



THE RIDGELINE

Newsletter of the New England Rhodesian Ridgeback Club

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President's Message

Time for some fall fun now that we've successfully put another specialty in the history books! This past weekend was our 4th Annual Regional Specialty and Supported show weekend down the Cape. I think a good time was had by all. You'll find all the results reported in this issue along with some candid photos. There are lots more pictures on the NERRC Facebook Group too.

Next up is lure coursing in October, Halloween weekend so get your costume's ready! We'll be back in Dartmouth this year as the lure operators didn't like our Lakeville field. There will be opportunities to get your puppies started, your yearlings qualified and to compete with the rest. It will be an all breed AKC Test and Trial open to all sighthounds.

Our Holiday party is fast approaching as well. It will be held at the Fireside Grill in Middleboro, MA on 11/17, see the flyers enclosed.

We still need volunteers for a few positions. Ways and Means needs someone to manage the NERRC inventory and offer items for sale at events. We could also use a volunteer for the By-Laws committee.

Thank you Chris Greeley for offering to take over the Mass Fed position!

Happy Fall everyone!

Bonnie Johnson, RRCUS President

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Join us at NERRC's Fall Coursing Event!

Whether you or your Ridgebacks have competed at lure coursing events or not, please plan to join us at our fall trial even if you don't enter. If you are new to the sport you are welcome to come and learn. On Saturday we will plan to run a practice after the completion of the trial provided there is time at the end of the day. It's great fun!!

We are always in need of help to run these events and anyone on our committee is always appreciative of a helping hand!

Save the Dates!

NERRC's Fall Lure Coursing Tests and Trials

October 26-27, 2019

Viveiros Field

Behind 795 Hixville Road, Dartmouth, MA 02747

- Once again NERRC is hosting 2 days of AKC Lure Coursing
- JCs and QCs will be offered both days as well
- Please bring food, water and shade for you and your hounds

**For more information and a link to the premium, visit
www.NERRC.org**

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BOD Meeting Minutes— June 30, 2019—Wrentham, MA

Meeting was called to order at 2:24 pm by Bonnie Johnson

Attendees: Barbara Ferguson, Alan Fraser, Helen McCune, Nikki Newton, Bonnie Johnson and Meghan Terwilliger

Guest: Cathy Ford, Steph D'Agostino

Barbara moved to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. Meghan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report:

Nothing new to report

Treasurer's Report:

Available upon request

Alan reviewed the current financial report. He noted that Washburn Park has been secured and he sent the check for payment.

Supported Show: Barbara

Things are coming together for the Regional. I have been contacting local businesses for donations. **I need lots of help with donations.**

I would like to purchase 'welcome bags' again to fill and pass out to entrants. 100 bags from Amazon are \$46.32 + \$5.99 shipping.

Things to put into bags:

Post cards with either dangerous foods or hot car \$34.99 Staples add \$5.99 for 2 sided printing

Taffy

Cape Cod potato chips

Suggestions ???

Barb still needs donations for the booze basket and raffle/silent auction items. If anyone would like to volunteer to come to the Specialty show early and help set up the raffle tables and food table it would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Barbara at sahibu@comcast.net to let her know you'll be coming to help!

Lure Coursing – Nikki

CAT test was a complete success. The Lakeville field is available for our October trials and Nikki reserved it. We do still need a lure operator for that event.

Nikki mentioned that she'd like to do a FAST CAT in the future and said she would contact Rich and Nancy Wrihtenour to see if they'd be interested in hosting that event.

Historian – Cathy Ford

Cathy will frame one Marilyn Marschat print that will be raffled off at the upcoming regional show. She will donate the frame and the minimum bid will be the cost of the frame.

By Laws

The by laws changes are complete.

Cathy feels strongly that the Purpose of the club should not be changed and that the new line that mentions

the support of rescues should be moved from this section up to Section 2 and made a new letter (g) within the bylaws.

Website, Meghan

no report

All events on the calendar have been updated and flyers have been posted.

Social Media – Meghan

Lots of new 'likes' after the CAT event weekend. Event pages have been created for the Annual Picnic and the Specialty!

Membership Care

no report

Rescue – Cheryl

no report

Policy & Procedures

no report

Ridgeline

no report

Ways and Means

We need a new chair. Meghan discussed how we could revamp ways and means by ordering some new stuff.

Mass Fed

no report. Jean Gamble has tendered her resignation pending her impending move to NC. Thank you, Jean for all your years of work while being the MassFed liaison for us!

Regional News (for The Ridgeback Magazine)

Position is open; we need a liaison.

Unfinished business

Need to appoint a nominating committee by July 1st.

Bonnie adjourned the meeting at 3:01.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen McCune

NERRC Secretary (interim)

BOD Meeting Minutes— August 4, 2019— Washburn Park, Marion MA

Meeting was called to order at 11:26 a.m. by Bonnie Johnson

Attendees: Barbara Ferguson, Alan Fraser, Helen McCune, Nikki Newton, Bonnie Johnson and Meghan Terwilliger

Meghan moved to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. Alan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report:

Bonnie gave an overview of the importance of voting on the bylaws at the meeting today.

Secretary's Report:

Nothing new to report

Treasurer's Report:

Available upon request.

Alan reviewed the current financial report. He noted that the CAT tests are true money makers for the club.

Supported Show: Barbara

Things are coming together for the Regional. I have been contacting local businesses for donations. **I need lots of help with donations.**

I have ordered the Welcome Bags & they should arrive next week.

Things to put into the bags:

I have attached 2 possible post cards

1. hot car
2. CPR Instructions (after you find the dead dog in the hot car!)

Taffy

Cape Cod Potato Chips

Suggestions ??????

Booze Basket for the raffle. Need Donations, please

I need to order the ribbons.

Lure Coursing – Nikki

The field for our trials on 10/26 & 27 has been secured – it will be at Betty's Neck in Lakeville again. However, Nikki is still searching for a lure operator and cannot submit the paperwork to the AKC until she does. She's going to contact Rich Wrightenour and see if he's willing to do it.

Historian – Cathy Ford

Meghan moved to release the RRCUS paperwork from Kay Fanning that the historian has in the files to RRCUS. Alan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

By Laws –

The bylaws are published and ready to vote on

Website – Meghan

Website is up to date. I started a Regional Specialty Page, but am having a hard time collecting really decent photos for it. I have the information flyer up there at the very least right now. I have asked around for some photos and will continue working on making that page nice for the show.

Social Media – Meghan -

All events on the calendar have been updated and flyers have been posted.

Membership Care – Trish Hamilton

nothing to report

Rescue – Cheryl

Mara would love a home to call her own - Mara has been in foster care for 2 years.

She came into rescue with her Mom Ariel, but her Mom developed nasal cancer. Mara and Ariel were from a BYB here in Massachusetts. Mara has a very nice foster Dad Joe, and Joe sent an update on Mara.

Mara has improved in some areas. She use to bolt anytime I opened up the back sliders and run up stairs. She has recently decided that, that isn't so dangerous any more...Still can't get use to the electric heater in my office, will often leave the room and pace around in the hallway upstairs. Her health seems to be excellent.

