

Ridgeback Roster

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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; and offer trophies for ridgebacks showing in regular conformation shows. The Club offer special Club trophies for racing and obedience. These trophies are awarded at the annual general meeting of members. There is a new Versatility Award initiative under way, medals and certificates are awarded annually.

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.

An on-line store with a variety of RRCEC clothing items is available on our website with proceeds going toward RRCEC events and club activities.

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.

Many members have their Rhodesian Ridgebacks in agility and in both, obedience and rally obedience training. Scenting and tracking are also popular..Some members have Ridgebacks that are also very active in Therapy Dog programmes.

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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).
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PRESIDENT'S PAWPRINT



I would like to extend my best wishes for health and happiness to all of our members and their families, including of course, our furry 4-legged family members.

2021 has been full of surprises, both good and unexpected ones. We were certainly lucky enough to pull off our Specialty show this year, and it was such a pleasure to see many of you this year at the Oakville show!

I sincerely hope that we will have many opportunities in the coming year to hold events for everyone to participate in with their Ridgies. Despite the place we currently find ourselves in, in regards to Covid, I am looking forward to the coming year and making plans for new activities I'd like to try with my boys, Markus & Leo as well as goals I'd like to achieve with my dogs in the coming year.

I invite you all to take some time to think of the things you'd like to try with your Ridgebacks in 2022 and let us know so that we can plan as many as our activities as possible, around those things you'd all like to try your hand at.

Stay Safe & May we see each other more in the coming year,

France Flibotte, President.



NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY

To say the least, this year has presented continued challenges with respect to our Club's activities. I need not talk about those challenges but moving onward and upward for this coming year 2022, the horizon is brighter!

One step we hope will interest you is that over the next few issues of The Roster, we will be publishing some brief – “What is this activity all about?” – written by members who have participated in each activity. None of us are experts but we can offer help and encouragement if you would like to try something new with your ridgeback. At the end of this note, I have listed the activities. If there are others, let me know and we will find relevant information for you.

Now as 2022 approaches, this is a reminder that membership fees for 2022 will be due and payable effective January 1, 2022. Single membership is \$25, and for families \$35. As in the past, you need not complete a renewal membership form if your contact information has not changed. Payment details are on the website (www.ridgebackcanada.com) under “Join us at RRCEC”, click to open the membership form.

It is important however, that we have your up to date contact information. Emails do change as do telephone/cell numbers. Please ensure we at least, have this correct information for you.

Here is that list of activities:

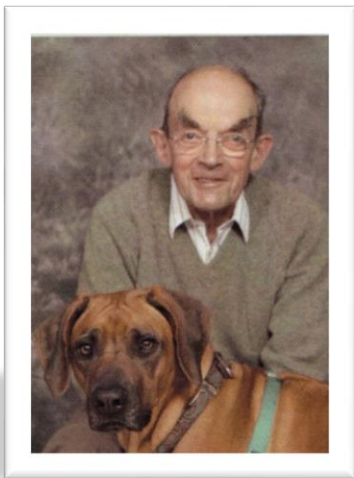
- ❖ Agility
- ❖ Conformation
- ❖ Rally & Obedience
- ❖ Herding
- ❖ Barn Hunt
- ❖ Tricks
- ❖ Scent & Tracking
- ❖ Sprint/Racing/Coursing

As I mentioned above, let me know if there are other activities that interest you and we will see if there is a Club member who will take on writing about it for you.

With Best Wishes for the Holiday Season and for the New Year. 2022 HAS to be better than the previous two years!

Diana

Treasurer's Report 2020/2021



So, despite our hopes for a revived social programme, we again were curtailed by you-know-what. We were able to hold the Conformation Specialty in Kitchener in September and had a reasonable turnout of 34 RRs, but were not able to host any social/educational/fun days. We do know that members were active in other shows and events such as rally obedience, agility and scenting. The finances of the Club recovered from the drop the year before which had been generated by the purchase of the prizes for the 2019 Specialty which was cancelled subsequently so that we did not receive the

offsetting rebates that are generated by the entries. We benefitted from the sale of Club calendars and should be very grateful to Sabrina Gauthier who collected photos from members, collated them, organized the printing and handled the mailing. We are grateful to several members who made donations; Rosemary Burdin towards general expenses and Ellen Lepine, Tammy Fillion, Diana Hogan, Cindy Maurer, France Flibotte, Wade Daboll and Diana Pethick to the prize fund for the specialty, and also to Wade for the die for the new club emblem.

