

# Ridgeback Roster

72<sup>nd</sup> Edition

Winter 2025



Dear Santa,  
**I HAVE BEEN  
VERY GOOD  
FOR THE LAST  
WEEK OR SO.**  
*Let's just focus on that.*



## ***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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# Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of Eastern Canada

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### **RRCEC POLICY –Use and Identification of PHOTOS for the RRCEC Newsletter, Website & Calendar** January 1, 2007

- ❖ For the website home page and annual calendar the photographs should be those taken by club members and of their dog(s) only.
- ❖ 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.

### **ADVERTISING RATES**

- ❖ Full page with photo - \$25
- ❖ ½ page with photo - \$15
- ❖ ¼ page with photo - \$10
- ❖ Each additional photo in any category - \$5
- ❖ Commercial & Non-Members \$100

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### **PRESIDENT'S PAWPRINT**

As we close another wonderful year with our Ridgeback community, I want to thank each of you for your continued dedication and support. Our club thrives because of the passion, involvement, and camaraderie of our members.

As a reminder, Membership Dues are now open. When renewing, we would also love to know which activities you would be interested in participating in for the upcoming year. Your feedback helps us plan events and initiatives that truly reflect our members' interests.



We are also opening Nominations for Board Members. This is a great opportunity for anyone who would like to contribute more directly to the growth and direction of our club. I encourage you to get involved, share your voice, and help shape our future.

Wishing you all a warm and joyful holiday season.

France Flibotte, President





## NOTES FROM THE SECRETARY

Well, here we are - it is nearly the end of the year and planning for activities in 2026 are already underway.

An important date for you to note is our On Line Club meeting, January 19 at 7.00 pm (8.00 p.m Atlantic). This is where we hear from the President about the direction of the Club, and hear from you about what activities interest you. In addition, there is the election of officers of the Club. You will be receiving the meeting information via email shortly, but please make a note of the date & time for this meeting (see above).

Now is the time of year when all membership fees are due and payable. Let us know that you support the Club by renewing your membership before the end of February. If payment is not received by February 28th your name will be removed from the membership list.

Don't forget if you have any views or comments, contact your local Area Director and let them know how you feel, and what it takes for you to enjoy being a member of the Club. Perhaps you know of a good area to suggest for a ridgeback walk or are already in an Obedience or training programme that others might be interested in or enjoy.

If you have any questions or concerns you can always reach me at [skyridge03@outlook.com](mailto:skyridge03@outlook.com) and I can point you in the right direction.

*Diana*



## Letter from the Editor

Are the years getting shorter and shorter or is it just me? Here we are again at the end of another busy year. I hope you have all enjoyed the Roster this year as much as I have putting it together. So many good photos and support from the members makes it easy.

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday season and all the best in 2026

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





## Treasurer's Report 2024-25

Another quiet year, in part because a number of planned activities did not come to fruition. We are, however, very grateful to Royal Canin for all their support with facilities and prizes. Jim

	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
<b>INCOME</b>					
Boutique	790.34	865.00	754.05	110.00	344.00
Memberships	1230.00	1530.00	1685.00	1420.00	1350.00
Show Committee	517.58	220.35	362.33	302.92	355.23
Donations and interest	515.42	185.24	76.13	75.24	289.90
Breeder listing webpage	375.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	275.00
Events	60.00	1720.00	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>3488.34</b>	<b>4820.59</b>	<b>3177.51</b>	<b>2208.16</b>	<b>2614.13</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>					
Administration	249.05	214.85	252.21	259.27	463.71
Show Committee	535.53	826.17	1161.74	1371.62	1335.07
Publicity	-	140.10	-	151.82	-
Insurance	837.00	856.44	883.44	883.44	871.44
Events	49.95	1753.39	-	-	-
Boutique	556.87	505.12	1375.92	-	-
Equipment	-	114.98	-	-	-
Donations	-	-	-	-	988.74
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2228.40</b>	<b>4411.05</b>	<b>3673.31</b>	<b>2666.15</b>	<b>3658.96</b>
<b>Income-Expenses</b>	<b>1259.94</b>	<b>409.54</b>	<b>(495.80)</b>	<b>(457.99)</b>	<b>(1104.83)</b>
<b>BANK BALANCE</b>	<b>6344.56</b>	<b>6754.10</b>	<b>6258.30</b>	<b>5800.31</b>	<b>4695.48</b>

