

# Barks and Tails

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## MEETING NOTICE

The next General Membership Meeting is  
*Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at Dixon Diner at  
1312 Dixon Blvd, Cocoa, FL 32922, at 7:00 pm.*

Members wanting dinner please arrive at 6:00.

Restaurant information:

<https://www.menupix.com/florida/restaurants/413604/Dixon-Diner-Cocoa-FL>).

## 2019/20 CLUB OFFICERS

President	Edna Corney
Vice-President	Leslie Glaze Kovacs
Secretary	Kristin Halkovic
Treasurer	Marsha Dyal
Directors	Maureen Finch
	Donna Lee
	Susan Thibodeaux

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We are meeting at Dixon Diner this month. Please check your newsletters each month, as we may try different places.

We are going to be busy in the next couple of months so come on out to support your club and community.

Feb 22 and 23–Fast CAT: Set up is Friday 21. Marsha will let you know time of set up. (We will have new easier to install posts but we need helpers).

March 8–Match at Fox Lake Park: Tammy Eck (chair) and Susan Thibodeaux (match secretary). See poster on page 9 of this newsletter.

March 14–Meet the Breeds in Rockledge: More info at meeting.

March 22–Meet the Breeds at Canine Star's open house: The open house is from 12 to 5. I will know later what time they want us.

I am anxious to hear all about Brooksville; Leslie and I will have some brags too.

See everyone at Dixon.

Edna

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## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

No meeting took place in January 2020.



GCH CH Bayouland's Sangre De Cristo De Petaybe's Grand Championship.

*Marsha Dyal*

My 8 month old Whippet puppy, Bentley, had a fabulous debut circuit in Brooksville! He and Linda Bellin (his co-owner/handler) won 3 WD placements and 4 RWD placements in a VERY strong lineup. Not a bad start! KUDOS to team Bentley!

*Sherry Hatfield*



Bacchus 1/WD/BW for a 3 point major and also received an Award of Excellence at the AKC National Championship

*George Halkovic*

# Florida: Oppose Radical Bill That Would Equate Animals with Humans in State Courts

Monday, January 13, 2020

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/florida-oppose-radical-bill-equate-animals-humans-state-courts/>

An anti-ownership proposal that seeks to create court-appointed animal advocates in Florida is on the agenda of the Florida Senate Committee on Agriculture on Tuesday, January 14, at 2:30 p.m.

**Animal owners are urged to immediately contact committee members and respectfully ask that they do not advance Senate Bill 1048.** *Please scroll down for contact information.*

Senate Bill 1048 would allow courts to appoint an animal advocate to pursue the "interests of an animal" in certain court proceedings; grant powers to such individuals; and require the Animal Law Section of the Florida Bar to maintain a list of attorneys and certified legal interns who are eligible to be appointed for such purposes.

The American Kennel Club abhors any type of cruel treatment of or negligent injury to animals and supports full enforcement of reasonable animal cruelty laws. However, the AKC is concerned that the creation of court-appointed animal advocates as provided in SB 1048 will result in legal and pragmatic issues regarding who is responsible for an animal and will ultimately impact the ability and rights of owners to freely choose the most appropriate course of care and treatment for their animals.

Providing third-party advocates in a legal dispute is usually reserved for protecting the interests of minor children or other people lacking legal capacity. By providing similar advocates for animals, the measure may implicitly yet fundamentally impact the legal status of animals in the state. AKC believes the State of Florida is already capable of fairly adjudicating animal cruelty and other animal issues without potentially jeopardizing the current legal status of animals and without involving outside organizations and interests to influence the adjudication of individual cases.

Rather than creating animal advocates and potentially tying up court dockets, AKC encourages the Florida legislature to find ways to ensure greater enforcement of current state laws against those who harm animals.

## **WHAT YOU CAN DO:**

Contact members of the Florida Senate Committee on Agriculture and respectfully ask that they do not advance Senate Bill 1048.

