



# Retriever Reflections

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## EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Hello, I just got back from the San Joaquin Labrador Retriever Club Speciality shows. The weather was wonderful if a bit on the hot side, many lovely dogs and a few wins by GGLRC members [haven't received all their brags yet]. There are two important issues for you all to take action on or not as you see fit - the proposed statewide breeding ban and a farm animal welfare bill - see the details later in the newsletter. Also this will be the last e-mailed/mailed newsletter. If you prefer to receive the newsletter in hard copy rather than just the e-mailed notice that it is posted on the web page please let me know (I know some of you don't have internet access you will still receive a hard copy). I really will try to start getting this out once a month!

Sincerely, Melinda Grosch, Editor

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings GGLRC members,

Just a quick note to bring you up to date on recent news within our club.

Show and Go: Sunday, June 3rd, 2007 - The date is now set, and we have the location reserved: Robertson Park in Livermore. We now need you to mark your calendars and plan on coming out and having a good time. We will be having Obedience rings for all classes, a conformation ring [with both Sweepstakes and regular classes] and a General Meeting. We have lined up some great judges who will not only score your performance, but give you helpful tips on how to improve. It will be great fun and we look forward to a really good turnout. If you want to lend a hand to help set up, steward a ring, or help with the lunch, drop me an email. There will be a flyer in the mail shortly.

Specialty: We are all set for a Blockbuster Specialty this year, offering two, one day shows, making this year the first year where you may have a shot at four major pointed shows in a row (entries willing!) plus Obedience. The dates are October 19th and 20th, and we have some great judges lined up. We still need volunteers to help out with a variety of tasks, so if you think you may want to help, drop a line to Martha Shaw. This is our most visible event of the year, so come out and help make it a big success.

My thanks to everyone who is working hard to make these events happen, including our Board members and Event Chairpersons. Our next board meeting is on May 9th and all club members are welcome to attend.

This is your club and it takes your support to make it successful. If you have ideas for events or something you would like to see happen, drop me or any of the board members an email or give us a call. But most of all, come to the events and have fun!

Best Regards, Allen Garfinkle, President GGLRC

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Classified Ads \$1 per line.

The Labrador In Northern California Booklet

Copies of the Club's publication, The Labrador in Northern California, are available from Terri Herigstad for \$5 each. These are handy references and are great for handing out to new Labrador owners.

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**Litter listing requirements:**

Members may submit litter listings for their dogs or bitches. As stated in the GGLRC Breeders Code of Ethics, before a litter will be listed in Retriever Reflections, you must submit health clearance information for both the dog and the bitch: OFA or Wind-Morgan clearances and certification by a board-certified veterinary ophthalmologist that the dog has been examined and found free of hereditary eye disease within the last year. You must indicate whether or not the parents have met the Code of Ethics performance requirement (CD, one championship point, JAM, field title, WC, or GGLRC Retrieving Dog Elementary certificate).

We require a \$10 donation to Golden Gate Labrador Rescue for a litter listing. Each listing may appear twice. Please submit listings in writing to Editor, Melinda Grosch. Make checks payable to GGLRC and send to: Nancy Yamada, Treasurer, 42 Roosevelt Circle, Palo Alto, CA 94306

The litters or sires listed here belong to members in good standing of the Golden Gate Labrador Retriever Club, Inc. (GGLRC), but in no circumstances does GGLRC guarantee the services of said members.

Buyers should review any contracts and/or guarantees with the breeder.

If you like the work we do in helping to save Labs ...you can help us to help the dogs by sending a tax deductible contribution to: GGLRR 2515 Lexington Way, San Bruno, CA 94066

Lab Rescue is an all volunteer organization GGLRR has been granted nonprofit/tax-exempt status by the IRS under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All donations made to GGLRR are deductible from your personal tax returns to the extent allowed by law.