# CLUB NEWS



It's that time!  
Annual Membership  
fees for 2026  
are due January 1, 2026

## 2026 Membership Fees

**\$35.00 Family**

**\$25.00 Single**

**\$35.00 Foreign Membership**

**\$25.00 Breeders Fee**

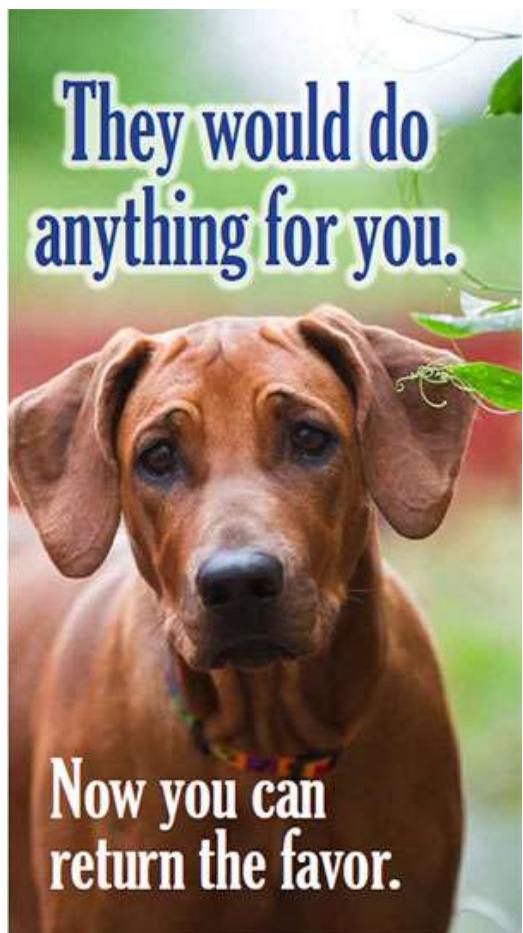
(Listing on RRCEC Website Breeder's Page)

### Pay by E-Transfer or Cheque

e-transfer to [beckettj007@outlook.com](mailto:beckettj007@outlook.com)

or by mail to

Mr. Jim Beckett, Treasurer, RRCEC  
10425 Hyndman Road  
Mountain, Ontario K0E 1S0



### RRCEC Donation to Rhodesian Ridgeback Charitable Foundation

You may recall from the Spring Roster that the club had committed to donating \$500.00 to the Rhodesian Ridgeback Charitable Foundation (RRCF). The RRCF is a foundation that sponsors scientific research projects related to the health of Rhodesian Ridgebacks. Fund raising events included a go-fund-me page (\$144.74); the sale of Club books (\$214.00); and the silent auction at the Specialty Show (\$130.00). Along with the club contribution we were able to donate \$988.74 to future and ongoing research projects.



## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

### **RRCEC BOARD MEMBERS**

All position on the Executive and Board of Directors are due for election. We are seeking nominees for any and all positions for new two year term (2026 – 2028).

The full list of the Board positions including the Regional Directors are shown on page 3 of the Roster. If you wish to continue in your position, please find someone to propose and second you. If however, you wish to stand down do you have someone you would recommend as a candidate. If so, please determine whether they are willing to stand and perhaps nominate them yourself, together with a seconder.

In addition to the existing positions, we would like to highlight an important opportunity within the club: we are actively seeking a Show Secretary. This position has been vacant for the past 3–4 years simply because no one has stepped forward. For anyone interested in contributing in a meaningful and valued way, this role offers a great chance to support the club's events and growth.

