President’s Message

Hello, TaTashi Delek (བཀར་ཤིས་བདེ་ལགས།།)

2020 has been a challenge to all of us in so many ways. It has been and continues to be a time like no other in our lives. The COVID-19 pandemic has brought havoc in our every day activities with uncertainty, stress, and trauma in all of our communities. No doubt each of you has been impacted in some way or another by this virus; family and friends having been exposed or having the virus, dealing with community and state mandates, the never ending news reports and updates on cases, the sheer overwhelmingly responsibility of making sure our children are meeting the requirements and attending virtual schools, facing different ways of going to “work”, masked grocery shopping, some have even lost their jobs due to this virus and yes, even dog shows are different. It has been very trying to say the least.

Despite these challenges we are facing daily, this has also been a time to bring out the BEST in so many people. People checking on and supporting neighbors, parents and grandparents becoming “teachers”, families zooming in order to stay in close contact, realizing slowing down is not such a bad idea, and taking time to reflect on how to be a better person. As the Dalai Lama said, “It is under the greatest adversity that there exists the greatest potential for doing good, both for oneself and others.” How very true!

By now you have received my letters explaining the how’s and why’s of having to reschedule the TTCA 2021 National Specialty that was to be held in Tampa, Florida. Every board members’ input regarding rescheduling, implications of such was heard before making this difficult decision. The final decision was based on many factors, but most importantly for your well-being and that of your dogs.

All articles, pictures etc for the newsletter are due to EliseKind elisebethk1063@gmail.com by January 15, 2021
We now have a plan in place for our future nationals. In 2022 Tampa will host the TTCA National Specialty and yes, it aligns with the Florida State Cluster Shows, 2023 will be on the East Coast and will be a celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Tibetan Terrier being recognized by AKC, and in 2024 the Elegante Hotel will be our host site in Colorado Springs, Colorado and yes it aligns with the Colorado Springs Kennel Club Shows.

We are anxious to have normalcy in our lives, but according to my crystal ball, it is not certain. Having a “show and go” national specialty is most certainly not us. We love our ability to socialize, dine together, and stand at ringside and watch the beautiful TTs parade around the ring with their proud owners and handlers with such dignity. It is impossible with the new guidelines to “show and go.”

The TTCA is very fortunate to have members willing to chair regionals and supported shows. We certainly appreciate their efforts.

We will begin by offering commemorative medallions at the Royal Canin Show in Orlando for BOB, BOS, BBE, and also for Agility, Rally, and Obedience.

Dee Travella will chair the TTCA supported entry at the Greater Fort Meyers Show to be held on March 19-21st, 2020 at the Greater Fort Meyers Show located at the Lee County Civic Center in Fort Meyers.

Flossie Barczewski will chair the Regional Specialty and Sweeps as well as the supported entry on April 30, 2021 and May 1, 2021 in conjunction with the Wilmington Kennel Club at Lum’s Pond State Park in Bear, Delaware.

Other future events are currently being coordinated as I write, keeping in mind the priority is to keep all safe.

Jane Goodell has held a few Tibetan Terrier meet ups at safe distances. This gives our pups a chance to play with other TTs and to give their two leggeds a bit of socialization even at a six foot distance. These small, outdoor gatherings give us hope that in the future we will be able to have a large TT gathering once again. Thank you Jane.

The TTHWF recently mailed out their annual fund raiser flyer. The foundation remains very active in supporting Rescue and Research. Any and all donations to this cause are greatly appreciated. We never know when TTCA will be called upon for Rescue or to help support research on the well-being of our dogs. To be honest I worry about how Rescue will be affected after the pandemic. So many people now have cats and dogs to keep them company. I certainly hope the adopters will give them a furever home, but we know that sometimes that is not the way it goes. Additionally, you can help TTHWF but checking the box on Amazon Smile. It may not seem like much, but rest assured it adds up especially since most of us shop on line now days.

AKC has been very creative during the pandemic, providing venues to challenge your dogs, acquire new titles, as well as offering many videos to improve our understanding of dogs. In particular the Virtual Home Manners is great for new puppy people, the “Fit Dog Program” can help not only the pup, but its owner, Trick Dog, Rally Novice through Excellent is offered, Agility ACT 1 and 2 and the AKC Educational Webinars also allow owners to further their education as well as their dogs. Please check out the website for all of the interesting activities, yes you can teach an old dog a new trick!

As we approach the busiest time of the year and no doubt for some the loneliest, please take heart and know that next year we will be in a better place, we will ALL be together with our families and friends celebrating life and moving forward. In the meantime, “Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible.” Dalai Lama.

Take care, stay safe, and remember as Annie with her dog, Sandi sang, “Tomorrow, tomorrow the sun will come out tomorrow.”

