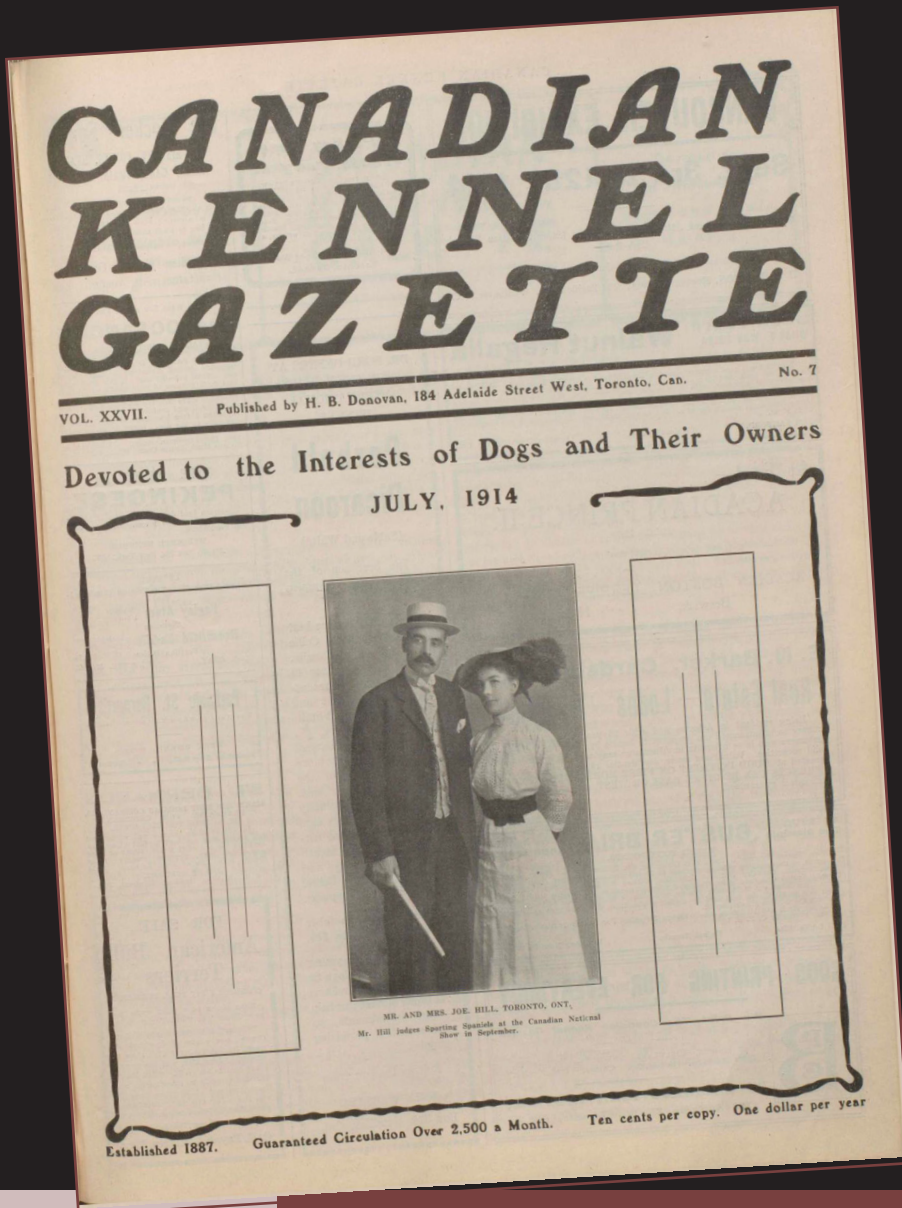




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2020 TOP DOGS RESULTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

2020 was a year like no other. Despite the many challenges competitors faced, from canceled events to redesigned ring procedures and trial protocols, we learned to adapt and rise to the challenge that the year presented – and to have a little bit of fun, safe competition when we could.

Join us and Top Dogs presenting sponsor Purina® Pro Plan® in congratulating the more than 2,000 competitors whose years of hard work and dedication were showcased in 2020 – whether they made it into the Top Dogs standings for the first or the tenth time.