Joe works from home, which is the best for Mara. She is very reactive to other animals. Joe makes sure her walks are early in the day, so no other instances with other dogs are likely. She is a very sweet dog, but she has needs. She does soil in the house even though she is taken out numerous times to potty. We believe it is due to her anxiety levels, Mara does take Fluoxetine for anxiety.

Mara would not work in a home with kids, too much noise and activity. She does best with routine. Mara does well with the occasional dog walker trips. Joe does have a dog walker come and take her out occasionally. Mara is fine being placed in boarding for short periods of time.

We think would be a great home is a home where someone is home. A fully fenced yard to keep her secure, no other animals, no kids but some could visit. Stick to a routine, and let her be.

RRRI has taken in 2 surrendered Ridgebacks in Massachusetts. A female aged 2, named Hazel and a male aged 6 named Cody. Cody is being fostered by club member Mary Wickwire, THANK YOU Mary for stepping up to foster! Both Hazel and Cody are being evaluated. Also, RRRI has completed a recent adoption of Roro, a female aged 5, to a family in Maine.

FOSTER HOMES NEEDED - Rhodesian Ridgeback Rescue, Inc. (RRRI) remains in great need for **foster homes**. We continue to scramble when a dog is in need to find a foster home willing to provide foster care. Please consider giving back to our beloved breed by volunteering to be a foster home.

HOME CHECKS – If you would be able to perform home checks for potential adoption applicants, please let us know. We have a checklist of questions to ask applicants while visiting them in their home. Help is always needed to vet adoption applicants.

A Tisket-A-Tasket – Time to call for a Basket! There is plenty of planning time for any club members, breeders, and the club itself to organize a Silent Auction Basket(s) to benefit RRRI at the upcoming RRCUS National Specialty being held in Huron, Ohio the week of October 6 - 12, 2019. NERRC has enthusiastically supported this endeavor in the past, having submitted fabulous themed baskets. The theme for the National Specialty is the 1960's, Peace, Love and Ridgebacks! Transportation of basket donations to Ohio is available. If anyone is interested in leading a basket drive this year, please contact Cheryl Fraser – chaza@pobox.co 508-393-6966.

Policy & Procedures –

nothing to report

Ridgeline –

Evelyn was hoping to get 4 newsletters out this year but it will likely be three. A discussion ensued about finding someone to help Evelyn with the newsletter and regional news column (which is currently open). Evelyn noted that she would rather take on the role of Club Secretary if Helen would agree to be the newsletter editor. Further discussion will be had on this matter.

Ways and Means –

Chair position is Open

Mass Fed –

Chair position is Open

Regional News (for The Ridgeback Magazine) –

Position is open; we need a liaison.

Unfinished business

None

New Business

None

Bonnie adjourned the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen McCune

NERRC Secretary (interim)



2019 NERRC Annual Summer Picnic Participants

Annual Meeting Minutes— August 4, 2019— Washburn Park, Marion

Meeting was called to order at 12:37 p.m. by Bonnie Johnson

Present: Barbara Ferguson, Alan Fraser, Helen McCune, Nikki Newton, Bonnie Johnson and Meghan Terwilliger

Members present: Per the sign in sheet there were a total of 31 additional people present for the meeting; 25 voting members, 2 Associate members and 4 guests.

A quorum was met.

Barbara moved to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. Meghan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report:

Bonnie stressed the need to find new members to help and hoped that the amended by laws would pass at the annual meeting as the new changes will allow virtual board meeting (via Skype or GoToMeeting) and that will be a selling point while we try to recruit new members to serve on the committees, as liaisons or to become board members.

Secretary's Report:

Nothing new to report

Treasurer's Report:

Available upon request.

Alan reviewed the current financial report. He noted that both insurance policies – the liability policy and the directors policy – are up to day. Bob Platukis asked if the club had an umbrella policy or would consider increasing the amount of coverage for the directors' insurance. Alan agreed to look into the matter further.

Supported Show: Barbara

Barbara gave an overview of the upcoming Regional specialty and the need for helpers with ring stewarding and setting up the raffle and food tables.

Lure Coursing: Nikki

Nikki noted that the CAT trials are quite successful for the club and that more trials would always be well attended but we need volunteers to help run the trials in order to do more trials and tests during the year.

Historian: Cathy Ford

Nothing to report

Policy & Procedures: Cheryl Fraser

nothing to report

Rescue: Cheryl Fraser

In Cheryl's absence, Helen read her Rescue report to the membership, see minutes of the BOD on page 4 for Cheryl's rescue report.

Ridgeline: Evelyn

Evelyn asked any for their suggestions for topics to discuss in the newsletter and invited anyone to submit articles of interest for future issues of the Ridgeline.

Ways and Means:

Chair position is Open. Alan mentioned that it's easier if 2 people volunteer for this task as it makes the job easier to handle. Alan also announced that there was a Fire Sale at the W&M table today and all items must go to make room for new inventory.

By Laws –

Alan read through the changes to the current by laws line by line. A discussion ensued. Cathy Ford and Tricia Thompson noted their objections to the changes. Another member commented on the positive benefits of allowing boards to meet via Skype and how it offers the club a lot more flexibility.

President Bonnie Johnson stressed the need for the passage of these amendments so that the club will have more members willing to volunteer to serve as long as they could attend meetings via Skype.

Alan moved to approve the changes put forward. Bonnie seconded the motion.

Evelyn Strawn thanked the current board and by-law committee for all their hours of hard work putting these changes together.

At this time, voting members were asked to write down their vote on the index card that was given to them upon checking into the meeting. After all the votes were submitted and tallied the results were announced: 22 Yes votes, 2 No votes and 1 abstention - the amendments to the bylaws were passed!

Website, Meghan

Everything on the calendar is up to date.

Social Media – Meghan

Meghan noted that our website is up to date and reminded everyone to follow NERRC on FaceBook to get the latest updates for upcoming events.

Membership Care—Trish

nothing to report

Mass Fed

Chair position is Open

Regional News (for The Ridgeback Magazine) –

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Unfinished business

None

New Business

None

Bonnie adjourned the meeting at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Helen McCune
NERRC Secretary (interim)



Annual Picnic Fun



BOD Meeting Minutes— September 15, 2019 — Falmouth MA

Cape Cod Fairgrounds, E. Falmouth, MA

Meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM by Bonnie Johnson

Attendees: Barbara Ferguson, Alan Fraser, Bonnie Johnson, Helen McCune, Evelyn Strawn
Absent: Nikki Newton, Meghan Terwilliger

It was moved by Barbara and seconded by Helen to waive the reading of the minutes from the July BOD meeting and accept them as printed. Motion was unanimously approved.

Secretary's Report:

Evelyn thanked Helen for helping her make the transition to her new role as secretary.

We have one new first read:

Jennifer McNeil, E. Walpole, MA, Associate
Sponsor: Meghan Terwilliger

Treasurer's Report:

Available upon request.

Alan stated that the club is in a strong financial position as we move towards the end of the year. Supported show expenses are yet to be submitted but they will be offset by some of the money raised through the raffle and silent auction at the show.

Supported Show: Barbara

There was a lengthy discussion of the Regional Specialty that had been held on September 15. The Board recognized the hard work done by Barbara and thanked her for her time and commitment to making this a successful event. The Board also thanked Cheryl Fraser for stewarding for a very large entry.

