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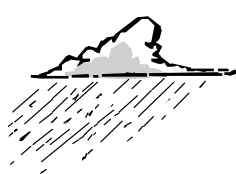
## Our Next Scheduled Meeting

**Date:** March 8, 2010

**Time:** 7:30 PM

**Location:** Johnny Bright Playground  
3401 Cleary Avenue, Metairie, Louisiana

The April meeting is tentatively set/scheduled for April 12, 2010.



## Weather and Class Information Hotline

**(504) 454-8858**

Call after 5:30 PM

## Attention Members

In our March 08, 2010 meeting, Attorney David Birdsong will be giving a talk addressing the issues of: "What Provisions Have You Made For Your Pets If You Were Not Around Anymore?" The issues to be covered are the following:

- "In Louisiana, pets are part of your estate. If you die without a will your property is inherited by your children, with your spouse having the use of that property during their life. For our purposes, we are not so much concerned with who would inherit your pet(s), but who would actually take care of your pet(s).
- Who would take care of your pet(s) if you were to become incapacitated?
- What monetary provisions have you made?
- Would the caregiver you have chosen know your pet's favorite food, toys, games and medical requirements and background?"

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## Message From Our President

*John Long*

Please circle April 2, 3 and 4, 2010 on your calendar. This weekend is important for two reasons. First it is Easter weekend and second it is Deep South's annual Agility Trial. The trial is very important to our club because it earns more money for us than any other event. It is also the most labor intensive of all our club activities and we really need a lot of help from our club members to make the trial run smoothly. The first job is setting up the rings and equipment. This is mainly physical labor and you will be working with experienced people who will be glad to show you what needs to be done. Then during the trial we need gate stewards to make sure the correct dog goes into the ring in a timely manner. We need bar setters to reset any jump bars that may be knocked down during a run and to move bars up or down when the jump height changes. We also need workers to reset equipment when the classes change. When the trial is over we need a lot of help to break down the rings and equipment and put it all back into the trailer and make sure that the grounds are clean. As I said before you will be working with experienced people who will be glad to show you what to do. If you can help or have any questions get in touch with our Trial Chairman Joe Lapine at [joel@i55.com](mailto:joel@i55.com) or see me at class. We will be glad to help you.

Agility is truly a fast moving action sport and you will not be bored even if you just come to watch. You will see some really good dog athletes and top notch handlers competing in our trial.

Please make every effort to attend our trial and lend a helping hand if you can.

*John Long*

## Upcoming Events

- DSABOTC Obedience Match: February 28, 2010 located at Susan Park Gym, 502 Veteran's Boulevard, Kenner, Louisiana 70087. Members needed to work setup at 7:00 AM and for takedown after match. Hours of the Obedience Match are from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Contact Phil Hosen for more information..
- New Orleans Home and Garden Show: March 11 through March 14, 2010; Louisiana Superdome. Members needed for set up on Wednesday, March 10, 2010. DSABOTC Drill Team Event, Meet the Breed, Club Membership Drive, Agility/Obedience/Rally Demonstrations, Canine Education, and more. Area AKC clubs are asked to participate. For more information, or to sign up/schedule to participate, contact Marlane Mayo at oyammayo@yahoo.com or the Editor at deep-southeditor@yahoo.com.
- DSABOTC Drill Team Event: Boy Scout Camp Drill Team Demonstration on Saturday, March 27, 2010. More details to follow.
- DSABOTC Agility Trials: April 2 through April 4, 2010 in Amite, Louisiana. All members who are available are needed to work this event. Contact Joe Lapine at joel526@i-55.com to sign up to work or for more information.
- DSABOTC Obedience and Rally Trials on October 16 and October 17, 2010 at the Castine Center in Mandeville, Louisiana. The Trial Secretary is Debbie Boyd. More details to follow. Mixed Breeds will be allowed to participate in this event for the first time!!
- DSABOTC Herding Trials: November 13 and November 14, 2010 at Folsom, Louisiana. More details to follow. Mary Lee Oliphant-Wood is in charge of this event.

