

## Kerry on News

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## KERRY ON NEWS

A publication of the Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Central Florida

### From the Desk of the President



I am excited about the coming year. We have several new members in the club and that always means a fresh look at old issues and endless possibilities.

Our annual meeting is during the shows in Zolfo Springs. Although not the most convenient place to have a meeting it is where we hold the annual meeting and I would ask that every member make an effort to attend.

If you have not visited the club website recently take a few minutes and do so. Bill MacLeod is doing great things with the site. Check out the Our Advertisers link. This is a place for members to place their Kerry business card or a breeder's page. Nancy Vance has graciously volunteered to

help anyone wanting to put together a page for their dogs. Check our hers if you missed it in a pervious issue.

In September of this year the Tampa Bay Kennel Club will be hosting a "Responsibly Ownership Day" in Tampa. I would like for the Kerry Club to set up a booth this year instead of just a few hours with the Terrier Club. We'll talk more about this at the meeting. See you in Zolfo.

Linda

### Meeting Notice

The next meeting of the KBTC of CF will be held Saturday April 24, 2010 at the Heartland Dog Club shows. **Hospitality will be provided by Conni & Steve Adams.**

**Newsletter  
Next Due Date:  
April 30, 2010**

**Minutes of the Club Meeting  
Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Central Florida**

General Meeting Minutes  
January 23, 2010  
Florida Classic Park  
Brooksville, FL

President Linda Lopez called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm. There were eleven club members present. A motion was made and passed to dispense with all but necessary business of the Club.

**Membership** - George Hanna, Robert Roth and Christine Martin were introduced. They will be applying for membership to the Club.

**Newsletter** - Anthony would like photos of the specialty to publish in the next newsletter. He will add breeder pages to the emailed newsletters as he receives them.

**Hospitality** - Linda thanked all. The seminar on Chiropractic Massage Therapy will be held in the North Grooming Tent following Best in Show.

**Rescue** - Judy Agnew placed one rescue dog recently.

**2011 Specialty Show** - Reatha will coordinate the tents again and Nancy Vance and Barb Bates will organize trophies.

**Unfinished (Old) Business** - Judy Agnew and Carol Postley will arrange a Judges Seminar with Barb Beuter.

**New Business –**

The floor was opened for nominations for each office. No nominations were received, so nominations were closed. The slate will be as follows:

President - Linda Lopez  
Vice President - Chris Cagle  
Secretary - Nancy Vance  
Treasurer - Conni Adams

Board of Directors - Judy Agnew,  
Walter Bates and Reatha Omodio

The slate will be voted in at the April annual meeting in Zolfo Springs.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Conni Adams  
For Eva Hanson, Secretary



**Officers and Board Members 2008/09**

Linda Lopez .....President  
813-238-2352

Chris Cagle.....Vice-President  
954-481-8657

Eva Hansen.....Secretary  
321-454-7628

Jim Omodio.....Treasurer  
813-991-9083

Judy Agnew .....Board  
352-288-9512

Walter Bates.....Board  
941-575-0100

Reatha Omodio .....Board  
813-991-9083

*NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS*

Your nominating committee submits the following list of nominees for the slate of Officers and Board of Directors to serve for Club Year April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011.

President: Linda Lopez  
Vice Pres.: Chris Cagle  
Treasurer: Conni Adams  
Secretary: Nancy Vance

Board of Directors:

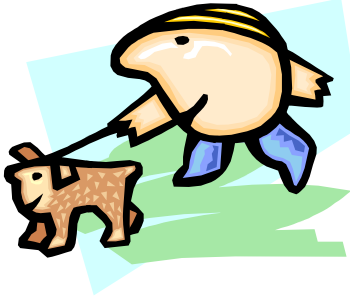
Walter Bates  
Reatha Omodio  
Judy Agnew

Respectfully  
Submitted,

Chris Cagle – Chairman

Election of Officers and Board will take place Saturday April 24, 2010 at the Heartland Dog Club shows.

