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**Next Meeting:**  
Tuesday, April 13, 2010

**Meeting Place:**  
CJ's – Old airport  
Route 9, Bloomington  
Eat: 7:00 PM  
Meeting: 8:00 PM

All general meetings  
are held the second  
Tuesday in the months of  
April, June, August,  
October and December.  
February meetings are as  
announced.

General and Board Meetings will  
be held at CJ's with the  
exception of December.

**Deadline for *Sentinel* articles:**  
The last week of the month  
prior to the Club meeting

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CBKC or the AKC

## HEART OF ILLINOIS CLUSTER DOG SHOWS MAY 28-31, 2010



**FOUR SHOWS • ONE LOCATION**  
**CONFORMATION, OBEDIENCE & RALLY**

## General Meeting - February 16, 2010

Meeting called to order with 8 members present. Roll call was taken. Guest Samantha Neuschwanger was introduced.

Minutes of December 8, 2009 read. Correction noted: Karan Kilgus was inadvertently omitted from the minutes as nominated for AKC Delegate. Her name was read along with all other nominees and also appeared on the ballot. Official written copy of December minutes have been corrected. Bruce Petersen moved to approve minutes as corrected. Kathy Karl seconded. Motion approved.

President's Report – None

Secretary's Report – Correspondence passed.

Treasurer's Report was read. Carrie Cowles moved to approve as read. David Lander seconded. Motion approved.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

SHOW – Rally/Obedience have been approved. Match – Application has been submitted.

CLUSTER – Agreed to raise entry fees \$1.00 across the Board. Dave Lander and Dan Arterberry met with the Farm Bureau to determine how to proceed with 2010 Shows and to begin negotiations for the future.

WEBSITE – Pass any information for the Show on to Lee for inclusion on the site.

Trophies – Nothing to report

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

Carrie Cowles suggested we make the Shows an event on Facebook. All agreed and Carrie will take care of this.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Burge, Secretary



### March, 2010 Board Report

Show Committee reports:

- Wrapping up final details with Premium list for Onofrio and working with Specialty Clubs.
- The importance of regular Cluster meetings was discussed and an action plan has been formulated to accommodate this.
- Pinky Edwards will work with David Lander and the Interstate Center on identifying specific options available to us for 2011 and beyond.

The Board has reluctantly accepted the resignation of Nancy Petersen for the positions of Cluster Member and Obedience Chair effective after the 2010 Shows. Replacements for these 2 positions will be needed.

**Plan your Memorial Weekend – Show entries close Noon, May 12, 2010**

**National Specialties: English Toy Spaniel**

**Regional Specialties, Sweepstakes, and Supported Entries:**

**Brittany – Bull Terrier – Dachshund – Giant Schnauzer – Miniature Bull Terrier – Newfoundland**

[Cardiology Clinic](#) – Presented by The Heart of Illinois Cluster Shows and The English Toy Spaniel Club of America, Inc.

Friday, May 28 – Clinic will be conducted by a Board Certified cardiologist from the U of I.

Fee per exam: \$30.00

Registration: 8:30 am to 12:00 noon with Exams 9:00 am through 4:00 pm

Bring AKC registrations information as well as registration numbers of the sire and dam for each dog being examined.

[Canine Good Citizen Test](#) – Provided by IVKC

Friday, May 28 beginning at 9:30 am in the Obedience barn

Fee: \$15.00

[Dr Orlandi Seminar](#) – Practical Canine Anatomy, presented by Dr. Claudia Orlandi

Sponsored by the Standard Schnauzer Club of America, Inc.

Friday, May 28, 7:00 pm- 9:30 pm – West Expo Bldg.

Fee: \$25.00 per person

[B Match](#) – CBKC AKC Santed B Match

Saturday, May 29, 7:00 pm

Divided classes offered for puppies starting at age 3 months – thru Adults and Veterans

Fee: \$5.00 per entry

Registration: 2:00 pm-5:30 pm

No entries accepted for Champions of record except for the Veteran Class

[CERF Eye Clinic](#) – Saturday May, 29 and Sunday, May 30

Offered by CBKC and IVKC

On-site pre-registration only: Friday, May 28 – 10:00 am – 2:00 pm – Catalog Table

Fee: \$30.00 per dog. Payment accepted by cash or check only.