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David W. Birdsong is a native of New Orleans who graduated from the Loyola University School of Law in 1982 and is currently a co-owner of Gulf South Title Corporation. His law practice includes both residential and commercial real estate closings throughout the Southern Louisiana area; corporate and limited liability company formation and business planning; successions, wills and estate planning. His practice in Estate Planning includes general and specific powers of attorney

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for areas such as real estate, medical issues and pets; inter vivos trusts and testamentary trusts for such issues as long term care planning and special needs. David has owned several dogs, including a late Standard Poodle, Jeffrey's Lady Amanda, and currently owns two female Ocherese, Gabby and Callie which are a Pekingese, Maltese and Poodle mix.

## Our New Members

Welcome to our new members. Please be sure your information is correct in our records. Any corrections should be given to **Jody Legendre at (504) 738-3831. DO NOT CONTACT THE EDITOR.**

(The online edition of the newsletter does not contain names of new members. The Editor)



Susan Kelly and Shirley Laussade's Boxer's have been on a roll. Kelly's In the Nick of Time "Nicky," bred/owned/handled by Susan Kelly and co-owned by Connie Back finished her championship at the Houston Farm and Ranch Show on March 15, 2009 winning Winner's Bitch with a 3 point major, Best of Winners, and Best of Breed over top specials.

Kelly's love Me Tender at Shalsade "Langiappe" bred by/owned/handled by Susan Kelly and co-owned by Shirley Laussade went Winner's Dog at the D'Arbone Cluster in Shreveport on April 20, 2009 with a 3 point major, completing his championship.

Kelly's Ya Breaken My Heart "Breaker" (Langiappe's litter mate) owned/bred/handled by Susan Kelly went Winners Dog for a 3 point major at the Cajun Cluster in Lafayette on May 25, 2009 to complete his championship. Breaker is the 22nd Boxer to be bred by and finished from the Kelly/Shalsade Kennels.

Kelly's Darling Deidre "Dee Dee" earned her Dam of Merit upon Breaker completing his championship. Kelly's Three Time's A Charm was her first get to finish.

Kelly's Illicit Affair "Lizzy" owned/bred by/handled by Susan Kelly picked up her second 3 point major on December 13, 2009 in Jackson, Mississippi at the Mississippi State Kennel club show and another Winners Bitch, Best of Winners for 2 points in Alexandria on January 31, 2010. Lizzy just needs 1 point to finish, all of which have been earned from the Bred By Exhibitor class.

Ch. MACH 2 Kelly's Cruise On Up Shalsade CD,RE,MX owned by Susan Kelly and Shirley Laussade and handled by Susan lived up to his name "Cruiser." On January 24, 2009 Cruiser earned his 750th speed point and his 20th double qualifying scores at the Flash Paws Agility Trial in Crosby, Texas in the Excellent B Agility and the Excellent B

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Jumpers with Weaves classes to become the 1st Boxer IN THE HISTORY OF THE BREED to have earned both an AKC Conformation Championship and a Master Agility Championship which is the highest award AKC gives in agility. Shortly after this, Cruiser obtained a very serious eye injury which prevented him from competing for several months. Upon recovery, Cruiser acquired his 1500th speed point and his 40th double qualifying score on October 25, 2009 in Crosby, Texas again at the Flash Paws Agility Trial. This is the fastest any Boxer has earned 2 MACH's back to back.

Cruiser finished the 2009 year as AKC's #1 Agility Boxer in the country in all standings earning 1114 points and 29 double qualifying scores for the year, beating his closest competitor by 390 points. Cruiser is currently the #1 Boxer in the Agility Invitational standings by over 400 points. Cruiser has been one of the top 5 Boxers in the country to qualify and be invited to the Invitational the past 2 years.

According to AKC Cruiser was the 1st dog in the State of Louisiana to earn his Excellent FAST title. As of February 17, 2010 Cruiser has earned 48 DQs and 1743 speed points towards his MACH 3 and earned his 13th triple qualifying score in STD, JWW and FAST on the same day.

### Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter

By Kim Staton

The Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter has gone through many positive changes in the past six months but we are presently facing one of our biggest challenges yet. In spite of our best efforts, we have had several confirmed cases of parvo-virus at both shelters in the past two weeks. We vaccinate animals upon intake but this does not result in instant immunity. It takes the immune system several days, up to a week, for the animal to develop antibodies to fight the disease if an exposure occurs. In younger animals, it takes a series of vaccines to provide protection.

Due to the high population of animals at our shelters at any given time combined with the inherent stress of being in an animal shelter, animals are more prone to succumb if an exposure does occur. We monitor animals closely in an effort to catch the disease early and prevent spread. Symptoms include vomiting, bloody diarrhea, lethargy, fever, and dehydration.

