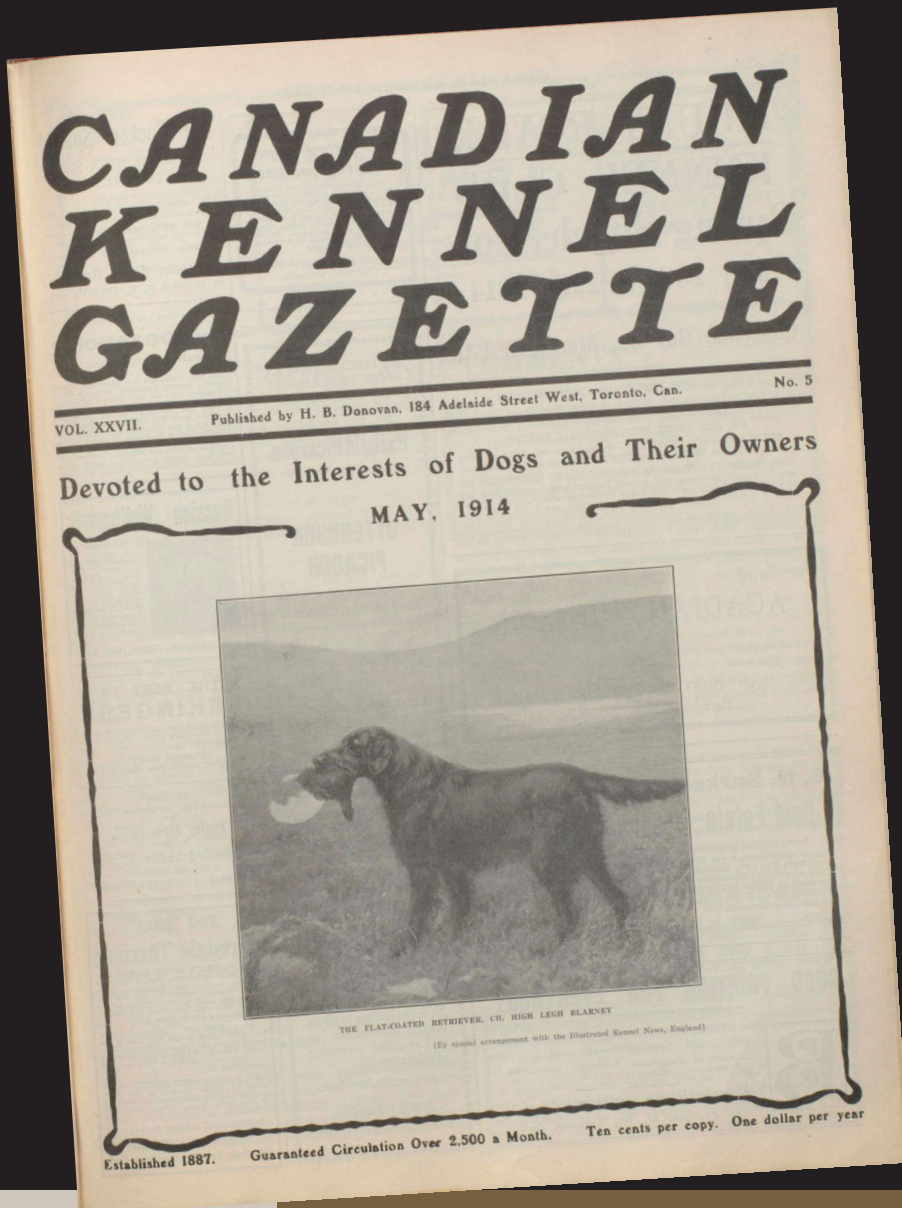




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OUR 12 NEW BREEDS ARE NOW READY FOR REGISTRATION



As many know, a few months ago, CKC received approval from the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-food Canada (AAFC) to add 12 new breeds to our Recognized Breeds list:

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| Anatolian Shepherd Dog | Australian Kelpie |
| Black Russian Terrier | Finnish Lapphund |
| Glen of Imaal Terrier | Lagotto Romagnolo |
| Mudi | Portuguese Sheepdog |
| Rat Terrier | Shikoku |
| Spanish Water Dog | Tibetan Mastiff |

We are pleased to announce that these new breeds are now ready for full registration.

