

# CIKC INC. NEWSLETTER

### **March 2019**

### **Champaign Illinois Kennel Club, Inc.**

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#### Newsletter

Please send all information for the newsletter to Colleen Woodcock at ashlandkennel55@gmail.com by the end of each month.

### <u>Membership</u>

Prospective new members must attend two meetings (program meeting count as a regular meeting) before a membership application can be turned in. After it is submitted the application will be read by the board two times before voting on membership. Contact Sylvia Lofrano at: slofrano@yahoo.com for more information.

### **Legislative Liaison**

Cynthia Nichols, Legislative liaison CIKC, Secretary, IFDCO cdnichols@consolidated.net

### Club Calendar 2018-2019

October: Working Meeting

November: Regular Meeting (Show report)

December: No Regular meeting (member's Christmas gathering)

January: No membership meeting, Board to meet at a set date and time

February: No Reg. Meeting

March: Regular Business Meeting (Show), Health Day rescheduled to April 13th.

April: Regular Business Meeting (Show)

April 13 Health Day

April 26, 27, and 28, Central Illinois Cluster...New Location...State Fair Grounds, Springfield, IL.

May: Regular Meeting (Show report)

June: No Meeting

July: Social Event (member's picnic at Monticello)

August: Regular Business Meeting

September: Annual Meeting (*no guests*)

October: Prairieland Classic Cluster Shows in Springfield, IL with CIKC on Oct 18th.

### **March Meeting**

The Regular CIKC meeting will be held **Tues March 12<sup>th</sup>**, **2019 at Denny's Restaurant**, located in the area West of Menards in front of HH Greggs at 702 W Town Center Blvd, Champaign, IL 61822 (217 359-7044). The seating area is back past the game room and will be available at **6:30pm** for dinner with the meeting starting at approximately **7:00pm**.

We will be discussing the upcoming show. Anyone interested in joining our club is welcome to attend.

### **CIKC Winter Conformation Classes**

\*Held in the DTCCU Climate Controlled Training Building\*

#### **Please Note:**

To better spread out our 6 winter ring times, the classes for the Champaign Illinois Kennel have been offering ring practice nights two Weds each month.

The remaining nights are March 13th and 20th.

(The Spring session is scheduled to begin April 17<sup>th</sup>)

The classes are being held at **7:00pm** and depending on attendance, will run 45 min. to an hour or more.

Please contact Colleen if you plan to attend. This will help instructors know approximately how many to plan for.

For information Contact:

Colleen Woodcock <u>ashlandkennel55@gmail.com</u>

If you are new to our class or have not been for a while, please bring an **updated copy** of your dog's **vaccination or titer records** including proof of rabies with you **to be kept in our files**.

Dress comfortably with good "running" shoes. You may want to bring water for your dog also.

Drop-in Fee - \$10.00 per handler
(Make checks out to CIKC)

There will be an info card to fill out the first night and a list of rules for use of this facility will be handed out to each new participant.

Please Note- Understand that weather changes in a moment's notice. Use your discretion if weather is a question. We will do our best to announce

closings on the CIKC website: <a href="http://champaignillinoiskc.com">http://champaignillinoiskc.com</a>, on Facebook: Champaign Illinois Kennel Club – CIKC,

DTCCU will announce on Twitter
(If the Dog Training Club Classes are canceled...CIKC is not holding class either)

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### Please Remember:

\*All participants and their guests are expected to follow the guidelines set forth by both clubs at all times while on the grounds. Please pick up your copy of the rules at the ringside table when filling out your class card.

\*It is required that all participants pick up after their dogs. Use only the areas marked for this purpose. Equipment is available on the grounds along with a proper <u>outside</u> disposal area. If clean up is needed inside the building, please dispose of all solid waste outside in the disposal area.

\*Remember that humane treatment of your dogs is imperative at all times, but especially while on club grounds.