**Kerry Blue Terriers  
Around The Ring**



**Kerry Blue Terriers**

**Keri on Blue Sterling**

Inverness Florida KC Jan 16, 2010  
BOW 2pts

Tampa Bay KC Jan 17  
BOW 3 pts major  
New Champion

Owner-breeder: Judy Agnew

**Keri field Category Five**

Greater Daytona Dog Fanciers  
Association  
Jan. 8, 2010  
WD 1 point

Pasco Florida KC  
WD 3 pts major

Tampa Bay KC Jan22  
BOW 4 pts major

Owned and bred: by Virginia and  
Ralph Payson

**KerionKerifield Just Imagine**

Greater Daytona Dog Fanciers  
Association  
Jan. 9, 2010  
WD 1pt

Jacsonville Dog Fanciers Association  
Jan. 10, 2010  
WD

Clearwater Kennel Club Jan. 23, 2010  
Kerry Blue Terrier Club  
of Central Florida Sweeps  
**BJSW/BSW**

owned and bred by: Judy Agnew,  
Virginia Payson, and Jennifer Manders

**Notice to the Membership**



**New Member Applications**


**The following applications for  
new members in the Kerry Blue  
Terrier Club of Central Florida  
will be voted on at the April 24,  
2010 meeting in Zolfo Springs.**

George Hanna  
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foxshireterriers@yahoo.com

**Blue Bay**  
Kerry Blue Terriers



Anthony and Linda Lopez  
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Paid Advertisement Dec 2007

**KeriOn**  
Kerry Blue Terriers



*Puppies Occasionally* Judy Agnew  
12530 S.E. 120th Street (352) 288-9512  
Ocklawaha, Florida 32179 jagn@atlantic.net

Paid Advertisement Dec 2007

**SANDDOLLAR**  
Soft Coated Wheatens  
Kerry Blues



Walter & Barbara Bates  
16571 Cape Horn Blvd.  
Punta Gorda, FL 33955  
941-575-0100  
showdogs@isni.net

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*TerriLane Terriers*



Steve & Conni Adams  
2723 Kala Lane  
Plant City, FL 33563  
813/759-9377  
TerriLane@tampabay.rr.com

Paid Advertisement Dec 2007

**Kerifield Kennel**  
19090 N HWY 239 Micanopy, FL 32667  
352-591-0153



Ralph & Virginia Payson  
kerryblue terriers

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## DELEGATE'S REPORT

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United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club  
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### MARCH CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

-- AKC Award Programs Recognize Outstanding Contributions of Both People and Dogs --

New York, NY - Just like the recent Academy Awards, AKC has its own awards programs to recognize the contributions and notable deeds among our dogs and our people.

The AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award - founded in 2006 - recognizes the hard work and dedication of our volunteer club members. Each year, the AKC provides an Outstanding Sportsmanship medallion to be awarded based on criteria that a member club selects. Once a recipient has been selected we add their name to the list of winners on the AKC website.

Another distinguished award - established in 1998 - is the Lifetime Achievement Award.

These awards recognize those who have spent a majority of their lives dedicated to the sport and to the dogs. Past honorees have included dog world greats such as Dorothy Nickles, Rachel Page Elliot, Dr. M.

Josephine Deubler, Michelle Billings and Jane Forsyth, just to name a few.

Only AKC member clubs are able to cast a vote for this award. For the first time this year, we have distributed the initial round of ballots to member clubs via e-mail. We ask that you please submit your choices for nominees by May 7th. Clubs may submit one nominee in each of three categories: Conformation, Companion Events and Performance.

Three nominees receiving the most votes in each category will be selected as finalists. Later in the year member clubs get to chose the winner in each category. We look forward to your continued participation in this selection process.

Finally, the award program where we receive the most amazing, heart-felt stories continues to be our AKC Humane Fund Awards for Canine Excellence or "ACE" awards. For the 11th year we will be selecting dogs that have performed exemplary acts in one of five categories: Companion, Law Enforcement, Search and Rescue, Service, and Therapy.

Heroes, like dogs, come in all shapes and sizes. ACE nominees range from skilled assistance dogs to brave law enforcement K-9s, as well as comforting therapy dogs. Each year when we review all of the ACE nominations, it becomes clear the increasingly important role dogs play in our day-to-day lives as well as to protect and serve our nation.

We encourage you to nominate a dog that has touched a life in some way or made the world a better place. The new deadline for submission is June 1st. For more information about ACE or any of AKC's award programs please visit [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org). We look forward to recognizing the people and dogs that have touched our lives.

Sincerely,

Ron Menaker  
Chairman

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## Health and Genetics

**This column will appear in the next issues of Kerry On News and is submitted for our publication by one of our local Veterinary Ophthalmologists who prefers to remain anonymous**

Your Editor: Anthony Lopez



### CATARACTS

**Don't wait until they're "ripe"**

**"Back in the 'old days'"**

**cataract surgery**

was not done until the cataracts were "ripe. This was a valid recommendation before effective anti-inflammatory drugs and ultrasonic microsurgical techniques were available. Decades ago "a little functional vision" was considered successful surgery. The success rate was only 50-60% and vision was farsighted at best. Waiting until the cataracts were ripe was a reasonable approach. The patient was blind. What was there to lose?