2020 Top Herding Dogs



For the second year in a row, Canada's Top Herding Dog was the talented Australian Cattle Dog Callie, CKC HCh., AKC HC Shadybrook Callie Jr RN CGN HAAAs SDAAs AKC HXAcS.

2020 Top Agility Dogs



A Shetland Sheepdog with a family history of excellence, Spark, AGMCh. Hyper Hounds All Fired Up RM CGN CD AGMXJ5 AGMX3 XP AGSC, weaved his way to the #1 spot in Agility.

2020 Top Rally Dogs



Demonstrating excellent communication and teamwork, Yando, RCh. Yando vom Haus Stirling, and Gaeleen Ratee worked their way to the #1 Rally spot!

2020 Top Obedience Dogs



With his confidence and eagerness to work, Edge, GMOTCh. Tanbark's High Rolling Player, and his owner Rose Apollonio worked their way back to the #1 Obedience spot for a career third time at the top of the podium!

2020 Top Show Dogs



Bo, GCh. Snowmist's Bodacious, the Siberian Husky, claimed the #1 Show Dog spot. Breeder/owner/handler Kim Ramey-Leblanc and professional handler Collin Brownlee lead this stunning dog to a series of fantastic wins in 2020.

2020 Top Field Dogs



From retrievers, pointers, and spaniels to lure coursing sight hounds and rabbit hunting Beagles, learn more about the Top Field dogs who spent 2020 in the field with their favourite people doing their favourite thing.

Congratulations to all the 2020 CKC Top Dogs!

CKC CONTINUES TALKS WITH CFIA ON NEW DOG IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

As you may know, CKC, along with other stakeholders, has been in talks with CFIA for several months and provided feedback on CFIA's draft interim requirements for the importation of commercial dogs less than 8 months of age for breeding and resale (adoption) end use.

CKC members are aware of the large numbers of unhealthy dogs being imported into Canada and as such, CKC was pleased to participate in early discussions with CFIA, as we were informed that the new requirements would serve to ensure consistent animal health standards and requirements, while ensuring that legitimate breeders were not prevented from importing new genetic stock.

However, one of CFIA's new changes, the kennel of origin certificate—which includes a mandatory inspection of the exporting kennel and endorsement by an official veterinarian of the country of origin—has created logistical and financial barriers for small-scale breeders who import a few healthy dogs into Canada. We brought this grave inequity to the attention of CFIA and they have decided not to make any further changes at this time. Rest assured, despite this unfortunate stance by CFIA, we continue to escalate our efforts in order to resolve this issue.

As we continue to seek exemptions for small-scale breeders, the kennel of origin certificate remains a mandatory requirement for all importers of commercial dogs into Canada (breeding and resale end use) CFIA has agreed to:

- Conduct a review of the new requirements following an initial trial period.
- Amend the turnaround time for a USDA vet to endorse the Kennel of Origin certificate from 48 hours preceding export to 5 days.

To assist our members with the new importation process, we have asked CFIA to review and update messaging on the CFIA website to further clarify the new requirements and to develop a step-by-step process/checklist on how to import a dog into Canada.

At this time, we recommend that CKC member breeders:

- Contact their exporting partners to inform them of the new requirements, including the kennel of origin certificate (which includes a mandatory kennel inspection) and the timeframes associated with a veterinary inspection and endorsement of the Kennel of Origin Certificate. For example, as per the Kennel of Origin Certificate requirement (for the US), a licensed veterinarian must inspect the exporting kennel and issue the kennel of origin certificate, which must then be endorsed by a USDA accredited veterinarian found on the USDA website.

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CKC has confirmed that:

- There is no change to the temporary importation of commercial dogs under 8 months of age for the purposes of showing and exhibiting. Puppies less than 8 months of age may be imported on a temporary basis without an import permit only if proof is provided that the dog is registered in a competition, a show, or a trial organized by a recognized association and all of the other requirements are met. The reference to showing/exhibiting (permanent stay) under the new requirements does not impact temporary importation for the purposes of showing/exhibition.

Please know that our work is not finished. We remain active and resolute in our commitment to ensure that CKC member breeders who legitimately import a few healthy dogs into Canada, are not subject to the unnecessary financial and logistical barriers associated with the kennel of origin certificate.