Committee on Agriculture Members:

[Senator Ben Albritton](mailto:albritton.ben@flsenate.gov), Chair, (850) 487-5026, [albritton.ben@flsenate.gov](mailto:albritton.ben@flsenate.gov)

[Senator George B. Gainer](mailto:gainer.george@flsenate.gov), Vice Chair, (850) 487-5002, [gainer.george@flsenate.gov](mailto:gainer.george@flsenate.gov)

[Senator Doug Broxson](mailto:broxson.doug@flsenate.gov), (850) 487-5001, [broxson.doug@flsenate.gov](mailto:broxson.doug@flsenate.gov)

[Senator Bill Montford](mailto:montford.bill@flsenate.gov), (850) 487-5003, [montford.bill@flsenate.gov](mailto:montford.bill@flsenate.gov)

[Senator Kevin J. Rader](mailto:rader.kevin@flsenate.gov), (850) 487-5029, [rader.kevin@flsenate.gov](mailto:rader.kevin@flsenate.gov)

# U.S. Department of Transportation Proposes New Rules to Define Service Dogs for the Purpose of Air Travel

January 22, 2020

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/u-s-department-transportation-proposes-new-rules-define-service-dogs-purpose-air-travel/>

New proposed rules from the United States Department of Transportation (DOT) that seek to clarify Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA) regulations regarding the transportation of service animals by air and that are intended to ensure that America's air transportation system is safe for the travelling public and accessible to individuals with disabilities, are expected to be published in the Federal Register by the end of this week.

## SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL:

- Defines a "service animal" as a dog that is individually trained to do work to perform tasks for the benefit of a qualified individual with a disability.
- Allows airlines to recognize emotional support animals as pets rather than as service animals.
- Allow airlines to require all passengers with a disability traveling with a service animal to complete forms attesting to the animal's training and behavior, certifying the animal's good health, and confirming that the animal has the ability either not to relieve itself on a long flight or to relieve itself in a sanitary manner; and submit completed forms to the airline.
- Clarifies existing prohibitions on airlines' imposing breed restrictions on service animals.
- Allows airlines to set policies to limit the number of service animals that one passenger can bring onboard an aircraft.
- Requires service animals to be harnessed, leashed, or otherwise tethered.
- Addresses the safe transport of large service animals in aircraft cabins.
- Clarifies when the user of a service animal may be charged for damage caused by a service animal.
- Addresses the responsibilities of airline code-share partners.

[The American Kennel Club \(AKC\)](#) strongly supports public accommodations that allow individuals with disabilities to use service dogs. The AKC also strongly condemns characterizing dogs as service animals when they are not, or attempting to benefit from a dog's service dog status when the individual using the dog is not a person with a disability.

## BACKGROUND:

In May 2018, DOT published an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) seeking comment on amending the Department's ACAA regulations on transportation of service animals. This was published in response to concerns expressed by individuals with disabilities, airlines, flight attendants, and other stakeholders about the need for a change in the Department's service animal requirements. THE ANPRM asked for comments on ways to ensure and improve access to air transportation for individuals with disabilities, while also deterring the fraudulent use of animals not qualified as service animals and ensuring that animals that are not trained to behave properly in public are not accepted for transport.

Then, in August of 2019, [DOT issued interim guidance](#) to help travelers understand their rights regarding the use of service animals and emotional support animals. This clarification came after the number of animals traveling with passengers in cabin has significantly increased since 2016 (from 481,000 to 751,000 the following year, according to Airlines for America, an industry trade group) and a significant increase in the number of bite and other safety incidents involving ESAs. [Click here to read AKC's August 2019 post on DOT's interim clarifications.](#)



## U.S. Department of Transportation Proposes New Rules to Define Service Dogs for the Purpose of Air Travel (continued)

Read [Misuse of Service Dogs Hurts the Disabled and Responsible Dog Owners](#).

### WHAT YOU CAN DO:

AKC Government Relations Department (AKC GR) encourages all interested parties to review the proposed updates, which are available for consideration [here](#).

Concerned parties are encouraged to provide comment to U.S. Department of Transportation during the update's public comment period, which will run for 60 days after the proposal's official publication in the Federal Register (i.e., through late March).

Individuals may file comments identified by the docket number DOT-OST-2018-0068 by any of the following methods:

- Federal rulemaking Portal: go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Docket Management Facility. U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SW, between 9AM and 5PM E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
- FAX: (202) 493-2251.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

AKC's Government Relations Department will provide additional commentary and talking points on the proposal after fully analyzing the proposal.

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## CONFORMATION CLASS

The class is every Monday from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at Canine Star Training Academy, 3815 US Highway 1, Suite 119, Cocoa, FL. The training facility has rubber matting, mirrors, and ring gates.

The class offers an opportunity to practice conformation with your show or show potential dogs. The instructors rotate so you get varied/different methods of training, tips, and a different set of hands on your dogs. It is also beneficial for those experienced handlers/teams to practice in a mock ring environment. Lastly, it offers excellent socialization for your dogs to be in a structured atmosphere around other trained or "in training" dogs.

