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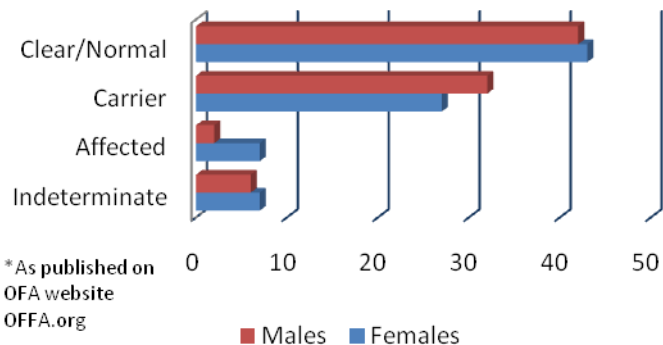
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A Linked Marker Test For Fanconi Syndrome

The Basenji Health Endowment, American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation, and Dr. Gary S. Johnson of the University of Missouri would like to announce the availability of a linked marker DNA test for Fanconi syndrome, a renal disease that occurs in Basenjies. This test was developed as part of an ongoing research project to identify the cause of Fanconi syndrome and to eventually eradicate the disease by marker-assisted selective breeding. As with other linked marker tests, the current Fanconi syndrome test is not 100% reliable but is offered as an interim test to provide guidance to those who plan to breed their Basenjies during the 2007 breeding season. Work continues to find the precise genetic cause of Fanconi syndrome and to develop a completely reliable test. Although the test is available for all Basenjies enrolled in the Canine Phenome Project, owners who are not planning to breed their dogs this year are advised to wait until a completely reliable test becomes available. Funds from the Basenji Health Endowment and American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation have supported development of the interim linked marker test and are supporting the ongoing research.

This chart illustrates results from 166 dogs tested and published on the OFA website through August 6, 2007, broken down by sex.

Fanconi Marker Test Results as of August 16, 2007*



Fanconi Test Frequently Asked Questions

See Pages 6 through 9 in this issue.

SUBSCRIPTION INFORMATION

The Bulletin Board Newsletter is published in conjunction with membership in the Basenji Club of America, Inc. Dues are \$15 for single members; \$25 for family memberships. All applications for membership require the signature of two BCOA members in good standing. Send membership inquiries to Linda Ehlers, 151 NW 251Rd., Warrensburg, MO 64093. Phone 660-747-8552. E-mail < jerlin@wcblue.net >.

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In accordance with the By-Laws any member in good standing may send comments on applicants for membership to the BCOA Secretary within a period of fourteen days following the date of the newsletter publication. Comments will be sent to these person(s) for reply, and all comments and replies will then be sent to the Board. \* Indicates a junior membership. Please consider the date of publication of this newsletter to be **August 20, 2007**.

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**SUBMITTING EXPENSES TO THE BCOA TREASURER**

Please note per BCOA Ballot 2004 – 48, published in January 2005 Bulletin Board:

“BCOA members incurring expenses covering BCOA budgeted items during the fiscal year shall submit invoices to the Treasurer on or before March 1<sup>st</sup> of the next year to be eligible for reimbursement. Expenditures incurred by members that are not covered by the Budget shall require Board approval. These bills shall be submitted to the Treasurer on or before February 1<sup>st</sup> of the next year. Committee Chairs shall be responsible for notifying committee members to submit receipts for expenses within this time frame.”

**Basenji Club of America, Inc.  
National Specialty Calendar**

**2007** - Oct. 15 - 19  
Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton, CA  
Specialty Chair: Troy Shadbolt  
<http://www.basenjispecialty.org/bcoa-menu.html>