What does full registration for these 12 breeds mean?

- If you own a dog that was previously issued an MCN, CKC has automatically adjusted their status and issued your dog a new Canadian or Foreign-born dog registration number.
 - All points and titles earned while your dog competed with an MCN will be transferred to their new registration number.
 - New registration numbers can be viewed on your *My Dogs* list on the online portal.
 - To assist you with registering dogs and litters whose sire's number has now been updated, we've listed all sires with recently adjusted registration numbers under the *New Breed Sires* tab, found under the *My Dogs* in the blue menu.
 - If you are unable to find the sire's new number, you can also contact CKC.
- You can now register litters for these breeds.
 - Litter applications can be submitted using the online Portal or through the CKC office.
- Moving forward, dogs from these breeds can now be registered as a Canadian or Foreign-born dog.

PERFORMANCE EVENTS UPDATE

Performance event processing functionality has launched.

We are still in the early stages of processing, yet all Obedience and Rally Obedience results from 2019 have been processed, and Agility results processing has begun.

Once an event is processed, qualifying scores and titles your dog earned at that event will show online. If you participated in an Obedience or Rally Obedience trial in late 2019 your dog's scores are now visible online.

What improved functionality does the new system give you?

View Your Points/Scores Online:

- Points and scores earned at events from August 28th, 2019 onward can be viewed in the event results grids on your dog's record.
 - Not sure how to access your dog's record on the Portal? From the home screen locate your dog in the *My Dog's* list and click on their name.

Obedience and Rally Results

Note: Scores displayed are only those earned after August 28th, 2019. Once a title is earned it will display in the Titles grid above.

Date	Event No.	Host Club	Event Type	Class/Sta...	Score
11/01/2019	20193626	Ottawa Valley Golden Retriever Club	Rally Obedience All Breed	Rally Advanced B	100.00
10/26/2019	20192431	Muskoka District Kennel Club	Rally Obedience All Breed	Rally Master	97.50
10/27/2019	20192432	Muskoka District Kennel Club	Rally Obedience All Breed	Rally Excellent B	99.00
10/27/2019	20192432	Muskoka District Kennel Club	Rally Obedience All Breed	Rally Advanced B	100.00

- When your dog completes a title, it will display in the titles grid on the same page.

Titles	
Name	Date
Rally Grand Champion	10/26/2019
Rally Master Excellent 5	11/01/2019
Rally Advanced Excellent 5	11/10/2019
Rally Master	11/09/2018
Rally Master Excellent	05/11/2019
Rally Master Excellent 3	08/30/2019
Companion Dog	10/30/2015
Rally Intermediate	03/20/2016

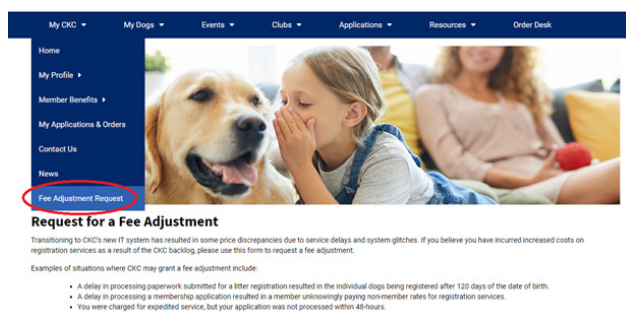
- Haven't created a Portal account yet? Follow the steps to create one [here](#).

We have a significant amount of performance event results still to process from 2019 and 2020. We appreciate your patience as we work through the backlog and mail out corresponding title certificates. We will continue to update you on this work through ckc.ca and the newsletter.

REFUNDS/FEE ADJUSTMENTS

Concerned about charges for work you've submitted? If you believe you have incurred increased costs on registration services or have experienced any other price discrepancies for work submitted to CKC, please contact us before paying.

