



AMERICAN
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Delegate Standing Committees

(as of June 2026)

Coordinating Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To determine the scope and jurisdiction of Delegate committees 2. To establish procedural guidelines for committee operations. To coordinate, control and facilitate committee requests for staff resources and committee expenses. 4. To review and approve/support "joint" subcommittees.

All-Breed Clubs	Nancy B. Fisk
Bylaws	Gretchen Bernardi
Canine Health	Susan LaCroix Hamil
Companion Events	Gail A. LaBerge, Chair
Delegate Advocacy and Advancement	Mary Lou Olszewski, Secretary
Dog Show Rules	Cindy Stansell
Field Trial and Hunting Test Events	Robert Rynkiewicz
Herding, Earthdog, Coursing and Scent Work Events	Robert N. LaBerge
Parent Clubs	Harvey M. Wooding

All-Breed Clubs Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To share information and procedures useful to All-Breed Clubs. 2. To find ways of making All-Breed Clubs and their events more effective and efficient in serving the needs of their members and their communities.

One-Year Term	
Terrie Breen	Farmington Valley Kennel Club
Marc Crews	Mid-Continent Kennel Club of Tulsa
Nancy B. Fisk, Chair	Hockamock Kennel Club
Two-Year Term	
Margaret DiCorleto	Chow Chow Club
Margaret "Peggy" Doster, Secretary	Kennel Club of Buffalo
Laurie Maulucci, Assistant Chair	South Windsor Kennel Club
Tim Ufkes	Olympic Kennel Club
Three-Year Term	
Dr. Yves Belmont, DBA	Conyers Kennel Club of Georgia
Patricia Cruz	Heart of the Plains Kennel Club
Linda C. Flynn	South Shore Kennel Club
Debbie Owen	Louisville Kennel Club

Bylaws Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: To review and make recommendations on proposed amendments to the Bylaws.

One-Year Term	
Gretchen Bernardi, Chair	Mississippi Valley Kennel Club
Eugenia Hunter	Irish Wolfhound Club of America
Pamela Stacey Rosman	Canaan Dog Club of America
Frederick Vogel	Eastern Dog Club
Two-Year Term	
Sylvia Arrowwood	Clarksville Kennel Club
Jan Ritchie Gladstone, Assistant Chair	Waterloo Kennel Club
Dr. Gregory J. Paveza	Elm City Kennel Club
Three-Year Term	
Dr. Robert S. Dove, DVM	Scottish Deerhound Club of America
John V. Ioia, MD, PhD, Secretary	Southern Adirondack Dog Club
Thomas Powers	Kennel Club of Beverly Hills
Glenda Stephenson	Space Coast Kennel Club of Palm Bay

Canine Health Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To gather and share with the Delegates scientific information vital to the improvement of canine health. 2. To recommend to the Delegates educational programs, procedures and research relevant to canine health.

One-Year Term	
William I. Christensen, MD, Secretary	Australian Terrier Club of America
Eddie Dziuk	National Beagle Club
Dr. Marthina "Marty" Greer	Waukesha Kennel Club
Joellen Gregory, DVM, Assistant Chair	Otterhound Club of America
Two-Year Term	
Susan LaCroix Hamil, Chair	Shoreline Dog Fanciers Association of Orange County
Margaret Pough	Finger Lakes Kennel Club
Dr. Robert E. Tainsh, MD, MPH	Cedar Rapids Kennel Association
Three-Year Term	
Dr. Sophia Kaluzniacki	Canada Del Oro Kennel Club
Dr. Harvey Mohrenweiser	Standard Schnauzer Club of America
Sharon Steckler	American Boxer Club

Companion Events Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To share information and procedures useful to Clubs offering Companion Events. 2. To find ways for helping Clubs offering Companion Events to make events more effective and efficient in serving the needs of their members and their communities. 3. Make recommendations on issues affecting Companion Events.

One-Year Term	
Eleanor Campbell	Morris Hills Dog Training Club
Mike Kriegel (APPOINTED)	Bell Vernon Kennel Association
Larry Wilson	Philadelphia Dog Training Club
Two-Year Term	
Jack Cadalso, Assistant Chair	Washington State Obedience Training Club
Gail A. LaBerge, Chair	Atlanta Obedience Club
Patricia A. Sample, Secretary	Anderson Obedience Training Club
Laura Trainor	Susque-Nango Kennel Club
Three-Year Term	
Dr. Joyce A. Dandridge	Capital Dog Training Club of Washington D.C.
Chris Marston	Mount Vernon Dog Training Club
Dr. Norine E. Noonan	Basset Hound Club of America
Betty M. Winthers	Pasanita Obedience Club

Delegate Advocacy and Advancement Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To review and make recommendations on issues and proposals affecting the future structure of the Delegate Body, Delegate empowerment, changes relating to Delegate meetings and Delegate eligibility. 2. Delegate mentorship and orientation.