As a reminder, the Regional Directors are asked to be responsible for organizing activities in their region and encourage participation by ridgeback owners, whether they are members or not.

We would appreciate that you send the appropriate documentation to the Secretary as soon as possible but no later than Monday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

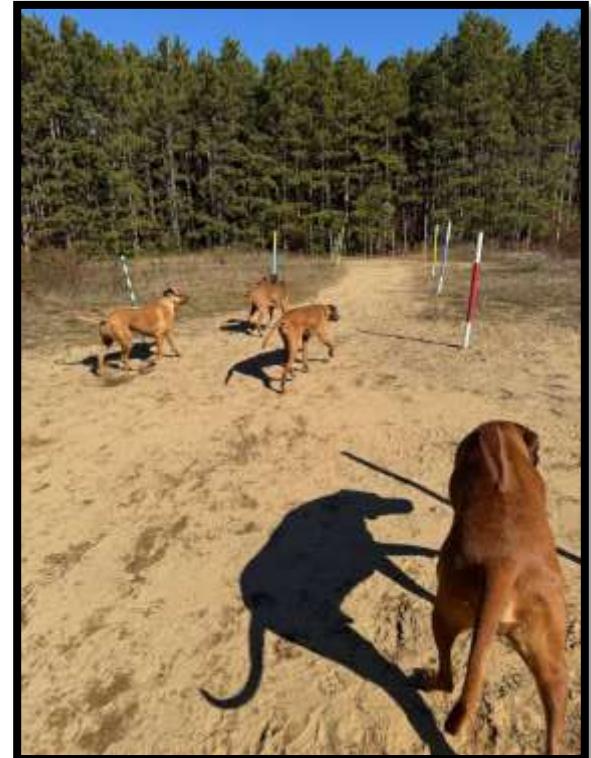
In the event no nominations are received, a Nomination Committee of three (3) is selected. This committee shall solicit names of members who are willing to stand for election. The slate of nominees will be published in the next newsletter. Ballots are emailed to members following the publication of names and are returned, electronically, to the Secretary. The election process requires that each member receive a ballot. A Family membership receives two ballots.

**Diana Pethick, Secretary**  
**Email address – [skyridge03@outlook.com](mailto:skyridge03@outlook.com)**

# Club Events



October 3, 2025 Canin Sprinter  
and October 13, 2025 Group Walk Guide Canins St-Lazare



# BRAGS & WAGS

## Proud to Present Xeke

MBPIG MBBPIS MBBPIG Sarjo's Making Life Worth Living Like Kilimanjaro

Owner Handled by Denise Clerk Owned and loved by Denis & Steve Clerk and Cindy Maurer



## Ridgeville's Jody of Harmakhis Wisdom



The XXX RRCI Club Show, judged by Mrs. Kim Hodge, was truly one of the most exciting and enjoyable Club Shows ever! To make it even more special, our Ridgeville's Jody of Harmakhis Wisdom — son of Multi Ch. Harmakhis Wisdom Amarone Moki and Multi Ch. Ridgeville's Rockette — won a beautiful class of 9 stunning champions and went on to take Best Male and BOS out of 31 entered males!

A huge thank you to the judge for her lovely critique of Jody and for appreciating him so much. Thank you to Miriam Pascuzzi for raising him so wonderfully, to **Davide Strada** for presenting him at his very best, and to **Wade Daboll** for this amazing boy!

