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January 2016 HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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REMINDER

Our next General meeting is

January 12, 2016

7:00 PM

at

Hemopet

11561 Salinaz Avenue Garden Grove, CA 92643 ******

Remember its our Annual New Year's Pot Luck! Please bring your favorite dish.

Meeting Minutes for both the Board and General Membership meetings are chronologically filed on our website.

SAVKC's 2015-2016 Officers & Board

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Belmont Shores Christmas Parade

Please check out SAVKC.org for the fantastic shots from the parade. It was a blast and the dogs had a great time. Hoping next year we have more members and their families join in the fun.

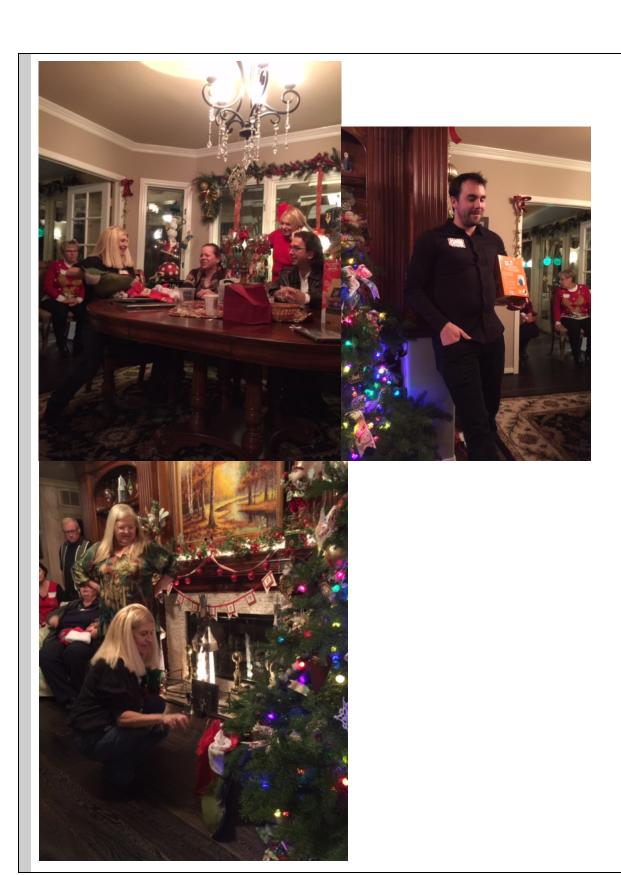
Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club Holiday Party -

A HUGE Thank You to Jill, Becky & Tom Hart for offering their amazing home to host our Christmas party. We couldn't have had a better time. You three are wonderful hosts and again, your home is incredible. Thank you for everything IIIIII

Chris, GREAT job on the awards!

Congratulations to all the dogs and their owners for the accomplishments they made over the past year and the titles they earned. Keep up the good work and we will be looking forward to hearing many more in 2016!























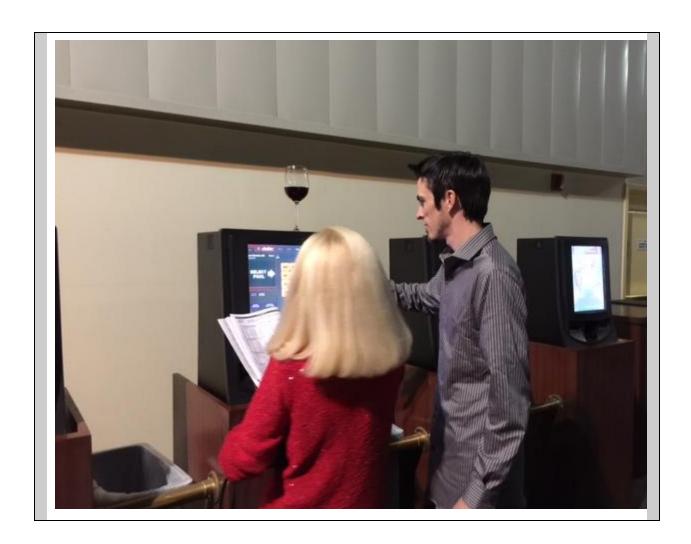






Santa Ana Valley Kennel Club Los Alamitos Racetrack Meet up -

Thank you to Keith & Jolene for getting us into the track and setting up a beautiful area for this years club meet up at the track. We had a great turn out and everyone had a fun time socializing, betting on and watching those horses go.