If you have already submitted payment, you can complete a fee adjustment request form through your portal account on the "[Fee Adjustment Request](#)" page under the "My CKC" tab.



Please be aware it may take several weeks for already paid orders to be adjusted and reflected accordingly. CKC will review requests for a fee adjustment on a case-by-case basis.

POST-LOCKDOWN SEPARATION ANXIETY

An upsetting condition in dogs that could occur when restrictions are lifted

Early in January, I saw a comic where a man was changing his calendar, breathing a sigh of relief because 2020 was over. The dog by his side had a thought bubble that said, "Well, it's going to be hard to beat that year!" This small cartoon made me stop and think; while 2020 and the continuing COVID-19 saga have definitely taken their toll on us humans, it has been quite the opposite for our canine friends. Apart from missing visits from family and friends, attending training classes, and competing in dog sports, most of our dogs have likely had the time of their lives with their "people pack" home all day, every day.

As we start to plan for lifting restrictions once the vaccine is distributed en masse, I can't help but wonder how our four-legged friends will fare. A big concern is how they react to being left alone while their family takes off to work and/or school.

While I am not a professional dog trainer, as an experienced dog owner, one of the most common topics I get asked is how to deal with separation anxiety. Even if you haven't experienced owning a dog with the condition first hand, you've likely seen videos on social media of an owner returning to a destroyed couch, or worse. It goes beyond ruined furniture, though. Separation anxiety is an expensive, annoying, dangerous, guilt-inducing, and heartbreaking condition that sadly leads many dogs to be left at shelters every year.

If you aren't familiar with the condition, separation anxiety is the canine equivalent of a severe panic attack a dog experiences when it is separated from its people. Symptoms that can regularly occur include:

- Excessive whining, barking or howling
- Excessive pacing
- Drooling and/or panting
- Destructive chewing and/or digging
- Dangerous attempts to escape confinement
- Bathroom accidents in the house from an otherwise housebroken dog

The good news is that separation anxiety can often be remedied or at least managed. Most of the changes have to do with your own behavior and commitment to building your relationship with your dog.

Exercise

While the exercise itself won't stop separation anxiety, it will definitely drain some energy and make your dog calmer and more content. When I lived in "condo-land" (aka downtown Toronto), I was always saddened to see how many dog owners would take their dog out for a 4-minute bathroom break in the morning before putting them back inside right before they took off to work. The dog just slept for 8 hours and is now expected to calmly remain at home alone for another 8 hours? How unfair is that?!

Before leaving your home, plan to exercise your dog. Different breeds have different energy levels and thus activity needs, but all dogs benefit from exercise. On top of a walk, I find that playing a quick 10-minute game helps expend physical and mental energy. A game of fetch, practicing tricks, or find the hidden toy all work well.

Crate Train

I can never say enough good things about the advantages of having a crate-trained dog. Crates use a dog's natural denning instincts to provide them with a safe, comfortable space that is all their own AND keep your belongings safe while you are away from home.

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Start by giving your dog a long-lasting treat when they are in their crate, and gradually have your dog stay in their crate for increased periods while you are still at home. This will help soften the surprise when you do leave them alone. It's important to let your dog bank positive experiences before you leave them for a significant amount of time. Start by giving your dog the long-lasting treat and leaving to go to another room. Once that goes calmly and smoothly, then go to another floor, then a short trip to the store, then longer. To learn more about crate training, read our blog on the topic here: <https://www.ckc.ca/en/The-Dish/August-2018/Creating-Crate-Success>.

Entertaining Toys

I often find that a little distraction goes a long way. I mentioned a longer-lasting treat earlier when recommending using a crate. A safe, hardy toy that will keep your dog interested can also help redirect their energies. I like to use a hollow rubber toy stuffed with treats. Sometimes I'll put biscuits and peanut butter (always making sure the peanut butter brand does not contain Xylitol) in it. Other times I'll use canned food with liver treats. Many dog owners even freeze these rubber toys to keep their dogs interested longer.