The raffle and silent auction raised less money than in prior years. The proceeds will be split 25% for rescue and 75% towards show expenses. Some suggestions were made for ways to improve this aspect of the event including selling chances on "mystery boxes", having a program that would focus attendees' attention and more aggressive selling of raffle tickets. Barbara will explore having MB-F do the ribbons next year. The board concurred with Barbara's recommendation that there should be a committee convened in January to start working on all aspects of the Regional Specialty. The responsibility for such a labor intensive project should not fall on just one person.

Anyone interested in serving on this committee please let Barbara know.

Mass Fed – No report

Bonnie contacted Chris Greeley who agreed to serve as the liaison.

Historian – Cathy Ford

Cathy submitted a report that she had a picture, "Joy", donated by the estate of Kay Fanning from her extensive collection. She had gotten it framed and it was included in the silent auction.

Membership Care – Jack and Trish Hamilton

Jack reported that he had received the information on new members and would be sending out welcome packets.

Rescue – Cheryl Fraser

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RRRI is pleased to report that both **Cody** and **Hazel** have pending adoptions!!

A young female, 2 years old, named **Lucy** has come into rescue in Vermont. She is in foster care and being evaluated. Lucy will be posted on the rescue website soon.

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It was moved by Barbara and seconded by Bonnie that up to \$250 be approved for basket to be prepared by Cheryl Fraser to benefit RRRI at the silent auction to be held at the national specialty. The motion passed unanimously.

Rhodesian Ridgeback Rescue, Inc. hosted a booth at the 19th Annual "Strut Your Mutt" Dog Walkathon on June 29th. The event was held at the North Attleboro High School, North Attleboro, MA. Again... Thank you to Donna and Anne Rezendes for staffing the booth for the day along with us.

The Rhodesian Ridgeback Rescue, Inc booth will be in full swing at the 40th Annual Waters Farm Fall Festival on Saturday and Sunday October 19 & 20, 2019 from 10 am - 4 pm. This fun event will be held at the Waters Farm Preservation 53 Waters Road in West Sutton, MA. If you can come out and help support the booth, please let us know.

NERRC Website – Meghan Terwilliger & Cheryl Fraser

Meghan will be doing a special page on the regional specialty. Alan had taken a lot of photographs and would be sending pictures to her. The Board agreed that there should be an effort to feature club members.

Cheryl reported that the club domain name was renewed for 3 years at a cost of \$84.48.

NERRC Policy & Procedures – Cheryl Fraser

Nothing to report.

Ridgeline – Helen McCune

Helen will send out the third edition for 2019 in the near future in order to encourage participation in the holiday party and the October lure coursing event.

Ways and Means – No report

Position is open. Someone needs to be recruited to take on this responsibility.

By Laws – No updates

Social Media – Meghan Terwilliger

Nothing to report.

The Board discussed the need for a more robust presence on line. Alan pointed out that Cheryl could also post to the NERRC Facebook page so that pictures and announcements could be sent to her as well as Meghan.

Regional News (for The Ridgeback Magazine) – No Report

Helen agreed to take on this responsibility in conjunction with her new role as Ridgeline editor.

Lure Coursing – Nikki Newton

Bonnie reported that the October 26 and 27 event needs to be moved from Lakeville because a number of key individuals find the field too difficult to set up. The event will be returning to Dartmouth. Nikki has obtained judges and will be completing the necessary paperwork with AKC. Promotional information can then be sent out.

Unfinished business

The nominating committee has completed its work. The slate for the three positions to be filled is Barbara Ferguson, Vice President, Evelyn Strawn, Secretary and Helen McCune, Board Member. Once this report has been formally submitted to Evelyn she will send it out to the membership. It was agreed that due to the delay in getting this information she will send it electronically with the relevant section of the bylaws.

New Business

Meghan is working on the arrangements for the holiday party which will be held at the Fireside Grille in Middleboro on Sunday, November 17.

Next Meeting: November 17, Fireside Grille, Middleboro, 11 AM.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Evelyn Strawn

NERRC Secretary

The New England Rhodesian Ridgeback Club, Inc.

Article I - Name and Objects

Section 1. The name of the club shall be the New England Rhodesian Ridgeback Club, Inc.

Section 2. The objectives of the club shall be:

- a) to encourage and promote quality in the breeding of purebred Rhodesian Ridgebacks and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection;
- b) to urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by The American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Rhodesian Ridgebacks shall be judged;
- c) to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsman-like competition at:
 - dog shows
 - obedience trials
 - tracking tests
 - lure coursing trials/ tests
 - agility and
 - other competition events
- d) to conduct lure coursing tests, trials, and sanctioned matches in conformation, obedience, and tracking under the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club.
- e) to encourage owners to develop the full potential of the breed.
- f) to abide the tenets set forth by the Code of Ethics of the Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the United States, Inc., which the New England Rhodesian Ridgeback Club, Inc. has adopted as a standard for correct and ethical behavior.

Section 3. The club shall not be conducted or operated for profit and no part of any profits or remainder or residue from dues or donations to the club shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual.

Section 4. The members of the club shall adopt and may from time to time revise such bylaws as may be required to carry out these objectives.

Purpose

To have a group of Rhodesian Ridgeback owners and enthusiasts associated together for the improvement of the Rhodesian Ridgeback in the New England area and for the spirit of cooperation and good sportsmanship that prevails amongst us.

To conduct functions, including but not limited to matches and educational seminars as well as conformation, obedience, tracking, and lure coursing events for the Rhodesian Ridgebacks of the New England area.

To provide support to organizations that provide for the rescue, care, and adoption of Rhodesian Ridgeback

dogs in need.

Bylaws

Article I - Membership

Section 1. Eligibility. There shall be four (4) types of membership open to all persons 18 years of age and older who are in good standing with The American Kennel Club and who subscribe to the purposes of this club. While membership is to be unrestricted as to residence, the club's primary purpose is to be representative of the breeders and exhibitors in its immediate area.

- a) Single: enjoys all club privileges including the right to vote and hold office.
- b) Family: each family member enjoys all club privileges but only two (2) family members over 18 years of age shall have the right to vote and hold office. The two names that the family designates eligible to vote/hold office shall be indicated on the membership application, and annually on each annual renewal form.
- c) Associate: enjoys all club privileges excepting the rights to vote or hold office.
- d) Honorary: Honorary membership is usually bestowed in recognition of outstanding service to the club or breed. Such members may not vote or hold office and are not required to pay dues. They may attain active/ voting status by payment of dues.

Section 2. Dues. Membership dues shall not exceed \$20.00 associate, \$30.00 regular, and \$40.00 family per year, payable on or before the 1st day of January of each year. No member may vote whose dues are not paid for the current year. During the month of November the Treasurer shall send to each member a statement of dues for the ensuing year. An initiation fee of \$5.00 will be charged new applicants in the single, family, and associate categories. The fee will be earmarked for Rescue. Dues policies may be reviewed as needed and changes in annual dues may be instituted subject to a 2/3 majority vote of the board.