\*Bitches in season are not allowed to participate. Please contact the class coordinator if you are unable to attend due to your female coming in season. Beginning handlers are encouraged to come and watch. \*Also remember that Handicapped Parking areas are only for those with the correct parking passes properly displayed.

## **CANINE HEALTH DAY**

The Champaign Illinois Kennel Club
And
The Dog Training Club of Champaign-Urbana

Are sponsoring a day of health clinics for your dog on

Saturday, April 13, 2019

Hours are 9am-4pm

(or last scheduled appointment)

The clinics will be held in the Dog Training Club's air-conditioned facility 3 ½ miles North of Urbana on R. 45 and ¼ mile East on Ford Harris Road.

2210 East Ford Harris Road

Urbana, IL 61802

Reservations are necessary for the Heart and Eye exams and preferred for Chiropractics.

To make a reservation
Please email Robin Haggard at: haggard@illinois.edu
or call her at: (217)-359-8180

Day of contact number (for last minute changes or cancellations): (217)-417-5196

THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO GET ALL YOUR DOGS IN FOR THEIR HEALTH NEEDS
AND
CERTIFICATIONS!

## **Westminster Kennel Club 2019**

Congratulation to all the Breed, Group Placing, and Best In Show Winners at this year's Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show held Feb 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Once again, Central Illinois was well represented!

## \*\*\* Changes to the CIKC Show Calendar \*\*\*

Our spring show will be held April 26 through the 28, 2019. The new cluster name will be known as the **Central Illinois Cluster**, and will be held at the Illinois State Fairgrounds Exposition Building, Springfield, Illinois. The superintendent for the spring cluster is Roy Jones Dog Shows, Inc. Information about this show can be found on <a href="http://www.royjonesdogshows.com">http://www.royjonesdogshows.com</a>

CIKC's Fall show is now a part of the **Prairieland Classic** cluster that will be held in October of 2019. This cluster is also held at the Illinois State Fairgrounds Exposition Building, Springfield, Illinois. Superintendent is MBF. <a href="https://www.infodog.com/">https://www.infodog.com/</a>.

## **Legislative Report**

Submitted by Cynthia Nichols Secretary, IFDCO and CIKC legislative liaison

Legislative Report - HB1631 Special Legal Advocates for Dogs and Cats – AKC and Federation opposed.

https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/illinois-considering-bill-assigning-legal-advocates-animals-tuesday-3-5/

March 1, 2019

A bill is scheduled for consideration in Illinois on Tuesday, March 5, that would assign a special advocate to "represent the interests of justice regarding the health or safety" of a dog or cat. The American Kennel Club (AKC) has concerns regarding the legal implications regarding House Bill 1631. There is the potential for legal confusion about who will be ultimately responsible for making decisions impacting animals if an advocate participates in a case.

It also provides advocates akin to *guardians ad litem* that are traditionally used to protect the interests of minors and other *people* lacking legal capacity. Furthermore, the standard, "in the interest of justice" may reasonably be interpreted to allow an unlimited power of advocates in this role and therefore lead to unintended consequences. A more reasonable alternative may read, "in the interest of the animal."

All concerned dog owners in Illinois are encouraged to contact the House Judiciary-Criminal Committee prior to the hearing and express your concerns with House Bill 1631. Scroll down for contact information.

Summary:

As introduced, House Bill 1631 would:

Require the Department of Agriculture to compile a list of pro bono attorneys and law students who may serve as "special advocates in the prosecution of cases involving the injury, health, or safety of a cat or dog."

Allow the court on its own motion or the motion of any party to appoint a special advocate to "represent the interests of justice regarding the health or safety of the cat or dog."

Allow the special advocate to monitor the case; attend hearings; consult with any person and review any records relating to the condition of the dog or cat and the defendant's actions; and present information and recommendations to the court, provided it is related "to the interests of justice" and based solely on the duties permitted in the bill.

