



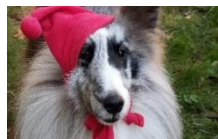
## Meet the Dogs!

These dogs and their owners look forward to meeting you at the  
AKC Canines at the Capitol event on March 29 from 11am-2pm on Halifax Mall! \*



**Patsy (Plott Hound)** – Patsy (registered as Live Oaks Walkin After Midnight) is named after singer Patsy Cline and will be 2 years old in May. She loves going to her owner’s veterinary office in Beaufort every day and wants to play with cats even though “they do not want to play with her, but she thinks they should.” When she gets older, she will follow in her family’s pawprints and visit schools with her owner to teach them how to properly pet a dog, and about coonhounds and her breed. Her owner says Plotts will follow their nose, have a strong prey drive, and figure things out very quickly. “They need a job, training and plenty of exercise or they will get into trouble!” Plotts can be “aloof”, but her owner says Patsy loves everyone, so stop by and say hello!

**Rondo (West Highland White Terrier)** - Rondo (Lotrando Sunshine Celebration GCHG) is a 3-year-old AKC Gold Grand Champion Westie bred in Slovakia. He was named by a 3-year-old boy “as that’s what he could say!”, explains his owner. Later this year, Rondo will be retiring with a family in Maui after a very busy year traveling the country competing in dog shows. He was the top-winning Westie in 2016 with 24 Best in Show wins to his credit. You may have seen Rondo on TV, where he won his breed and second place in the terrier group at Westminster and won the Terrier Group at the Kennel Club of Philadelphia dog show, televised on Thanksgiving Day. Rondo is known for liking to talk a lot, so stop by and see what he has to say and learn more about his adventures!



**Banner (Shetland Sheepdog)** – Banner (Ch Echowyn Out Loud) is a 7-year-old Sheltie bred by his owner by a national specialty-winning sire. He loves the Raleigh Christmas parade where he gets to meet kids, and also being pet by residents of a local memory care center where sometimes visits. Banner achieved his AKC Conformation Championship title in 2013, and his owner is also his handler! His owner describes Shelties as “devoted to their owners. [They] can be wary of strangers ... but warm up after they get to know you!”

**Ember (Portuguese Water Dog)** – Ember (Rough Seas’ Midsummer Bonfire at GabLynn BN RN CGC WWD) is a 6-year-old Portuguese Water Dog bred in North Carolina, who as her breed name implies, loves participating in water events and relishes any opportunity to play in bodies of water. She can be very ‘talkative,’ and is a great companion to her owner’s young daughter. Ember currently holds titles in Rally and Obedience and points towards her breed championship, and recently began Agility. Her owner describes PWDs as “very loyal, friendly, and problem solvers that have a true sense of ‘fairness’ which is unique to them.”



**Clyde (Staffordshire Bull Terrier)** – Clyde (Boomtown’s Smooth Criminal CGC, NA, CA, FDCh, FM, NPGJ, FMCh) is a 6-year-old Staffordshire Bull Terrier bred in Oklahoma who loves snuggling, napping, and playing with his toy ball. True to his breed, he is highly energetic and he loves to participate in Agility, Coursing Ability, and Flyball events, where he has won multiple titles. He also strongly believes it is his mission in life to destroy any and all squeaky toys! His sweet temperament is in direct contrast to the breed’s stigma, and his owner says if you come meet him to know that “Clyde...has an overactive licker and loves to sit in people’s laps and get back scratches.” Clyde will be participating in Agility demos at our event.

**Cameo (“All-American Dog”)** – Cameo (listed as “MACH Quicksilver’s Word Up T2B OF RE FMX RATS” with AKC Canine Partners) is a high-energy 8-year-old mixed-breed. She is a social butterfly who loves all people and dogs – just not moles, and she is very good at keeping them out of the yard! She is a Master Agility Champion and made the finals of the AKC National Agility Championship. Cameo is the first mixed-breed dog in the United States to earn a title in Barn Hunt, has earned the most advanced title of AKC Rally® Obedience, and enjoys competing in flyball. She will be running in Agility demos during our event.

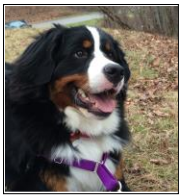


**Nixy (Boxer)** – Nixy (GCH Murbe Chew Irondale’s Who’s That Lady) is a 6-year-old AKC Champion and Grand Champion Boxer bred by her owners. Nixy is now retired from the show ring and loves spending time at home with her best friend (a Great Dane) and enjoying her favorite hobby of chasing squirrels in the backyard. She represents a long breeding program started by her owner’s parents following the end of World War II. All dogs entering this breeding program have always been fully health-tested through the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA).

