

# Ridgeback Rambles

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to a remarkable effort put forth by many fellow club members, plus a few other big-hearted folks, OCRRC's 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Regional Specialty was another smashing success. This issue of The Rambles includes some fascinating reading as our conformation and sweepstakes judges share their impressions of the dogs exhibited and where they believe our breed is headed. The show site in San Juan Capistrano was a stunning backdrop for the specialty weekend



### OCRRC Specialty — Conformation Judge Kent Delaney Speaks Out...

It was an honor to have been invited to judge the Annual Specialty Show of the Orange Coast Rhodesian Ridgeback Club. It was my intention to make the entire experience enjoyable, memorable and

activities...but unfortunately, it is unavailable for next year's show. We are currently exploring options for a new show site and/or date and hope to have updated information in the next Rambles.

The Board of Directors regretfully accepted the resignation of Recording Secretary Debra de Tolsei. Debra has been a wonderful asset to the club for the past several years, as both a member of the BOD and an active participant and temporary chairperson of the club's rescue program. Her enthusiastic presence will be sorely missed. We wish Debra all the best in her exciting new life as a returning student at Princeton University.  
Debra Brandewie Driza

suspenseful for all the exhibitors and spectators. I hope I succeeded. I had a wonderful time.

A special thank you to Lisa and Mike Patterson and their show committee members for all their hard work which made for a

has graciously agreed to fill the vacated spot. We look forward to her energetic approach in this new position.

Plans are underway for the Fall Match, tentatively scheduled for October 26. It takes a village...well, maybe not a village, but it does help to have a lot of volunteers. Please contact me if you can donate the valuable gift of time. Positions include raffle chairperson, lunch chairperson, set up committee, take down committee, ring stewards, day of show entry takers...no experience necessary, we will train! I hope to see you and your Ridgies at this fun-filled day in the park.

Best regards,  
Mike Patterson

spectacular Specialty Show. My judging was made very easy because of Ron and Jackie Wassenaar, my very able ring stewards – we made a great threesome. Thanks to the club for the (continued on pg. 7)

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- *Next General Meeting scheduled for September 12, 2002 at 8:00 p.m. at CoCo's in Orange (7 pm for dinner)*
- *OCRRC Fall Match tentatively scheduled for October 26, 2002*
- *SDRRC AKC Sanctioned "A" Match September 14, 2002 in San Marcos*
- *ARRF Fun Match October 6, 2002 in San Marcos*

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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

BOD Meeting Minutes—August 22, 2002

Meeting called to order at 8:09 at El Torito Grill Brea.  
Debra de Tolsei and Lisa Patterson absent. All other Board Members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - waived: Minutes of last board meeting shall be published in upcoming Rambles; in addition to minutes of Special Meeting held on June 28, 2002.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: Thursday, Sept. 12, 2002 at Coco's.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mike Patterson: Regretfully announces the resignation of Debra de Tolsei from the position of Recording Secretary. According to club by-laws Section 5.3 the majority of the Board voted yes to the appointment of Debra Driza as Recording Secretary for the rest of the year; Thank Yous for all who volunteered their time at the Specialty will be published in the Rambles.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Catherine Schock: want to stress that for future Specialties the Lure Coursing event is best held on a separate day from the conformation judging; we should secure fencing well in advance and most importantly secure an appropriate field; Nancy Brandewie will donate Dry Erase Boards & Easels for posting of running order, stakes and results.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Barbara Rupert: AKC has “signed off” on our 2002 Specialty and has sent an application for our 2003 Specialty; AKC's approval of the Lure Coursing event was sent to David Hayek along with the application for the 2003 trial; received a newsletter from Canine Health Foundation with article on Mast Cell Tumors, this to be forwarded to David Hayek for publishing in the next Rambles; flyer for the Aztec RR Fanciers Fall match to be held on Oct 6, 2002 also to be forwarded to David Hayek.