**2008** - Sept. 23 – 28  
Dallas, Texas, South Fork Ranch  
Specialty Chair: Karlene Schoonover

**2009** - Sept 14 – 20  
Owensboro, KY, Executive Inn Rivermont  
Specialty Chair: Joe Tomey

**Submit Address and Email changes to**

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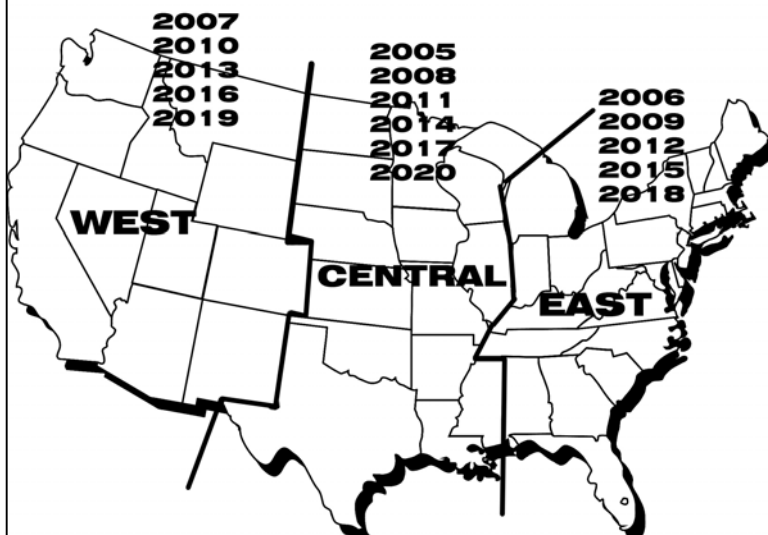
**Canis Basenji**, a whimsical book about life with a Basenji, written and illustrated by widely published author and lifetime BCOA member, Robert Vavra, are for sale for \$13.00 each\*. Originally published by the Basenji Club of America, Inc. in 1958, current copies include a bonus Introduction by Mr. Vavra written in 1991. As explained in his Introduction, this was Mr. Vavra's first book and also the only book he illustrated with pen and ink.

To purchase your piece of Basenji history, visit [www.basenji.org](http://www.basenji.org) and click on the “BCOA Online Store” link to order your copy and pay by Pay Pal or contact:

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\*Additional shipping charges apply to orders outside of the USA

**PERPETUAL SPECIALTY CALENDAR**



**BALLOTS**

**BALLOT 2007 – 34: APPROVED** SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION OF “DEBT TO CLUB”  
Postmarked July 17, 2007 Effective July 27, 2007

Please mark your vote on approving this restatement, suggested by Mara Holiday, AKC Member and Club Coordinator, in her letter giving necessary AKC approval for amendments.

Subsection (a) of Article I, Section 4, Termination of Membership: Any member in good standing may resign from the Club upon written notice the Secretary; but no member may resign when in debt to the Club. ~~Dues obligations are considered a debt to the Club and become incurred on January 1 of each year.~~ **Obligations other than dues are considered a debt to the Club and must be paid in full prior to resignation.**

**BALLOT 2007 – 35: APPROVED** SUBJECT: RETURN TO FORMER DUES STATEMENT  
Postmarked July 17, 2007 Effective July 27, 2007

Please mark your vote on approving a return to the previous dues statement in the BCOA By-Laws, because AKC refuses to approve a dues requirement without an uppermost limit.

Previous Article I, Section 2: Annual membership dues shall not exceed \$25.00 per single membership, \$35.00 per family membership, \$35.00 per Associate membership, \$3.00 per junior membership when joining with an adult, and \$10.00 per junior membership when joining alone, payable on the first day of ~~January~~ **February** of each year. Affirmative votes of 2/3 of the entire Board voting in person, by electronic mail, or by USPS mail shall be required to change the dues amount.

Revision refused by AKC:

~~The dues amount for each type of membership shall be determined by a 2/3 vote of the entire Board voting in person, by electronic mail, or by USPS mail; and any change in dues amount shall be determined by a 2/3 vote of the Board voting in person, by electronic mail, or by USPS mail.~~

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Jones; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell

**BALLOT 2007 – 36: APPROVED** SUBJECT: DATE CHANGE 2008 SPECIALTY  
Postmarked July 19, 2007 Effective July 29, 2007

Because South Fork Ranch, Plano, TX, made the error of double-booking the facility for the dates BCOA had reserved (Sept. 23 – 29, 2008), South Fork will give us the week earlier – Sept. 16 – 21, 2008. Additionally, they will give us six days for the fee of five days.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Jones; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell

**BALLOT 2007 – 37: APPROVED** SUBJECT: TALLIER FOR VOTES ON AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS  
Postmarked July 22, 2007 Effective August 1, 2007

Please mark your vote on approving Elizabeth P. Miller as tallier of the votes on the proposed amendments to the BCOA By-Laws to be submitted to the membership on July 27, 2007. She has served as Inspector of Elections for at least ten years; as a former CPA, she observes special precautions in an election such as ours and retains the ballots and paperwork for a calendar year following each election or general vote. For counting the votes on these proposed amendments, she asks a fee of two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars. The ballots will be returned to the Secretary, as prescribed in the By-Laws, and they will be tallied by the Inspector.

APPROVED: Auerbach; Bolté; Curby; Graves; Greenlee; Hesse; Jones; Pooley; Schreiber; Stargell

| <b>BASENJI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC. SPECIALTIES</b>                                                                                              | 2007<br>Scheduled      | 2008<br>Scheduled                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Willamette Valley Basenji Club<br><a href="http://www.basenji-club.com">www.basenji-club.com</a><br>Multnomah County Expo Center, Portland OR | January 18             | January 17                               |
| Dallas-Ft. Worth Basenji Club<br><a href="http://www.dfwbasenji.org">www.dfwbasenji.org</a>                                                   | March 23               | March 21                                 |
| Basenji Club of Northern California<br><a href="http://www.norcalbasenjies.org">www.norcalbasenjies.org</a>                                   | Moved for 2007<br>only | May 17                                   |
| Basenji Club of Cincinnati                                                                                                                    | May 25 & May 26        | May 23 & May 24<br><b><u>PENDING</u></b> |
| Greater Chicagoland Basenji Club<br>Alden Kennels, Ringwood IL                                                                                | June 16                | July 19                                  |
| Willamette Valley Basenji Club<br><a href="http://www.basenji-club.com">www.basenji-club.com</a><br>Red Sunset Park, Gresham OR               | July 13                | July 11                                  |
| Basenji Club of Southeastern Wisconsin<br>Alden Kennels, Ringwood IL                                                                          | July 27                | July 20                                  |
| Evergreen Basenji Club<br><a href="http://www.basenji.org/ebc/activities">www.basenji.org/ebc/activities</a>                                  | August 3 & August<br>4 | August 1 & August<br>2                   |
| Hoosier Basenji Club<br>Delaware County Fairgrounds, Muncie IN                                                                                | August 18              | August 16                                |
| Basenji Fanciers of Greater Phoenix                                                                                                           | September 14           | September 12<br><b><u>PENDING</u></b>    |
| <b>BASENJI CLUB OF AMERICA NATIONAL SPECIALTY</b><br><a href="http://www.basenji.org">www.basenji.org</a>                                     | October 15 - 19        | September 22 - 28                        |
| Basenji Club of Northern California<br><a href="http://www.norcalbasenjies.org">www.norcalbasenjies.org</a>                                   | October 20             | October 18                               |
| Indian Nations Basenji Club                                                                                                                   | November 1             | October 30<br><b><u>PENDING</u></b>      |



## Fanconi Test FAQ

updated August 8, 2007

On July 14, 2007, the Basenji Health Endowment proudly reported that Dr. Gary Johnson of the University of Missouri released the linked marker DNA test for Fanconi Syndrome in Basenjjs. As the first predictive test available for Fanconi Syndrome, we are sure you all have many, many concerns and we've compiled this list of Frequently Asked Questions to help. This FAQ is a work in progress, so please check back for updates.

### About the Test

#### What is a linkage test?

**Answer:** Linkage is the tendency for genes and other genetic markers to be inherited together because they are in close proximity to each on the same chromosome. A linkage or linked marker test selects a segment (or segments) of DNA at a location on the chromosome and tracks their inheritance. Because DNA segments that lie near each other on a chromosome tend to be inherited together, these markers can be used to track the inheritance pattern of a gene that has not yet been identified but whose approximate location is known.

You can read more about *genetic linkage* at Wikipedia.