### **Talking Points and AKC's Position:**

The AKC abhors any type of negligence or cruelty to animals and supports full enforcement of existing negligence and cruelty laws. However, AKC is concerned that the creation of court-appointed animal advocates will result in legal controversies about who is responsible for an animal, and ultimately impact the ability and rights of pet owners to freely choose the most appropriate course of care and treatment for their pets.

Based on the long-standing legal traditions of both the United States and Illinois, pets are considered the property of their owners while benefitting from laws governing their care and treatment. Traditionally, animal owners have the sole rights and responsibilities over the care of their animals. However, under the provisions of HB 1631, individual owners could lose these ownership rights over their animals by having to give up those rights to third parties. As a result, appointees could use the courts to force a person to make decisions that they believe to not be in the best interest of their animal.

Additionally, such advocates are usually reserved to protect the interests of minors or other *people* lacking legal capacity. Animals do not fall into those categories.

#### What You Can Do:

Illinois dog owners are urged to express concerns with HB 1641 in one of the following ways: Attend the House Judiciary-Criminal Committee hearing and express your concerns:

House Judiciary-Criminal Committee Hearing

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

4:00 pm

Capitol Building, Room 118

Springfield, IL

# Contact the members of the House Judiciary-Criminal Committee prior to the March 5 hearing and express your concerns:

Rep. Justin Slaughter, Chairperson - justin@repslaughter.com

Rep. Kelly M. Cassidy, Vice Chair - repcassidy@gmail.com

Rep. Terry Bryant - staterepterribryant@gmail.com

Rep. Kambium Buckner - Staterepbuckner@gmail.com

Rep. John M. Cabello - Cabello@ilhousegop.org

Rep. John Connor - repconnor@gmail.com

Rep. Will Guzzardi - will@repguzzardi.com

Rep. Michael Halpin - RepHalpin@gmail.com

Rep. Jay Hoffman - repjayhoffman@gmail.com

Rep. Tony McCombie - <a href="McCombie@ilhousegop.org">McCombie@ilhousegop.org</a>

Rep. Margo McDermed - McDermed@ilhousegop.org

Rep. Lindsay Parkhurst - (217) 782-5981

Rep. Delia C. Ramirez - info@repdeliaramirez.com

Rep. Anne Stava-Murray - office@repstavamurray.com

Rep. Arthur Turner - arthurt@ilga.gov

Rep. Maurice A. West II - Assistance@StateRepWest.com

Rep. Blaine Wilhour - (217) 782-0066

Rep. Patrick Windhorst - (217) 782-5131

Rep. Michael J. Zalewski - info@repmikezalewski.org

For more information, contact AKC's Government Relations Department atdoglaw@akc.org or the Illinois Federation of Dog Clubs and Owners atschipnut58@yahoo.com



#### **NEW CHAMPION!!!**

Papillon, "Star" (CH Starsign's Arwen EvenStar at BriarKeep) earned her championship at the Winter Classic show in Indianapolis. ~ Cynthia Nichols

#### BRAGS FROM OUR CLASSES......

#### **NEW GRAND CHAMPION!!!**

Jenny (now GCH Honeylane Kick'em Jenny BN RN BCAT TKI) and I attended the 2 Dalmatian Club of Greater Indianapolis Specialties and supported entries for the 4 all-breed shows of the Indi Winter Classic. Indi was very very good to us.

2/7/19 Central Indiana KC j. Mrs Polly D. Smith BOS (4pt)

2/8/19 Hoosier KC J. Ms. Grace m Fritz BOS/BOBOH (5pt)

2/9/19 Dal Club of Gr Indianapolis j. Ms. Margorie Anderson BOS/BOBOH (5pt)

2/9/19 Central Indiana KC j. Molly Martin SB (5pt) = Grand Champion

2/10/19 Hoosier KC j. Anne Katona BOS (4pt)

~Darlene Chirolas, Honeylane Dalmatians

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL!**