

# 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.

RRCEC Website <https://ridgebackcanada.com/>

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- ❖ General group photos or photos of moving dogs taken at events or picnics, do not require that the dogs or photographer be identified.

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### **PRESIDENT'S PAWPRINT**



I would like to offer my best wishes for prosperity, peace and love for this Christmas season. May this holiday period give you the opportunity to spend time with those you love and do activities with your furry ones.

It is also that time of year to sit back and enjoy but I want you to think about the Club, its future and what are your expectations from being a Club member? Our mandate covers a large area from the Ontario/Manitoba border to the East Coast including Newfoundland! It is not easy to keep in touch with everyone. I am hoping to encourage more local get togethers with planned activities for members and their dogs.

One thought that appeals to me is the idea of setting up "Demo" or "Activity Days" held in locations where we have a large ridgeback community.

We would have a demonstration of certain activities and then the opportunity to try these yourselves. We tried this in 2022 when we held demos on rapping and scenting, with great success. We also held a very successful fun day of Agility and racing as well. Activities we might consider include Obedience, Rally, Agility, Conformation, Scenting, coursing, etc. A local member would take on setting this up.

Currently our Secretary is working with two members to expand on this initiative to see where there are large pockets of members. Importantly too will be locating local canine trainers knowledgeable in the planned activity(ies) you have chosen.

If you have any ideas or suggestions on the above idea, please contact any of the local area directors, myself or the secretary.

I want to thank our newsletter editor, Dorian Chlopas, who does a wonderful job putting together a newsy edition every three months, to keep you informed.

Best wishes everyone, have a very Happy Christmas. I look forward to meeting many of you in the New Year.

*France Flibotte, President.*



## **NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY**

This past year has not been that successful with respect to planned activities of interest to the membership. The Conformation breeders and owners have, however, been at local shows ensuring good representation of our breed in the show rings, particularly in Ontario. There is a report in this edition on the RRCEC Specialty Show held at the Ancaster Fairgrounds just outside Brantford in September. This show was held in conjunction with the national Specialty Show which comes to Ontario every two years.



There are a few ridgeback owners working hard in Obedience, both Rally and Regular Obedience, Coursing, Scenting and Agility. But the numbers of participants can be counted on one hand, it would be good to see more ridgebacks and their owners out. Should you be interested or have questions, seek out your local regional representative, give them a call and see what is available in areas close to you. Or call me between us we will get some relevant information.

All membership fees are due and payable effective January 1, 2024. I will be sending out individual emails shortly. Your support keeps the Club going, we hope you will see your way to continuing your membership.

Feel free to post photos, or ask questions, on either, or both, the Club Facebook and the Club RRCEC page. Drop us a line and keep in touch. Keep well.

***Diana***



## Letter from the Editor

Well as another year draws to a close I just want to say **Thank You** to all the members who have submitted photos and stories of their ridgebacks. I always look forward to receiving your input and enjoy putting the Roster together.

If there are any specific topics of interest to you let me know and I will include them in the 2024 Rosters.

*Wishing you Peace in your mind, Love in your heart, and Joy in your soul this Holiday Season,*

*Dorian Chlopas*     [RidgebackRoster@kos.net](mailto:RidgebackRoster@kos.net)



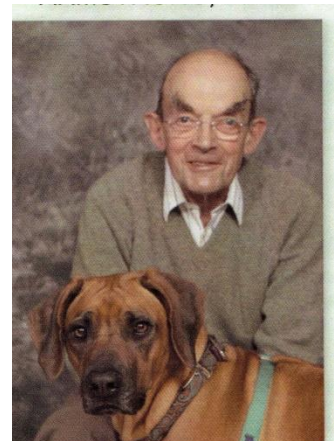
Merry  
Christmas

## Treasurer's Report for 2022-23

Rather a different year financially in that we issued two annual calendars. It was only after the 2023 calendar had been distributed that we realized that the November and December date pages were erroneous. To correct this, we issued the 2024 calendar early and made it for 14 months, starting with November 2023 to correct the error. We sent the new version, free of charge, to those who had bought the faulty 2023 version.

We would like to thank Wade Daboll, Pat Roy and Heather Alison for donating the trophies for, respectively, Best in Breed, Best of Opposite Sex and Best Puppy. Our thanks also to Sabrina Gauthier for creating the calendars from start to finish; collecting photos from members, collating them, organizing the printing and handling the mailing.