Jim Beckett, Treasurer

	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>
INCOME				
Boutique	107.78	18.51	894.53	790.34
Memberships	1140.00	1000.00	1140.00	1230.00
Show Committee	1965.03	0	1582.00	517.58
Donations and interest	3.33	218.17	113.19	515.42
Breeder listing webpage	275.00	225.00	350.00	375.00
Social	233.71	0	120.85	60.00
TOTAL INCOME	3724.85	1416.68	4200.57	3488.34

	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Administration	175.90	232.74	506.82	249.05
Show Committee	1427.18	810.77	3243.01	535.53
Publicity	177.92	150.09	148.24	-
Insurance	853.95	837.00	837.00	837.00
Social	250.17	184.89	350.00	49.95
Boutique	0	0	567.39	556.87
Equipment		220.28	345.79	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	2885.66	2435.77	5998.25	2228.40
Income-Expenses	839.19	(974.09)	(1797.68)	1259.94
BANK BALANCE	7856.39	6882.30	5084.62	6344.56



Letter from the Editor

I hope you are enjoying the quarterly newsletter. We would like to feature more articles on topics of interest to our members and would appreciate your input. If there is anything you would like to see in the Roster please let me know.

We plan to continue with *Things to do with your Ridgeback* in 2022 and hope to coordinate the topics with club activities. Of course, we can never get enough photos of your dog(s) and photos of the new puppies to feature in the Roster so keep the photos coming.

All the best in the New Year,

Dorian Chlopas

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CLUB NEWS

2022 RRCEC Calendar



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2022
CALENDAR

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**2022 RRCEC CALENDAR
AVAILABLE FOR PRE-ORDER**

\$15 FOR MEMBERS - \$20 NON-MEMBERS
POSTAGE NOT INCLUDED (ADD \$5 TO YOUR ORDER)

**CALENDRIER RRCEC 2022
PRÉ-COMMANDE DISPONIBLE**

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- ADRESSE COMPLÈTE
- NOMBRE DE CALENDRIERS
- TRANSFER INTERAC (MÊME COURRIEL)

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Stay tuned to our Web and Facebook pages for updates on club activities



MAPLE LEAF KENNEL CLUB

Kingston, Ontario, Canada & Surrounding areas

ALL EVENTS ARE PENDING COVID RESTRICTION ALLOWANCES AND ALSO FOLLOW ALL COVID GUIDELINES. All Events are in Kingston or the Surrounding area.

2022 UPCOMING SHOWS AND TRIALS

MAY 28-29 CONFORMATION- OUTDOORS NOSEWORK/RALLY INDOORS Location pending

JUNE 4-5 LURE COURSING OUTDOORS Codrington

JULY 16-17 CONFORMATION OUTDOORS Kingston

JULY 30 31 & AUG 1 CONFORMATION (WITH CARA RACING) OUTDOORS Codrington

SEPT 17-18 NOSEWORK TRIAL OUTDOORS Belleville

OCT 8-9 CONFORMATION OUTDOORS -NOSEWORK/RALLY INDOORS Location Pending

ALL DATES/EVENTS ARE PENDING UKC APPLICATION APPROVAL.

LOCATIONS/EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS.

Welcome New Puppy Members

RRCEC is pleased to welcome the new members sponsored by

FOX TROT and SHUMBATSVUKI

Puppy photos coming in the Spring Roster



Love
is a wagging tail



BRAGS & WAGS

SABA

Agility Trials

Master Snookers Dog of Canada

October 2021



BRAGS & WAGS

MOKI

Italian International Champion 2021



Harmakhis Wisdom Amarone Moki



Ridgeback Tales



One last story from Jo Dunn's Ridgeback Rambles

Heel, Sit, Down

Obedience trials are often held in conjunction with dog shows and are to achieve obedience titles on your dog. There are three levels in obedience and in each one a title can be attained.

The first level is Companion Dog (CD). It involves heeling on leash and off leash with various turns, stops and starts. The dog also has to do a long sit and a long down with a group of other competitors.

The second level is Companion Dog Excellent (CDX). This level is much harder, as all heeling is off lead. It also entails jumps, both high and wide. Also, the dog has to retrieve a dumb bell and return it to the handler.

In the third level, Utility, the dog has to do jumps, retrieving and also scenting. It has to pick out the correct dumbbell from a collection laid on the ground.

The first dog I did obedience with was my Irish Setter, Pride; then the Yorkshire Terrier, Cricket; and lastly my Ridgeback, Duchess.

Now, Duchess was a very intelligent dog, really, too intelligent for formal obedience. She understood quite well what she was meant to do but, when she was expected to do it time and again seemed to her quite idiotic.