Section 3. Election to Membership. Each applicant for membership shall apply on a form as approved by the board of directors and which shall provide that the applicant agrees to abide by the constitution, bylaws and rules of the New England Rhodesian Ridgeback Club and the American Kennel Club along with the Code of Ethics belonging to the Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the United States, Inc. which has been adopted by the New England Rhodesian Ridgeback Club, Inc. as a model for ethical deportment. The application shall state the name, address, and occupation of the applicant and it shall carry the endorsement of at least one current member in good standing. Accompanying the application, the prospective member shall submit dues payment for the current year. Applications approved during the last quarter of the calendar year shall constitute payment in full of dues for the ensuing year.

Each application shall be filed with the Secretary, who shall have the name of the applicant published in the next Ridgeline following its receipt. Thirty (30) days after publication of applicant names, the applications will

be voted upon and affirmative votes of 2/3 of the entire Board shall be required to elect the applicant.

The Secretary, or the President, shall immediately notify the applicant of the outcome of the Board's vote. Should the applicant not be approved, the applicant shall be given a brief written explanation of the reason for the disapproval. Submitted dues shall be returned to the applicant whose membership has been denied.

Persons whose membership application has not been approved may reapply after six months.

Section 4. Termination of Membership. Memberships may be terminated:

- a) by resignation. Any member in good standing may resign from the club upon written notice to the Secretary; but no member may resign when in debt to the club. Dues obligations are considered a debt to the club and they are incurred on the first day of each fiscal year.
- b) by lapsing. A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid 60 days after the first day of the fiscal year. In no case may a person be entitled to vote at any club meeting whose dues are unpaid as of the date of that meeting.
- c) by expulsion. A membership may be terminated by expulsion as provided in Article VI of these bylaws.

Article II - Meetings and Voting

Section 1. Club Meetings. There shall be at least one membership meeting of the Club which shall be the Annual Meeting and which shall be held in the greater Framingham, Massachusetts area according to the provisions of Article IV, Section 2. Six other meetings may be scheduled and held at such hour and place as may be designated by the board of directors. Written notice of each such meeting shall be sent to the membership by the Secretary at least 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for such meetings shall be 20 percent of the members in good standing and only members in good standing present at the Club meetings shall be entitled to vote.

Section 2. Special Club Meetings. Special club meetings may be called by the President, or by a majority vote of the members of the board who are present and voting at any regular or special meeting of the board; and shall be called by the Secretary upon receipt of a petition signed by five members of the club who are in good standing. Such special meetings shall be held in the greater Framingham, Massachusetts area at such place, date, and hour as may be designated by the person or persons authorized herein to call such meetings. Written notice of such a meeting shall be sent to the membership by the Secretary at least five days and not more than 15 days prior to the date of the meeting, and said notice shall state the purpose of the meeting, and no other club business may be transacted thereat. The quorum for such a meeting shall be 20 percent of the members in good standing.

Section 3. Board Meetings. Meetings of the board of directors shall be held at least six (6) times per year with one meeting to be held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting. These meetings will be held in the

greater Framingham, Massachusetts area at such hour and place as may be designated by the board. Written notice of each such meeting shall be sent to the membership by the Secretary at least 15 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the board.

The Board of directors may also conduct business by telephone conference call, web-based meeting systems (e.g. Skype™, GoToMeeting™) or email provided it does not conflict with other provisions of these by-laws. Items voted upon by telephone conference call, web conference, or email must be confirmed in writing by the Secretary within seven days.

- 1) Every board member must be provided with the manner to participate;
- 2) A procedure must be in place to verify the identity of the individuals participating to ensure that they are eligible Board members;
- 3) A mechanism must be in place to verify that the eligible board members are "listening";
- 4) All board members must agree to participate in this manner.

Section 4. Special Board Meetings. Special meetings of the board may be called by the President; and shall be called by the Secretary upon receipt of a written request signed by at least three members of the board. Such special meetings shall be held in the greater Framingham, Massachusetts area at such place, date, and hour as may be designated by the person authorized herein to call such meeting. Written notice of such meeting shall be sent to the membership by the Secretary at least five days and not more than 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. Any such notice shall state the purpose of the meeting and no other business shall be transacted thereat. The quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the board.

Section 5. Voting. Each member in good standing whose dues are paid for the current year shall be entitled to one vote at any meeting of the club at which he is present.

The Board may also choose to call for a vote of the membership via US mail at times other than club meetings. Ballots must be returned within 30 days of the date they are sent.

Neither Proxy nor E-mail voting will be permitted at any club meeting or election.

Section 6. Board Business. The Board may conduct its business by means other than in person. An "email" motion may be drafted by any member of the Board and sent to all board members. Once it has been seconded, by notice sent to all board members, the following procedures then must be followed:

- a) Once moved and seconded, the President must send the motion to the Secretary, who then "puts" the motion to the Board by email with a response YES, NO, ABSTAIN requested by email reply.
- b) A time limit of 7 days is allowed for responses.
- c) After 7 days, the Secretary shall tally the responses and report by e-mail the results to the Board Members declaring the motion PASSED or FAILED. The quorum of the vote shall be the majority of the board. Should the quorum not respond, the motion shall be considered to have failed.

- d) The Secretary shall keep track of such email motions and include them in his or her Report to the Board at the next Board Meeting.

Article III - Directors and Officers

Section 1. Board of Directors. The board shall be comprised of the officers and 3 other persons, all of whom shall be members in good standing and all of whom shall be elected biennially for staggered terms of two (2) years, with the President and Treasurer being elected in even years and the Vice-President and Secretary being elected in odd years. Directors-at-large shall be elected biennially by ballot for two year terms. Officers shall be elected according to the provisions of Article IV and shall serve until their successors are elected, with the exception that the President shall not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. The offices of Secretary and Treasurer may be held by the same person in which case the Board shall be comprised of the Officers and four (4) other members. General management of the club's affairs shall be entrusted to the board of directors.

Section 2. Officers. The club's officers, consisting of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall serve in their respective capacities both with regard to the club and its meetings and the board and its meetings.

- a) The President shall preside at all meetings of the club and of the board, and shall have the duties and powers normally appurtenant to the office of President in addition to those particularly specified in these bylaws.
- b) The Vice President shall have the duties and exercise the powers of the President in case of the President's death, absence or incapacity.
- c) The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the club and of the board and of all matters of which a record shall be ordered by the club; shall have charge of the correspondence, notify members of meetings, notify new members of their election to membership, notify officers and directors of their election to office, keep a roll of the members of the club with their addresses, and carry out such other duties as are prescribed in these bylaws.
- d) The Treasurer shall collect and receive all moneys due or belonging to the club and shall pay the Club's bills. Moneys shall be deposited in a bank designated by the board, in the name of the club. The books shall at all times be open to inspection by the board and a report shall be given at every meeting of the condition of the club's finances and every item of receipt or payment not before reported; and at the annual meeting an accounting shall be rendered of all moneys received and expended during the previous fiscal year.
- e) The Immediate Past President shall serve on the Board of Directors for a two year term as a non-voting member.

- f) Directors-at-Large: the Director-at-Large shall represent the interests of the members to the board of Directors and may be appointed to various Club committees.

- g) The maker of checks shall be either the Treasurer or the President. Checks in amounts above \$500.00 shall have prior approval of a majority of the Board, either as reflected in the minutes of the Board, or as evidenced by e-mails from the majority to the Board. Checks may be signed by either the Treasurer or the President.