*Jim Beckett, Treasurer*



	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
<b>INCOME</b>					
Boutique	18.51	894.53	790.34	865.00	754.05
Memberships	1000.00	1140.00	1230.00	1530.00	1685.00
Show Committee	0	1582.00	517.58	220.35	312.33
Donations and interest	218.17	113.19	515.42	185.24	76.13
Breeder listing webpage	225.00	350.00	375.00	300.00	300.00
Events	0	120.85	60.00	1720.00	0
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>1416.68</b>	<b>4200.57</b>	<b>3488.34</b>	<b>4820.59</b>	<b>3127.51</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Administration	232.74	506.82	249.05	214.85	252.21
Show Committee	810.77	3243.01	535.53	826.17	1161.74
Publicity	150.09	148.24	-	140.10	-
Insurance	837.00	837.00	837.00	856.44	883.44
Events	184.89	350.00	49.95	1753.39	-
Boutique	0	567.39	556.87	505.12	1375.92
Equipment	220.28	345.79	-	114.98	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2435.77</b>	<b>5998.25</b>	<b>2228.40</b>	<b>4411.05</b>	<b>3673.31</b>
<b>Income-Expenses</b>	<b>(974.09)</b>	<b>(1797.68)</b>	<b>1259.94</b>	<b>409.54</b>	<b>(545.80)</b>
<b>BANK BALANCE</b>	<b>6882.30</b>	<b>5084.62</b>	<b>6344.56</b>	<b>6754.10</b>	<b>6208.30</b>

# Club News

## 2023 Specialty Show Report

What a weekend!! The show this year, was again held in conjunction with the national club (RRCC) at the Oakville & District Kennel Clubs All Breed show at the Ancaster Fairgrounds.

Thank you to everyone who came to support the two Clubs. I think we did pretty well with our meeting area alongside the main building. A very special thanks to Doug Willows and Kevin Cockell who were so helpful setting up this area on the day before the show began. Also to everyone who set up their tents and provided general camaraderie for all participants.

I want to give a very special thankyou to my good friend Rosemarie Burden who is always there for me and drives from her home way north of Montreal for the annual Specialty Show to help and support me. I must not forget new member Lindsey Whitney and her companion Andrew – a huge thankyou. This was baptism by fire for them. They offered to help, I said yes and threw them into the thick of it!! They came up trumps, met new people and enjoyed the chaos that surrounds getting the trophies and prizes onto the tables in good time before the show. Thankyou to you all.

The Specialty winners are listed below. Judge was Elizabeth Caminage-Lavault (UK).

Best of Breed	CH Terracotta's Here Comes the Sun-Kissed Owner: Carole Ann and Roy Brown, Karen Watson
Best of Opposite/Best Canadian Bred	CH Foxtrot's Legacy Here Comes the Sun Owner: Karyn Bettinson & Lisa Conley
Best of Winners/Winners Female	Cataraqui Midnight Girl Owner: Carole Cocknell
Winners Male	Royalcityrr Alpha Gryphon Owner: Melissa MacLeod, Doug Willows, Leigh Bishop
Reserve Winners Male	Angelridge Indigo Sky Owner: Peter and Bonnie Baliunas
Reserve Winners Female	Sarjo's Spoon Full of Sugar Owner: Meghan Doering, Alexis Richardson, Cindy Maurer
Select Male	CH Ridishia Lone Star Ranger Breeder/Owner: Patricia Roy, Phil Desrochers
Select Female	GCH Angelridge Maybe It's Mabeline Breeder/Owner: Ellen Ceccanese
Best Puppy	CH Royalcityrr Alpha Dorothea Breeder/Owner: Doug Willows, Leah Bishop



Award of Merit

GCH Foxtrot's Sun Kissed

Owner: Martha Wilson, Steve Knowles, Lisa Conley

Best Veteran In Specialty

GCH Priderocks's Aedan Of Mokukosi

Owner: Christina Ayre, Heather Allison

Best Bred By Exhibitor

GCH Angelridge The Puck Stops Here

Breeder/Owner: Ellen Ceccanese

Best Brood Bitch

Ch Foxtrot's Kilcooly Abbey

Breeder/Owner: Lisa Conley

Thankyou to everyone who came and for participating in the raffle and for supporting both Clubs. Great to see you again. Now onto planning for 2024!! *Diana*



# REMINDERS



RRCEC  
Ridge Back Canada

14 MONTH CALENDAR  
**2023-2024**  
CALENDRIER 14 MOIS

**2023-2024 RRCEC CALENDAR**  
STARTING IN NOVEMBER 2023  
**AVAILABLE FOR ORDER**  
\$15 PLUS POSTAGE  
(POSTAGE: ADD \$6 TO YOUR ORDER)