Leaving your dog with a fun, hardy toy, filled with goodies will make it easier for you to leave your dog by itself without a fuss because the dog's energy and focus will be on their exciting toy.

Background Noise

Your dog has had a full house of people working, kids playing, televisions, and computers on all day, every day for the past year. They've grown accustomed to this noise, and a suddenly silent house can be seen as a reason to panic. Leaving a radio on at a medium to low volume offers lots of different sounds from music to ads to disc jockeys talking. If you don't usually have a radio on at home, start to play it while you are already home and after you return. Keep in mind that dogs are very clever. If you only turn the radio on and off right when you leave or come home, they may start associating the radio with you leaving.

Maintain Calm Leadership

As mentioned at the start, a lot of the work needed to remedy separation anxiety need to come from you and your behavior. Dogs naturally form bonds with their pack, be it human, dog, or both. As owners, I believe that we must act as the leaders of our pack. Leading with positive energy, calmness, and consistency. You have to let your dog see you as the smartest, most experienced member of their group so that they look to you and follow your lead in all situations. If your dog is confused about their place in the pack, they could assume they are in charge, and since they are dogs living in a human world, this causes enormous problems.

In her book on dog communication, *The Dog Listener*, Jan Fennell explains how a dog who believes they are in charge of their pack thinks when you – their human leaves. "Instead of looking at a dog that was worrying "Where's my mum or dad?" we had a dog worrying "Where's my damned kids?". If you had a two-year-old and realized you didn't know where it was, wouldn't you be going insane with worry?"

There are several ways to calmly and gently explain to your dog that you are their leader. The examples I employ are making my dogs sit while waiting for me to put their food down for them, asking them to wait while I leave the door to go outside ahead of them, and only giving affection when they are in a calm state.

It is essential to leave your home in the calm energy you wish to return to. This means no grand goodbyes when you leave. Put your dog in the appropriate spot (crate, exercise pen, room), give them their long-lasting treat, and take off. No excitement. Just leave.

When you return, the same coolness must be applied for about five minutes. When I come home, I walk in as though there are no dogs in the house. Quietly I take my coat and shoes off, get a glass of water, check my emails and when and only when my dogs are chilled do I acknowledge them, let them out to the backyard and then take them on a walk. If your dog is used to having you make a fuss upon your return, he will be confused, and you might have to ignore him for a bit longer until he calms down.

Other Points

Never scold or try to punish a dog for displaying separation anxiety. Your dog is responding to a distress response and not trying to get back at you for leaving. Any scolding upon arrival will only worsen the situation.

Some people have asked me if I think they should get a second dog to keep the anxious dog company while they are away. Without the use of a glass ball, this is a hard question to answer. Sometimes bringing in a second dog works out wonderfully, and the anxious dog calms down because he is never alone. Other times the owners end up with two dogs with separation anxiety as one teaches the other by example. Double Trouble. While I love multi-dog households, I believe it's safer to work on any behavioral issues with one dog before introducing another.

In some extreme cases, even with a dog behaviorist's help, a dog still has severe reactions to being left alone. Sometimes a dog requires training, behavioral modification from you and them, as well as medication. Talking with your veterinarian is a good idea as they can tell you if your dog's anxiety results from their current situation or if it is a deeper medical issue.

I would also consult your veterinarian if you have an older dog that suddenly begins showing signs of separation anxiety.

Age-related anxiety affects older dogs and can be linked with cognitive dysfunction syndrome (CDS). Dogs with this condition are experiencing memory, perception, learning, and awareness declines, and it's similar to what an adult experiences in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease. Your vet can help in this situation.

While we are hopeful that our country will start to loosen restrictions sooner rather than later, we must consider how going back to our previous work and school schedules will affect our four-legged friends. Taking action now to assure your dog won't be shocked by a change in daily routine will make a huge difference and help you focus on work instead of worrying about your dog.