Karen
Membership Matter
November 2020

New Members

We extend a very warm welcome to the following new Associate Members!

Judi Fisher
David Daugherty
Collette and Evan Cranston

Foreign Member Application

The TTCA has received a Foreign Membership application from Alexandra Irisardottir, Alex has a Tibetan Terrier and a Miniature Schnauzer and lives in Iceland. Some of you may have already seen her beautiful photography.

If you wish to submit comments regarding the applicant, please do so within fifteen (15) days of receipt of this newsletter. Send comments to:

Amy Crane
PO Box 85781
Tucson, AZ 85754-5781
(520) 307-4272
galenatt@gmail.com

Sponsors: The application forms can be confusing so please assist the people you sponsor to ensure the applications are correctly completed. Also, please verify that you are a Regular (not Associate) member, since only Regular members are eligible to sponsor new members.

Associate members applying for Regular or Household membership status: Associate members, please send in your dues and remain listed as an Associate member. Once you are approved for Regular or Household membership, your status will be changed on the roster.
It’s Time – 2021 TTCA Dues are right around the corner

I know this is early, but we wanted to get a head start on the New Year. A year that will hopefully see the insanity of 2020 change into a year of hope, vaccines and no more masks!

Please remember that your 2021 – 2022 TTCA Dues are due by March 31, 2021. This year, in order to save the Club unnecessary expense, there will not be a U.S.P.S. mailed Dues Notice. Instead you will receive an e-mail sent out right after the first of the year. This e-mail will save the Club $500 over snail mail!

You can pay your dues by check which should be mailed to:
Jim Lenchner
TTCA Treasurer
208 Kesley Court
Queen Anne, Maryland 21657

You can also pay your dues using PayPal from the TTCA on-line store at; TTCA Store.
Just click on the link, then Store Home / Shop / Membership Dues and make your payment! It doesn’t get any easier than that!

Dues are the same as last year:
Regular and Associate Membership - $40.00
Family and Foreign Membership - $55.00
Junior Membership - $20.00

Thank you all for being pro-active and getting this task completed in a timely fashion. Happy Holidays to all!
October 1, 2020

The Nominating Committee operated under the multiple ballot procedure approved by the Officers/Board of the TTCA for use in 2021-2022. Results of the ballot are as follows:

President – Karen Tromblee

1st Vice President – Florence Barczewski

2nd Vice President – Sheryl Getman

Secretary – Janet Slothower

Recording Secretary – Sharon Hurd

Treasurer – Jim Lenchner

Board Members – 1) Ron Pankiewicz 2) Krista Johnson

This can be considered the official results of the report of the Nomination Committee and officially reported as the Nomination Committee slate.

Sincerely,

Florence Barczewski
Chairman

Members: Kim Lenox, Kate Stanuch, Sandy White, Anette Ohman, Florence Barczewski; Alternates: Betsy Richards and Deidre Philpot
BCTTC will be holding its Annual Specialty in conjunction with Ladies’ Dog Club on Saturday, June 5, 2021 at the CrackerBarrel Fairgrounds, 54 Emerald Street, Wrentham, MA 02093.

Come join us for a fun filled day of competition in New England during the late Spring season. We will be providing additional information including a brochure with bios and show information on our Facebook page. Please like our page and visit for updates.

**SUPERINTENDENT**

Show Superintendent is MB-F, Inc. Premium lists will be distributed in late March 2021. If you do not receive one visit their website at:

[www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com) for a pdf copy.

Entries may be made online.

**TROPHIES**

Trophy Chair, Travis Brock, has arranged a collection of practical items for our trophies this year. These items will have a custom label. Trophies will be provided to all that enter. We are accepting trophy donations and if you wish to support this effort please contact:

Travis Brock at travbrock@hotmail.com

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**GROOMING**

All judging to be outdoors. A large area will be reserved for TT exhibitors.

**OFFICERS & DIRECTORS 2020-2021**

President - Travis Brock
Vice President - Jane Goodall
Secretary - Wendyll Behrend
Treasurer - Gail M Tocacinta
Directors
- Jackie Faust
- Jen Levins
- Kate Stannuch

Interested in a membership? Contact Wendyll at wendyll.behrend@gmail.com

**OTHER SHOWS**

**THE 145TH ANNUAL WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW**

JUNE 11-13 2021 AT HISTORIC LYNDHURST ESTATE IN TARRYTOWN, NY
**The Royal Ghosts: Stories** by Samrat Upadhyay

looks at Nepali characters trying to reconcile their desires with duties to ancient parents, the oppressive caste system, and arranged marriage. All of these trials play out in a world of Maoist insurrections where thousands of lives have been lost. The stories spotlight Kathmandu during a time of political unrest and cultural transformation.

