Ridgeback Roster

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RIDGEBACKS IN MOTION



WCEC Lure Coursing Event September 2019

RACING FUN DAY JULY 21, 2019



Group photo Chateau Poil et Plume, Ile Perrault, Quebec

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RRCEC - Mission Statement

Committed to the promotion and preservation of the breed, to fostering compliance with the Breed Standard,

to promoting the health and welfare of show and companion dogs and to informing the general public.

We do not condone breeding for profit.

We provide companionship and mentorship to all our members, whether they be companion owners, show owners, breeders or handlers and offer educational support and fun events for all.

WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

The majority of our members are pet owners who want to enjoy their Rhodesian Ridgeback as a member of their family. The Club holds many fun events around the membership area. Events such as walks, picnics, information exchanges, seminars, racing (lure coursing, straight racing and Uval racing).

We support Conformation shows, hold Specialties, Boosters and Sanction Matches. The Club offer perpetual trophies, which are awarded at our annual Specialty Show. If the winner lives outside of Canada, the trophies are retained by the Club. Ina ll instances keeper trophies are given to the winners. We also have specially purchased gifts awarded at our Booster shows. At Sanction Matches we offer simple gifts as well.

The Club operates an information breed booth at various shows and events with the purpose of educating and promoting the breed. Club members volunteer their own and their dogs' time at these booths.

Many members have their Rhodesian Ridgebacks in agility and obedience training. Some members have Ridgebacks that are also very active in Therapy Dog programmes. Racing (lure coursing, straight racing and Uval racing) is quickly becoming a new and popular activity for the pet owner.

A newsletter, The Ridgeback Roster, is published for members. It offers interesting articles, show results, advertisements by members, club activities and dates of special events.

A library on the breed is maintained. Club members may contact the club librarian to borrow an item from our many interesting breed and dog related books. A club Boutique allows ridgeback fanciers to purchase unique ridgeback paraphernalia.

RIDGEBACK RESCUE - RRCEC ROLE

Our Club, RRCEC works in close cooperation with **Rhodesian Ridgeback Rescue** (RRR) Inc., an arm of the US Rhodesian Ridgeback Club. RRR Inc.'s mandate is North America. There are Directors or Coordinators in every State and Canadian province. The overall individual who holds the RRR authority in Canada is Carole Bradley-Kennedy.

Within RRCEC we answer the call for help for ridgebacks in distress or in need of re-homing. The first action taken is to ascertain if possible, who the breeder is. All details about the dog and it's immediate situation are provided and discussed with Carole and appropriate action is agreed upon. All follow up action is the responsibility of the appropriate Regional Rescue Coordinator.

For more information on the process, go to www.rrrescue.org. Click on Canada, your province and you will see if there are any dogs available; their details and the name and contact information for the regional coordinator.

RRCEC Website https://ridgebackcanada.com/ Join us on Facebook RRCEC Facebook Page: RRCEC Group

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PRESIDENTS PAWPRINT

"Before you get a dog, you can't quite imagine what living with one might be like; afterward, you can't imagine living any other way." - Caroline Knapp



Thank you to all the members who have provided photos and submissions for the Ridgeback Roster this year. I really enjoy seeing your photos and hearing about your ridgeback adventures. In the New Year, I am hoping to be able to publish quarterly editions of the newsletter. The spring edition will come out early in March and will include a Rainbow Bridge section in memory of beloved pets. I would also like to add a section on "Ask a Breeder" so if you have any questions about the breed please send them to me so I can poll our breeder members.

If you have any suggestions for topics for upcoming editions of the Roster please contact me at RidgebackRoster@kos.net

Dorian Chlopas



Delly & Tau — lazy summer days



COMING EVENTS



RRCEC RESERVED A BLOCK AT THE ADMIRAL INN, HWY 7 LINDSAY, UNDER RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK. Rooms should be reserved immediately. They have a field and Welcome dogs.