Section 3. Vacancies. Any vacancies occurring on the board or among the offices during the year shall be filled until the next annual election by a majority vote of all the then members of the board at its first regular meeting following the creation of such vacancy, or at a special board meeting called for that purpose; except that a vacancy in the office of President shall be filled automatically by the Vice President and the resulting vacancy in the office of Vice President shall be filled by the board. The board may ignore the family rule stated in the nomination section (Article IV, Section 4) to fill a vacancy until the next election cycle.

Section 4. Attendance. Board of directors are expected to attend board meetings.

A board-attendance problem occurs if any of the following conditions exist in regard to a board member's attendance to board meetings:

- 1) The member has two un-notified absences in a row ("un-notified" means the member failed to contact the President or Secretary ahead of the meeting to inform them they could not attend the scheduled board meeting.
- 2) The member has three notified absences in a row.
- 3) The member misses one half of the total number of board meetings in a twelve-month period.

In the event of an attendance problem, the President will contact the board member to discuss the problem. The President will share the response with the board and following a board discussion the board may decide to terminate the board member's membership on the board.

Article IV - Club Year, Annual Meeting, Elections

Section 1. Club Year. The Club's calendar and fiscal year shall be the same, which shall be January 1 to December 31 of each year. Elected Officers and Directors shall take office on January 1st. Each retiring officer shall turn over to the successor in office all properties and records relating to that office during the month of January.

Section 2. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting shall be held in the greater Framingham, Massachusetts area at such hour and place as may be designated by the board of directors. Preference shall be given to scheduling of the annual meeting to be in conjunction with the NERRC Summer event

Section 3. Elections. The nominated candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for each of-

office shall be declared elected. The nominated candidates for other positions on the board who receive the greatest number of votes for such positions shall be declared elected.

Section 4. Nominations. No person may be a candidate in a club election who has not been nominated. By July 1, the board shall select a Nominating Committee consisting of three members and two alternates, not more than one of whom may be a member of the board. The Secretary shall immediately notify the committee and alternates of their selection. The board shall name a Chair for the committee and it shall be such person's duty to call a committee meeting, which shall be held by the 1st of August.

- a) The committee shall nominate from the eligible membership, one candidate for each office and position on the board which is up for re-election and, after securing the consent of each person so nominated, shall immediately report their nominations to the Secretary in writing. No person may be a candidate for more than one position. The committee will ask each nominee accepting this nomination to provide a brief resume (no longer than 250 words) to the Secretary.
- b) Upon receipt of the Nominating Committee's report, the Secretary shall, by September 15th, send written notification to the membership of the candidates so nominated and their resumes.
- c) Additional nominations of eligible members may be made by written petition to the Secretary by no later than October 15th. Petitions must be signed by 3 members in good standing and include a signed acceptance of the nomination by the proposed candidate and a brief resume. Petitions may not be made electronically.
- d) Any candidate for the post of President or Vice-President must meet the RRCUS requirements as stated in their POLICY – RHODESAN RIDGEBACK REGIONAL SPECIALITY CLUBS.
- e) Nominations cannot be made at the annual meeting or in any manner other than as provided in this Section.
- f) If no valid additional nominations are received by the Secretary on or before October 15th, the Nominating Committee's slate shall be declared elected and no balloting will be required.
- g) If additional nominations have been added to the slate, the Secretary will compile the final ballot including all nominee resumes. The final ballot will be mailed to the eligible membership by November 1st. Ballots must be returned to the Secretary by December 1st. The Secretary will notify the membership of the results of the election by December 15th. Elected Officers and Directors shall take office according to the provisions of Section 1 of this Article IV.
- h) Only one family member may serve on the board of directors at any one time.

Article V - Committees

Section 1. The board may each year appoint standing committees to advance the work of the club in such matters as specialty shows, obedience trials, trophies, annual prizes, membership and other fields which may well be served by committees. Such committees shall always be subject to the final authority of the board. Special committees may also be appointed by the board to aid it on particular projects.

Section 2. Any committee appointment may be terminated by a majority vote of the full membership of the board upon written notice to the appointee; and the board may appoint successors to those persons whose services have been terminated.

Section 3. Each committee Chairperson shall maintain any and all records pertaining to the function of that committee and shall relinquish such records to any successor or the Secretary within 30 days of the termination of his or her appointment.

Section 4 The Chairperson of the Regional supported show committee must meet the RRCUS requirements as stated in their POLICY – RHODESAN RIDGEBACK REGIONAL SPECIALITY CLUBS.

Article VI - Discipline

Section 1. American Kennel Club Suspension/RRCUS Discipline. Any member who is suspended from the privileges of The American Kennel Club automatically shall be suspended from the privileges of this club for a like period. Any member suspended, expelled or denied membership in RRCUS shall be similarly suspended, expelled or denied membership to NERRC.

Section 2. Charges. Any member may prefer charges against a member for alleged misconduct prejudicial to the best interests of the club or the breed. Written charges with specifications must be filed in duplicate by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested to the Secretary together with a deposit of \$10.00, which shall be forfeited if such charges are not sustained by the board following a hearing. The Secretary shall promptly send a copy of the charges to each member of the board or present them at a board meeting, and the board shall first consider whether the actions alleged in the charges, if proven, might constitute conduct prejudicial to the best interests of the club. If the board considers that the charges do not allege conduct which would be prejudicial to the best interests of the club, it may refuse to entertain jurisdiction. If the board entertains jurisdiction of the charges, it shall fix a date for a hearing by the board not less than three (3) weeks nor more than six (6) weeks thereafter. The Secretary shall promptly send one copy of the charges to the accused member by registered mail together with a notice of the hearing and an assurance that the defendant may personally appear in his own defense and bring witnesses if he wishes.

Section 3. Board Hearing. The board shall have complete authority to decide whether counsel may attend the hearing, but both complainant and de-

defendant shall be treated uniformly in that regard. Should the charges be sustained after hearing all the evidence and testimony presented by complainant and defendant, the board may by a majority vote of those present suspend the defendant from all privileges of the club for not more than six months from the date of the hearing.

And, if it deems that punishment insufficient, it may also recommend to the membership that the penalty be expulsion. In such case, the suspension shall not restrict the defendant's right to appear before his fellow members at the ensuing club meeting which considers the board's recommendation. Immediately after the board has reached a decision, its finding shall be put in written form and filed with the Secretary. The Secretary, in turn, shall notify each of the parties of the board's decision and penalty, if any.

Section 4. Expulsion. Expulsion of a member from the club may be accomplished only at a meeting of the club following a board hearing and upon the board's recommendation as provided in Section 3 of this Article. Such proceedings may occur at a regular or special meeting of the club, to be held within 60 days but not earlier than 30 days after the date of the board's recommendation of expulsion. The defendant shall have the privilege of appearing in his own behalf, though no evidence shall be taken at this meeting. The President shall read the charges and the board's finding and recommendation, and shall invite the defendant, if present, to speak in his own behalf if he wishes. The members shall then vote by secret ballot on the proposed expulsion. A 2/3 vote of those present and voting at the meeting shall be necessary for expulsion. If expulsion is not so voted, the board's suspension shall stand.