They also show the struggle of the Nepali people to enter and be a part of the modern world. How do these people reconcile their traditions and history with their desires to become part of the modern world.

Samrat Upadhyay has won the Whiting Award. Several of his books have been *New York Times* notable books and *San Francisco Chronicle* best books of the year. He has written for the *New York Times* and appeared on BBC Radio, and NPR. Mr. Upadhyay is the director of the creative writing program at Indiana University.

Mr. Upadhyay’s books are not always easy to find. As with so many things, Amazon has a nice selection of his books in paperback and for Kindle. If you don’t like Amazon, you can always order these books. They are well worth finding and reading.
Waiting

Many many Therapy dogs are waiting to go back to work. Seeing their patients through glass is not the same. The dogs find it so hard to understand. Yes, the patients smile and giggle at the silly tricks, performed, but it is the cuddles and kisses that they miss. Which brings me to what is a Therapy Dog?

*Therapy Dog*

You sit there
Unjudging, glad just to
Be
With me, smiling
Demanding only the joy of
My company
You
Reveal to me that I
Am well loved
You
accept
Unconditionally
As
A gift from God
I bask in your energy, am
Brought back to life
Healed
By your presence and wet
Sloppy kiss

-- Steven C. Hohn, 2008
From 1966 to 2008, Libby Hall amassed thousands of photographs of dogs and their people taken between 1850 and 1940. Ms Hall later used the collection for her five books of dog photographs.

The books are not easy to find, but well worth the search. Their are wonderful posed photos of much loved family pets both with and without family members. Most of the dogs are of no particular breed, but one can discern various types of spaniels, terriers, and maybe some small hounds. What makes these photos so interesting is the care and love for each animal. These are cherished pictures of important companions and family members.

It is worth your time to look at Ms Hall’s books of her collection.

The Bark: Dog is my Co-pilot
From the Libby Hall Collection
Bishopsgate Institute, London
THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB LAUNCHES NEW VIRTUAL HOME MANNERS TITLING PROGRAM

New York, NY - The American Kennel Club is pleased to announce the launch of its exciting new Virtual Home Manners (VHM) Program. The program is designed to help teach dogs proper manners at home. Teaching their dogs to behave at home is important for owners, mentally stimulating for dogs, and home-based training can take place any time that fits into the schedule of the dog owner. The program will include two levels allowing puppies and dogs of all ages to participate.

“Many companion dogs have been added to families during the pandemic. Basic training for practical home manners should start as soon as we bring a puppy home,” said Doug Ljungren, Vice President of Sports and Events. “By providing home manners training, we lay the foundation for well-behaved dogs who are a joy for their families.”

All dogs (purebred and mixed breeds) can earn Virtual Home Manners titles provided the dog is AKC-registered, enrolled in the Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program, or enrolled with AKC Canine Partners. The tests include manners related to food, walking on a leash, petting, and following commands like sit, stay, down and more. Virtual Home Manners titles will be listed on the dog’s AKC record and will appear on pedigrees. The two levels of Virtual Home Manners titles are Puppy and Adult. The titles can be awarded by AKC-approved Canine Good Citizen Evaluators who will review videos of dogs performing the VHM skills.

“The Virtual Home Manners Program is a perfect lead-in to AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy and AKC’s popular Canine Good Citizen programs, which require in-person testing,” said Dr. Mary Burch, AKC Family Dog Director. “The ability to earn titles virtually is especially important during these times. AKC remains committed to finding creative ways to encourage dogs and their owners to become involved in training that results in well-behaved family companions.”

AKC will begin accepting title applications on October 19, 2020 and will begin processing titles on November 2.

For learn more about the Virtual Home Manners Program, see: http://akc.org/virtual-home-manners/
For questions, contact cgcc@akc.org
Peanut Butter and Pumpkin Dog Treats

**Ingredients**
2 cups flour  
1 cup canned pumpkin  
1/2 cup peanut butter (make sure it is Xylitol-free)

**Directions**
Preheat your oven to 375°F  
In a large bowl, mix together the pumpkin and peanut butter  
Stir in the flour and combine the mixture into a dough  
Roll out the dough onto a floured surface  
Cut the dough into shapes with your favorite cookie cutter  
Place the treats half an inch apart on an ungreased cookie sheet  
Bake for 12 minutes

Banana Pumpkin Dog Treats

**Ingredients**
3 cups whole wheat flour + extra for dusting counter  
2 eggs  
1 cup pumpkin puree  
1 banana, mashed

**Directions**
Preheat oven to 350°F.  
Mix eggs, banana and pumpkin together. Add flour and mix until all the flour is incorporated. Lightly dust the counter and a rolling pin with flour, then roll out dough to approximately 1/8” and cut out treats. Lay on a baking sheet and bake for approximately 20 minutes. Cool completely before giving to your pup!