Fourty years ago obedience was taught in a much more formal manner and corrections were sometimes quite brutal. I refused to use these methods but being very inexperienced, I did do a lot of repetitious exercises. Duchess found this boring beyond words. She would stomp around after me yawning widely, with the look on her face that I had kept her up all night and was thoroughly abusing her! If I spoke sharply to her, she would turn her ears inside out and the insides would be bright pink! "Mother, how can you embarrass me in front of all these people!" she would be thinking.

Duchess succeeded in getting her three legs but not without humiliating me whenever she could.

I remember on one occasion it was extremely hot and we were working outside. She thought it was quite ridiculous to go out of the shade of the trees into this hot, arid square. She plodded through her heeling. She sat when I left her. I turned and called her to come. She came plodding in, straight round the back of me and sat down, perfectly straight in front of me with her back to me! She never so much as glanced over her shoulder. She had made her point.

The next ridgeback I did obedience with was Trek. He really did not enjoy doing obedience, but he did enjoy working with me. He finished his Companion Dog title in three trials with very good scores.

When we went on to Companion Dog Excellent, the jumps were no problem – he loved jumping and would do it at will. But, he did have one problem – he hated to pick up the dumb bell! He was not a dog that ran after balls, picked up sticks, or in any way liked to put things in his mouth.

The trainer wanted me to use the ear pinch method, but I declined. So I started every day putting the dumb bell on the kitchen chair, taking Trek up to it and saying “Take it,” then pushing it into his mouth and holding it there for a few seconds. I did it three times each day. Then, miracle of miracles, after three weeks when I said “Take it,” he picked up the dumb bell!

He never again refused although there were times when he was very slow! He went through this more advanced obedience, not with the high scores he got before, but still did pretty well.

The day he obtained his final qualifying score was very hot. The trial was indoors and he qualified in the morning. I decided to enter the second trial just to be sure. Trek was disgusted. I had told him he was finished, how clever he was and here I was taking him back into this beastly hot ring again!

He did his heeling, but when I threw the dumb bell he went out, turned around - looked at the judge, then looked at me - lay down, put his head on the dumb bell and closed his eyes.

The judge roared with laughter and said he was the smartest dog he had seen all day! Trek and took our leave from the ring with as much dignity as possible!

After he gained his CDX I decided to retire him from the obedience ring. He had done so well and to put him through all the retrieving required in Utility seemed just too much. After that he returned to the farm where he was happy, lying around in the yard and keeping an eye on things.

I also did some obedience with Bronwen, who was a female I had saved from a farm where the dogs were used for fighting. She was very hard to train. She hadn't had any socialization and did not like to leave my side. However, as long as she was close to me she worked quite well.

Having a judge go over her while I was standing at the end of the lead was an agony for her. To be left for the long sit and down was very, very difficult to accomplish. Nevertheless, we struggled on and eventually I felt she was ready to trial. I was going to Nova Scotia with a young friend and we took two ridgebacks with us. The male was called Digger and the other was Bronwen. Digger was a most relaxed individual and very good for Bronwen. Digger was not the least bit nervous, loved people and really helped Bronwen with her self-confidence.

I was showing Digger in conformation and Bronwen in obedience. On one particular day, Bronwen had done her obedience exercises in the morning, but still had her long sit and stay to do. Digger had taken the Breed and was scheduled to go into the Group judging. Wouldn't you know, they were both called at the same time! I asked my friend to take Bronwen in for the long sit and down while I took Digger into the Group.

I was standing in the ring with Digger waiting my turn to gait him when I glanced down the arena. I saw Bronwen doing her long sit. However, she was not looking at her handler, but was gazing back at me across the length of the arena! Without hesitating she up and ran to the edge of the ring, jumped over the barrier, ran through the next ring, over the next barrier and came and did a perfect sit in front of me! What confusion!

My friend struggled through the crowd to fetch Bronwen, while I tried to calm Digger who was delighted to see his little lady friend in the ring with him. What a day!

Bronwen did eventually get her Companion Dog title. Doing formal obedience really helped to give her the confidence she lacked after her awful beginning in life. She became a very dear companion and lived to a ripe old age.



Obedience Practice at the October 2016 Club Picnic

Ridgeback Candids

Sitting Ridgebacks



Funny Anoona Lab sitting



guess there was no Lab available

Photographer Dale Gaj

Silly Ridgebacks

There are working Ridgebacks..... and then there are my Ridgebacks



Anoona helping feed the chickens



and mine working the table

Best Friends



Hazel and Tucker



Nala and Dray



Anoona and Ruby



Delly and Tau

Sleeping Ridgebacks



Sweet Dreams



Ridgeback Humour

My kidnappers returning
me after listening to me talk
about dogs for two hours



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