

# Tattle Tails

## July 2010



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### Newsletter Submissions

If you have an item of interest or a brag to submit for inclusion in the next newsletter, please contact newsletter editor Barb Clauson at [bclauson@earthlink.net](mailto:bclauson@earthlink.net) (or 785-842-6884). Deadline for inclusion in next month's newsletter is the 21st of the preceding month. Electronic copy (as a Word attachment or embedded in the body of an e-mail message) is greatly appreciated. If you do have e-mail access, please send your current address to [bclauson@earthlink.net](mailto:bclauson@earthlink.net).

### Web Site

Remember to check the Web site, <http://ljk.com>, on a regular basis. Any comments or additions? Contact the Webmaster, Lee Boyd, at [leeboyd@att.net](mailto:leeboyd@att.net).

### Mark Your Calendar

**July:** There is no meeting in July. Have a nice summer break!  
**August 2:** meeting at Christal K-9, 7:30 PM  
**September 6:** meeting at Christal K-9, 7:30 PM  
**September 15:** Registration for training classes  
**October 4:** meeting at Christal K-9, 7:30 PM  
**October 9:** Fun match

### Synopsis of Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club General Meeting June 2010

The synopsis of the June 2010 Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club meeting, held June 6, 2010, at the home of Nan Dittrick and Ken Phipps in conjunction with the annual club picnic, will be provided in a later newsletter.

### Thank You

Many thanks to Nan Dittrick and Ken Phipps for hosting the annual club picnic at their home! We also thank Nan, Ken, and Puppy Love Dog Training for offering free attendance for LJKC members at their Dogs All Day event on June 5.

## Dues are Past Due

Please take a moment to renew your annual membership dues. The renewal form is at the end of the newsletter. Dues were due beginning May 1.

## Match

A committee was formed to work on the Match tentatively scheduled for October 9. The members so far are Bitsey Patton, Jennifer Cramer, Vickie Jacobs, and Jane Tusten (chair). Anyone interested in being on the committee should contact one of those folks. Also, if you know of someone who would like to judge at the match (including any club members), please give a committee member their name(s).

## Lawrence Jayhawk Kennel Club Training Class Schedule Autumn 2010

All classes will be held at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

	Date	Location
Registration (7:00-8:00 PM)	9/15/10	Building #1
Class 1	9/22/10	Building #21
Class 2	9/29/10	Building #21
Class 3	10/6/10	Building #21
Class 4	10/13/10	Building #21
Class 5	10/20/10	Building #21
Class 6	11/3/10	Building #21

## Help Please

A few people will be needed at each meeting to help set up chairs and tables at Christal K-9. If you would like to volunteer to bring food treats to a future monthly meeting, please contact Jane (785-842-5856; [roytus@aol.com](mailto:roytus@aol.com)).

## News from the Mother Ship

Visit <http://www.akc.org> for the latest AKC news.

## Club Library

The LJKC has an extensive library of books pertaining to dogs. The listing of our library available to be checked out by members is at the Club's Web site: <http://www.ljkc.com/members/library.htm>. If you see something you want to check out, just let Librarian Leslie Soden know.

## Bloat Survey

Here is a message about the Bloat Survey: I would like to reach as many delegates, breeders and parent clubs as possible. This is important research and we need participation from all the breeds. The literature on bloat points in many directions which has not brought breeders any closer to a solution. For these reasons we have developed a new survey that focuses on some of the factors that might contribute to its occurrence. We need breeders: That had a dog that bloated and/or a dog that did not bloat. This survey is the joint effort of Dr. Carmen Battaglia PhD of the AKC and Dr. Cindy Otto DVM, University of Pennsylvania, Vet School. Our goal is to look at conditions that are relevant to the further study of this

disease. Your contribution is appreciated. A summary of the results and findings will be posted on our website [www.breedingbetterdogs.com](http://www.breedingbetterdogs.com) in November 2010. Click here to complete the survey:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WS2VKFP> Thanks for any help that you can give to this effort.

Carmen Battaglia  
770 998 3679

### **Nail File**

Teach your dog to file its own nails:  
<http://www.shirleychong.com/keepers/nailfile.html>

### **Movie *Marmaduke* and Great Danes**

Dear All Breed Club,  
I am writing today to provide you with some information with regard to the upcoming feature film, *Marmaduke*. Historically we have seen an influx of certain breeds subsequent to a movie's release and this information is designed to target potential new dog owners. We are asking that you help with the *Marmaduke* Movie Education Effort by distributing this to the dog community in your area. Those you can contact include members of your club, local pet stores, groomers, and pet trainers. With your help, perhaps we can increase the number of educated new Great Dane owners and reduce the number of pet "mistakes" that often occur and gravely impact our rescues.

Thank you,  
Mel Eso

More information is available at [www.wckdanes.com](http://www.wckdanes.com). Various flyers and posters are available at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MarmadukeMovieEducationalEffort>

### **HSUS Humane Watch**

Here is a good article about dog shows:  
[http://humanewatch.org/index.php/site/post/what\\_i\\_learned\\_at\\_the\\_dog\\_show/](http://humanewatch.org/index.php/site/post/what_i_learned_at_the_dog_show/)

### **Vaccinations**

This was extracted from: Journal of Small Animal Practice regarding vaccinations:

[http://www.wsava.org/PDF/Misc/VGG\\_09\\_2007.pdf](http://www.wsava.org/PDF/Misc/VGG_09_2007.pdf)

### **2 Dogs 2000 Miles 2000 DNAs**

This group received a 4.2 million dollar federal grant to study cancer in dogs. The director of both major institutions is Dr. Jeffrey Trent, the former founding Scientific Director of the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) of the NIH. They are not asking for money—nor breed club matching funds—just a one-time DNA sample from dogs affected with cancer. This research group is also collaborative and open and are more than willing to work with complementary investigators and institutions.