**CALENDRIER RRCEC 2023-2024**  
COMMENCE EN NOVEMBRE 2023  
**COMMANDES DISPONIBLES**  
15 \$ PLUS LIVRAISON  
(AJOUTEZ 6\$ À VOTRE COMMANDE POUR LA LIVRAISON)

**SEND YOUR ORDERS TO**  
Jim Beckett at [beckettj007@outlook.com](mailto:beckettj007@outlook.com)  
We need the following information:  
NAME  
BILL ADDRESS  
NUMBER OF CALENDARS  
E-TRANSFER/SAME EMAIL  
PASSWORD RRCEC24 (All caps)

**ENVOYEZ VOS COMMANDES À**  
Jim Beckett à [beckettj007@outlook.com](mailto:beckettj007@outlook.com)  
Nous avons besoin des informations suivantes:  
NOM  
ADRESSE DONNÉES  
NOMBRE DE CALENDRIERS  
TRANSFERT INTERAC MÊME COURRIEL  
PASSWORD RRCEC24 (en majuscule)

ALL THE CALENDARS THAT HAVE BEEN ORDERED WILL BE SHIPPED AT THE SAME TIME, MID OCTOBER.  
ALL SECOND SHIPPINGS WILL BE MADE TOWARDS THE END OF NOVEMBER FOR LATE ORDERS.  
SO PLEASE LET'S HAVE YOUR ORDERS PROMPTLY NOW.  
TOUS LES CALENDRIERS COMMANDES SE SONT EXPÉDIÉS EN MÊME TEMPS, À LA MI-OCTOBRE. UN DEUXIÈME ENVOI  
SE FAIT EFFECTUER VERS LA FIN DU MOIS DE NOVEMBRE POUR LES COMMANDES TARDIVES.  
NOUS VOUS INVITONS DONC À PASSER VOS COMMANDES DANS LES PLUS BREFS DÉLAIS!

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## **Last Chance to Order 2024 Calender**

Contact  
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Cost \$20.00  
Payment by e-transfer to  
[beckettj007@outlook.com](mailto:beckettj007@outlook.com)

or  
by cheque mail to  
Jim Beckett RRCEC  
10425 Hyndman Rd  
Mountain, Ontario  
K0E 1S0



**It's that time!  
Annual Membership  
fees for 2024  
are due January 1, 2024**

## **2024 Membership Fees**

**\$35.00 Family**

**\$25.00 Single**

**\$35.00 Foreign Membership**

**\$25.00 Breeders Fee**

(Listing on RRCEC Website Breeder's Page)

## **Pay by E-Transfer or Cheque**

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or by mail to

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# Mark Your Calendar

Don't sit on the sidelines...Get involved!



## CANINE GOOD NEIGHBOUR TESTING

**All Dogs Welcome!**

(not just for purebreds)

Put a title on your dog recognized by the Canadian Kennel Club.  
Show that your dog has sound training and a good temperament.

May 12, 2024  
(Pending CKC Approval)

Supported by  
Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of Eastern Canada



\$35 per dog



Outside at 152 West Lawrencetown Road  
Fenced area  
Evaluator Cindy Maurer  
For more info or to pre-register

Contact Us at [Beadog@gmail.com](mailto:Beadog@gmail.com)

# What is the Canine Good Neighbour Program

Canine Good Neighbours can be counted on to present good manners at home, in public places, and in the presence of other dogs. CGN training is fun, rewarding, useful, and can enable owners to achieve a better relationship with their dogs.

## The objectives of the CKC Canine Good Neighbour program are three-fold:

1. To increase awareness and appreciation of dogs as valued, contributing members of society.
2. To assist in teaching and promoting responsible dog ownership.
3. To certify that dogs conduct themselves in a manner which is reliable and trustworthy in situations encountered in everyday living, be it around people, at home, in public, or in the presence of other dogs.

The program embraces both purebred and mixed-breed dogs and has been created to assist canine owners in combatting anti-dog sentiment which often targets dogs as a whole. Additionally, the program enhances community awareness of responsible pet ownership and the benefits associated with dog ownership.

The test is not a competition calling for precision performance by the handler and dog. Rather, it assesses the handler and dog's relationship together with the handler's ability to control the dog. Dogs are evaluated on their ability to perform basic exercises as well as their ability to demonstrate good manners in everyday situations.