#### How reliable are the results?

**Answer:** This is a new test. We can report that all of the double-blind samples used for validation fell into one of the four categories (normal, carrier, affected, indeterminate) and that approximately 75% of the samples that tested affected were already known to be affected and none of the samples that tested normal were known to be affected, or had parents that were known to be affected. About 10% of the samples tested returned an indeterminate result.

A significantly larger data set is required to generate meaningful accuracy rates, if you'd like to learn more, read about *Bayesian Inference* at Wikipedia

#### Is it the same as a marker test?

**Answer:** Yes, a linkage test uses marker(s) to identify conditions caused by an as yet unidentified defective gene. This is not the same as a direct test, which identifies the exact gene responsible for a condition.

#### Is this the same test that's available from University of Pennsylvania?

**Answer: No.** The University of Pennsylvania's Veterinary School offers a urinalysis to confirm an already afflicted dog. It is based on clinical research that pre-dates the Fanconi Protocol developed by Dr. Steve Gonto, which has made the Penn test obsolete.

#### Why was the linkage test created?

**Answer:** To reduce the risk of producing Fanconi afflicted puppies now while research continues on locating the actual gene.

#### Was my dog used to develop the test?

**Answer:** At this time, we do not have a final list of animals actually used for test development.



## Fanconi Test FAQ

*updated August 8, 2007*

### **My dog was used to develop the test- do I still have to pay \$60?**

**Answer:** No. The 48 dogs that were actually used to develop the linked marker test will receive results at no charge. However, these results will not be available until *after* the breeding season backlog has been cleared and the research team has the manpower available to cross reference their double-blind samples; and if needed, re-run tests if a sample's results are unavailable.

### **Why is the test so expensive?**

**Answer:** The \$60.00 per dog fee is essentially a time & materials charge covering the cost of reagents used in the test, sequencer time to run the test, OFA recording fee of results, and administrative time to process requests and log results. For comparison, the commercially available Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency (HA) Test for Basenjis costs from \$75.00 to \$140.00 depending on the testing facility.

### **Will the direct test be this expensive?**

**Answer:** We cannot predict the cost of the direct test, but our hope is that it will cost no more than the linkage test.

### **When to Test**

To request the Fanconi Test, your dog must first be registered in the **Canine Phenome Project (CPP)** and complete the breed questionnaires. Print the *DNA Sample Submission Form* and the *Linked Marker Test Form* for each dog you are testing and follow the instructions for sample submission.

**Dogs that are known to have- or are suspected of having- Fanconi are encouraged to submit samples for the benefit of further research. Please indicate on the dog's health survey that they are afflicted prior to submitting samples or test requests. There is *no charge* for testing or recording of results for these dogs.**

### **I want to order a test, whom do I send the form to?**

**Answer:** If submitting a test request when you already have a sample in the CPP, send your *Linked Marker Test Form* and payment to:

Liz Hansen  
321 Connaway Hall  
University of Missouri  
Columbia, MO 65211

If you are shipping a blood sample at the same time, send your sample, *DNA Sample Submission Form*, *Linked Marker Test Form* and payment to:

Dr. Gary Johnson  
Basenji DNA Research  
320 Connaway Hall  
University of Missouri  
Columbia, MO 65221

If you have already sent paperwork to Dr. Johnson instead of Liz, don't be concerned- they'll figure it out. Don't forget, all payments should be in US funds payable to **the University of Missouri**.



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updated August 8, 2007

### **I live overseas; can my dogs be tested?**

**Answer:** Any dog registered with the CPP that has submitted a blood sample can be tested. Instructions for shipping samples from outside the United States to the University of Missouri can be found at [<http://www.canine-epilepsy.net/forms.html>]. We strongly suggest you contact Liz Hansen in Dr. Johnson's office prior to starting the process.

### **I already bred this year, should I test the sire & dam? The puppies?**

**Answer:** While the results won't change the breeding you've already done; they will give you information about the parents. Puppies can be tested as soon as they can safely give at least 3mL of blood.

### **I have a companion dog, should I test? When?**

**Answer:** We ask that people hold off testing dogs that aren't being considered for breeding in the 2007-2008 season. You may request a test, but it may be delayed until the backlog is cleared. Watch the BHE website for status reports on the backlog.