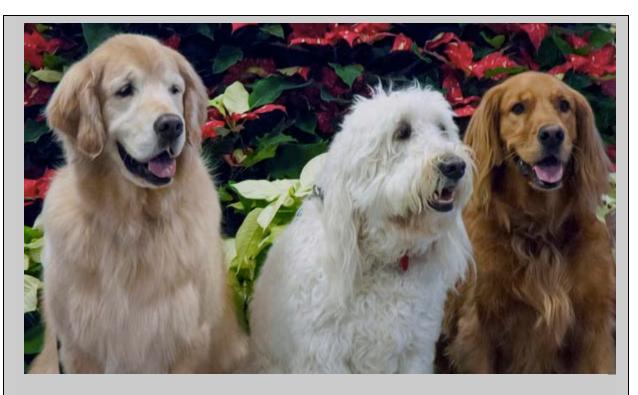








United Airlines Bringing 200 Comfort Dogs To Seven Airports For A Bit Of Holiday Travel Stress-Relief



With holiday travel predicted to reach <u>record levels</u> this week, it's probably a safe bet that someone at some overcrowded airport across the country will get a bit stressed

out. In a bid to make sure holiday travel is a bit less grueling for passengers, United Airlines is sending in the dogs, literally.

United Airlines <u>announced</u> Monday that it plans to send 200 dogs to the airline's seven airport hubs this week through a program called United Paws.

The specially trained "comfort dogs" will be led around terminals with the express purpose of bringing a bit of cheer to the holiday travel experience. Under the program, which will run from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Wednesday this week in Los Angeles, Cleveland, Denver, Newark, Washington, Houston, and Chicago, passengers can scratch, pet, and otherwise love on the furry airline ambassadors.

"Research shows that just petting a dog releases oxytocin, the hormone associated with bonding and affection, and also decreases levels of stress, helps us breathe easier and lowers our blood pressure," the airline said in a statement.

The airline first started the holiday pet stress-relief strategy in one or two airports last year. The Los Angeles Times reports that LAX, which will have 13 United pups on hand this week, has a similar program year-round called Pets Unstressing

Crossbreed Debate Goes National

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Posted By Dog World-UK

In Dog World UK

THE CROSSBREED debate became national news at the weekend, with one newspaper announcing that the Kennel Club was about to welcome 'puggles and labradoodles'.

For nearly 150 years the KC had defended the purity of breeds but was now embroiled in a row over whether 'fashionable crossbreeds' should be held on a par with purebred dogs,

the *Sunday Telegraph* said.

The KC was considering 'setting up a register of designer dogs', allowing it to regulate

the health and sale of crossbreeds while 'responding to the changing tastes of dog owners'.

The paper quoted General Committee member Gerald King from the recent special

meeting when he said: "If the KC is to represent all dogs and have credibility with Government and the wider public, the KC must consider the cultural shift and large

increase in crossbred dogs over the last few years."

The issue could no longer be ignored, members were told at the SGM, and so the club

was to consider opening a unique register for crossbreeds.

But many are not happy with the idea, including Jean Lanning whose idea it was to set

up a working party 'to review the current registration policy, comparing and contrasting

the approaches to pure breeds and crossbreeds'. Designer dogs are crossbreeds with fancy names bred to make a huge profit, she believes.

"Registration of purebred dogs is dying and entries are falling - all quite likely because of designer dogs," she said at the SGM. "It's time to re-educate the public, tell them that there's nothing better than a well-bred dog with no health problems. We've been honest about health problems but because there's been so much publicity the public quite often gets hold of the wrong end of the stick.

"The first duty of the KC should and must always be to purebred dogs. This doesn't

always seem to be the case at present."

Miss Lanning told the *Telegraph* that registering crossbreeds would only encourage unscrupulous breeders of designer dogs to charge even more than they do already.

"The KC should really be going out to reassure the public that the best thing to do is buy

a purebred dog who has had all the health checks, instead of a crossbreed which is

unlikely to have undergone such rigorous testing," she said.

When DOG WORLD broke the story two weeks ago there were howls of protest.

"That's it, more puppies to line back-street breeders' pockets," commented Mandy

Turner.

"How can you, KC? Why do us Assured Breeders even bother health testing our dogs

when the KC wants to register mongrels?"