BRAGS

Janet Bennett:

Mulbury Stowaway ShowBoat "Hattie"  
San Joaquin Hunting Retriever Club - 09/17/06  
NAHRA Hunt Test Started Pass  
NorCal Golden Retriever Club - 09/24/06  
AKC Hunt Test Junior Pass  
Monterey Bay Hunt Test Club - 02/17/07  
AKC Hunt Test Junior Pass

Ron & Jennifer Kelly

Belgairn Impressive Dreams (Liena)  
Kennel Club of Palm Springs #1  
Winner's Bitch and Best of Winner's - 3 point major  
Judge: Barbara Nowak (Broyhill)

Belgairn Shadowbrook Over The Edge (Trouble)  
Kennel Club of Palm Springs #2  
RWB to a 3 point major  
Handled by ten year old Tanner Kelly!  
Judge: Winnie Limbourne (Wingmaster)

Terri Herigstad

Delby Marstad Black Pearl "Pearl"  
(Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams x Delby's Over The Moon)  
San Diego LRC specialty - 2/17/07  
1st Open Black Bitches  
Judge: Lisa Weiss

and

San Joaquin Vly LRC specialty - 3/16/07  
WB & BOW for 4 pts  
Judge: Claire White Peterson

and

Kennel Club of Salinas - 3/23/07  
WB & BOS  
Judge: Carl Liepmann

and

Oakland Kennel Club - 3/25/07  
WB & BOS  
Judge: Sandra Olsen.

Marstad Boston Lager "Boston"  
(Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams x Galileo Marstad Bleu Moon)  
San Diego LRC specialty - 2/17/07  
1st in 6-9M Sweeps Puppy Bitches  
Judge: Kim Jacobson  
and  
2nd 6-9M Puppy Bitches  
Judge: Lisa Weiss

and

San Diego LRC specialty - 2/18/07  
2nd in 6-9M Sweeps Puppy Bitches  
Judge Ron Kelly  
and  
2nd 6-9M Puppy Bitches  
Judge: Jan Grannemann

Marstad Black Lager "Zap"

(Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams x Galileo Marstad Bleu Moon)  
San Diego LRC - 2/17/07  
3rd in 6-9M Puppy Bitches  
Judge Lisa Weiss.

and

San Diego LRC specialty - 2/18/07.  
1st in 6-9M Sweeps Puppy Bitches  
Judge: Ron Kelly  
and  
4th in 6-9M Puppy Bitches  
Judge: Jan Grannemann

Hollyhill Delby's Samuel Adams "Lager"  
Kennel Club of Salinas - 3/23/07  
WD & BOW  
Judge: Carl Liepmann

and

Oakland Kennel Club - 3/25/07  
WD & BOW  
Judge: Sandra Olsen.

**IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE NEWS**

Two really important bills have been introduced in the State legislature this year they are AB 1634 "California Healthy Pets Act" and AB 594 Farm Animal Cpnfinement.

**AB 1634 California Healthy Pets Act**

This summary was available on the California legislative website:

Introduced 2/23 by Lloyd Levine (D-40) Van Nuys SEN. Alex Padilla (D-20) Pacoima. Pedro Nava (D-35) Santa Barbara

As introduced, AB 1634 would create a new Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 122336) to Part 6 of Division 105 of the Health and Safety Code (integrated text), providing "a person shall not own or possess within the state any cat or dog over the age of four months that has not been spayed or neutered, unless that person possesses an intact permit, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 122336."

Permits only available to:

(1) The cat or dog is registered as a purebred with a pedigree with any of the following organizations:

(A) The American Kennel Club.

(B) The United Kennel Club.

(C) The American Dog Breeders Association.

(D) The International Cat Association.

(E) A recognized registry approved by the local animal control agency.

Or service/law enforcement/veterinary exemption. Competition

If no S/N within 30 days of compliance date, provide vet letter or s/n within 75 days after compliance date. \$500 civil fine(s), waivable if permit obtained or s/n done. Fines fund local s/n fund for free/low cost s/n for low income, outreach, enforcement. Permit fee set locally, only as "reasonably necessary" to fund the local permit program. Local AC is responsible for enforcement.

AKC has provided a sample letter of opposition which is available on their website. I have copied and pasted it here for your use. Their "call to action" flyer states that the law would apply to all animals brought into the state for competition as well.

The Honorable (name)  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 94249

Dear Assemblyman or Assemblywoman \_\_\_\_\_:

I am writing you today because I am concerned about Assembly Bill 1634, a measure that would require mandatory spaying/neutering of dogs and cats over four months of age unless the owner purchases an intact animal permit. I am a responsible dog owner (and or breeder) and I oppose this legislation.