If you have specific examples of your breeding program being put at risk due to these new criteria, please make CFIA aware of the risks they have created.

We continue to escalate this issue with the appropriate government agencies and to advocate on behalf of our member breeders, to safeguard the genetic diversity required for the healthy breeding of purebred dogs in Canada.

CKC WELCOMES CANUCKDOGS

Earlier today, Sue Coghlan, CanuckDogs.com, and Jeff Cornett, Executive Director of the Canadian Kennel Club, announced at CKC's 2021 Annual General Meeting the acquisition of the Canadian canine event information platform, CanuckDogs.com.

Having trouble linking to the above video? Follow this link instead: <https://youtu.be/kcCZ-jCKiQM>

"On behalf of CKC, the Board of Directions, and our staff, we are thrilled that Sue and CanuckDogs.com are joining the CKC family. Over the years, Sue has made Canuck Dogs the go-to resource for Canadian event results and information. CKC is excited for the opportunity to invest in and grow a platform that is such an integral part of many of our member's lives." – Jeff Cornett, Executive Director.

Sue joins the CKC as its Manager of CanuckDogs, maintaining day-to-day operational oversight of the platform. As mentioned in her announcement, CanuckDogs will continue to remain accessible to all competitors at its current location. Contact methods through the platform remain the same.

While we are excited for future opportunities to build on

CanuckDogs's strong foundation to support all of our competitor's shows & trials needs, we want to emphasize that the platform will maintain current operations and functionality for the immediate future. Through Sue's guidance and CKC's resources, CanuckDogs will continue to be a valuable resource for our members.

RETURNING TO THE DOG SHOW WORLD



To say the past year was challenging, would be an understatement. When the pandemic struck, for many of us, the world we knew slipped away. Covid-19 disrupted our everyday way of life and resulted in many folks being unemployed. Not only did so many become physically ill due to Covid-19, but many more became mentally unwell. Being isolated and unable to attend the activities that provide us joy certainly took a toll. It has been studied and determined that mental health illness is on the rise right now. Depression and anxiety are at an all time high, compliments of the pandemic. Thankfully, many areas of the country are working hard to help their communities return to some regular activities. Of course, this means the return of dog shows and trials.

After being out of the game for a period of time in isolation, it is completely natural to feel worried or anxious about returning to the ring. For those of us who are anxious by nature, you can imagine what we might be feeling at this time. The thought of showing or competing with our dogs with a mask on can be overwhelming. It can be disheartening to think that we can not smile at a judge or feel the warmth of a hug from an old friend. Further, we likely won't be as social as we would normally be. We shall be practicing social distancing and adhering to all government regulations in relation to the pandemic. The dog shows and trials we once knew are likely going to look different for the next period of time.

Not everyone will experience anxiety and thankfully, many will be able to return and adjust to the new reality. However, not all of us may be so fortunate. On the best of days at a dog show, my anxiety is already kicked into high gear. My flight or fight response is operating on full capacity. I could be doing the finishing touches on one of my boys, all while trying not to sweat through my suit. I feel the tightness in my chest and the sweat trickle down the back of my neck. I can hear my heart beating as, if it were a marching band. Well throw a mask on me and you can officially say I am nervous. The feeling of being overwhelmed is not one that is welcomed by many.

Overcoming and learning to manage my anxiety in life situations and especially dog shows didn't happen overnight. In fact, the recent pandemic really tested my ability to ground myself. I was fortunate enough to attend the dog shows here in Newfoundland back in November 2020 hosted by the Newfoundland (All Breed) Kennel Club. This was an incredible learning experience. Not only did I continue to learn and grow as a handler, but I developed an even stronger skill set to cope with the everyday anxiety of living in a pandemic.

The reality is, our anxiety does not dissolve on command. However, it does not need to control us either. I tell folks: "Sure I am anxious about the shows and competing during the pandemic. However, I am not allowing the anxiety to hold me on a tight lead." I am not permitting it or the pandemic to steal from me what I love doing – showing my dogs. Anxiety is an emotion and I have chosen to believe that our emotions do not define us, unless we allow them to.