### **CANINE GOOD NEIGHBOUR TESTS Include:**

- ✓ Accepting a friendly stranger
- ✓ Politely accepts petting
- ✓ Appearance and grooming
- ✓ Out for a walk
- ✓ Walking through a crowd
- ✓ Sit/Down on command and stay in place (long line)
- ✓ Come when called (long line)
- ✓ Praise/Interaction
- ✓ Reaction to passing dog
- ✓ Reaction to distractions
- ✓ Supervised isolation
- ✓ Walking through a door/gate

Dogs must have up to date Rabies vaccinations.

More information is available at [CKC.ca](http://CKC.ca)



# CLUB FUN DAY

## *Halloween Shenanigans*

October 29, 2023    Lawrencetown, NS



## *Halloween Costumes*

## *Bobbing for Apples*





# BRAGS & WAGS



## **Leo**

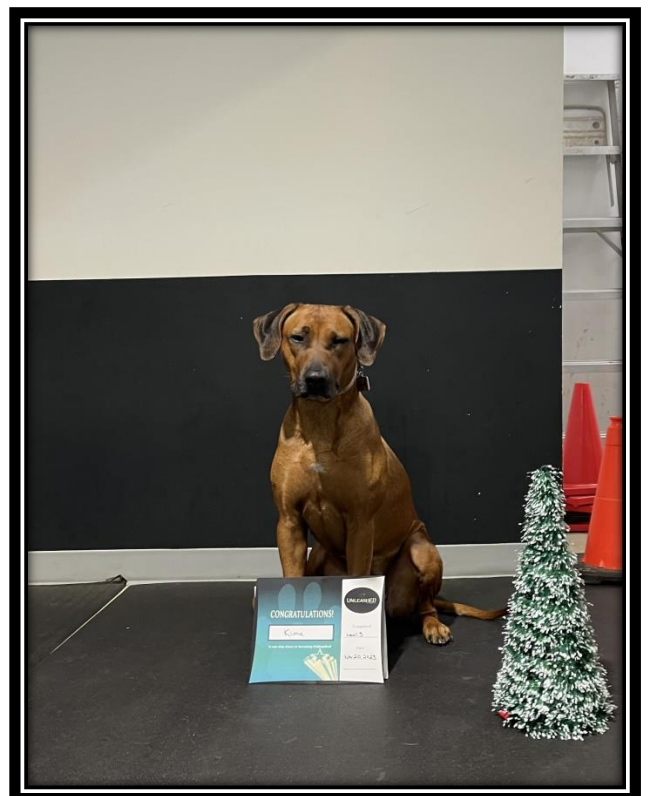
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## **Kima**

*earns her*

*Level 3*

*Obedience Certificate*



# RAINBOW BRIDGE

## *Sarjo's Timbavati RE*

*December 29, 2018 – July 18, 2023*





# Ridgeback Candid



**Momo and Kia learn the Table command**  
(and no it's not dinner table)



**Some Ridgebacks like to sit on chairs**  
(just like the people they really are)



**Wimbi – Will trade for Treats!**



**Ruby & Anoona claim the cowhide from Africa**





**Ruby & Anoon – Ready for our Walk**



**Me Too says Kima**



**Beautiful Teya**



**Thanksgiving with Leo**



# Holiday Ridgebacks





# Training Tips

## TEACHING YOUR DOG TO WALK POLITELY ON LEASH

### PART TWO: Help! My Dog Is Pulling!



If pulling on the leash gets your dog where he wants to go, he'll keep pulling. To avoid teaching your dog that pulling is a good strategy, use one of the techniques described below.

#### TECHNIQUE 1: "I AM A ROCK"



When your dog pulls, stop in your tracks. Wait. As you wait, pretend you have no dog.



When your dog backs up or turns to you, click and feed a treat at your pant seam.



Then move forward again.

#### TECHNIQUE 2: "BACK & FORTH"

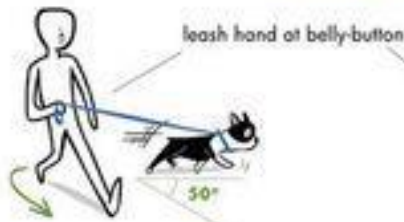


When your dog pulls, turn around and walk purposefully in the opposite direction. When your dog catches up to heel position...



Click and treat. Then turn around and continue in your original direction.

#### TECHNIQUE 3: "OFF AT AN ANGLE"



This is a great technique for dogs who are very strong. When your dog pulls, simply move away at a random angle that isn't 180 degrees.



Wait for your dog to catch up to heel position.



Click and treat. Then turn around and continue in your original direction again.

**If your dog keeps pulling, the environment is probably too exciting.** Go back to teaching your dog polite leash walking in a less exciting place. Then build up gradually to walking on leash in the exciting environment again.