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Top 10 Warning Signs of Cancer in Pets

November is pet cancer awareness month. Cancer is the leading cause of death in pets who are beyond middle age. Below are the top ten warning signs your pet may have developed cancer. Of course, check with your veterinarian if you see any of these signs.

1. Abnormal swelling that persists and continues to grow.
   Pet your pet to see if there are any lumps and bumps or swelling.

2. Sores that don’t heal
   These sores can be a sign of an infection or cancer.

3. Weight Loss
   If you’re pet isn’t on a diet, but is losing weight, there could be a problem

4. Loss of Appetite
   It’s not normal for an animal to lose their appetite.

5. Bleeding or Discharge
   Vomiting and diarrhea are both examples of abnormal discharge.

6. Offensive Odor
   Offensive odors from the mouth, nose, or anus could be a sign of a tumor.

7. Difficulty eating or Swallowing
   This is a sign of cancer of the mouth or neck.

8. Hesitation to exercise or loss of stamina
   The first sign your pet may not feel well.

9. Persistent Lameness
   Limping or other evidence of pain is usually associated with arthritis, but it can be a sign of bone cancer.

10. Difficulty breathing, urinating, or defecating
    Usually these problems are caused by an underlying condition.

Lauren Mingus  Flint Animal Cancer Center  Colorado State University
All articles for the Jan/Feb, 2021 TTCA newsletter is due January 15, 2021
Send everything to Elise Kind elisebethk1063@gmail.com

Thank you Jane Goodell for the wonderful pictures and to everyone who contributed to the newsletter.

If you have read a book or are doing any kind of obedience, I'd love to have you write about it for the newsletter.
I am always in need of pictures. Just no show shots.
Do you do therapy work with your dog or do you teach conformation handling or obedience. Let me know.

Yes, I know it’s difficult to do many of these things with your dog in the middle of COVID, so tell us about your activities before the pandemic.

I hope you have put the newsletter address in your addresses. Many times that small action will help you get your newsletter.
If you don’t receive your newsletter, email me. It does no good to tell your pals and not tell me. I put each address in separately and then go back and make sure everything has gone through. That takes me a while, so don’t get impatient if you don’t get your newsletter at the same time your friend does.

Lastly, if you change your address please go in to the membership and change it in the database. This way I’m not sending your emails to the wrong address.

Whatever you do today, do it with kindness in your heart
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Date: December 3, 2020

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THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB LAUDS RELEASE OF FINAL RULE ON SERVICE DOG AIR TRAVEL

New York, NY-The American Kennel Club™ (AKC), the largest purebred registry in the world and leading advocate for dogs, lauds the U.S. Department of Transportation on yesterday’s release of a final rule on travel by air with service dogs.

“We are very pleased by the DOT’s strong statement that recognizes the value of properly trained service dogs and the tasks they perform to mitigate an individual’s disability,” said Dennis Sprung, AKC President and CEO. “We also appreciate the clarification that service dogs come in many shapes and sizes, and that no properly trained, working service dog should be denied a flight because of its breed or appearance.”

The new rule, which begins in 30 days, addresses issues associated with the increase in poorly trained service dogs and emotional support animals that have been brought into airports and on aircraft in recent years, putting the health and safety of other passengers – especially those with properly trained service dogs, the crew and aircraft at risk.

Among other changes to federal rules for air transport of service dogs, this rule aligns the definition of service dog in the Air Carrier Access Act with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Psychiatric Service Dogs will be treated as individually trained service dogs. Emotional Support Animals will be treated as pets.

The AKC has shared concerns that passengers wishing to travel by air with their pets may falsely be claiming that their pets are service animals in order to travel, by bringing a pet into aircraft cabins or avoid paying fees for their pets. We strongly oppose the practice of characterizing dogs as service animals when they are not or attempting to benefit from a dog’s service dog status when the individual handling the dog is not a person with a disability.

The AKC has been particularly concerned about the unjust impact that poorly trained dogs and misrepresentation of pets as service dogs has had on undermining the ability of individuals with disabilities who truly need properly trained service dogs to conduct their daily activities. To assist in finding a solution to this issue, AKC is a founding partner in the American Service Dog Access Coalition, a charitable organization that works across industries to establish recognized, voluntary standards certification for service dogs.

For more information, contact Brandi Hunter or Sheila Goffe at mailto:communications@akc.org.
Happy Holidays
Have a Wonderful New Years!
Stay safe  Wear that mask.