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## Wags Weekly

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**Issue 35, February 2, 2017: *This is the weekly dog news/KCAA news email for the Kennel Club of Anne Arundel. It comes out every Thursday. If you have a brag, have personal or dog news to share, have health advice, or hear of news or an event, send me (Tom Masog, Corr. Sec.) an email or text by midnight the previous Tuesday. And please share Wags Weekly outside of KCAA. This seems to be one completely new thing that our club is doing well, and maybe it can be of value to others!***

### Club News

- The final handling class for this session of classes is this week. Class will be Tuesday night February 7 at Tecla. Same time, 7:30 - 8:30. **Please note** that handling classes follow Howard County schools for weather closings. More info on the [KCAA webpage](#). Please note that the classes will take off for a couple of weeks and resume for another 5 weeks starting on February 28. Same dog time. Same dog location.
- The KCAA Board met as a teleconference this past Wednesday. The following occurred:
  - Tentatively set dates for general meetings of KCAA for 2017.
  - Agreed: Responsible Dog Ownership Day should be at Waugh Chapel weekend of 9/23.
  - Will survey the membership about recognition plaques and KCAA shirts.
  - Agreed: Participation in Arundel Mills Bass Pro Shop's Dog Days on 3/25 and 4/1.
  - Set next General Meeting as a Mardi Gras party at Dan & Tom's on 2/25 (more to come).
- Our next (and 1st) show will be Wednesday October 25 in Westminster, MD.

### General News/Dog Interest/Seasonal Tips

- **There are LOTS of dog-related things going on locally this month. Don't get cabin fever. Check the list below and enjoy.**
- Do you have an older dog? You might want to read this article about 8 [things that your senior dog will thank you for \(click\)](#).
- What is a pumi or a sloughi? And what exactly is a rat terrier? There are three new breeds at Westminster this year. Read more in [this article from the NY Times \(click\)](#).

### Brags & Member News

- Don't forget to send in brags. Brags include major wins (conformation or otherwise), dog titles, dog certifications, litters, and any other item that is important to you. I feel so bad when folks tell me brags, as I tend to forget them. Sorry! Feel free to text ([240-535-3936](tel:240-535-3936)) or email (contact above) when you have a brag.

### Upcoming Local Dog Events

- Canine Learning Experience, February 4 & 5, Lehigh County Ag Building, Allentown, PA. Saturday offers a sweepstakes match and a regular match (pre-entries required through Rau dog shows, no entries onsite). Seminars on Sunday. Spectator admission \$8. [See premium list here \(click\)](#).
- Blizzard Bingo, February 10 at 6:00 (games begin at 7), FOP Lodge #69, Catonsville. For benefit of [Baltimore Animal Rescue & Care Shelter \(click\)](#).
- Hearts and Hounds Mall Crawl, February 12, 8 - 10 a.m., Westfield Annapolis Mall. For benefit of Anne Arundel County SPCA and the Heart Health Foundation. Join others for a fun dog-friendly event and leisurely walk through Westfield Annapolis Mall [in support of Heart Health Month \(click\)](#). **Not a KCAA activity, but KCAA members will be there. Join us!**
- Canines & Cocktails for a Cause, Homestead Gardens, Davidsonville, Friday 2/24 from 6:00 to 7:30. Here's the [flyer and description \(click\)](#); this date benefits the SPCA of Anne Arundel County. **Again, not a KCAA activity, but KCAA members will be there. Join us!**
- Healthy Pets Seminar: [Dog Training Using Positive Reinforcement \(click\)](#), Homestead Gardens, Davidsonville, Saturday 2/25 @ 2:00. Free; call ahead for reservation.
- Healthy Pets Seminar: [Pet Friendly Gardening \(click\)](#), Homestead Gardens, Davidsonville, Saturday 2/26 @ 11; Severna Park, Saturday 2/26 @ 2. Free; call ahead for reservation.

**Upcoming local shows closing soon:**

- 1st Co. Gov. Foot Guard/Rockland/Walkill Cluster, W. Springfield, MA - closes 2/8
- Shenandoah Valley KC, Harrisonburg, VA – closes 2/22
- Cabin Fever Shows, Middletown, NY – closes 2/22

**Or take a road trip and check out the nearest local shows this weekend:** Sorry, no local shows.

**Looking for Something Non-Dog to Do?:**

Come out and watch the Puppy Bowl while enjoying a cold brew! Of course, the Puppy Bowl has evolved as an alternative to the NFL's big game. The Puppy Bowl airs on Sunday, February 5, at 2 p.m. The public is invited to cheer the puppies on at a viewing party hosted by Jail Break Brewery in Laurel, MD. Dogs are welcome, but all dogs must be on a leash while in the tap room. Also, Giggy's BBQ and Catering will also be at the event. Not exactly non-dog! Jail Break is at 9445 Washington Boulevard North.

***Know something that we don't? Give me an email at [tmasog@gmail.com](mailto:tmasog@gmail.com) by midnight the previous Tuesday. If you received this email by mistake, please let me know and I will correct the mailing list.***