PUPPY SCAMS

How to avoid this expensive and heartbreaking act of fraud

It won't come as news to anyone that with so many people isolated in their homes due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many seek companionship by purchasing a puppy. We've all seen friends and family members' posts on social media welcoming a new puppy into their homes over the past year. Many decided to do so because their new work-from-home situation allows them to be home more.

Unfortunately, many criminals are using this increase in demand for puppies as an opportunity to rob innocent people. As puppy purchases are on the rise across the country, so too are puppy scams.

What is a Puppy Scam?

Puppy scams are, unfortunately, simple situations. A potential puppy buyer responds to an ad they see online claiming to be selling puppies or dogs. The buyer inquires with the "seller," learns about the "available puppy," and agrees to purchase it. Money is often requested to be sent via e-transfer or credit card up front before meeting the "available puppy."

Sometimes the buyer will be even be asked repeatedly for more money that was not initially indicated would be required by the "seller." The "seller" claims they need extra funds for shipping, or the seller has to purchase a special crate, additional insurance, or medication.

In the end, though, money exchanges hands, the buyer does not receive the promised puppy, and they never hear from the seller again.

Horrible right? The good thing is that now that you know how a puppy scam happens, some common signs can help you avoid falling victim to a puppy scam.

Signs of a Puppy Scam

- Often, the price seems too good to be true. Scammers do this to get multiple quick sales. A lower price tends to also attract less experienced dog people – a scammer's ideal victim. An ethical preservation breeder invests tons of money into raising, training, and health testing their dogs. The price reflects the effort they dedicate to raising happy, healthy puppies. That being said, a higher price does not necessarily mean you aren't dealing with a scammer.
- Puppy Scammers want your money. Fast. The conversation continuously returns to payment.
- The scammer usually wants money sent in untypical, non-secure ways (wiring money, meeting a friend of theirs with cash in a parking lot, gift cards, etc.)
- Scammers are short with their answers to your questions and are quick to tell you that there are plenty of other people wanting puppies and that you should send money quickly to reserve one.
- Scammers rarely give a phone number and generally won't show you the puppies via video call.
- The creation date on their website is usually relatively recent.
- They don't give you a real name. With a first and last name, you can contact the Canadian Kennel Club to see if they are in good standing. You can also Google search their name with the breed they are selling. Ask yourself: Does their website come up along with other sites mentioning their dogs' accomplishments? Or are there complaints and warnings? Knowing their name will let you look them up on Facebook and other social media to see if they indeed are who they say they are. Do they have a typical amount of friends? Do interactions with them seem to be positive? Do their pictures show them actively caring and competing with their dogs? Do the dogs on their Facebook page match the dogs on their website?
- False images. While their website may be flashy - anyone can get a website made within hours for a couple hundred dollars - check to see if their photos are unique to them. Are they using stock images? Have they taken photos from another breeder's website? It only takes a few clicks to steal an image.

How to Avoid a Puppy Scam

The best way to avoid a puppy scam is to know the signs of a reputable and responsible preservation breeder. CKC has a [great infographic](#) to get you started.

- Preservation breeders are happy to talk about their dogs with serious inquiring puppy buyers. They will tell of their dog sports accomplishments, what they breed for and what health testing they've had done on their dogs.
- Responsible breeders aren't in any rush to sell you a puppy.
- You will get asked a ton of questions to see if you are the right fit for one of their puppies.
- Responsible breeders are happy to give references from past buyers.

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- Responsible breeders are actively involved in dog sports and members of clubs. Most are members of several clubs, including the Canadian Kennel Club – Canada’s National Kennel Club (you can read the CKC’s Code of Ethics and Code of Practice for Member Breeders here: (<https://www.ckc.ca/en/Files/Legal-Policy-and-Procedures/Code-of-Practice-Sept-2017>). They are usually also a member of a breed club and usually a local kennel club too.
- They will gladly give you their first and last name so that you can check to see if they are a Canadian Kennel Club member in good standing.