Emma Martha Crossan said: "Every year it seems like the KC does something to upset

the hard-working breeders who support it. Why should they be registered? It's just a way for bad breeders to make themselves look credible."

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Mair Rees said the puppy farmers were 'clapping their hands and jumping for joy'. "Rescues will never be able to cope," she said. "There are far too many puppies being

bred as it is."

KC secretary Caroline Kisko responded to the *Telegraph's* article saying: "The KC's

concern is that too many crossbreed breeders are making false promises about how their dog will turn out. By their nature, crossbreed puppies will inherit a random combination of genes from their two breeds of parent and so you cannot accurately predict their size, the amount of exercise or grooming they need, or temperament, which is why two dogs

within the same crossbreed category can look and behave entirely differently. "Such misinformation can lead the dogs to be abandoned by their owners when

don't suit their lifestyles.

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"Furthermore, many breeders of crossbreeds are failing to give the parents of their

puppies the appropriate health and DNA tests for conditions that can affect their breeds, leading the puppies to inherit problems. The parents of a crossbreed puppy should both

be health tested for the conditions that are most likely to affect their individual breed.

"At this stage we will be asking opinions on whether there is appetite for this among breeders and the wider public."

The KC had registered crossbreeds on its companion and activity registers for some time, she said, but this did not include detailed information about the ancestry and health test results of the dogs in the same way the pedigree register does.

"Our primary concern is to ensure that all dogs live healthy, happy lives, and consideration is being given to the way that crossbreeds are registered with the KC, as a not-for-profit organisation, and how we can best help to encourage responsible breeding," she said.

It is likely the issue will be debated and voted on at the KC's annual meeting in May.

Breeder of the Year

John Ruddie Named 2015 AKC

Breeder of the Year

Posted By AKC

New York, NY -

John Buddie was presented with

the 2015 AKC Breeder of the Year awardfor his Tartanside Collies at the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship on Saturday, December 12, 2015.

The annual award honors those breeders who have made an impact on their breed and dedicated their lives to improving the health, temperament and quality of purebred dogs.

"We are proud to honor John with the 2015 AKC Breeder of the Year award," said Dennis

B. Sprung, AKC President and CEO. "The Tartanside prefix has adorned top quality Collies

in the United States and his influence on the breed will be seen for years to come."

One honoree is chosen from each of the seven groups: Sporting, Hound, Working, Terrier, Toy, Non-Sporting, and Herding. From those seven, one Group winner is selected as

"AKC Breeder of the Year" during the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship,

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held this year in Orlando, Fla. Presentation highlights are available on live.eukanuba.com.

As the 2015 AKC Breeder of the Year recipient, Buddie will be honored with a commission from a canine portraitist to memorialize a prominent dog from his kennel and his name will be inscribed on a perpetual trophy, both of which will be displayed at the AKC

headquarters in New York City.

About Tartanside Collies

John Buddie began in dogs in 1963. By 1971 he was an AKC-licensed professional handler who campaigned many influential Collies. Tartanside Collies has breederowned

over 150 champions, including 12 Register of Merit dogs, and overall, Tartanside sires and dams have produced 350 champions. Among them have been multiple group, Best in Show, and National Specialty winners. Tartanside stock is the foundation for many of today's top kennels.

All seven Group honorees were presented with medallions during the show on December 12, 2015. Group winners included:

- Sporting Group: Janet Bunce, Wochica Golden Retrievers
- Hound Group: Jay T. Hafford and James P. Blanchard, Thaon Reg. Afghan Hounds
- Working Group: Sylvia Hammarstrom, Skansen Giant Schnauzers
- Terrier Group: Lydia Coleman Hutchinson, Wolfpit Cairn Terriers
- Toy Group: Arlene A. Czech, Coguina Papillons
- Non-Sporting Group: Kathie Vogel, Vogelflight Bichon Frise
- Herding Group: John Buddie, Tartanside Collies

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"Brut"



Introducing **Champion** Livewire's A Glass of Bubbly Brut finished his championship at Shoreline DFA with a 4 point major in his first show back since he was 7 months old. Brut is owned by Chris Porter & Co-owned with Lauren House

"Brandi"





Kelso's Aged to Perfection got two majors at the Shoreline DFA & Malibu KC Shows, going Best of Winners each day. Brandi is loved by all.