Article VII - Amendments

Section 1. Amendments to the constitution and bylaws may be proposed by the board of directors or by written petition addressed to the Secretary signed by 20 percent of the membership in good standing. Amendments proposed by such petition shall be promptly considered by the board of directors and must be submitted to the members with recommendations of the board by the Secretary for a vote within three months of the date when the petition was received by the Secretary.

Section 2. The constitution and bylaws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the members present and voting at any regular or special meeting called for the purpose, provided the proposed amendments have been included in the notice of the meeting and sent to each member at least two weeks prior to the date of the meeting.

Article VIII - Dissolution

Section 1. The club may be dissolved at any time by the written consent of not less than 2/3 of the members. In the event of the dissolution of the club other than for purposes of reorganization whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, none of the property of the club nor any proceeds thereof nor any assets of the club shall be distributed to any members of the club but after payment of the debts of the club its property and assets shall be given to a charitable organization for the benefit of dogs selected by the board of directors.

Article IX - Order of Business

Section 1. At meetings of the club, the order of business, so far as the character and nature of the meeting may permit, shall be as follows:

- Roll Call
- Minutes of last meeting
- Report of President
- Report of Secretary
- Report of Treasurer
- Reports of committees
- Unfinished business
- New business
- Adjournment

Section 2. At meetings of the board, the order of business, unless otherwise directed by majority vote of those present, shall be as follows:

- Reading of minutes of last meeting
- Report of Secretary
- Report of Treasurer
- Reports of committees
- Election of new members
- Unfinished business
- New business
- Adjournment

Article X - Parliamentary Authority

Section 1. The rules contained in the current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised," shall govern the club in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws and any other special rules of order the club may adopt.

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Rhodesian Ridgeback Breed Standard

Hound Group

General Appearance

The Ridgeback represents a strong, muscular and active hound, symmetrical and balanced in outline. A mature Ridgeback is a handsome, upstanding and athletic dog, capable of great endurance with a fair (good) amount of speed. Of even, dignified temperament, the Ridgeback is devoted and affectionate to his master, reserved with strangers. The peculiarity of this breed is the *ridge* on the back. The ridge must be regarded as the characteristic feature of the breed.

Size, Proportion, Substance

A mature Ridgeback should be symmetrical in outline, slightly longer than tall but well balanced. Dogs--25 to 27 inches in height; Bitches--24 to 26 inches in height. Desirable weight: Dogs--85 pounds; Bitches--70 pounds.

Head

Should be of fair length, the skull flat and rather broad between the ears and should be free from wrinkles when in repose. The stop should be reasonably well defined. *Eyes*--should be moderately well apart and should be round, bright and sparkling with intelligent expression, their color harmonizing with the color of the dog. *Ears*--should be set rather high, of medium size, rather wide at the base and tapering to a rounded point. They should be carried close to the head. *Muzzle*--should be long, deep and powerful. The lips clean, closely fitting the jaws. Clear faced or masked dogs are equally correct and neither is preferred. A clear face with black or brown/liver pigmentation only on nose, lips, and around the eyes, or a masked face with black or brown/liver pigmentation is correct as long as the color is not continuing with a solid mask over the eyes. A darker ear often accompanies the darker masked dog. *Nose*--should be black, brown or liver, in keeping with the color of the dog. No other colored nose is permissible. A black nose should be accompanied by dark eyes, a brown or liver nose with amber eyes. *Bite*--jaws level and strong with well-developed teeth, especially the canines or holders. Scissors bite preferred.

Neck, Topline, Body

The neck should be fairly long. It should be strong, free from throatiness and in balance with the dog. The chest should not be too wide, but very deep and capacious, ribs moderately well sprung, never rounded like barrel hoops (which would indicate want of speed). The back is powerful and firm with strong loins which are muscular and slightly arched. The tail should be strong at the insertion and generally tapering towards the end, free from coarseness. It should not be inserted too high or too low and should be carried with a slight curve upwards, never curled or gay.

Forequarters

The shoulders should be sloping, clean and muscular, denoting speed. Elbows close to the body. The forelegs should be perfectly straight, strong and heavy in bone. The feet should be compact with well-arched toes, round, tough, elastic pads, protected by hair between the toes and pads. Dewclaws may be removed.

Hindquarters

In the hindlegs the muscles should be clean, well defined and hocks well down. Feet as in front.

Coat

Should be short and dense, sleek and glossy in appearance but neither woolly nor silky.

Color

Light wheaten to red wheaten. A little white on the chest and toes permissible but excessive white there, on the belly or above the toes is undesirable. (see muzzle)

Ridge

The hallmark of this breed is the *ridge* on the back which is formed by the hair growing in the opposite direction to the rest of the coat. The ridge must be regarded as the characteristic feature of the breed. The ridge should be clearly defined, tapering and symmetrical. It should start immediately behind the shoulders and continue to a point between the prominence of the hips and should contain two identical crowns (whorls) directly opposite each other. The lower edge of the crowns (whorls) should not extend further down the ridge than one third of the ridge. Disqualification: Ridgelessness. Serious Fault: One crown (whorl) or more than two crowns (whorls).

Gait

At the trot, the back is held level and the stride is efficient, long, free and unrestricted. Reach and drive expressing a perfect balance between power and elegance. At the chase, the Ridgeback demonstrates great coursing ability and endurance.

Temperament

Dignified and even tempered. Reserved with strangers.

Scale of Points:

General appearance, size, symmetry and balance	15
Ridge.....	20
Head	15
Legs and feet	15
Neck and shoulders	10
Body, back, chest and loin	10
Gait	10
Coat and color.....	3
Tail	2
Total.....	100

Disqualification

Ridgelessness

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4th Annual Regional Specialty Fun!





Cape Cod Cranberry Cluster Results

Thursday's Supported Show

Judge – Mr. Daniel J Smyth, Esq.

sponsor – Helen McCune

Winners Dog - RIDGEKREST'S LEGACY OF THE PERFECT STORM

By GCH Lekana's Perfect Storm - Ch Dromkeen's All Eyez On Me.

Owner: Colleen Stakem, Breeder: Elizabeth Oneppo.

Reserve Winners Dog - OMEGA'Z ORIGIN OF SPECIES

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major - Omega Lekana Bazinga.

Owner: Bernadette Douzanis, Breeder: Catherine F Ford & Judith Hansen. (Kim Rudzik, Agent).

Winners Bitch - RADIANTRIDGE N REGAL'S OKTOBERFEST BRUSCHI BREW

By Regal's FearsomeFoursome By Rollings - Regal Tolertons Can't Keep A Secret At Radiantridge. Owner: Gail L James & Cassandra Carpenter, Breeder: Cassandra Carpenter & Bob Stephanos.

Reserve Winners Bitch - SHABANI'S LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC.

Owner: Lydia Mathger & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

Best of Breed - GCHS LIONLAMB'S DARK HORSE CA

By Chayil's Just Arlo - GCH Lionlamb's Flashy Fantasy. Dog.