The class is free of charge.

We look forward to a fun and fantastic 2020 with lots of wins and brags!

*Jewel McDonald*



**SPACE COAST  
KENNEL CLUB  
OF PALM BAY, INC.**

**Sanctioned AKC 'B' MATCH**

**Sunday  
February 9, 2020**

**WICKHAM PARK PAVILLION  
2500 Parkway Dr.,  
Melbourne, FL 32934**

*Inside the park, west side of front lake*

**All judging will be held under pavilion  
Regardless of weather**

Chairperson: Glenda Stephenson

Secretary: Maddy Haft

**INFORMATION: 321-243-9072 9am to 5pm**

**On Site Semen  
Collection Clinic**

by: Dr. McDaniel  
Lake Alfred A/H (ICSB)

By appointment only  
**(863) 956-5700**

**ALSO:**

Micro Chip Clinic

**DEMONSTRATIONS:**

+\_ Whats In Your Pet  
First Aid Kit?

+ Dental Care-Prevent  
Pain & Prolong Life

# "FOR THE LOVE OF PAWS"

Valentine's Day Celebration  
at Tails at the Barkery

February 14 and 15, 2020

Will you be my Paw-lentine?



Proceeds to benefit  
Mid Florida Sheltie Rescue



Hosted by:



1480 Meadowbrook Road NE  
Palm Bay, FL 32905  
[www.midflsheltierescue.com](http://www.midflsheltierescue.com)



and



308 Brevard Avenue  
Cocoa Village, FL 32922  
Ph. (321) 305-4584

1906 Municipal Lane  
Downtown Melbourne, FL 32901  
Ph. (321) 831-3003

REC 225  
225 King Street  
Cocoa Village



OR From Olives and Grapes  
912 E. New Haven Avenue  
Downtown Melbourne



JOIN US AT FOX LAKE PARK  
Titusville, FL  
FOR AN AKC B MATCH!  
HOSTED BY BREVARD KENNEL CLUB



FREE JUNIORS CLINIC PRIOR TO THE MATCH!  
JUNIORS CLINIC 9 AM

New to showing or experienced come join us!  
WE ARE ALSO OFFERING CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TESTING

MARCH 8, 2020

Junior Showmanship 10:30, Breeds 11:00

For more information, judges, official rules or  
entry blank, please see our website  
[www.brevardkc.org](http://www.brevardkc.org) or our club Facebook page

[www.PageBorders.net](http://www.PageBorders.net)



# Fast CAT

All AKC-Recognized Breeds & All American Dog



## Brevard Kennel Club

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[www.brevardkc.org](http://www.brevardkc.org)

### Saturday, Feb 22, 2020

Test 1 - 9:00 AM - #2020063601 Test 2 - 12:00PM - #2020063602

### Sunday, Feb 23, 2020

Test 1 - 9:00 AM - #2020063603 Test 2 - 12:00PM - # 2020063604

### Testing Grounds

6071 Route 524

Cocoa, FL 32926

Trial Secretary: Kristin Halkovic

8 Point View Place Cocoa FL 32926 - (321) 452-6993

ENTRY FEE FOR CAT TEST: \$20

DAY OF TRIAL ENTRY: \$25

*Early Entries Close Friday, February 14, 2020*

*EST Day of Trial entries Close at 12:00 each day*

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for holding this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Canine Star  
Training  
Academy  
presents

# Camp

Sponsored by  
Brevard Kennel  
Club, Inc.

# Paws & Pals

*Kids will learn  
about their  
dogs and all  
the things  
they can  
do together.  
Obedience, rally,  
conformation,  
lure coursing and  
much more.*



*A camp  
for 8-12  
year olds  
and  
their  
dogs*

**June 22-26 9:00 am-Noon**

**Cocoa Commercial Center, 3815 US 1, #119, Cocoa**

**\$75**

*Partial scholarships may  
be available*

*An adult is required  
to be on site with  
kids and dogs.*

Brevard's  
vaccine  
recommended

**Don't  
have a Dog?  
We can  
loan you  
one!**

**Inside  
Air-  
Conditioned**

All dogs must  
be on a 4 foot  
leash.  
Proof of DHLPP  
& Rabies vaccines  
required

**Space  
is limited!  
(321)  
355-0523  
Register  
Early!**

*More information and  
registration forms on  
[caninestartrainingacademy.com](http://caninestartrainingacademy.com)  
and [www.brevardkc.org](http://www.brevardkc.org)*