OTHER OPTION: Best Western (closer to show site) also takes dogs, very limited green space but they do take dogs.

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10TH RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK WORLD CONFERENCE

June 9 - 11, 2020 GERMANY

For more info and latest updates check out the website www.rrwc2020.de or Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/rrworld congress



Ridgebacks at the Kingston Dog Show July 2011Do you recognize any of the dogs/handlers?

CLUB NEWS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday November 9, 2019 time to be determined it will be in the afternoon

Lindsay Central Exhibition Grounds The Farmer's Mutual Exhibition Building 354 Angeline Street South, Lindsay, Ont

REMINDER

We are looking for pictures of your dog(s) for the 2020 RRCEC Calendar and donations for the Silent Auction





CLUB EVENTS SUMMER 2019

Racing Fun Day

What a great day we had racing on July 21 at Chateau Poil et Plume at Ile Perrault, just south of Montreal.

Special thanks to France Flibotte for the organization and running of this event.

It was a beautiful day, warm and breezy, and the location was ideal. Eleven club members attended and a total of twenty-two dogs competed in the racing events.

The race course consisted of a straight line 150 ft. in length. For many of the dogs this was their first time racing. The event was followed by a BBQ.

Thank you to Tina Andreatos, Sabrina Gauthier and Jim Beckett who stood in the hot sun all day, running the equipment. Alan Savoie great man at the BBQ but who helped Jim with set up & holding and catching dogs.

Our photographers - Colleen Francis and Chris Voice. There were others who helped with set up and tear down of our canopies, etc., and cleaned the site - Rosemary Burdin, Toby Glitzman, Edith & Jim Over to name a few.

And thank you to all who came.....we had fun with our fabulous dogs who all got along very happily.

To see all the photos from the day please check out the following link https://photos.app.goo.gl/WGv2LGnFBWYRn7Mi8?fbclid=lwAR0RTJcnzcD4JxfQoVEB9UR4GdS8vQ35fE-rZlfS3mMPWBsv1WpEQYljGpM



Thank You Sabrina for this wonderful collage of photos

Sarjo Kennels Picnic

September 21, 2019 Mildmay, Ontario









A big thank you to Cindy Maurer at Sarjo Kennels for organizing and hosting a picnic for club members in Mildmay this September. Looks like everyone enjoyed a great walk through the woods and fields.

And what would a ridgeback picnic be without ridgebacks on the picnic tables!





BRAGS & WAGS

Willow

Owner: Sabrina Gauthier



It all started with a basenji... yes you read properly... A basenji.

As long as I remember I would always tell my parents look at the dog when there was one coming near on the street or while I was in the car with them but they never allowed me to have one under their roof..

As soon as I moved out at 24 years old I got my first dog!

I got myself a basenji (which I love to bits) and lived happily with my unique dog until I was a a dog run one day and saw that majestic creature... It was a ridgeback, of course!

I went and asked the owner what breed this dog was and he told me that it is a Rhodesian Ridgeback. I remembered seeing that name on a picture of an African dog list one day. From that day on, I knew I'd get a ridgeback next... It took me 2 years to get fully aware on the "specs" of the breed and find a breeder in which I could give my complete trust, which I had not done with my first dog and I didn't want to make the same mistake!

As soon as this pupster got into my life, it all changed for the best! I already knew I wanted a second one a couple days after getting this one!

We've done conformation shows, lure coursing trial so far and nothing stops her... She's the best! I couldn't hope for a better Ridgie then Willow for my first one. They say that you cannot get a ridgeback without falling completely in love with the breed... well I couldn't agree more!

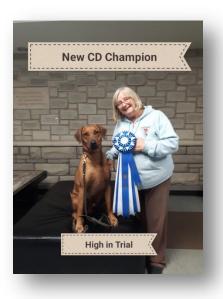
Little did I know she was the beginning of a life filled with ridgies until the end!