**Beckham (Papillon)** – Beckham (Gala Walden On The Ball AX, AXJ, OF, FM, BN, RN, CGCA) is a very athletic 4-year-old Papillon from an AKC breeder. Beckham has earned Agility Excellent titles and also competes in AKC Rally, Obedience, Coursing Ability, and conformation dog shows and loves to compete in Flyball. His very favorite activity is to chase other dogs while they are playing fetch and bark at them. He never tries to take their toy, though, because then he couldn't bark with a toy in his mouth! Beckham will be participating in agility demos at this event.



**Lex Luthor (Border Collie)** – Lex (Contact Point's Pocket Full of Kryptonite OA OAJ NF PT FM DE RATS) was from a litter all named after Superman characters. He is a very athletic 6-year-old Border Collie bred by his owner here in North Carolina and competes Agility, Herding, Flyball, and Barn Hunt, but his favorite sport is Dock Diving. Lex is first Border Collie to earn the top-level Dock Elite title from the North American Diving Dogs. His top jump is 25-feet/9 inches! His owner says anyone who wants to own a border collie needs to know that they are "extremely athletic and intelligent, but also very active and need a job – or else they will create their own job [which] could be redecorating your home!" You can see Lex in action as he runs Agility demos at this event.



**Toula (Bernese Mountain Dog)** – Toula (registered as Blackwater Hope, Dream, and Love Always) is a loving 2-year-old with a huge personality. She has her Canine Good Citizen certification, and now comes to work with her owner, where she is known as the AKC Human Resources Department mascot. She enjoys being pampered, taking walks, riding in the car, and playing with her other furry friends. Her owner says those who want to own a "Berneer" must be willing to take walks in the cooler times of day, and brush their coats at least once a week. Also they love to be with their people, so they are not the type of dog that should be left alone all day. She is described as a "social butterfly" and looks forward to seeing you!

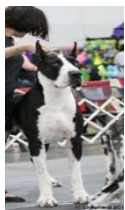
**Duncan (Sussex Spaniel)** – Duncan (GCH CH Stonybeck's Duncan of Rockport DJ CGC) is a lovable Sussex Spaniel who also answers to "Dunkie," "Punkin," and "Tootums" and is the featured Sussex Spaniel on Animal Planet's *Dogs 101* series. This 7-year-old is an AKC conformation show Grand Champion and is training for AKC Rally® and Spaniel Hunt Tests. He is the only Sussex Spaniel to have ever achieved an AKC Advanced title in Dock Diving. The breed loves children and senior citizens, and his owner says Duncan "happily retrieves toys and plays dress-up" with her young nieces. Sussex Spaniels are extremely rare. The breed remains a well-kept secret with Duncan and his niece Thatcher as the only two in the Triangle.



**Felton (German Shorthaired Pointer)** – Felton (CH Summertime's Smooth Sailing CD RE JH AX AXJ CA) is an 11-year-old German Shorthaired Pointer who was born and raised here in North Carolina. His owner calls Felton's Hillsborough, NC, breeder her "Fairy Dogmother" for bringing her and Felton together. She describes Felton as "sweet, intelligent, and mischievous... but above all hungry. His mooching, drooling and counter surfing know no bounds!" He is an AKC champion conformation dog, but also has advanced and excellent titles in Agility and AKC Rally, as well as a title in Coursing Ability. Now enjoying retirement, he will play fetch on land or water until his owner tells him to stop and rest. "Felton," his owner explains, "embodies the brains, athleticism, versatility and beauty of his breed." She encourages those who would

like to know more about the breed to check out an AKC article that features Felton: [www.woofipedia.com/articles/10-things-only-a-german-shorthaired-pointer-owner-would-understand](http://www.woofipedia.com/articles/10-things-only-a-german-shorthaired-pointer-owner-would-understand)

**Nivy (Shetland Sheepdog)** – Nivy ("Sunway Mac-Nolia, RE AX AXJ THD") is an eleven-year-old tri-colored Shetland Sheepdog. She loves running around the backyard playing Frisbee and chasing squirrels, rabbits, lizards, birds and planes flying overhead! She has her AKC Therapy Dog title and is certified with Love on a Leash. Nivy visits assisted living residents, participates in the "See Spot Read" program and regularly visits local schools and libraries. Nivy is described as "a fun-loving, energetic Sheltie" and has earned multiple Agility and Rally titles. Her owner has had Shelties since the 1970's and loves the breed "for their loyalty, intelligence, gentleness and beauty." Nivy will be participating in Agility demos at this event.



**Beast (Great Dane)** – Beast, registered with the AKC as CH Saravilla Chroma Tell Me Your Secrets, is a 5-year-old AKC Champion Great Dane. Standing at 39 inches tall and weighing 180 pounds, there is little question how he got his name! This large dog is also known for his big heart, and loves hanging out with his best friend, a Boxer. His owners also claim that Beast is quite the "ladies' man". He was bred in Youngstown, Ohio, and represents 25 years of a breeding program of fully health-tested Great Danes.