### **I have frozen semen from a deceased dog who has blood stored in the CPP, when can I test?**

**Answer:** If you are planning to use the semen this season, by all means request a test now. Otherwise, it is probably best to wait until you are breeding because the direct test may be available.

### **I have frozen semen from a deceased dog, without blood stored in the CPP; can I test?**

**Answer:** We suggest you wait until you are planning to breed as the direct test may be available. The University of Missouri can extract DNA from semen; however they require 2 straws and they may not get usable DNA. Download handling instructions for the University of Missouri at [<http://www.canine-epilepsy.net/forms.html>]. We strongly suggest you contact Liz Hansen in Dr. Johnson's office prior to starting the process.

## **Working with the Results**

Result emails come from [<cpp@offa.org>](mailto:cpp@offa.org)

### **Should carriers only be bred to normals?**

**Answer:** Fanconi can result if a carrier is bred to a carrier and if a carrier is bred to an affected; it is advisable that carriers only be bred to dogs that test normal. If your dog's result is indeterminate its safest to treat it as a carrier when breeding.

You can read about *Punnett Squares*, used to determine the probability of an offspring having a particular gene, at Wikipedia.

### **Should I spay/neuter my dog based on the results?**

**Answer:** No.

### **My dog came back affected, should I just euthanize it now?**

**Answer:** No.

### **I've tested my puppies and some came back affected. What do I do? What do I tell buyers?**

**Answer:** Explain to buyers that the breeding was done prior to the availability of a Fanconi test. The buyers should be educated in providing a healthy environment for their dog; which includes avoiding unnecessary stress, a quality diet and plenty of drinking water. Buyers should be introduced to the Fanconi Protocol developed by Dr. Steve Gonto, taught the early signs of Fanconi, how to monitor urine for sugar, and be referred to a Veterinarian with Fanconi experience.



## Fanconi Test FAQ

*updated August 8, 2007*

### My dog came back indeterminate, what does that mean? Should I re-test?

**Answer:** Our linkage test uses 3 markers (for a total of 6 alleles) to predict Fanconi status and requires that all 3 be in agreement. An indeterminate result means the 3 markers are not in agreement (see Figure 1) and therefore cannot predict Fanconi status. This would not change with a re-test. It is our suggestion that people treat indeterminate results as carriers when making breeding decisions and continue routine strip testing of urine.

### I Still Have Questions

Please email us at [info@basenjihealth.org](mailto:info@basenjihealth.org) and we will make every attempt to get answers.

### References:

**Wikipedia** is the largest public Encyclopedia on the web; the address is <http://www.wikipedia.org>

**Liz Hansen**, or another appropriate person at University of Missouri can be reached via email at [mizzou@basenjihealth.org](mailto:mizzou@basenjihealth.org)

**The Canine Phenome Project** website is <http://www.CaninePhenome.org>

**The Fanconi Protocol** developed by Dr. Steve Gonto is available for download from the Basenji Health Endowment website.

**The Basenji Health Endowment** website is <http://www.BasenjiHealth.org>

**Figure 1 – Sample Test Results**

where "1" represents a normal gene and "2" represents an affected gene.

| Marker A |   | Marker B |   | Marker C |   | Conclusion    |
|----------|---|----------|---|----------|---|---------------|
| 1        | 1 | 1        | 1 | 1        | 1 | NORMAL        |
| 1        | 2 | 1        | 2 | 1        | 2 | CARRIER       |
| 2        | 2 | 2        | 2 | 2        | 2 | AFFECTED      |
| 1        | 1 | 1        | 2 | 2        | 2 | INDETERMINATE |
| 1        | 2 | 1        | 2 | 2        | 2 | INDETERMINATE |
| 1        | 1 | 1        | 2 | 1        | 2 | INDETERMINATE |
| 1        | 1 | 1        | 1 | 1        | 2 | INDETERMINATE |
| 1        | 1 | 1        | 1 | 2        | 2 | INDETERMINATE |



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Complete this form and mail with payment to:  
Troy Shadbolt • 2916 Kennedy St • Livermore, CA 94551