*(Personalize here – tell about yourself as a dog owner, breeder and fancier. How many years have you been involved with dogs? What breeds have you owned or shown? Do you compete in any other activities with your dog – Obedience, Rally, Agility...Have any of your dogs achieved a Championship? Won a prestigious award?*

*Breeders - Details the steps you take when preparing to breed/whelp a litter – applicable health testing, evaluation of breeding stock, training, etc...How do you work with puppy purchasers to ensure they will be responsible owners? Do you encourage CGC or obedience training? Do you remain in contact with the new owners?)*

Mandatory spay/neuter is an ineffective solution to animal control problems because it fails to address the heart of the issue—irresponsible ownership. These laws are extremely difficult to enforce and can be evaded by irresponsible animal owners by not licensing their pets. It will hurt responsible breeders like me who raise healthy, well cared-for dogs and work to ensure that these puppies are placed with responsible owners.

Responsible owners who are already complying with local animal control laws will be unfairly punished by AB 1634, while irresponsible owners will continue to make problems for the community and local shelters. Concentrating animal control efforts on dogs whose

behavior demonstrates that they are a problem for the community would be a much better use of taxpayer funds.

I respectfully ask that you support responsible owners and breeders by opposing AB 1634.

Sincerely,

John Smith  
1234 Main Street  
Los Angeles, CA

This is a link to the AKC's website which includes this letter and the "call to action" flyer.

[http://www.akc.org/canine\\_legislation/CA\\_action\\_center.cfm](http://www.akc.org/canine_legislation/CA_action_center.cfm)

The following information was taken from an update provided by the Animal Council:

CA AB 1634, the "California Healthy Pets Act", AB 1634 authored by Assembly Members Lloyd Levine(D-40) of Van Nuys and Pedro Nava(D-35) of Santa Barbara and Senator Alex Padilla(D-20) of Pacoima has now been assigned to the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions. The initially planned hearing date is Tuesday, April 10. The Committee Consultant's deadline for receipt of requests for inclusion on the Bill Analysis opposition list by name for organizations or by count for individuals is Monday, April 2. The anticipated amended version AB 1634 is not yet available, so initial requests will address the introduced version. Bill amendments prior to hearings require restating your position and request as appropriate. Plan to submit a basic request this week based on what we know so far.

Since AB 1634 has been single-referred only to Business & Professions, the policy issues will focus on whether further restricting which unaltered dogs and/or cats may be owned by whom (and ultimately bred) will result in "healthier" and safer animals for California consumers at lower cost to California taxpayers while the local government or other specialty issues in the bill will likely be glossed over.

\* Dog and cat policy issues are different. Dogs have owners; a large percentage of cats do not. Management of un-owned cats requires community programs and not legislative mandates and restrictions.

\* Breeding either dogs or cats in California is rarely a regularly conducted, profitable business and almost

impossible to do legally under existing local ordinances. Most sellers are exempt from collecting California sales tax as "occasional" sellers. Income from sales is taxable only to the extent of unlikely and minimal profits, after deducting expenses, for either qualifying Schedule C filers or hobby income reporters.

\* Local experience over 15 years with assorted restrictions on unaltered animals coincides with fewer quality animals available from local or any sources to the public. This is not a benefit to California consumers.

\* Risk for shelter entry is entirely different from whether owned animals are born. Shelters must be provided as a community service, because some owners will always be unable to keep animals for unexpected reasons ranging from disasters, loss of housing and financial support, illness, death and other personal reasons.

\* The steep decline in California shelter entries and euthanasia began in the early 1970s, long before any local restrictions on unaltered animals including the shelter sterilization state and local laws and many new programs within shelters and communities to promote sterilization and facilitate adoption of homeless animals. Additional declines in these rates coincident with any local mandates cannot validly be attributed to these, particularly while human population has steadily increased.

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Organizations should write on letterhead. Letters can be as brief as a simple request or can include succinct policy arguments, limited to issues in the bill. Do not affirm the proponents' contentions or suggest alternatives. Items in parenthesis are optional. Address and caption letters as follows:

Via Facsimile 916-319-3306

The Honorable Mike Eng  
Chair, Assembly Committee on Business and Professions  
1020 N Street, Room 124  
Sacramento CA 95814

Attention: Tracy Rhine, Committee Consultant

Re: CA AB 1634, "California Healthy Pets Act", as introduced, OPPOSE

Dear Mr. Eng:

We oppose AB 1634, mandating sterilization of dogs and cats through local ordinance, and request inclusion in the listed opposition for the Bill Analysis in your committee. (Our immediate concerns are detailed

below.)

INCLUDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF YOUR ORGANIZATION Example for a dog club: "The Voodoo Hound Club of America, dedicated to preservation of the ancient and revered Voodoo Hound, represents the welfare of Voodoo Hounds and interests of their owners in California and throughout the world."

(List/detail objections suitable for bill analysis.)

(BRIEF SUMMARY of the bill's negative impact.)

Accordingly, we respectfully ask that AB 1634 be either withdrawn or defeated.

Very truly yours,

ORGANIZATION NAME  
By: Authorized Person

Cc: Committee Members, Author  
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For individual writers, ask to be included in the numerical individual opposition count for the Bill Analysis. Fax is the best method or hand delivery if practical.

Voice phone for the Committee office is (916) 319-3301.

Spring Recess begins on adjournment March 29, and the Legislature reconvenes Monday, April 9, so legislators will be away and possibly in their home areas. The same concerns about bill amendments apply to legislators.

There are 10 members of the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions, 6 votes are needed to pass measures. There are 7 Democrats and 3 Republicans, and this year we are separately listing by party. Because California bills tend to be voted on partisan lines, it is imperative to both hold the Republican votes and convince Democrats to not vote for it. Five of the seven Democrats are new to the Legislature with no voting record.

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## AB 594 Farm Animal Welfare

This bill could have an impact on the use of live birds for hunting tests or field trials and for training. I was alerted to it by a friend who has herding dogs and participates in herding trials.

CURRENT BILL STATUS MEASURE : A.B. No. 594  
AUTHOR(S) : Dymally.  
TOPIC : Farm animals: confinement. .... : An act to add Chapter 13.8 [commencing with Section 25990] to Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to farm animals.

BILL NUMBER: AB 594  
INTRODUCED  
BILL TEXT INTRODUCED BY Assembly Member Dymally

FEBRUARY 21, 2007

An act to add Chapter 13.8 [commencing with Section 25990] to Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to farm animals.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST  
AB 594, as introduced, Dymally. Farm animals: confinement.  
Existing law generally regulates the treatment of farm animals. This bill would, subject to exceptions and commencing July 1, 2013, prohibit any person from keeping a farm animal, as defined, confined in an enclosure that does not permit sufficient space for each animal to stand, lie down, get up, move his or her head freely, rest, turn around completely, and extend all limbs and wings without touching any part of the enclosure or other animals.

Violation of these provisions would be punishable by a citation for a civil fine of up to \$1,000 for each violation, and up to \$1,000 for each day that the violation continues. The fine would be payable to the local agency issuing the citation.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Chapter 13.8 [commencing with Section 25990] is added to Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

CHAPTER 13.8. FARM ANIMAL CONFINEMENT

25990. For purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

(a) "Covered farm animal" means any domesticated mammal or bird that is used for food or fiber production.

(b) "Enclosure" means any cage, crate, or other structure used to confine a covered farm animal.

(c) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, association, limited liability company, corporation, estate, trust, receiver, or syndicate.

25991. No person may keep any covered farm animal in an enclosure for all or the majority of any day that does not provide sufficient space for each animal to stand, lie down, get up, move his or her head freely, rest, turn around completely, and extend all limbs and wings without touching any part of the enclosure or other animals.

25992. For purposes of this chapter, "covered farm animal" does not include animals during lawful transportation, lawful rodeo exhibits, state or county fair exhibitions, 4-H programs, lawful slaughter, lawful scientific or agricultural research, or examination, test, individual treatment, or operation for veterinary purposes, or pigs during the seven-day period prior to the pig's expected date of giving birth.

25993. (a) A peace officer, officer of a humane society as qualified under Section 14502 or 14503 of the Corporations Code, or officer of an animal control or animal regulation department of a public agency as qualified under Section 830.9 of the Penal Code, may issue a citation to a person or entity that violates this chapter.

(b) A citation issued under this section shall require the person cited to pay a civil penalty in an amount up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each violation, and up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each day that the violation continues. The civil penalty shall be payable to the local agency initiating the proceedings to enforce this chapter to offset the costs to the agency-related court proceedings.

(c) A person who violates this chapter may be prosecuted by the district attorney of the county in which the violation occurred, or by the city attorney of the city in which the violation occurred.

