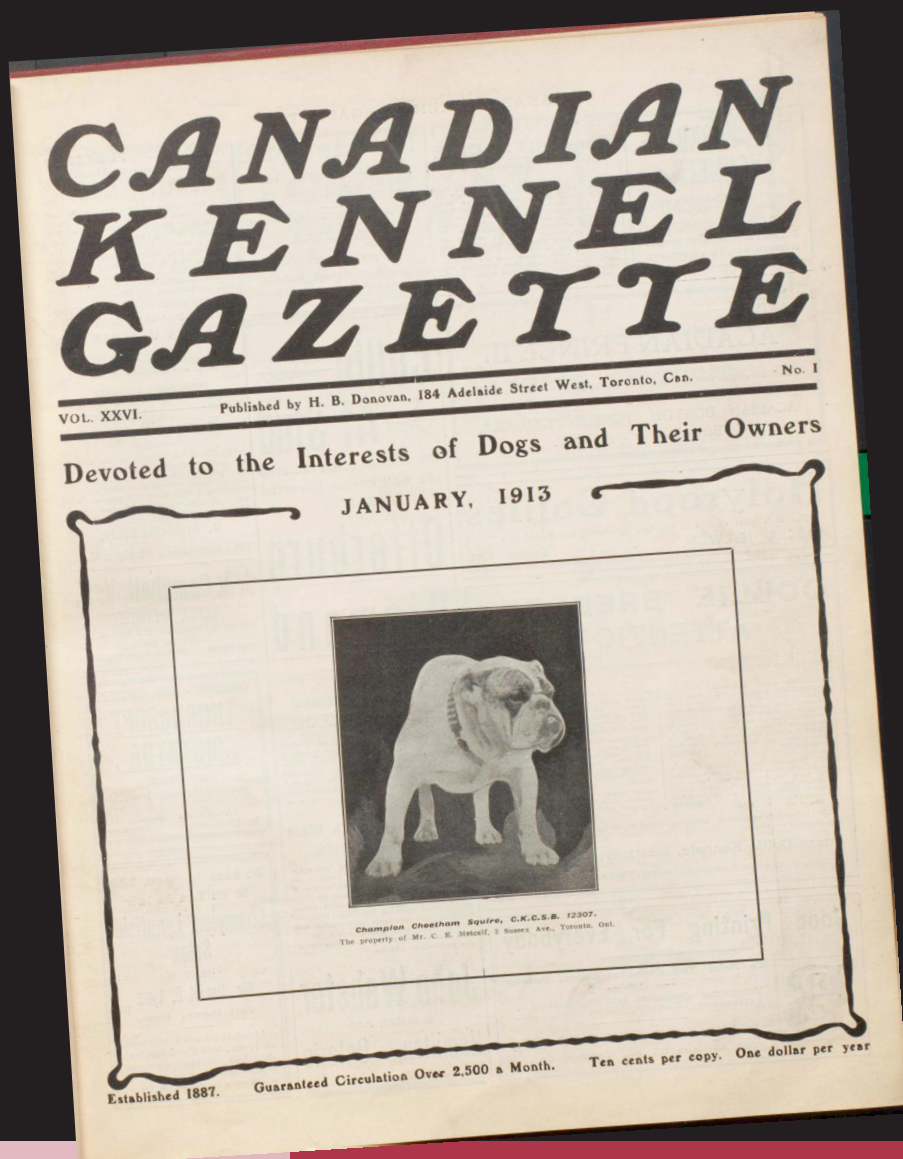




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THANK YOU FOR VOTING!

We are pleased to announce that thanks to the engagement and efforts of the membership, all the proposed by-law amendments and ROEs have passed AND all six breeds have been voted to receive full recognition with the CKC!

The next step for everything that was voted on being fully recognized is with Agriculture Canada.

We look forward to seeing these breeds competing with full recognition at shows and events soon!

UPCOMING CHANGES TO SCHEDULE OF FEES

After careful consideration, a motion was passed at the Dec. 3, 2022, CKC Board of Director's meeting that **effective Jan. 3, 2023**, registration fees will increase by 2% rounded up to the nearest \$0.50 or \$1.00.

In addition to the 2% increase on registration fees the individual dog ownership transfer fee will also increase by \$4.00 in 2023.

We would like to thank our members for your continued loyalty and support over the years.

The 2023 Schedule of Fees can be found [here](#).

NOTICE TO RETRIEVER FIELD TRIAL CLUBS IN QUEBEC, ONTARIO, NEW BRUNSWICK RE: AVAILABLE PRIORITY DATES

In accordance with Chapter VI, Shows and Trials, Section G, Priority Rights, Subsection 4 of the Policy and Procedures Manual, this is to notify all Retriever Field Trial clubs in Quebec, Ontario and New Brunswick that the priority dates listed below, which were previously held by the Montreal Retriever Club have been released:

RETRIEVER FIELD TRIALS

SEPTEMBER 2 - 3 - 4, 2023
CALIXA-LAVALLÉE, QC

AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 1-2, 2024
CALIXA-LAVALLÉE, QC

AUGUST 30 - 31 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2025
CALIXA-LAVALLÉE, QC

SEPTEMBER 5-6-7, 2026
CALIXA-LAVALLÉE, QC

Any club interested in obtaining these priority dates must submit an application to CKC Head Office, Attention: Shows and Trials Division, 200 Ronson Drive, Suite 400, Etobicoke, Ontario M9W 5Z9 on or before January 1, 2023.