You can also avoid a puppy scam by using the following tips:

- Request references from the breeder, including the puppies’ veterinarian (the breeder will have to consent to the vet to share medical records). Google and social media search these references as well to assure they are legit.
- Hold off from paying the full amount until physically seeing the dog, whether in person (while following COVID safety precautions) or via virtual meeting. It is common for a responsible breeder to ask for a deposit beforehand to assure you are serious. This amount varies, but in my experience, it is usually around a quarter of the dog’s price. This should only be done after meeting in person or virtually meeting the breeder and puppy.
- Check with the Canadian Kennel Club to confirm if the breeder is a member in good standing*.
- Google search the email address and phone number provided and see what comes up.
- Trust your instincts.

Knowing how a puppy scam works and avoiding one will save you a lot of money and heartache. If you have been a victim of fraud, please contact your local police. You should also contact other relevant organizations, including the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre (<https://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/index-eng.htm> 1-888-495-8501) or through the Fraud Reporting System.

CLUB NEWS

Notice is hereby given that the following club(s) have been recognized:

Northern Alberta Pointing Dog Club
Prairie Labrador Retriever Club

Notice is hereby given that the following club has Dissolved:

Competitive Service Dog Club of Alberta

Notice is hereby given that the following club has changed its area of operation:

Performance and Earthdog Association of Alberta

Old area of operation: 100 Kilometers Radius of Calgary

New area of operation: Approximately a 150km radius of Calgary, starting at the city limits, delimited by the British Columbia/Alberta Border to the West, the city of Red Deer to the North, the towns of Hanna and Brooks to the East following Highway 36 and the town of Fort MacLeod to the South.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISCIPLINARY REPORT

The following report is of disciplinary action taken by the Executive Director in accordance with Section 15.1 of CKC By-laws in which the Executive Director has authority for first alleged offences relating to the non-delivery of certificates of registration.

**Derek Manders, Watford, ON, Non-Member
(Complainant – CKC)**

Deprived for 90 days
and continuing.

Failed to provide a certificate of registration
within 6 months of the date of sale. \$250.00



CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

Who We Are

The Canadian Kennel Club (CKC) is the primary registry body for purebred dogs in Canada and currently recognizes 187 breeds. As a non-profit organization, the CKC is dedicated to encouraging, guiding, and advancing the interests of purebred dogs and their responsible owners and breeders in Canada and promoting the knowledge and understanding of the benefits which dogs can bring to Canadian society.

The CKC is incorporated under Animal Pedigree Act, a federal statute under the auspices of the Ministry of Agriculture. The organization includes approximately 20,000 individual members and over 700 breed clubs across Canada. The Club registers purebred dogs, regulates dog shows and performance events, and speaks out on major issues concerning dog ownership and the health & welfare of dogs across Canada.

Mission

As the prime registry of purebred dogs in Canada, our purpose is to serve our members and the public with education, support, guidance and sanctioning of events for all their canine endeavours. Our goal is the preservation of purebred dogs and the health, well-being and enjoyment of all dogs.

Vision

The CKC with its members, will be the definitive authority in Canada for purebred dogs, and an advocate for all dogs, setting the standard for the preservation of breeds and continuous improvement of health, wellbeing and enjoyment of purebred dogs.

Values

Passion: We are dedicated to purebred dogs with the belief in the value of dogs as an integral part of our lives, our society and the contributions dogs brings to our humanity.

Preservation: We are committed to the preservation of breed characteristics while producing healthy well-socialized dogs, with a commitment to continuous improvement and well-being of purebred dogs.

Knowledge: We educate and expand public awareness of the contribution purebred dogs bring to society. This includes the vast array of activities and opportunities for purebred dog enthusiasts... as well as a commitment to the principles of responsible breeding practices and responsible dog ownership.

Commitment: We protect and enhance the interests of our members, breeders, associated clubs and the public, supporting them with openness, honesty and compassion.

Integrity: We uphold the integrity of our registry, the high standards of governance and management of the Canadian Kennel Club.

AN INFORMATION SUPPLEMENT FROM THE CKC

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