# AM CAN GCHB FOXTROT'S C'EST LA VIE

*Meg had a fabulous time at Aurora!*

CB38  
Winnipeg  
Ontario

AURORA & DISTRICT KENNEL CLUB

GROUP 2: Judge Michael Guy

GROUP 2: Judge Andrew Burt

SELECT BITCH: Judge Patrice Johansen

BEST OF OPPOSITE: Judge Jeff Horswell

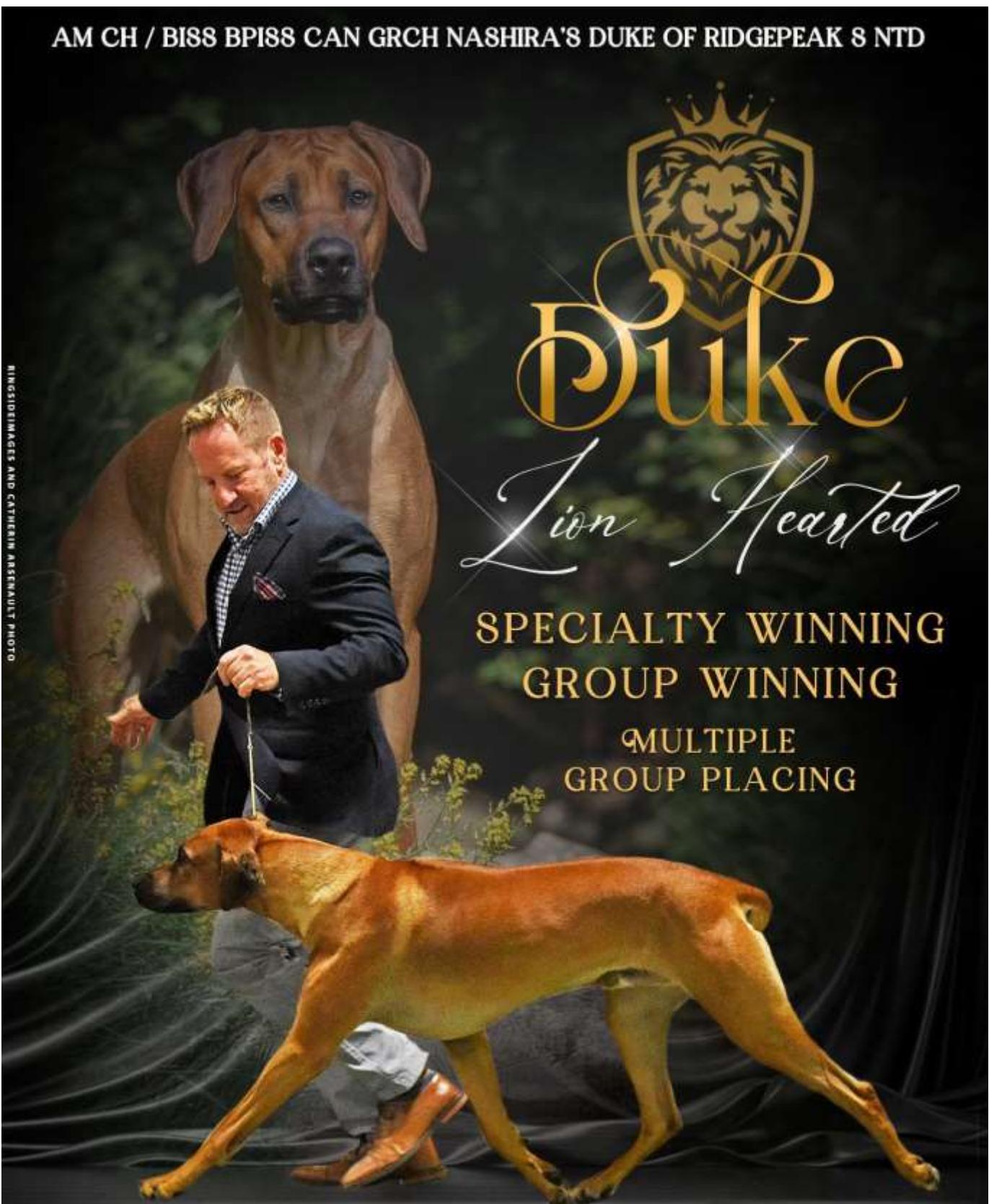
Sincere appreciation  
to all of our judges!