Make checks payable in US Funds to **BCOA 2007**  
A \$30 service fee will be charged for any NSF checks.  
**visit [www.BasenjiSpecialty.org](http://www.BasenjiSpecialty.org)**

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <b>Trophy Donations</b>                                                                   | <b>Deadline to be in Catalog: August 27th</b> |
| A Class Sponsorship is \$60.00, visit our website to see what classes are still available |                                               |
| Sponsorship Note: _____                                                                   | Amount Enclosed: _____                        |

|                                     |                                             |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| <b>Banquet Reservations</b>         | <b>Reservation Deadline: September 26th</b> |
| <i>All Dinners are \$36.00 each</i> |                                             |
| Pasta Primavera                     | qty: _____ Guest Name(s): _____             |
| Pan Fried Boneless Chicken Breast   | qty: _____ Guest Name(s): _____             |
| Grilled Salmon Filet                | qty: _____ Guest Name(s): _____             |
| London Broil                        | qty: _____ Guest Name(s): _____             |
| Total Number of Guests: _____       | Amount Enclosed: _____                      |

|                                                          |                              |                 |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Conformation Catalog Advertising</b>                  | <b>Advertising Deadline:</b> | Deadline Passed |
| Half-Page with 1 Photo \$40.00                           | Number of Ad(s): _____       |                 |
| Full-Page with 1 Photo \$70.00                           | Number of Ad(s): _____       |                 |
| <b>send conformation catalog ad copy &amp; photo to:</b> |                              |                 |
| Wanda Pooley [albasenji@rockriver.net]                   |                              |                 |
| 8050 Old River Rd • Rockford, IL 61103                   |                              |                 |
|                                                          | Amount Enclosed: _____       |                 |

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|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>ASE Catalog Advertising</b>                  | <b>Advertising Deadline:</b> | Deadline Passed |
| Half-Page with 1 Photo: \$25.00                 | Number of Ad(s): _____       |                 |
| Full-Page with 1 Photo: \$40.00                 | Number of Ad(s): _____       |                 |
| <b>send ASE catalog ad copy &amp; photo to:</b> |                              |                 |
| Tim Monahan [timmonahan@comcast.net]            |                              |                 |
| 1363 Thurston Ave NE • Olympia, WA 98506        |                              |                 |
|                                                 | Amount Enclosed: _____       |                 |

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| <b>Merchandise</b> (available by pre-order only)                                                               | <b>Order Deadline: September 1st</b>             |
| <i>all items are available in sizes S-4XL</i>                                                                  |                                                  |
| T-Shirt: \$18.00                                                                                               | S:___ M:___ L:___ XL:___ 2X:___ 3X:___ 4X:___    |
| Vest: \$25.00                                                                                                  | S:___ M:___ L:___ XL:___ 2X*:___ 3X*:___ 4X*:___ |
| Hooded Sweatshirt: \$30.00                                                                                     | S:___ M:___ L:___ XL:___ 2X*:___ 3X*:___ 4X*:___ |
| 1/4 Zip Knit Pullover: \$35.00                                                                                 | S:___ M:___ L:___ XL:___ 2X*:___ 3X*:___ 4X*:___ |
| * add \$3.00 for sizes 2X-4X                                                                                   |                                                  |
| ___: I will pick up at the show ___: Ship (include \$8.00 for the first item, \$4.00 for each additional item) |                                                  |
|                                                                                                                | Amount Enclosed: _____                           |

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Fairgrounds 5-Day Parking Pass</b>                                          | <b>Order Deadline: October 5th</b>  |
| <i>if you do not purchase a pass, you will be charged \$8.00 daily to park</i> |                                     |
| Number of Passes (\$25.00 each): _____                                         |                                     |
| Where will you pickup your pass (circle)?                                      |                                     |
| Coursing/ASE                                                                   | Hilton (supply name on room): _____ |
|                                                                                | Amount Enclosed: _____              |

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| <b>Contact Information:</b>                                                                                           |
| Name: _____                                                                                                           |
| Address: _____                                                                                                        |
| City: _____ State: _____ Zipcode: _____                                                                               |
| Phone: _____ email: _____                                                                                             |
| To Make any payment online, visit us at <b><a href="http://www.BasenjiSpecialty.org">www.BasenjiSpecialty.org</a></b> |

**Total Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_**



The BCOA 2007 Conformation/Obedience/Rally Premium List is scheduled to mail on August 15th. It may be posted to infodog.com before then. All BCOA members in the United States will receive a print copy of this premium.

