining the changes associated with a Judge Panel Notice.

Step 1: After logging into Online Event Management select Manage in Judge Panel Management.

Step 2: Select an event and click the View History link to review the associated Judge Panel History.

Note: Judge Panel History is only available for events where the judge panel has been processed. If the View History link is greyed out and unselectable, the panel hasn't been processed yet.

Step 3: Review the selected event's associated panel history, click on the filter option to select panel updates relevant to you.

Should you need assistance, please contact EventPlans@akc.org.

Agility Regulations – Ribbon Color update

At the July 2024 Board meeting the Board approved that the ribbon color in the non-regular classes in International Sweepstakes Classes (ISC) could be determined by the trial giving club. However, they may not be the same as an assigned regular class placement ribbon color as defined in Chapter 1, Section 25 of the Regulations for Agility Trials and Agility Course Test.

Reminder- Club Junior Coordinators

In accordance with the AKC Educational Requirement Policy, all current and future Club Junior Coordinators will be required to successfully complete the Stewards of Children® training. AKC will offer the initial course on a complimentary basis and must be refreshed every three (3) years. Current Junior Coordinators have been emailed the information to access the Stewards of Children training and it is requested that this be completed by September 30, 2024. Please check with the Junior Coordinator of your club to verify that this requirement has been completed.

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 here](#).

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

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Trophy Donation Sheet

Donor Name: _____

Donor Email address: _____

Cell Phone# _____

Kennel Name: _____

In memory of: or In Loving Memory of: please circle one

Breed: _____

Size & Variety: _____

Trophies must be described below. Show superintendent will not accept "breed memento".

| | Dogs | Bitches | |
|-------------------------|------|---------|--------------------------|
| Select Dog | | | <u>Best of Breed</u> |
| Select Bitch | | | |
| Winners | | | |
| Reserve Winners | | | <u>Best of Winners</u> |
| Open | | | |
| Amateur owner to Handle | | | |
| American Bred | | | |
| Bred by Exhibitor | | | <u>Best Opposite Sex</u> |
| Novice | | | |
| 12-18 month | | | |
| Puppy 9-12 month | | | |
| Puppy 6-9 month | | | |

**Please use a separate donation sheet for each breed. Indicate for each class where a donation is to be made. **

All trophy Pledges must be submitted to Trophy chair no later than December 1, 2024

Please label all Trophies with BREED & CLASS for which the donation is made. If club is to select and purchase trophy please select price range and attach appropriate amount. No pledges will be accepted without payment in full. Checks payable TO OKA. Thank you.

Submit all pledges to: Lisa Escudero
9738 Caughdenoy Rd.
Brewerton, NY
13029

Email address:

Lisaescude@aol.com Phone No. Home (315) 668-2638 Cell Phone # (315) 727-4114

All trophy items must be given to the Trophy Chair by February 1, 2025. All donation Sheets must be in by December 1, 2024. OKA would like to say Thank You for your donations