Thank you Ridishia Ridgebacks for everything this dog as brought to my home!

Major

Co-Owners: Jackie McWilliam & Geroge Whitney







This year has been a busy year for Ch. Jabulisa Askari CGN CA RN CD HIT RA NC and FCH pending CKC conformation (Major)and myself (Jackie McWilliam). Major is co-owned with George Whitney of Shumbatsvuku Kennel.

In May Major and I earned his Campion Dog Obedience Title in fine style finishing it with a bang going High in Trial at Peterborough and District Obedience Club in May. Judge Susan Bell said it was the first Ridgeback that she had qualify under her and did it in fine style. Needless to say she was impressed.

In July Major earned his Rally Obedience Title at Oshawa Obedience Club.

Over the summer we also competed in CKC lure coursing, a first for Ridgebacks . I believe Major was the 3rd CKC Field Champion in RRs in Canada to earn this title this year. He earned the title under Judge Jean Martin. The Ridgebacks all finished earning their titles at events held by the Whippet Club of Eastern Canada in Chesterville.

This boy continues to amaze me by at least trying everything that I ask of him. Onwards to Scenting and Tracking. Possibly?



Training Tips -

Loose Leash Techniques

Canine Correspondence Studies Dog Trainer Certification Course – www.DogTrainingCareers.com Norma Jeanne's Dog Training / ACTT – Applied Canine Therapy & Training – www.ACTT.ca

Pulling on leash is a common problem because it's a normal canine behaviour. Dogs pull because they wish to investigate the world and we're holding them back. A dog that pulls on leash is not a bad dog – it's a normal dog. And a dog that heels nicely beside you is not a good dog – it's a trained dog. This is because a dog will do what comes naturally until it's taught to do something else. Here are a few options to teach your dog to walk nicely beside you.

Red Light - Green Light

The rule for this exercise is very simple – never walk when the leash is tight. If the leash is loose you may proceed. If the leash is tight you can choose from the following:

- Stop and wait for your dog to come back to you or loosen the leash on its own.
- Call or otherwise entice your dog to come back to you before moving forward on the loose leash.
- Change Direction causing your dog to approach from behind you. You'll notice that Cordelia does not pull or correct her dog with the leash. Instead she uses her voice and treats.
- Back Up stop and begin to back up causing the dog to turn and approach you. At no time are you to use the leash to jerk, steer, pull or punish the dog.

Creating a Basic Heel

- 1. If you plan on competing in obedience trials you'll need to heel your dog on the left. If you walk your dog on your left, hold your leash in your right hand. If you walk your dog on the right, hold your leash in your left hand.
- 2. Hold your training treats in the other hand this will be the hand closest to your dog.
- 3. Using your treat, lure your dog behind you.
- 4. Turn the dog around and lure it into a basic heel position.
- 5. Ask your dog to sit, reward and release.

Basic Heel Position

When competing in obedience trials, heel is a very specific position and any deviation from that position will cost you points. With pet dog training, most dog owners aren't concerned about obedience trial standards. They aren't concerned about forging, lagging, crowding, heeling wide or a crooked sit, all they want is for their dog to walk on one side without pulling and sit when they stop. So when I refer to a "basic" heel position I am referring to your dog on one side without pulling.



- 1. Begin with your dog sitting in a basic heel position.
- 2. Allow your dog to sniff a treat then move it toward your eyes, luring your dog's attention toward your face.
- 3. Take one step then lure your dog into a sit beside you.
- 4. Reward your dog.
- 5. When your dog is moving with you and remaining in a basic heel position, then take two steps before stopping and rewarding your dog, then three, four, etc.