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We are asking all pet owners for help in fighting this horrible disease by making sure their pets are current on vaccines. If pet owners are uncertain of the vaccination status of their pet, they should consult with their veterinarian. As long as parvo is occurring in the community, local shelters will continue to struggle with this highly contagious, life threatening illness. Please talk to your friends and neighbors about the importance of keeping all pets current on vaccinations.

(Kim Staton has worked in the area of Animal Welfare for 34 years, with 12 years as a Veterinary Technician, 8 years in Animal Control, 5 years with local humane society chapters, 4 years as the Southeast Regional Coordinator for the Humane Society of the United States, and 5 years as an independent Animal Welfare Consultant. She has worked under contract with the Humane Society of the United States, the Humane Alliance, and the ASPCA. She is a Certified Animal Welfare Administrator through the Society of Animal Welfare Administrators, and is currently a consulting member of the Jefferson Parish Animal Welfare Committee.)

***Special Report:  
Jefferson Parish Government:  
Hobby Breeder Friend or Foe?***

The Jefferson Parish Animal Welfare Committee met on February 23, 2010. The committee Chairman Deano Bonano handed out a draft of the proposed changes in the Code of Ordinances pertaining to Chapter 7, Article 2-Animal Control and Welfare. The proposed ordinance (in draft form) is quoted below. However, Mr. Bonano stated in the meeting that the proposed ordinance changes will not go before the Parish Council on March 3, 2010 as originally scheduled, but will go before the Parish Council on March 24, 2010. Mr. Bonano stated that what is stated below is not the final draft of the ordinance changes, and that the committee will meet again to go over the final draft.

“An ordinance amending Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances Chapter 7-Animals and Fowl, Article II- Animal Control and Welfare relative to (i) mandating spaying or neutering of dogs and cats in limited situations as specified; (ii) increasing fees associated with rabies licensing the proceeds from which shall be used to fund a low cost/no cost spay/neuter program and educational programs on responsible pet ownership; and (iii) establishing the Responsible Breeder Permit, to incorporate certain changes therein and to provide for other related matters. (Parishwide).”

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“SECTION I. Section 7-16 is hereby amended and supplemented as follows: Section 7-16. Definitions: Hobby Breeder deleted.

Registered Animal Rescue Group: Any 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation (the purpose of which shall be to rescue animals by adoption) that: (i) conducts and/or participates in the Jefferson Parish Low Cost/No Cost Spay Neuter and Responsible Pet Ownership Program or holds animals for adoption; (ii) is authorized to do business in the State of Louisiana; (iii) is in good standing with the Louisiana Secretary of State (production of a certificate of good standing shall not be required); and (iv) provides to the Director of the Animal Shelter, or his/her designee, proof of the animal rescue group’s annual IRS 501 (c) (3) filings. The Director shall provide documentation recognizing a fully compliant animal rescue group. Failure to comply with any or all of the conditions stated above and/or failure to provide required documents shall disqualify a rescue group from participation in any Animal Shelter program or benefits and said animal rescue group shall not be recognized by the Animal Shelter.

Responsible Breeder: a person who maintains on his premises to breed purebred and/or pedigreed animals or fowl primarily for personal recreational use, such as participation in recognized conformation shows, field or obedience trials, scenting, specialized hunting or working trials or water trials, and for the primary purpose of improving the physical soundness of, temperament and conformation of a given breed to a standard; such person to sell or exchange or offer to sell or exchange, at retail only, and other than for purposes of research, testing, or other experimentation. The ethics of care and treatment of all animals shall follow the standard as set forth by the National Breed Club.

SECTION II. Section 7-30(c) (1) is hereby amended and supplemented as follows: Section 7-30. Fees and Charges. (c) Other shelter charges: Animal Shelter charges are as follows:

- (1) (a) Rabies vaccination fee fifteen dollars (\$15.00). (b) Rabies vaccination fee for Registered Animal Rescue Group five dollars (\$5.00).

SECTION III. Section 7-31 is hereby amended and supplemented as follows: Section 7-31. Disposition of Fees.