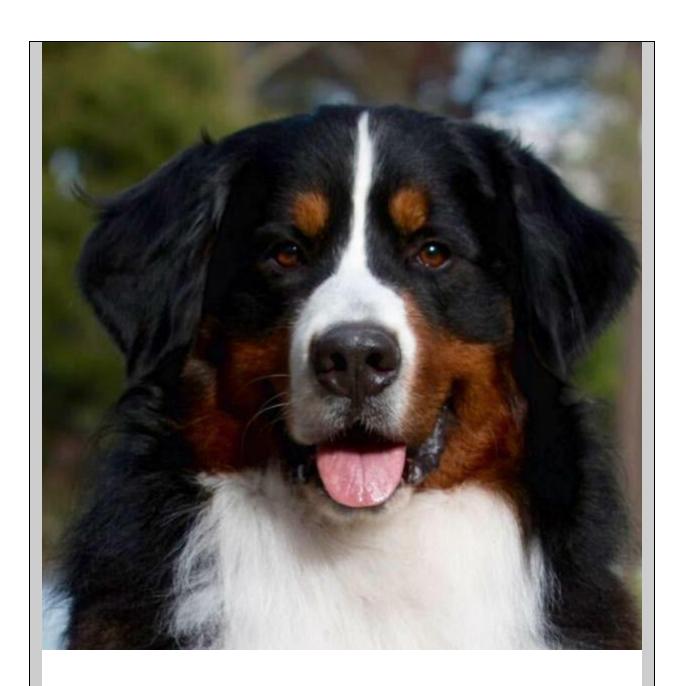
"Bruschi"



Kelso's Full Tilt,
Brandi's brother also had a nice weekend at Malibu KC, winning his first points with a major.

Both Brandi & Bruschi were bred and are owned by Chris, Arianna & Chris Porter

"Buzz"



Magic Berner's To Infinity and Beyond went Best of Winners at the Malibu KC show.

And an extra shout out to Buzz who turns 3 years old today!

Thank you to my dear friends Burce Bauersfeld & Diane Kelley for my magnificent boy!

"Bentley"



MACH2 Marweg Silver Bentley, MXC, MJC, NF, RE, CGC, ThD, URO1, NW1. Bentley got his #18 QQ for his MACH3 (he needs 20) at the agility trial at the City of Industry on Dec. 12th. I love this photo because it shows the drive my little guy has. He will be 9 years old Jan. 25th. When he was 3 years old he had bilateral knee surgery for subluxing patellas. The rehab took about 6 months but he recovered completely. This photo was taken in August. Owned and cherished by Donna Hedrick

"Frankie"



Memoires Lyca Frankie, MX, MXJ, OF, BN, T2B, RA, CGC, UR01. Frankie got her Rally Advanced title in Bakersfield in October. We will be trying for our first Excellent leg at Winterfest next month. In the mean time, Frankie has been working her way to her MACH her agility championship. She earned her MX (Master Agility) title at the agility trial in the City of Industry on Dec. 11th, 2015. My little girl has lots of drive although she sometimes runs to the judge to say "HI" when running a course. But, usually she is very focused. Owned and loved by Donna Hedrick.

"Jewel"



GCH Larkangen's American Trendy Girl, CGC had an amazing 2015 ending in the Top Ten stats!!

She has shown her heart out winning Groups and many placements. Loved and owned by Patty Rusko Shown and loved by Joseph Berkau and Burk Hughes. Go Team Jewel

"Asher"





GCH SilverOaks SurfCitys Shades of Gray finished the year as the #1 male weimaraner, #2 overall. Throughout the year Asher was awarded 101 Best of Breeds, 12 Group 4 placements, 10 Group 3 placements, 6 Group 2 placements, 13 Group 1 placements 3 Reserve Best in Shows and 9 Best in Specialty shows. Asher also won the Weimaraner Club of Americans National Maturity.

Felicia and Dean Langwiser are extremely proud of Asher as are their owners, Club members Brad and Jo-Ann Rosenberg. Thank you SAVKC for your support.

Congrats to all of you and those who forgot to brag!

Please remember to send in your brags. Each of you and your dog work hard to earn them, so why not be proud and share them with your club?

From The Editor

Happy New Year everyone!

Hope you all had a wonderful Christmas & Holiday. Time to gear up for the new year.

Wishing everyone the best in 2016!



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