Bring AKC registration information and dog's birth date

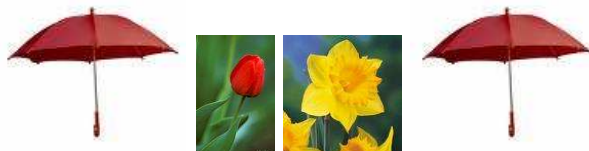
For additional information, contact Linda Vance 309-453-1674 ([fistfaces@aol.com](mailto:fistfaces@aol.com))

[Agility Trials](#) – AKC Licensed Agility Trials - Saturday – Monday

Capitol Canine Training Club of Springfield, IL, Inc.

Open to all breeds including mixed breeds enrolled in the AKC Canine Partners Program

Contact Diane Jensen (217-794-5170) or Marilyn Steward (217-793-8352) for more information



**Breeder's Symposium: Iowa State University**

**Presented by the American Kennel Club and The Canine Health Foundation**

**Saturday & Sunday, June 5 & 6, 2010**

Vet Med building, room 1226  
1600 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Ames, IA 50011  
Directions: <http://www.fpm.iastate.edu/maps/>

**Saturday 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM (Breakfast at 7:30 am)**

**Sunday 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM (Breakfast at 7:30 am)**

**Check-in opens Saturday at 7:30 am**

**Cost: \$100 Day 1 Only (includes breakfast and lunch)**

**\$75 Day 2 Only (includes breakfast and lunch)**

**\$150 for Both Days**

**(\$275 for those wanting Continuing Education Credits)**

**Program Agenda:**

**Day 1:**

How Structure Affects Performance: **Pat Hastings**  
Breeding Options & Techniques: **Dr. Lin Kauffman**  
Hips, Elbows and other Orthopedic Certifications: **Dr. Karl Kraus**  
Canine Ophthalmology and the Importance of CERF: **Dr. Dave Whitley**  
Managing Genetic Disease: **Dr. Matthew Ellinwood**  
Canine Nutrition: **Dr. Joe Wakshlag**  
Vaccines and Vaccination Protocols: **Dr. Christine Petersen**

**Day 2: Special Session on Reproduction**

Basic Pedigree Analysis: **Dr. Matthew Ellinwood**  
Semen Evaluation and Preservation: **Dr. Bruce Christensen**  
Testicular & Prostatic Disease: **Dr. Bruce Christensen**  
Veterinary Management of the Stud Dog: **Dr. Lin Kauffman**  
Pregnancy Management and Whelping: **Dr. Bruce Christensen**  
Neonatal Nutrition: **Dr. Joe Wakshlag**  
Infectious Disease of Puppies: **Dr. Lin Kauffman**

**To register online, go to: [www.CanineHealthFoundation.org](http://www.CanineHealthFoundation.org)**

**Click on "Register for Events" (located on left)**

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Gateway Hotel at 2100 Green Hills Drive in Ames. Call 515-292-8600 and mention the ISU Veterinary Clinical Sciences Department to make your reservation.

**For More Information, Contact:**

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**AKC**  
**Amendment to Maryland Dangerous Dog Bill to Prohibit Breed-Specific Local Laws**  
**March 15, 2010**

The Maryland Dog Federation has presented Baltimore Delegate Cheryl Glenn with an amendment to House Bill 1314. Should the amendment be accepted, this bill, which seeks to strengthen the state's dangerous dog law, would also provide that: *Nothing...shall...prevent a municipality from adopting or enforcing its own more stringent program for the control of dangerous dogs provided, however, that no such program shall ban, regulate or address dogs in a manner which is specific as to breed.* This amendment will be submitted by Delegate Glenn to the House Judiciary Committee for it to be officially included in the bill. AKC support the amended, HB 1314. This will prohibit further breed bans in Maryland. In Prince George's County a breed-specific ownership ban has been in place since 1996. Because of this, many innocent family pets have been needlessly euthanized. If amended House Bill 1314 would cure that problem. AKC support laws that: establish a fair process by which specific dogs are identified as "dangerous" based on stated, measureable actions; impose appropriate penalties on irresponsible owners; and establish a well-defined method for dealing with dogs proven to be dangerous.