Does your dog have cancer?

Please help us advance an unprecedented study to reveal molecular signatures of cancer risk—translating this knowledge into new diagnostics and treatments for canine and human health.

All that is needed is a one-time DNA sample from any dog affected with cancer—any breed, any cancer.

If your dog has cancer, please consider donating a DNA sample. Sign up online: <http://www.tgen.org/2dogs>

After a long battle with metastatic bone cancer, Luke Robinson lost his beloved Great Pyrenees, Malcolm, in March, 2008, Luke elected to begin an epic walk

of over 2000 miles, with his two remaining dogs, to raise awareness and support for all those touched by cancer. For two years, Luke, Hudson, and Murphy have been walking from Austin to Boston and are now nearing their goal. They will arrive in Boston on 19 June. A huge rally and festival is planned to celebrate his arrival and canine cancer survivors from over 17 different states have already signed up to walk the final mile with Luke and his boys. A nationwide campaign has been launched—Luke has joined with the Canine Hereditary Cancer Consortium (CHCC), a team of world class institutions and investigators providing the latest technology platforms and scientific resources at a level never before available to the dog community! Learn more:

<http://www.2dogs2000miles.org/>  
Please help—every sample achieved is one more significant step towards the fight against cancer! Learn More:  
<http://www.tgen.org/research/index.cfm?pageid=1382>

### **Verify and Update Microchip Records**

Reports have been made of dogs that were microchipped and registered with a microchip databases for which records were subsequently lost or found to be incorrect. It is a good idea to periodically check with whichever database you are using to make sure that your dog is still listed and that your contact information is correct and current.

### **Legislative Position Statements**

These position statements by the Golden Retriever Club of America (GRCA) are well-thought out and pretty comprehensive. GRCA is the largest parent club in the US with over 5,000

members. These should be of interest to all dog owners. [PERMISSION GRANTED TO CROSS POST]. After much hard work on the part of the GRCA Board of Directors and the GRCA Legislative Liaison Committee, we are pleased to announce that legislative position statements are now available on the GRCA Web site: <http://grca.org/thegrca/statements.html>. These statements are available to help club members understand the different legislative issues that all dog owners are faced with who want to work to protect their rights to own, breed, train and appreciate their dogs in their local communities. They can be used as a guideline when contacting your local legislators. Special thanks to the GRCA Board who asked our Legislative Liaison Committee to develop these statements, even though some of the issues may not directly be applicable to Golden Retriever owners. The Board, by allowing statements on legislative issues that affect other breeds, once again has shown its leadership in uniting all dog owners concerned with the threat to animal ownership by the animal rights industry. Please be sure to check out these issues. If the Legislative Liaison Committee can be of any assistance in providing any additional information, please contact us.

Diane Makinney, Chair GRCA  
Legislative Liaison Committee  
[DMakinney@aol.com](mailto:DMakinney@aol.com)

### **Hair Removal Tip**

Here is an easy way to clean hair off of car seats, upholstery, and carpet—use common household rubber gloves. Just put the gloves on, rub your hands along the carpet or cloth seats and the rubber will grab the hairs and drag them out the

carpet or upholstery. When the rubber glove attracts too much dust and dirt and no longer grab the hair, wash them with water and lightly dry them off so there is still a bit of “tacky” feeling to them when you touch your fingers together. You can then continue cleaning the hair off the carpet or seats.

### **Mat Cutting “Tool”**

A standard “safety” letter opener (available at any office supply store) works great for cutting through matted hair. Here are some examples:

<http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/438761/Office-Depot-Letter-Openers-Pack-Of/> and

<http://www.idlebrook.com/v/vspfiles/photos/QP103-2T.jpg>.

The pointed “tail” is perfect for poking into a small section of fur under the mat and then letting it slide up the tail and cut the hair without pulling too hard.

### **Deskunking Recipe**

<http://home.earthlink.net/~skunkremedy/home>

<http://dan.drydog.com/patsyann/skunk.html>

<http://dogs.about.com/cs/generalcare/p/skunk.htm>

[www.angelfire.com/biz/HuskyHowlow/deskunk.html](http://www.angelfire.com/biz/HuskyHowlow/deskunk.html)

[www.brazosvalleygoldens.com/deskunk.php](http://www.brazosvalleygoldens.com/deskunk.php)

[www.care2.com/channels/solutions/pets/145](http://www.care2.com/channels/solutions/pets/145)

[www.ext.nodak.edu/extnews/pestqtrly/oct95/sknkrmdy.txt](http://www.ext.nodak.edu/extnews/pestqtrly/oct95/sknkrmdy.txt)

[www.firedogenterprises.com/articles/skunk.htm](http://www.firedogenterprises.com/articles/skunk.htm)

[www.humboldt.edu/~wfw2/deodorize.shtml](http://www.humboldt.edu/~wfw2/deodorize.shtml)

**Membership Renewal 2010**

Single membership is \$15 and Family membership is \$20.  
Dues are due May 1. New members joining after October 31 pay half fees.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Breed(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please send form with check payable to LJKC to: Lee Boyd 738 E 500 Road Lawrence,  
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