Owner/Breeder: Susan Pisarri & David Pisarri, Surprise, NY

WD/Best of Winners - RIDGEKREST'S LEGACY OF THE PERFECT STORM

Best of Opposite Sex – GCHB DC SPRINGRIDGE RED DAWN'S SUPERMOON RISING SC

By Ch Virtuous Guardian Of The Realm From Bakari – GCHS DC Ariel's Red Dawn Rising Over Springridge SC CGC. Bitch. Owner: Rhonda Johnson, Breeder: Rhonda Johnson & Ross Johnson & Stacey Ford.

Select Dog - CH SHABANI'S SARGENT MAJOR

By GCH Shabani's Royal Fortune - The Duchess Of Shabani. Dog.

Owner: John Newman & Bonnie Johnson Breeder: Bonnie Johnson & Daniel Wood.

Select Bitch/AOM - CH SHABANI'S DEJA VU JC

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC. Bitch.

Owner/Breeder: Bonnie Johnson, Dartmouth, MA

AOM - CH ADWERA'S KAMILI OBI OF SHABANI CGC

By Ch Shabani's Cape Cod KOA-Z - Ch Adwera's Nadira Layla. Dog.

Owner: Deborah Ahern-Ridlon, Breeder: Deborah Ahern-Ridlon.

Best Puppy/PG2 - LIONLAMB'S LEGACY OF GIGI

By GCHS Lionlamb's Dark Horse CA - GCHS Lionlamb N Shabani's Forbidden Fruit.

Owner: Neil Ackerman & Susan Hadden Breeder: Susan Pisarri & Paul Pisarri.

(Cassandra Carpenter, Agent).

Friday's Supported Show

Judge Mrs. Linda Clark

sponsor – Nikki Newton

Winners Dog - COUNTY LINE'S IT IS WRITTEN IN THE STARS

By Rayridge Jared Boleyd - County Line's Sweet As Pie.

Owner: France Flibotte. Breeder: Lisa Hoffman.

Reserve Winners Dog - SHABANI'S RINGWRAITH

By Ch Shabani's Sher Khan - Shabani's Hell's Bells.

Owner: Rebecca Fitzpatrick Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

Winners Bitch - ZENONIA'S PALPOPLEURA PORTIA SC

By Ch Ikimba Tumomak Dromkeen - Ch Shabani's Zintha Hintza SC.

Owner/Breeder: Nicole Newton

Reserve Winners Bitch – ADWERA'S SAFFRON OF RIDGEKREST

By GCH Lekana's Perfect Storm - Ch Dromkeen's All Eyez On Me.

Owner: Deborah Ahern-Ridlon. Breeder: Elizabeth Oneppo.

Best of Breed - GCH DC SHABANI'S HALO N' HORNS SC

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC. Bitch.
Owner: Kathy Dinneen & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson. (Sara Gregoire, Agent).

WD/Best of Winners - COUNTY LINE'S IT IS WRITTEN IN THE STARS

Best of Opposite Sex – GCHS RIDGEKREST ZEUS EYE OF THE STORM CGC

By GCH Lekana's Perfect Storm - Ch Dromkeen's All Eyez On Me. Dog.
Owner: Tina R Derouiche & E Oneppo, Breeder: Elizabeth A Oneppo.

Select Dog - CH ADWERA'S KAMILI OBI OF SHABANI CGC

By Ch Shabani's Cape Cod KOA-Z - Ch Adwera's Nadira Layla. Dog.
Owner/Breeder: Deborah Ahern-Ridlon

Select Bitch - GCH RAMBO'S WYATT'S KIERAGH IN CHARGE

By GCH Rambo's Gunfight At The OK Corral SC JC - Tobi's Malvasia. Bitch.
Owner: Janice Wolfe. Breeder: Thomas Calvaresi. (Katie Shepard Bernardin, Agent).

AOM - GCHG MYSTIKO & ADILI'S UNSTOPPABLE REIGN CGC

By Ch Rokishoals Lenny Man On The Side - GCH Adili's Made To Perfection CGC. Bitch.
Owner: Kiki Courtelis & Tammy Lynch, Breeder: Kiki Courtelis & Tammy Lynch & J Wilkinson.

Best Puppy/PG2 - LIONLAMB'S LEGACY OF GIGI

By GCHS Lionlamb's Dark Horse CA - GCHS Lionlamb N Shabani's Forbidden Fruit.
Owner: Neil Ackerman & Susan Hadden, Sarasota, FL
Breeder: Susan Pisarri & Paul Pisarri.
(Cassandra Carpenter, Agent).

Obedience – Beginner Novice A

IMARI'S SIRIUS STAR (qualifying score of 170.0)

By GCH HPK Tropaco Troyan Argos Of Coso JC - GCH Kimani's Princess Of Imari
Owner: Heather Crosby, Breeder: Mija Cyphert.

Saturday - NERRC's 4th Annual Regional Specialty Show

Sweepstakes Judge: Ms. Edith Mrak

Best in Puppy Sweeps - SOLTERRALUNA & SHABANI'S GIFT OF GITA V RISINGSON

By GCH Shabani's Master Of Illusion - Ch Risingson's Sky Ridge.
Owner: Heidi Dommers & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Robin MacFarlane & Kimberly Carpenter.

Best in Veteran Sweeps - GCH SHABANI'S PRINCESS NALA

By GCH Shabani's Royal Fortune SC - Shabani's Star Rubi.
Owner: Ashley Jensen. Breeder: Bonnie Johnson & David Masse.

Best of Opposite in Veteran Sweeps - CH SHABANI'S CAPE COD KOA-Z

By Ch Avendale Of Nashira - Ch Shabani's Rocky Ridge Diva.
Owner: Lydia Mathger & Clayton Jones,. Breeder: Daniel Woods & Bonnie Johnson.

Breed Judge: Ms. Ann H. Roth

Winners Dog – SHABANI'S SARGENT MASIMBA

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC TKN - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC.
Owner: Brooke Adams & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

Reserve Winners Dog – EXCALIBER'S COLD FIRE AT KULUTA

By GCHS Kuluta's Earth, Wind And Fire - Ch Exliber's Home Is Where The Heart Is.
Owner: Marsa Hatfield & Alicja Michnowicz & Patricia Clark, Breeder: Alicja Michnowicz & Danielle Sand.
(Sara Gregware, AKC Registered Handler).

Winners Bitch – ADWERA'S SAFFRON OF RIDGEKREST

By GCH Lekana's Perfect Storm - Ch Dromkeen's All Eyez On Me.
Owner: Deborah Ahern-Ridlon, Breeder: Elizabeth Oneppo.

Reserve Winners Bitch – ADILI ADORES THE REIGN

By Ch Lafleur's Most Wanted JC - GCHG Mystiko & Adili's Unstoppable Reign CGC.

Owner: Tammy Lynch & Kiki Courtelis & Kristin Lawless, Breeder: Tammy Lynch & Kiki Courtelis & Karen Lafleur & Kristin Lawless.

Best of Breed – GCH DC SHABANI'S HALO N' HORNS SC

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC. Bitch.

Owner: Kathy Dinneen & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

WB/Best of Winners – ADWERA'S SAFFRON OF RIDGEKREST**Best of Opposite – GCH SHABANI'S MASTER OF ILLUSION**

By GCHP Diablo's Back Alley Brawler CGC - GCH Shabani's Ripple Effect CGC. Dog.