Learning to cope with your anxiety and the added stressors of a pandemic may not be an easy task. Yet, it is achievable. Here are some tips to help you keep yourself calm and to allow you to enjoy the shows once again:

- Visualization. Over the last few years, one tool I have used to minimize my anxiety at dog shows is actually prepping myself before the show date. I will often lie in bed prior to falling asleep and visualize myself and my dog in the ring. I see him gaitting beautifully and me walking with confidence. I visualize us being awarded first place. During my visualization, nothing or nobody else exists. I allow myself to be present in my own thoughts.
- Self-care. Prior to the dog show, it makes me feel more at ease if I am nourished and presentable. Self care is not an act we do in one day, but an ongoing process. A good breakfast on show days is always a must (as who knows when you may get a chance to snack). Further looking the part, can actually help you feel the part. I always choose my outfit prior to the show and ensure it compliments my dog. As well, of equal importance, you should ensure your outfit has ease of movement and pockets are always a bonus. I have often

had friends say to me "You don't seem anxious. You look so composed." I think to myself "yes I have this – act like you know what you are doing and others will believe it." As the saying goes "fake it until you make it". As an added bonus, I have taken a liking to ensuring my face mask matches my show attire.

- Breathe. I know this one sounds like a no brainer, but believe it or not breathing is quite important. For one you need oxygen just to live. Now more than ever with wearing a mask all the time when in public, breathing seems to be a true challenge. I often will step outside of the show venue and separate myself from others and take a few deep breaths. Inhaling that fresh air is invigorating. Even upon re-entering the building, I remember I am breathing. I will go to my designated area and take a seat. I often close my eyes and just breathe. In essence some might say I am meditating. I focus on my physical body. I will literally sit down and take a deep breath in through my nose, hold it for second and then exhale as though I am deflating my body. After several deep breaths, my body goes from being rigid to relaxed.
- Preparation. This one may seem like a simple one to check off your list. However, might I suggest that not only do you need to get use to remembering your mask, but your dog needs to get use to both you and others being in masks. I would encourage you to have your inner circle wear masks around your dog and I would suggest when practicing, you train with your mask on. Remember, just as we will miss seeing others smiles, our dogs will miss hearing the clarity of our voices and our facial expressions that our mouths provide. Practice is key. If you prepare, you will surely feel more confident when the time comes to compete.

Without a doubt, times have changed. However, I would encourage you to take assurance in knowing that the shows you are attending, have likely done everything within their control to ensure the safety of all participants. This will include everything from providing masks, hand sanitizer, wiping down high touch areas and so forth. As the former President of the Newfoundland (All Breed) Kennel Club, I know we had many precautions put in place back in November 2020. We did everything from Covid-19 screening, security on the door to literally encouraging folks to exit the building once they completed showing to ensure we did not exceed our building capacity. Trust in your club. They want the shows to be a success. They want nothing more than to keep you safe while offering shows.

I will leave you with 'My Pandemic Check List'

- Face mask (remember, its fun to be fashionable). Note: I always bring a few extra disposable ones for friends in case someone forgets and an extra for myself in case I soil my first one.
- Personal hand sanitizer (And remember wash those paws in the washroom frequently. Nothing beats warm water and soap).
- Disinfectant wipes/spray for my own personal area

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And last, but certainly not least, don't forget your dog. Trust me when I say forgetting your dog is not the way to go and will definitely add to your stress level.

In closing, remember it is ok to feel anxious. You are not alone and don't hesitate to reach out to talk to a close friend. We're all in this together.

TICKS



These parasites aren't just a nuisance; they can cause serious—and sometimes deadly—diseases.

Let's talk ticks. Or have a tick talk, if you will. Don't worry, this tick talk won't involve any dance moves, but it will tell you all about an arachnid that survives off blood and could be big trouble for your beloved dogs.

Ticks need blood to survive. Because of this, they choose to live in habitats frequented by potential mammal hosts. A tick will hang onto the grass and wait for its next unsuspecting victim to stroll by. Unlike fleas or mosquitos, ticks do not jump or fly; but instead, they crawl upward.

How big are they?