**AKC**  
**Illinois House Bill 198 and Senate Bill 53**  
**March 10, 2010**

These bills were intended to attempt to address "puppy mills" and irresponsible dog breeders in Illinois. These bills in reality affect many small-scale hobby breeders and create unreasonable standard for commercial breeders who are in compliance with current state and federal laws. The Illinois Department of Agriculture already has a licensing program in place which requires breeders with more than 5 intact females to be licensed. Draft amendments have been circulating would allow the Department of Agriculture to administer the bill; the provisions continue to be a problem and will not improved animal welfare. AKC believes that enforcement of current law is the most effective way to address animal care issues in Illinois. These bills have been an ongoing concern in Illinois for several years. We need to monitor this very important legislation.

**AKC**  
**Illinois Senate Bill 139**  
**March 11, 2010**

Senate Bill 139 seeks to limit the practices of tail docking and ear cropping in Illinois. Current Illinois statute allows ear cropping, and tail docking done for any legitimate purpose. If SB 139 becomes law, ear cropping, and tail docking would be considered "**animal torture**" under Illinois Criminal Law and would only be allowed for medical purposes. SB 139 would fundamentally change many breeds' characteristics limiting the valid practices of cropping and docking. AKC recognizes that ear cropping, tail docking, and dewclaw removal, as described in certain breed standards, are acceptable practices integral to defining and preserving breed character and/or enhancing good health. **We need you to call your Illinois State Representative and State Senator's and tells them that you oppose HB 198, SB 53, and SB 139.**

**AKC**  
**Minnesota Breeder Bill Voted Down**  
**March 10, 2010**

On March 9<sup>th</sup>, the Minnesota Senate Agricultural and Veterans Committee voted down Senate File 7. The bill would have regulated the activities of dog owners/breeders who possess six or more adult intact female dogs. AKC congratulates the many responsible dog breeders and owners in Minnesota who reached out to their legislators since the bill was introduced in January 2009.



**Summer reading:**

*The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein. Narrated by Enzo, the dog. You'll laugh, you'll cry. "We humans could learn a lot from Enzo."

*One Good Dog* by Susan Wilson. When one man and one dog meet in their darkest hours.

*A Big Little Life* by Dean Koontz. The soft side of this suspenseful novelist as he shares his family's relationship with his Golden Retriever, Trixie. For pet lover's and Dean Koontz fans – a read you will treasure.

## ILLINOIS FEDERATION OF DOG CLUBS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The newly formed Illinois Federation of Dog Clubs and Owners needs you, your club, your business, and your friends to help us keep our lobbyist in the capitol every day to fight for your right to own, breed and exhibit your dogs in the state of Illinois.

Please visit our web site at [www.IFDCO.org](http://www.IFDCO.org) and see our pending legislation page to review the **23 newly filed bills** that concern dogs and dog owners in Illinois. There are bills regulating dog breeding, tethering and one that would make barking dogs in **unincorporated areas of a county that have been subdivided for residence purposes illegal**. The only exemptions are for veterinary clinics or a county pound.

The core members of IFDCO have been working tirelessly for the past year to stop poorly written bills from becoming law in Illinois. Early on it became clear that none of us could attend every hearing and meeting. Our lobbyist is vital to the success of our work but the cost to keep a lobbyist is expensive.

Your club's membership and your individual membership will help us keep on top of all these bills as they make their way through the legislative process. Please support us as we enter our second year battling bills that threaten all of us who own and enjoy dogs. Go to [www.IFDCO.org](http://www.IFDCO.org) to download and fill out your membership form.

### IFDCO Officers:

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If not you, then who? If not now, when?



**"Life is one grand, sweet song, so start the music" – Ronald Reagan**

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Deadline for the next *Sentinel*: June 1, 2010



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Happy tails to you !