Today, we have effective medical therapies and microsurgical instruments specifically for cataract removal. Surgery is performed under a microscope, through a 3 mm incision. A foldable artificial lens is implanted to replace the cataract and normal vision is restored. The success rate approximates 95%. It is imperative to recognize that the more advanced the cataract is the lower the success rate.

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## CATARACTS

Early assessment is necessary. The majority of cataracts will not need surgery because they will not develop sufficiently to cause blindness. However, if cataracts are progressing (as determined by slit lamp microscopy) the earlier the cataract is removed the more likely the eye will regain and maintain normal vision. We should not wait until a cataract is "ripe"; we should not wait until "the other eye develops it"; we should not wait until the patient is blind. It is important to assess a cataract as soon as it is noted: to control any uveitis, to determine the best time for cataract surgery, and to inform and prepare the owner for the procedure. Early surgical planning and proper patient preparation help achieve maximum success--normal vision.

## CATARACTS

What are cataracts?

A cataract is a change in the clear lens inside the eye. The lens becomes crystallized and opaque. As the opaque areas (cataract) get larger, more and more of the image becomes distorted until vision is significantly decreased.

What causes cataracts?

There are several causes of cataracts including injury to the eye, other diseases of the eye, internal diseases of the patient (especially-diabetes), and

aging changes. However, the most common causes among dogs are inherited factors. These vary from one breed to another in how they are inherited, at what age and how quickly they develop and how much they affect vision.

What treatment is there for cataracts?

No medication will keep cataracts from becoming worse or cause a cataract to "clear-up". Medical treatment (usually eye drops) is often used to control the inflammation caused by the cataract or to open the pupil to increase vision.

Removal of the cataract (surgery) is still the only method of improving vision in a patient with cataracts. Whether or not cataract surgery would be helpful for an individual patient depends upon many factors. Differences between a human eye and a dog's eye are considered in determining if cataract surgery is advisable for your pet.

Normal dog vision is not the same as normal human vision. Dogs do not see 20/20 as we do but more like 20/100 and therefore do not see detail or colors well. A dog's superior hearing and smell help it compensate for this difference.

A dog's lens is much larger than a human lens and cataracts are usually much more advanced before vision is affected. A dog's eye develops much more inflammation after cataract surgery than a human eye. This must be well controlled for good results.

Before cataract surgery the eyes need to be evaluated carefully. Problems within the eye must be controlled before surgery is considered. Certain laboratory tests detect other internal medical problems which may require

treatment. Surgery is performed under general anesthesia (gas with oxygen).

Pet owners also need to consider the benefits of improved vision. Some dogs function very well with limited vision using their smell and hearing. Others need useful vision to function well. Each patient is different.

Good vision is obtained in approximately 90-95% of patients after cataract surgery. Best results occur when the patient is monitored very closely, medicated as scheduled and evaluated regularly after surgery. The surgeon can explain the specific details of your pet's surgery.



**KBTC of CF  
2010 MEMBERSHIP DUES NOTICE**

Single Membership \$10.00

Single Associate Membership \$9.00

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

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**TROPHY DONATIONS**  
**KERRY BLUE TERRIER CLUB OF CENTRAL FLORIDA**  
**2011 SPECIALTY AND SWEEPSTAKES**  
**Saturday, January 22, 2011**

It's time again to support your club and help make the 2011 Show our best yet. If you have an idea for trophies for the upcoming show or if you would like to sponsor a specific trophy or trophies, please contact me and I will let you know the cost. As you know, we do not solicit donations from outside of the Club, so it is up to the members to contribute. Specific trophies will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. I will contact you if the trophy you requested is already taken so you can select another. If you have or are donating to the general trophy fund, your donation will be applied where needed. All donors will be listed in the catalog. Thanks for your support!

**SWEEPSTAKES –**

BEST IN SWEEPSTAKES  
BEST JUNIOR PUPPY  
BEST SENIOR PUPPY  
FIRST IN EACH CLASS (8)  
SECOND THRU FOURTH IN EACH CLASS (24)

**SPECIALTY –**

BEST OF BREED  
BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX  
BEST OF WINNERS  
WINNERS DOG  
RESERVE WINNERS DOG  
WINNERS BITCH  
RESERVE WINNERS BITCH  
FIRST IN EACH CLASS (14)  
SECOND THRU FOURTH IN EACH CLASS (42)  
FIRST IN EACH CLASS –  
VETERAN DOG, VETERAN BITCH, STUD DOG, BROOD BITCH

**Due Date: June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

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**General and Board Meeting  
At  
Heartland Dog Club shows  
SATURDAY  
April 24, 2010**

**Zolfo Springs, FL**



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