Note

- In positive reinforcement training the leash is not used to jerk, steer, pull or punish the dog. Our dogs are learning through cause and effect and repetition that pulling does not work to get us moving, only a loose leash does. This will speed up the learning process for your dog as it requires it to think and make choices, and leaves you no option other than to apply your techniques. We use the loose leash exercises to shape our dog's on-leash behaviour with patience and consistency. The leash should only be used for safety and when you use techniques, you don't need tools.
- Make sure you save your rewards for when your dog is walking beside you and the leash is loose. If you lure your dog back beside you and give it a treat for returning to you, it may learn to pull on leash in order to get treats.

Walking in Heel

- 1. Begin with your dog sitting in a basic heel position.
- 2. Use your "watch me" cue to get your dog focusing on you.
- 3. Give your cue of choice I use "let's go" and start walking forward at a brisk walk while using your treat to lure your dog's attention back when it wanders.
- 4. When your dog is walking quietly beside you on a loose leash with its paws on the ground, especially if it makes eye contact, give your reward marker "YES" and reward your dog with a treat.
- 5. Every time you stop, ask your dog to sit and reward your dog with a treat.

Note

- Don't wait too long to reward the loose leash behaviour. When your dog is walking on a loose leash for a few seconds, reward it. Then you can require your dog to walk on a loose leash for a bit longer before rewarding. Gradually require your dog to walk nicely for longer periods of time before earning a treat or stopping for a sit.
- If you lose your dog's attention, use your treat to lure it back.
- Make sure your dog is quiet, its paws are on the ground and the leash is loose before giving your reward marker to avoid unintentionally rewarding unwanted behaviour such as barking or jumping up.

Other Options

For your dog to maintain a loose leash it needs to be aware of where you are at all times and adjust to your turns and speed changes. To regain your dog's attention when it's pulling on leash you can choose from the following:

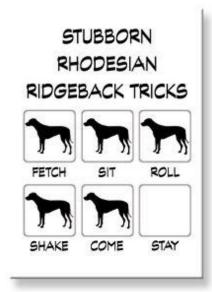
1. **Back Up** – Quickly back up until your dog walks toward you and the leash is loose then continue forward again.

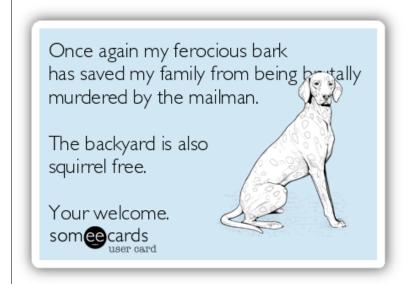


2. **Change Direction** – If your dog is walking on your left – turn to your right and proceed at a brisk walk in the opposite direction. If your dog is walking on your right – turn to your left. By turning in the opposite direction your dog will remain on the outside allowing you to avoid tripping over your dog or leash as you turn.



Ridgeback Humour





FishyTreats

Salmon Sardine Cake

3 small tins of salmon (or 2 medium or 1 large)
1 tin sardines packed in water
1 clove of garlic
3 eggs

2 cups of your choice of flour (spelt, rice, barley, oat, rye or a combination)

Preheat oven to 350 °F. In food processor or blender puree the salmon, sardines, garlic and eggs. Place 2 cups of flour in a bowl. Pour the mixture fish mixture into the bowl of flour and mix. Spread the mixture on a well-greased cookie sheet. Bake for 20 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean.

Cut into strips, freeze and thaw as needed.

These treats contain fish and are not preserved so treat them as you would fresh fish. It's best to keep them frozen until needed to prevent them from spoiling. You can thaw the strips in your microwave as required.

recipe compliments of Norma Jeanne's Dog Training/ACTT

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- Photos must be identified.
- For the photo gallery (website/newsletter); the rescue page and other general use, the photographer should be identified but not the dog(s) if the dog(s) is/are not owned by a member. The photographer does not need to be a club member if the photo is of a member's dog(s).
- General group photos or photos of moving dogs taken at events or picnics, do not require that the dogs or photographer be identified.

Please note: the deadline for submissions for the next Ridgeback Roster is January 31, 2020





Hope you are all enjoying long walks on these beautiful fall days!