# Meg

BREEDER/OWNER: LISA CONLEY - PROFESSIONALLY HANDLED BY EMILY BURDON  
THANK YOU EMILY!

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RINGSIDEIMAGES AND CATHERINE ARSENAL PHOTO



Duke  
*Lion Hearted*

SPECIALTY WINNING  
GROUP WINNING

MULTIPLE  
GROUP PLACING

B E C A U S E   T I M I N G   I S   E V E R Y T H I N G .

BREEDER: CONCETTA PIO-JEZ

OWNER HANDLER: FRANCE FLIBOTTE

PROFESSIONALLY PRESENTED BY GRAEME BURDON

# RAINBOW BRIDGE



## *Markus*

Two years have passed since you left, yet your spirit remains so close to me.  
My first ridgeback, my heart's companion, you left an eternal mark.

I miss you deeply. 🌸❤️

These photos were taken one year before you left.

**Every dog  
is a once in a lifetime dog.  
It doesn't matter  
how many you've had.  
Each one changes you, heals you,  
owns a piece of you.  
And when they go, that piece  
stays theirs forever.**



Photo: Catherin Arsenault Photographe animalière

# Ridgebacks Having Fun

## Duke

Rally & Novice Trick Dog



## Ruby & Anoona

Rocking their  
new winter coats



## Duke Sprinter





## Playtime

Dylan, Cassie, Happy & Vita



## Snuggle Time

Wimbi & Lilley





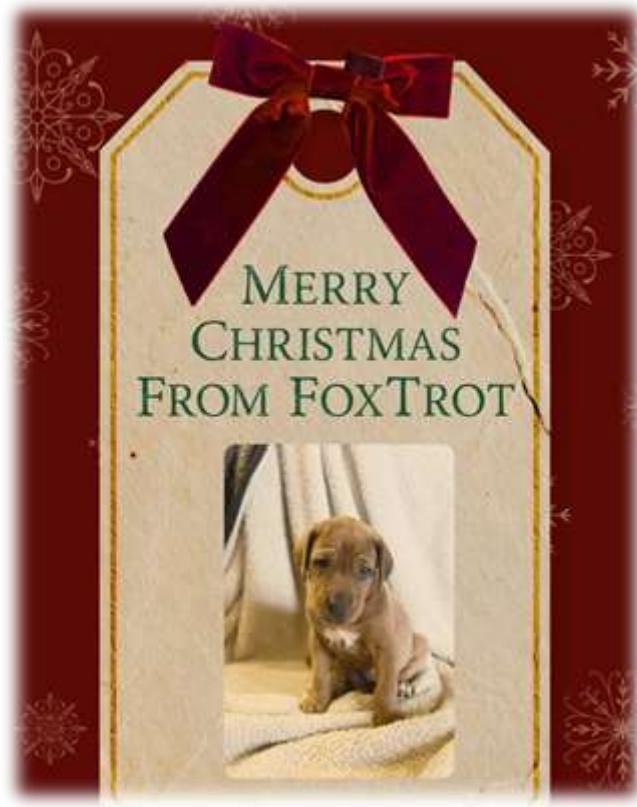