25994. (a) Sections 25990, 25991, 25992, and 25993 shall become operative on July 1, 2013.

(b) It is the express intention of the Legislature, by delaying the operative date of the provisions of this chapter, to allow a six-year period for persons and entities engaged in agricultural practices to modify their business practices to conform to the provisions of the chapter.

**A Quote I Love!**

"I'm glad God invented dogs because dogs mad possible the greatest invention ever: The pooper-scooper!" - Marc Kamen

**Caught in the Web**

<http://www.nowsafe.net/index.html>

Really cool "baby gates" designed for dogs but also useful for human puppies. A large variety of configurations and various types of mounting systems. I particularly like the extra tall one since I have a very athletic dog who can clear the 36" variety from a standstill.

**New AKC Eligibility Requirements for Holding Shows**

The Board considered a staff proposal to modify the requirements that a club had to fulfill to be eligible to hold an AKC show. Input from the Parent Clubs and All-Breed Clubs Committees was included in the recommendation. Staff recommended that:

Every Specialty, Group and All-Breed dog club that does not hold a benched show must meet certain criteria to maintain its eligibility to hold shows. Clubs should make every effort to introduce the sport of dogs to new exhibitors and make them feel welcome at AKC events.

No club will be approved to hold a show unless it has met the appropriate criteria and filed the enclosed statement of compliance. For clarification purposes, the following definitions are being provided:

Parent Club National Specialty - an event held once a year by a Parent Club.

Parent Club Regional Specialty - an event hosted by an independent club in the Parent Club's name that is not the National Specialty.

Independent Specialty - a conformation event open only to a single breed.

Parent Club and Regional Club Judges Education Program and National or Regional Specialty satisfy all Parent Club and Regional Club education requirements.

A - Every club applying to hold a show must host at least one of the following five activities within 10 miles of the club territory and within the calendar year to be approved for the next calendar year's show(s).

TWO of these category A activities are required to be held within 10 miles of the club's territory if the club holds no show within 10 miles of the their territory during

the previous year.

1. An Independent AKC Sanctioned Match (Independent is defined as: A stand-alone event not associated with a licensed or member dog show.) Clubs may hold an independent AKC sanctioned match with emphasis on attracting and assisting new exhibitors within their territory.
2. Clubs may also satisfy this match requirement by co-hosting a multi-club match using the AKC Educational Match format to satisfy this requirement. (These large multi-club independent matches may be held outside the club territory).

In order to make matches interesting and more of an educational experience, the American Kennel Club has permitted clubs to experiment with types of events that may be used to meet this requirement. Clubs have also been permitted to vary judging procedure, critiques and examinations by multiple judges, or other alternate judging procedures. AKC is willing to consider any reasonable proposal for holding an experimental-type match, but will require a detailed explanation of the event on the match application.

For additional information or requests for variations from normal judging procedures at a sanctioned match, contact:

Director of Event Operations  
PO Box 37929  
Raleigh, NC 27627-7929  
(919-816-3579).

3. A AKC Canine Good Citizen® Test Clubs may hold a AKC Canine Good Citizen Test. In order to receive CGC information, contact:  
American Kennel Club  
ATTN: CGC, PO Box 37930  
Raleigh, NC 27627-7930
4. An Active Public Education Program The Public Education Program must document significant activity. For example, Youth programs (4-H, Scouting Groups, or active Canine Ambassador Programs) or Public Education Programs at community functions, civic organizations, public library programs, support of an AKC Veterinary Outreach activity, or other community activities within 10 miles of the club territory. Documentation of PECs,

Canine Ambassadors, and suitable educational activities will be submitted to:

Director of Public Education  
5580 Centerview Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27606

5. Other Educational or Outreach Programs Other club outreach or educational activities may be used to satisfy this Section A requirement if the club receives advanced approval from AKC Event Operations. In order to have an activity approved, the club must submit a description of the activity, the intended audience, and the location of the activity. Submit the description to:  
Director of Event Operations  
PO Box 37929,  
Raleigh, NC 27627-7929  
(919-816-3579).

B - Every show-giving club is required to conduct and document at least two of the following eleven activities in its area within the calendar year to be approved for the next calendar year's show(s).

FOUR of these category B activities are required if the club's shows are held beyond 10 miles from the club's territory.