Seeing them can be tricky as ticks are generally tiny. Young ticks can be barely visible, while adult ticks, especially when engorged with blood, are more noticeable but still only reach about 1 cm. When they aren't full of blood, an adult tick is roughly half a centimetre.

Where are they found?

Over 40 different species of ticks can be found across the country. However, eastern Canada reports the highest rate of tick-related infection. The most common ticks Canadian dogs might encounter are from the Dermacentor or Ixodes groups which include the American Dog Tick (also known as the Wood Tick) and the Blacklegged Tick (also known as the Deer Tick).

Ticks generally prefer to live in wooded areas, tall grass, and leaf litter, but they can also be found in urban areas, including parks and green spaces. Different ticks tend to like different environments. The Blacklegged Tick prefers a moist environment like leaf litter, while the American Dog Tick prefers drier conditions.

In addition to environmental conditions, there's a major contributing factor to why Canada's east side has so many ticks; the population of White-Tailed deer – a tick's preferred host. Eastern and Central Canada also share borders with American Lyme hotspots and are within flying distance for ticks who catch a free ride on migratory birds.

You may have noticed ticks getting a lot more press lately. That's because tick populations in Canada have increased due to bird migration, warmer winters (thanks to climate change), and increased deer populations.

When are Ticks most active?

As soon as the thermometer hits 4 degrees Celsius, ticks will start looking for a person or an animal to feed on and continue until the temperature remains under 4 degrees consistently. Young ticks are at their most active during the spring.

American dog ticks are usually not expected during the fall and winter seasons, but Black-legged ticks remain active in the autumn. The winter tick, commonly found on moose in Canada's Northeastern region, can remain active in the colder months.

How dangerous are they?

Ticks carry bacteria and viruses that can cause serious illness in both humans and animals. The most commonly known illness that ticks can transfer is Lyme disease. Lyme disease causes fatigue and severe problems with the central nervous system, potentially leading to tick paralysis and the loss of muscle function.

While over 80% of the population in Eastern and Central Canada could be living in higher-risk areas for Lyme disease, Lyme disease awareness remains relatively low.

American dog ticks are also carriers of diseases like Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Tularemia. Tularemia is a severe infectious bacterial condition with symptoms that include fever, weight loss, and ulcers at the site of infection. Tularemia can be fatal.

How to check your dog for Ticks

To check your dog for ticks, start at the head and run your fingers over their body, checking for lumps or bumps that did

not previously exist. Be sure to check inside and outside of the ears and under their collar, their stomach area, under their front legs, and all-around their paws.

If you come across a tick, remove it as soon as possible using a tick key, or specifically designed implement. Call your veterinarian if you are unsure and/or need help.

Prevention

Speak with your dog's veterinary team for tick prevention information and to set up a control program that will work best for you and your dog - based on the area you live in and frequent.

Regular tick prevention and grooming are the best ways to combat both ticks and Lyme disease in dogs. Treating your dogs with a preventative will help control ticks, which can attach themselves to your dogs and be carried indoors, putting you and your family at risk of being bitten. Even indoor-only pets (like cats) are at risk because ticks can ride inside via clothing or shoes. There are a wide variety of tick preventives that have been proven safe and effective at controlling ticks. Working with your veterinary team will help you determine which one is best for your dog(s) based on your location and needs. Ticks can hide easily under your dog's coat, so as an added measure of protection, experts recommend checking your dog for ticks every time they come inside.

Ticks are becoming more prevalent in North America, and they're now found in areas where we hadn't previously encountered ticks. Ticks aren't just a nuisance; they can cause serious—and sometimes deadly—diseases, including Lyme disease and Rocky Mountain spotted fever. Canines often don't show signs of Lyme disease immediately. Contact your dog's veterinary team immediately if your pet starts coughing, experiences new pain in their joints, has difficulty breathing, a fever, show muscle weakness, or has a sudden loss of energy, appetite, weight, or coordination.

Ticks are small but can mean big problems for both you and your dog. Luckily, with some knowledge, the help of your dog's veterinary team, and preventative measures, you can keep your dog much safer from these parasites.

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.

**Amanda Burry, Toronto, 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

**Abdullah Alasmari, Regina, SK, 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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