The AKC Coursing, ASFA Coursing, NOTRA Meet and African Stock Exhibition premiums will be posted to our website, [www.BasenjiSpecialty.org](http://www.BasenjiSpecialty.org) at the same time, they will not be mailed.

We are pleased to report that for BCOA 2007 we will be accepting online entries for ALL events; MB-F will accept entries for the events they are managing while we will accept entries for all others at [www.BasenjiSpecialty.org](http://www.BasenjiSpecialty.org).

**The closing date for all BCOA 2007 events is Wednesday September 26th.**

If you are entering an event and require a print premium list, please contact the appropriate Event Secretary.

For the AKC & ASFA trials, you may use a generic entry blank. Entries are \$20.00 for each trial and \$20.00 for each JC test.

AKC & ASFA Lure Trials: Pat Fragassi -  
<pat@tanzabasenjis.net>  
4448 Second Street Pleasanton, CA 94566

NOTRA Meet: Donna Troyna - <dmtroyna@yahoo.com>  
215 Monte Carlo Way Danville, CA 94506

African Stock Exhibition: Laurie Gregory  
<quita@barkless.com>  
17021 NE 185th St Woodinville, WA 98072

Conformation, Junior Showmanship, Rally, Obedience:  
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[www.BasenjiSpecialty.org](http://www.BasenjiSpecialty.org)---  
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**American Kennel Club News Article  
AKC 21st Century Study Reveals  
Attitudes and Purchasing Habits of Dog  
Owners**

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*--Comprehensive Study Reveals Dog Ownership Influence On Lifestyle--*

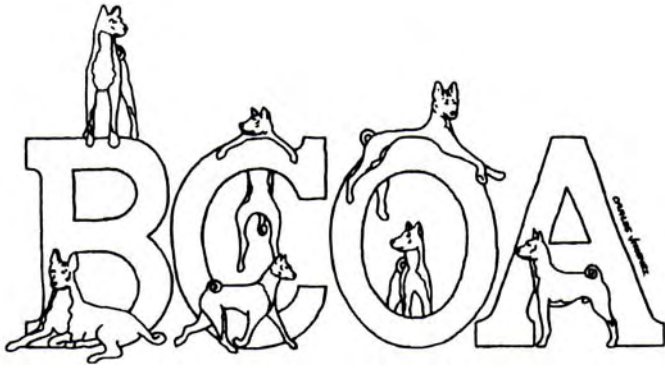
The American Kennel Club® is pleased to announce the release of the first-ever AKC® 21st Century Dog Owners Study, focusing on the behaviors, attitudes and purchasing habits of dog owners. Of the 750 AKC respondents\* — a majority of whom were female — 42% of women said they own a dog to enhance their personal health and reduce stress. Not surprisingly, 99% of owners surveyed stated the reason they own a dog is for companionship. And 88% of dog owners surveyed regard their dog as a beloved family member.

"The study reveals that dog ownership heavily influences both lifestyle and purchasing habits. We found that owners consider their best friends 47% of the time when buying a car," said AKC spokesperson Lisa Peterson. "And when it comes to toys, two out of three owners purchased an average of 9.3 balls for their dogs to play within the past 12 months."

"With our unrivaled database and expertise serving the most engaged segment of dog owners in the country, the American Kennel Club is the industry's best source for market intelligence," said Dennis Sprung, AKC's President/CEO, "and in cultivating a picture of the dog owner, the AKC can better serve its core constituency."

The study offers key data on the dynamics of purebred dog ownership in the 21st Century with detailed statistical information, graphical charts, and summary analyses which will serve both manufacturers and retailers of pet products as well as the media for information on developing trends in pet ownership.

For more information or to order copies of this comprehensive research study online go to: <http://www.akc.org/survey21>



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