1. Conformation and/or Obedience/Rally, or Agility Training Classes Training classes that meet this requirement are those involving obedience, agility, or conformation and are advertised and are open to the public.
2. Breeder Referral Service The key to a meaningful breeder referral lies in making it known to the public that this information is readily available. The club must indicate how it advertises the referral service to the public. (i.e. on a club website, the local Yellow Pages or advertises in local newspapers etc.)
3. Two Educational Programs for Club Members and the Public or Formal Judges Education Clubs hold regular meetings and some of these meetings should involve educational programs that are of interest to the membership and the public. If the club is fulfilling this requirement, it should specify the dates of its educational meetings and give a summary of the programs for these meetings. Clubs are encouraged to invite the public to these meetings. Specialty clubs can satisfy this requirement by offering breed specific judges education programs including on-line presentations. (i.e. On-line



video, Power Point, or similar presentations)

minimum of eight (8) provisional.

4. Dog Show Tours (May be conducted at events held outside the club territory)  
Dog shows tours help spectators understand the classes, ring procedure, championship points system, dog show etiquette, and promotes the sport of purebred dogs. A formal educational plan and schedule of tours conducted should be submitted to document this activity.
5. Registered Handler Seminars or Workshops (May be conducted at events held outside the club territory)  
Clubs that provide AKC Registered Handler seminars that educate new exhibitors and/or junior handlers encourage new exhibitors and promote the sport of dogs. Judging operations will document completion of this activity.
6. New Exhibitor Briefing (May be conducted at events held outside the club territory)  
New exhibitor briefings should help new exhibitors understand the dog show and feel more comfortable with the sport. The briefing must be publicized in the judging program and should include scheduled times. The briefing should explain the duties of the superintendent or show secretary, the AKC Executive Field Staff, the event committee, the ring steward, ring location, exercise areas, and assist with grooming space. An explanation of dog show classes, points computation, and verification of placements (judges book tear sheets). The club must document the briefing in the show report submitted for the event.
7. Opportunities for Provisional Judges (Those judges approved for NO MORE than one group) (May be conducted at events held outside the club territory)  
The success of tomorrow's show depends on the beginning judges of today. AKC encourages clubs to provide new provisional judges with opportunities to judge. For those clubs hiring at least four provisional conformation judges, credit is given for satisfying this eligibility requirement.

8. AKC Show Committee Seminars (May be conducted at events held outside the club territory)  
Event committee education contributes to a successful and well-run event. Clubs that provide this educational opportunity will be recognized for this activity. Event Operations will document these seminars.
9. Disaster Planning  
Clubs that have an AKC-approved Disaster Preparedness Plan for natural disasters within their territory will be recognized for this activity. AKC Communications Department will document completion of this activity.
10. Meet the Breeds (May be conducted at events held outside the club territory)  
Meet the breed exhibits educates the public about the various AKC breeds and aids in creating responsible dog owners. The club must document the exhibit in the show report submitted for the event.
11. Health Clinics (May be conducted at events held outside the club territory)  
Health clinics sponsored by the show-giving club that are open to the offer specific health screening. Examples of acceptable clinics include CERF, Cardiac testing or other health screening examinations not generally offered by general practice veterinarians. The club must document the exhibit in the show report submitted for the event. Clubs are reminded that the names of provisional judges are published monthly in the Gazette, are identified in the annual Judges Directory, and are available on AKC's website.

Following a motion by Ms. Scully, seconded by Mr. Gladstone, it was VOTED (affirmative: Ms. Scully, Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Merriam, Mr. Goodman, Mrs. Schaefer, Dr. Battaglia, Dr. Newman, Mr. Keene, Dr. Davies, Mrs. Strand; abstaining Dr. Garvin, Mr. Menaker; absent Dr. Haines) to adopt the above recommendation.

As a general guideline, the suggested correlation between entries and number of provisional judges is: (a) for entries of less than 1,000, a minimum of four (4) provisional; (b) for entries of 1,000 to 2,000, a minimum of six (6) provisional; (c) for entries greater than 2,000, a

**General Meetings**

Week Day, June 3 , 2007  
Location: Robertson Park in Livermore  
at the Show & Go

**Board Meetings**

Wednesday, May 9, 2007  
Location: Denny's  
46645 Mission Blvd., Fremont  
7:00 pm

Wednesday, July 18, 2007  
Location: Denny's  
46645 Mission Blvd., Fremont  
7:00 pm



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