If the application is being submitted via e-mail, please send it to eventapps@ckc.ca

Attention: Shows and Trials, with the subject PRIORITY DATES on or before January 1, 2023.

If only one application is received, the priority dates will be granted to that club provided it meets all other applicable requirements.

When two clubs holding Retriever Field Trials on the same date apply for an available date, priority will be given to the club that has been holding CKC events for the longest time. And if more than one application is received from clubs having the same earliest accreditation date, a draw shall take place between these clubs and the winner of the draw shall be granted the priority dates. Applicant clubs shall be given an opportunity to send a representative to observe the draw.

PUREBRED DOGS RETURN TO THE ROYAL



Purebred Dogs made a triumphant return to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. From November 4th to 13th, 2022, purebred dogs rocked the Royal's 100th Anniversary: A Century of Champions Celebration!

From back-to-back dog shows to a “Meet the Breeds” booth and even a Scent Detection demonstration, Canada’s purebred dogs were definitely welcomed back warmly!

The last time there was a dog show at the Royal was in 1998, The Royal Dog Show and the President’s Choice International. This spectacular event, organized by Mike Macbeth was a high budget show that attracted 21 dogs that were Top Dog in their home countries, plus a Crufts Best in Show winner, 2 Westminster Best in Show Winners and a SICALAM winner. The committee even commissioned famous sculptor, Bill Lishman, to do a huge wire statue of Canada’s extinct Taltan Bear Dog so large that people could actually walk under it.

The Royal

The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair is a celebrated event in Toronto that has been happening since 1922. After the First World War, a collective of notable farmers and horsemen got together to plan an exhibition of Canada’s finest agricultural wares. Led by shorthorn cattleman, the group believed strongly in Canada’s ability to compete at a world-class level. They solicited and received full support from all three levels of government and was granted the Royal moniker by King George V of England. The fair became and continues to be a much anticipated yearly event in the city.

It now takes place at the Enercare Centre on the Exhibition grounds right by Lake Ontario. The venue is enormous – over one million square feet and every part of the building is in use for the Royal Fair each November.

Meet the Breeds

The Communications Manager for the Canadian Kennel Club, Heather Parsons and I organized a Meet the Breeds booth, which took place from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. each day of the Royal. We had over 35 different breeds participate and the reaction from the public was wonderful! Tons of questions, lots of pets and so many “I’ve never seen a dog like this before” comments.

We printed off postcards for each breed that participated to be handed out to those who visited the booth. The cards featured a photo on the front and breed facts on the back along with helpful links to learn more. We also put the Puppy List’s website there so that those hoping to add a puppy to their home can connect with Canadian Kennel Club member breeders.

From Mastiffs to Dandie Dinmont Terriers, the Meet the Breeds booth offered an interactive opportunity for the public to learn as well as to make connections with a variety of purebred dogs. The various demonstrations (including disc dog, agility, movie star tricks, grooming, and scent detection) showed the value and versatility of our wonderful purebred dogs.

I would like to sincerely thank all the volunteers from breed clubs, the CKC staff member volunteers, and the individual

owners whose breeds don’t currently have a club who organized a group to attend. These folks came from near and far. They really helped make some great memories of the Royal.

Dog Shows

Two dog shows took place over the first 6 days of the Royal this year. First was the Credit Valley Kennel

and Obedience Dog Show (November 4-6), followed by the Olde York Kennel Club Dog Show (November 7-9).

Hundreds of dogs were exhibited, Judges were flown in from across Canada and the United States, and the Royal had the event set up beautifully in the Animal Theatre. The space featured several blue carpeted rings, a set up area complete with its own entrance for exhibitors where outside expenses were incredibly close.

I had the pleasure of going on the microphone and introducing the public to our purebred breeds in both the Group and Best in Show rings during the Olde York Kennel Club show. I told some historic facts and a bit of information on each breed’s personality, grooming requirements, exercise needs, etc. I also explained how a dog show works. It seemed to have kept quite a few people entertained. Many members of the public thanked me for explaining what was going on and for letting them know “what kind of dog that was”. Some even followed me from ring to ring throughout the day!

Impact

Having purebred dogs at the Royal again was huge. I’m all about “planting seeds”. Over 300,000 people attend the Royal each year. Apart from the adults that got to meet fantastic, well-breed dogs, see demonstrations and watch a dog show, thousands of children and teenagers got to experience purebred dogs.

It’s very common for youth in the Greater Toronto Area to attend to the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair each year. If not with their family, then with their school on a field trip. If thousands of kids see a dog show, watch a demonstration showcasing purebred dog’s incredible skills and interact with a bunch of purebred dogs every year for several years, what are the chances that some of those children will eventually want to promote and protect purebred dogs? Very good, in my opinion.

Next Year

I can say with my hand over my heart that each and every person I spoke with who participated in the dog shows at the Royal, the Meet the Breeds booth, or in the demonstrations told me that they had a wonderful time. Each person I spoke with told me that they are definitely going back to the Royal next year and I’m also very much looking forward to it already.

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Some things I would like to see different should we be invited back to the Royal next year including having commentators throughout all six shows in order to grab the audience's attention as well as have multiple breeds at the Meet the Breeds booth throughout the Royal so that people can see and compare a few different breeds while having that great interaction with the dogs and their owners. We have reached out to the incredible Meet the Breeds volunteers and asked for their feedback so that we can make future events even better.

I definitely hope we will be at the Royal in 2023.



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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