One-Year Term	
Barbara Burns	Rockford-Freeport Illinois Kennel Club
Marge B. Calltharp, Secretary	Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America
Marile Waterstraat	Huntington Kennel Club
Two-Year Term	
Marylyn DeGregorio	Taconic Hills Kennel Club
Mary Lou Olszewski, Chair	American Bloodhound Club
Dan Stolz	Clearwater Kennel Club
Mimi Winkler	Saw Mill River Kennel Club
Three-Year Term	
Carl C. Ashby III	United States Kerry Blue Terrier Club
Ellen Hardin, Assistant Chair	Golden Retriever Club of America
Jane F. Ruthford	Mt. Baker Kennel Club
Judy Seltrecht	Manatee Kennel Club

Dog Show Rules Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: To review and make recommendations on proposed amendments to Dog Show Rules.

One-Year Term	
Harold Miller	American Foxhound Club
Barbara Shaw	Greater Collin Kennel Club
Diana Skibinski, Assistant Chair	Lake Shore Kennel Club
Two-Year Term	
Nancy Amburgey (APPOINTED)	Akita Club of America
Sandy Bingham-Porter (APPOINTED)	American Maltese Association
Joe Fitzgerald, Secretary	Catoctin Kennel Club
Barry Hoovis	Monticello New York Kennel Club
Three-Year Term	
Stacey La Forge	Tibetan Terrier Club of America
Dr. Kenneth Levison	Tucson Kennel Club
Cindy Stansell, Chair	Grand River Kennel Club
Matthew Townsend	Carolina Working Group Association

Field Trial and Hunting Test Events Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To share with all local clubs holding field trials and hunting tests current information, procedures, and best practices. 2. To provide help to clubs holding field trials and hunting tests be effective and efficient in serving the needs of their members and their communities. 3. To support clubs that hold field trial and hunting test events in enhancing and preserving the working skills of the breeds involved.

One-Year Term	
Gloria Askins	Greater Murfreesboro Kennel Club
Neal Goodwin	Flat-Coated Retriever Society of America
Heidi Henningson	American Chesapeake Club
Nance Olson Skoglund, Secretary	Gordon Setter Club of America
Two-Year Term	
Florence Duggan, Assistant Chair	Sussex Hills Kennel Club
Karen Luckey	Spinone Club of America
Chris Orcutt	Irish Red and White Setter Club of America
Three-Year Term	
Blaine Grove	New England Beagle Club
Terry Hilliard	American Brittany Club
Robert (Bob) Rynkiewicz, Chair	Eastern German Shorthaired Pointer Club
Allison Schultz, MD	Bracco Italiano Club of America

Herding, Earthdog, Coursing and Scent Work Events Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To share information and procedures useful to the clubs that conduct herding, earthdog, coursing and scent work events. 2. To find ways of making herding, earthdog, coursing and scent work events and the clubs that conduct such events more effective and efficient in serving the needs of their members and their communities. 3. To support the role of herding, earthdog, coursing and scent work events and the clubs that conduct these events in enhancing and preserving the working skills of the breeds involved.

One-Year Term	
Don H. Adams	Cudahy Kennel Club
Lisa Pruka	Border Collie Society of America
Two-Year Term	
Carol Fisher, Secretary	Valley Forge Kennel Club
Kathleen Gregory, Assistant Chair	Port Chester Obedience Training Club
Robert N. LaBerge, Chair	Lawrenceville Kennel Club
Maria Sacco	United States Lakeland Terrier Club
Three-Year Term	
Stephanie Crawford	Del-Otse-Nango Kennel Club
Karen Bowers Lee	American Whippet Club
Richard L. Reynolds	Garden State All-Terrier Club
Joyce Rowland	Australian Cattle Dog Club of America

Parent Clubs Committee

The charge of this Standing Committee is as follows: 1. To share information and procedures useful to parent clubs. 2. To find ways of making parent clubs and parent club events more effective and efficient in serving the needs of their members, their breeds, and their local specialty clubs.

One-Year Term	
Karen Burgess	Greater Clark County Kennel Club
Douglas Johnson	Colorado Springs Kennel Club
Helen A. Prince	Scottish Terrier Club of America
Two-Year Term	
Don James	Leonberger Club of America
Peter G. Piusz, Assistant Chair	American Rottweiler Club
Richard Rohrbacher	Welsh Springer Spaniel Club of America
Three-Year Term	
Connie Butherus	Afghan Hound Club of America
Maggi Strouse	National Shiba Club of America
Richard Su, Secretary	Keeshond Club of America
Harvey M. Wooding, Chair	San Mateo Kennel Club

Perspectives Editorial Staff

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Class of 2026	
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Margaret "Peggy" Wolfe	United States Neapolitan Mastiff Club
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Don James	Leonberger Club of America
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