**Remember to go back to PART ONE every time you practice in a new place.**

# ***BIRTHDAY WISHES***



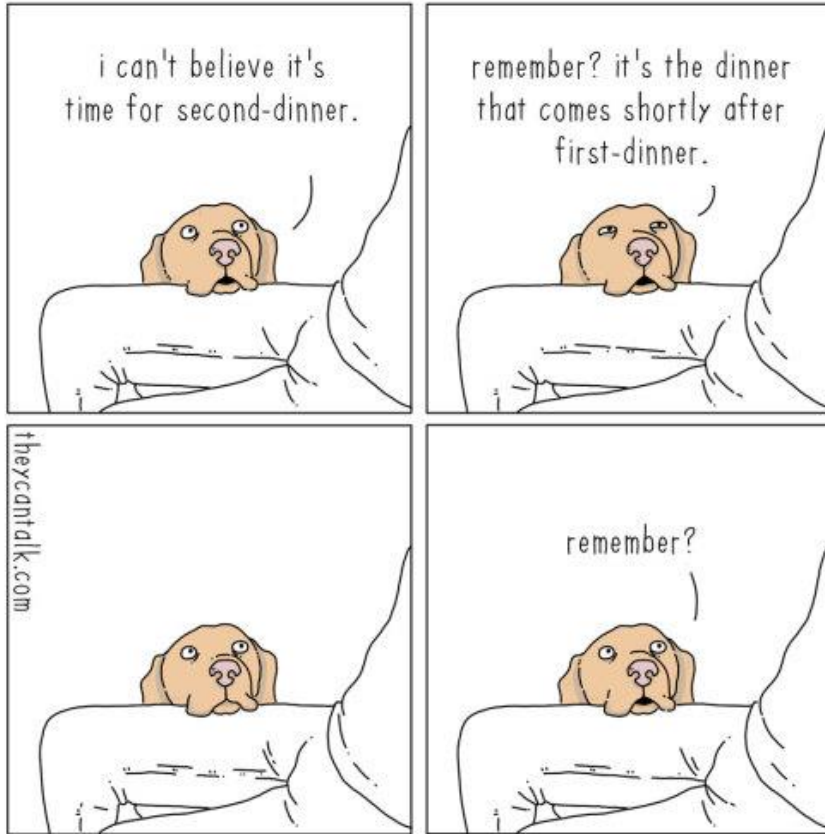
**Tau**

**Five Years Old Already**

*Thank you Wade for such a wonderful dog*



# Ridgeback Humour



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## A Dog's Rules For Christmas

1. Be especially patient with your humans during this time. They may appear to be more stressed-out than usual and they will appreciate long comforting dog leans.
2. They may come home with large bags of things they call gifts. Do not assume that all the gifts are yours.
3. Be tolerant if your humans put decorations on you. They seem to get some special kind of pleasure out of seeing how you look with fake antlers.
4. They may bring a large tree into the house and set it up in a prominent place and cover it with lights and decorations. Bizarre as this may seem to you, it is an important ritual for your humans, so there are some things you need to know:
  - a. Don't pee on the tree
  - b. Don't drink water in the container that holds the tree
  - c. Mind your tail when you are near the tree
  - d. If there are packages under the tree, even ones that smell interesting or that have your name on them, don't rip them open
  - e. Don't chew on the cord that runs from the funny-looking hole in the wall to the tree
5. Your humans may occasionally invite lots of strangers to come visit during this season. These parties can be lots of fun, but they also call for some discretion on your part:
  - a. Not all strangers appreciate kisses and leans
  - b. Don't eat off the buffet table
  - c. Beg for goodies subtly
  - d. Be pleasant, even if unknowing strangers sit on your sofa
  - e. Don't drink out of glasses that are left within your reach
6. Likewise, your humans may take you visiting. Here your manners will also be important:
  - a. Observe all the rules in #4 for trees that may be in other people's houses. (4a is particularly important)
  - b. Respect the territory of other animals that may live in the house
  - c. Tolerate children
  - d. Turn on your charm big time
7. A big man with a white beard and a very loud laugh may emerge from your fireplace in the middle of the night. **DON'T BITE HIM!!**

The Ridgeback Roster will be published quarterly in 2024. Submissions for the next issue are encouraged and can be sent to the editor in MS Word or WP. Pictures are always welcome and can be emailed in JPEG format or sent by regular mail to be scanned. The dog(s) and photographer in/of each picture must be identified in your email or covering letter. (See below for additional information regarding club policy on use of photographs.)

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