All fees received from the annual rabies campaign vaccination shall be allotted as follows: (i) ten dollars (\$10.00) from each vaccination fee and the five dollar (\$5.00) vaccination fee for Registered Animal Rescue Groups shall be retained by the Animal Shelter; (ii) five dollars (\$5.00) from each vaccination shall be used by the Director of the

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Animal Shelter to promulgate and administer a program, the objectives of which shall be, *inter alia*, to provide: (a) a low-cost/no cost spay/neuter program for Jefferson Parish and (b) an educational program on responsible pet ownership. All fees received from the adoption of animals, the reclaiming of pets, permits, vaccinations other than the annual rabies campaign vaccinations, and the sale of tags and licenses to veterinarians shall be used by the Animal Shelter department for its operations. The fee schedule shall be approved annually by the council.

SECTION IV. Section 7-55 is hereby amended and supplemented as follows: Section 7-55, Liability of owner for dogs and/or cats at-large.

In addition to the fees and charges to be paid to the Animal Shelter for the release of any impounded dog or cat, any owner who had deliberately permitted his licensed or unlicensed dog or cat to roam at large may be found guilty of a violation of this Article and shall be subject to a penalty as set forth in Section 7-30. Additionally, any dog or cat found to be at-large twice in their lifetime shall be spayed or neutered at the owner's cost prior to its release from impoundment, unless: (i) the health of the dog or cat, as determined by a licensed veterinarian, prohibits its spaying or neutering (herein after alteration); or (ii) the owner provides proof from a veterinarian that the dog or cat has been altered; or (iii) the dog is less than four (4) months of age, or the cat is less than two (2) months of age or weighs less than two (2) pounds; or (iv) the owner provides valid ownership papers verifying the purebred status of the dog or cat and the owner pays a subsequent impoundment fee totaling five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in order to avoid alteration of the purebred dog or cat.

SECTION V. Section 7-99 is hereby amended and supplemented as follows: Section 7-99, Dealer breeders and/or dealers.

(a) Permit required. No person shall be a dealer breeder or dealer unless a permit to operate as a dealer breeder and/or dealer shall have been granted by the Animal Shelter department. Applications, procedures and requirements for such permit shall be in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Animal Shelter Advisory Board under the provisions of this article. The permit period shall be the calendar year and the permit fee shall be as stated in Section 7-30 for each permit period or part thereof beginning with the first day of the calendar year. The permit number shall be published with any advertisement of any kind for the sale of any animal."

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Mr. Bonano stated to the committee that the bids will soon be opened of the parties who have submitted bids to run a privatized animal shelter. He stated that he would let them know of the contract review committee's recommendation when he obtains it. Another item discussed by the committee, which may be a part of the final recommendations to go before the Jefferson Parish Council included increasing the dealer/breeder fee for a permit from the current \$100.00 to \$500.00.

The committee also discussed tasks and issues to be undertaken by the committee in 2010. Mr. Bonano would like the committee to study the issue of feral cats in Jefferson Parish, with a balanced approach as to the rights of property owners and pursuing an established feral cat policy for the parish. He wants the committee to further look at Jefferson Parish operating in accordance with the Companion Animal Protection Act. Another committee member proposed mandating a yearly vaccination day, where people could get their pets vaccinated at local fire stations. Other recommendations for the committee to study included the recommendations from the original HSUS study and the other original Jefferson Parish Animal Welfare Committee recommendations; and an attempt to help local municipality laws and ordinances be equal to those in effect in Jefferson Parish. The next meeting of the Jefferson Parish Animal Welfare Committee will be on Wednesday, March 10, 2010. As stated before, the final recommendations will go before the Parish Council on March 24, 2010.

*Edwin M. Mayo, Jr.*  
*Editor*

**Help the Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter**

The Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter (hereafter JPAS) has some urgent needs for supplies; to include food, blankets and towels, toys for puppies, and money donations for medications. DSABOTC President John Long has approved a program to collect items and cash for the JPAS on a regular basis. We will be collecting at our monthly club meetings and at our regular Tuesday Night Training Classes; followed by the physical delivery to the JPAS several times per month. The shelter is in need of blankets, towels, washcloths, Science Diet dry and canned dog food, toys for puppies, and money for medications. I have been appointed as the club liaison to the JPAS, and will keep in touch with them on their needs. Please donate to help the dogs in the shelter. Thank you.

*Edwin M. Mayo, Jr.*  
*Editor*

## Facebook Page

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## On the Web

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