Owner: Heidi Dommers & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Cheryl Cote & Bonnie Johnson.

Select Dog – CH SHABANI'S SARGENT MAJOR

By GCH Shabani's Royal Fortune - The Duchess Of Shabani. Dog.

Owner: John Newman & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson & Daniel Wood.

Select Bitch – GCH SHABANI LUCY IN THE SKY WITH DIAMONDS

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC TKN - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC. Bitch.

Owner: Eric King & Ava Swayze, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

AOM / BOBOH – GCH SHABANI'S PRINCESS NALA

By GCH Shabani's Royal Fortune SC - Shabani's Star Rubi. Bitch.

Owner: Ashley Jensen, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson & David Masse.

AOM – CH SHABANI'S XENA, WARRIOR PRINCESS

By Ch Shabani's Sher Khan - Shabani's Hell's Bells. Bitch.

Owner: Suzanne Cooney, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson. (Dale M Stammel, Agent)

STUD DOG – CH SHABANI'S SARGENT MAJOR

By GCH Shabani's Royal Fortune - The Duchess Of Shabani.

Owner: John Newman & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson & Daniel Wood.

BROOD BITCH – GCHG MYSTIKO & ADILI'S UNSTOPPABLE REIGN CGC

By Ch Rokishoals Lenny Man On The Side - GCH Adili's Made To Perfection CGC.

Owner: Kiki Courtelis & Tammy Lynch, Breeder: Kiki Courtelis & Tammy Lynch & J Wilkinson.

BRACE –**ZENONIA'S PALPOPLEURA PORTIA SC**

By Ch Kimba Tumomak Dromkeen - Ch Shabani's Zintha Hintza SC.

Owner: Nicole Newton, Breeder: Nicole Newton.

GCH/DC SHABANI'S ZINTHA HINTZA

By Ch Jendaya's Aduke Shombay - Shabani's Something Special.

Owner: Nicole R Newton, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

Sunday's Supported Show**Judge – Mrs. Cindy Meyer**

sponsored by – Barbara Ferguson

Winners Dog - RIDGEKREST'S LEGACY OF THE PERFECT STORM

By GCH Lekana's Perfect Storm - Ch Dromkeen's All Eyez On Me.

Owner: Colleen Stakem, Breeder: Elizabeth Onepo.

Reserve Winners Dog - OMEGA'Z ORIGIN OF SPECIES

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major - Omega Lekana Bazinga.

Owner: Bernadette Douzanis, Breeder: Catherine F Ford & Judith Hansen. (Kim Rudzik, Agent).

Winners Bitch - ADILI'S REIGNING SPIRIT

By GCH Adili's American Idol JC CGC - GCHG Mystiko & Adili's Unstoppable Reign CGC. AAAAAAA

Owner: Melloni Turpin-Harrell & Tammy Lynch & Kiki Courtelis, Breeder: Tammy Lynch & Kiki Courtelis.

Reserve Winners Bitch – ASSEGAI SHADY LADY

By Ch Shadyridge Chaminuka's Chunga - GCH Assegai Here Comes The Sun.
Owners/Breeders: Melissa Carlin & Gregg Dionne & Barbara Glynn (Stacy Threlfall, Agent).

Best of Breed - GCHB DC SPRINGRIDGE RED DAWN'S SUPERMOON RISING SC

By Ch Vyrduous Guardian Of The Realm From Bakari - GCHS DC Aariel's Red Dawn Rising Over Springridge SC CGC.
Owner: Rhonda Johnson, Breeder: Rhonda Johnson & Ross Johnson & Stacey Ford.
(Cassandra Carpenter PHA, Agent).

WD/Best of Winners - RIDGEKREST'S LEGACY OF THE PERFECT STORM

Best of Opposite Sex – GCHS RIDGEKREST ZEUS EYE OF THE STORM CGC

By GCH Lekana's Perfect Storm - Ch Dromkeen's All Eyez On Me. Dog.
Owner: Tina R Derouiche & E Oneppo, Breeder: Elizabeth A Oneppo.

Select Dog - COUNTY LINE'S IT IS WRITTEN IN THE STARS

By Rayridge Jared Boleyd - County Line's Sweet As Pie.
Owner: France Flibotte. Breeder: Lisa Hoffman.

Select Bitch - GCH DC SHABANI'S HALO N' HORNS SC

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC. Bitch.
Owner: Kathy Dinneen & Bonnie Johnson, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

AOM / BOBOH - GCHG MYSTIKO & ADILI'S UNSTOPPABLE REIGN CGC

By Ch Rokishoals Lenny Man On The Side - GCH Adili's Made To Perfection CGC. Bitch.
Owner: Kiki Courtelis & Tammy Lynch, Breeder: Kiki Courtelis & Tammy Lynch & J Wilkinson.

AOM - GCH SHABANI LUCY IN THE SKY WITH DIAMONDS

By Ch Shabani's Sargent Major SC TKN - GCH Shabani's Candi Is Dandi SC. Bitch.
Owner: Eric King & Ava Swayze, Breeder: Bonnie Johnson.

OFA Policy on DNA Clear by Parentage

As a greater number of DNA based disease tests become available, a policy regarding the clearing of offspring out of DNA tested parents has become necessary.

For direct mutant gene tests only, the OFA will issue clearances to untested offspring, if the sire and dam have both been DNA tested "clear," if the sire and dam's DNA disease test results have been OFA registered, and if all three (sire/dam/offspring) have been DNA identity profiled and parentage verified. The DNA profile paperwork must be submitted along with a completed OFA DNA-based disease test application. The resulting OFA certification will have a suffix of "CBP" (clear by parentage), indicating that the dog itself was not tested and that the clearance was based on the sire and dam's test results, and known science at the time. Because of the possibility of new mutations or as of yet undiscovered gene mutations, only first generation offspring will be cleared.

For linkage or marker based tests where a margin of error including both false positives and negatives exists, the OFA will not issue any clearances to untested dogs.

DNA based disease screening is an evolving area. This policy is subject to change by action of the OFA Board of Directors as technology and science advance.

Celebrate with Us!!

Thanks to you, NERRC has had another Successful Year!! Come hang out with other Ridgeback owners and enjoy a delicious brunch while shopping at our Ways & Means table and placing your bids in the awesome silent auction we have planned for you! You can also participate in the ever-popular yankee swap—your dog(s) will thank you that you did!

All proceeds from the auction will benefit YOUR club!

Join Us for NERRC's Holiday Party!!

Sunday, November 17th—11:00 to 2:00

BOD Meeting starts at 11:00 - all are welcome

Brunch and festivities begin at NOON

Barrett's Fireside Grille ~ 30 Bedford St ~ Middleboro, MA

\$20/person for NERRC members—

\$25/person for non-members which includes a

delicious all you can eat Sunday Brunch

We will have a special Silent Auction with some very fine Ridgeback art pieces from some of our founding club member's personal collections available for bidding!! Keep your eye on our Facebook page for photos of the items we will be offering.

Bring a \$25 (maximum) wrapped dog-themed gift and you can join in the Yankee Swap; it's always a fun event!

Please RSVP to Meghan at mterwill@gmail.com by November 10th