**Freya**  
Ready for Sledding





SEASON'S  
*Greetings*

*Sarjo's  
Ridgebacks & Misfits*



Merry  
Christmas



*Wimbi & Lilley*



# Birthday Wishes



**Tau**

7 Years December 18



Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

**Duke**



Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

**2 Years October 10**

**Pancakes Lilley**

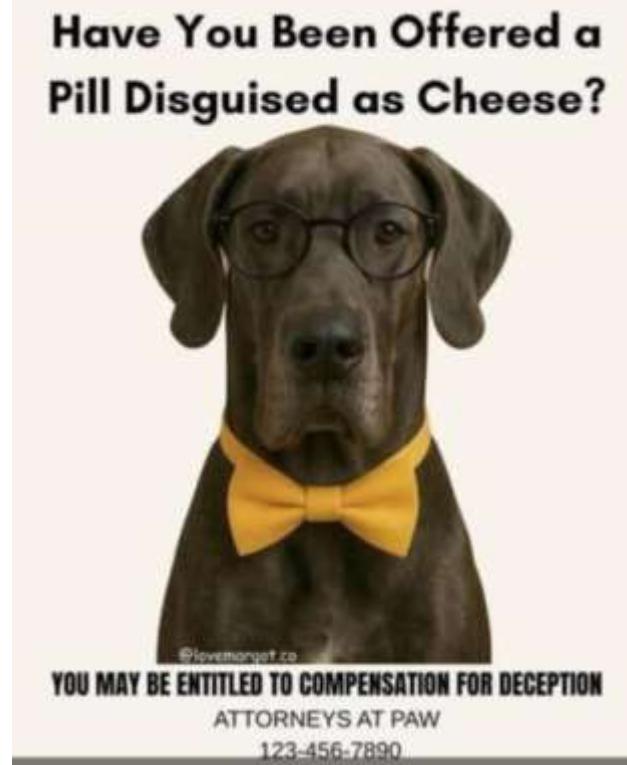
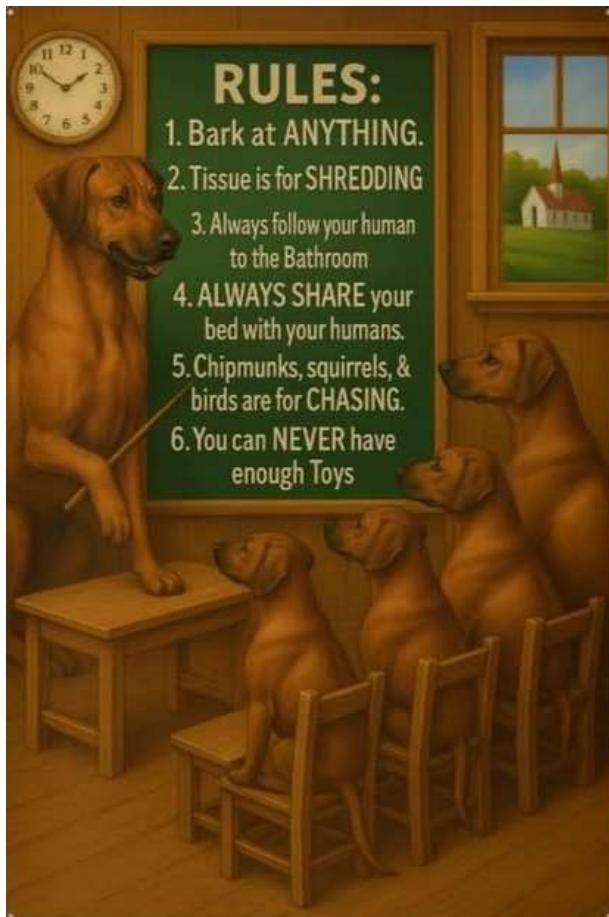
**3 Years December**



**Happy  
Birthday**

Ridishia New Year's Morning Pancakes Pls

# Ridgeback Humour



# Rhodesian Ridgeback Facts

Serving size: Larger than life

Amount per serving

% of Daily Values\*\*

Stubbornness	400%
Listening Skills	600%
Farting	300%
Intelligence	900%
Loyalty	1000%
Acting Skills	350%
Eating Skills	700%
Kissing	500%
Love	1000%

\*May be peeing in the house, overeating, and cuteness.

\*\* Percent Daily Values are based on number of Rhodesian Ridgebacks owned.

The Ridgeback Roster will be published quarterly in 2026. 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.

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***Please note: the deadline for submissions for the next Ridgeback Roster is March 1, 2026***