## FROM THE OCRRC SPECIALTY



Best of Breed  
Ch. Kwetu's Mahubah's Fair Play



Best of Opposite Sex  
Ch. Ushamwari's Nori



Winner's Dog/Best of Winners  
Firedance's Fafner



Winner's Bitch  
Rdsnds Archetype Speed of Light



High in Trial—Obedience  
DC Art Farm Patson Lombe Of Juba Lee SC



Best Junior Handler  
Leila Bicos



Best in Sweeps  
Reblrdge Sir Barkley B. Barkin'



Best of Opposite in Sweeps  
Primetime's Never Been Kissed

### ***OCRRC Top Ten Through February 28, 2002***

1	<b>CH OF AFRIKKA'S KUMBAYAH</b>	<b>B &amp; D DRASTRUP</b>	<b>120</b>
2	<b>CH OAKHURST MOUNTAIN MAVERICK</b>	<b>M SUESS/ B RUPERT</b>	<b>110</b>
3	<b>CH DEER RIDGE BLIXEN OF AFRIKA</b>	<b>C WISTROM</b>	<b>95</b>
4	<b>DC KIMANI'S HIGH PROFILE SC FC</b>	<b>D HAYEK</b>	<b>45</b>
5	<b>CH FIREDANCE REMEMBER WHO YOU R</b>	<b>M &amp; J SOROSKY</b>	<b>34</b>
6	<b>RAJATARU'S BECCA OF HIGH PROFILE</b>	<b>D HAYCK</b>	<b>28</b>
7	<b>OURIDGENAL RED'S HOT NORKOTAH</b>	<b>CORD &amp; ROBBINS</b>	<b>25</b>
8	<b>CHOCTAWRIDGE HALILI WALK WITH PRIDE</b>	<b>V MARK</b>	<b>22</b>
9	<b>OURIDGENAL RED'S BADGE OF COURAGE</b>	<b>L ROBBINS/D ROBBINS</b>	<b>14</b>
10	<b>CH CH RIVERCITY'S MISS CONDUCT</b>	<b>T ABNEY/C ASHFORD</b>	<b>14</b>

### ***OCRRC Top Ten Through March 31, 2002***

1	<b>CH TIGRIS NOTHING BUT NET FROM MASAI NA</b>	<b>M &amp; L PATTERSON</b>	<b>149</b>
2	<b>CH OF AFRIKKA'S KUMBAYAH</b>	<b>B &amp; D DRASTRUP</b>	<b>135</b>
3	<b>CH OAKHURST MOUNTAIN MAVERICK</b>	<b>M SUESS/ B RUPERT</b>	<b>110</b>
4	<b>CH DEER RIDGE BLIXEN OF AFRIKA</b>	<b>C WISTROM</b>	<b>101</b>
5	<b>CH JUBA LEE'S FLYING SOLO JC</b>	<b>K WILLIAMS/S RIORDAN</b>	<b>59</b>
6	<b>DC KIMANI'S HIGH PROFILE SC FC</b>	<b>D HAYEK</b>	<b>45</b>
7	<b>VAN D PIERS RAZZLEDAZZLE'EM</b>	<b>S &amp; J PIERCE</b>	<b>40</b>
8	<b>CH FIREDANCE REMEMBER WHO YOU R</b>	<b>M &amp; J SOROSKY</b>	<b>34</b>
9	<b>CH ORANGEWOOD DOUBLETAKE AT TRIGGRHILL</b>	<b>E &amp; J SCANTINI/P MADDALONI</b>	<b>32</b>
10	<b>CH RIVERCITY'S THIS BUD'S FOR YOU</b>	<b>P NICHOLAS</b>	<b>29</b>

### ***OCRRC Top Ten Through April 30, 2002***

1	<b>CH TIGRIS NOTHING BUT NET FROM MASAI NA</b>	<b>M &amp; L PATTERSON</b>	<b>149</b>
2	<b>CH OF AFRIKKA'S KUMBAYAH</b>	<b>B &amp; D DRASTRUP</b>	<b>135</b>
3	<b>CH OAKHURST MOUNTAIN MAVERICK</b>	<b>M SUESS/ B RUPERT</b>	<b>110</b>
4	<b>CH DEER RIDGE BLIXEN OF AFRIKA</b>	<b>C WISTROM</b>	<b>101</b>
5	<b>CH RAJATARU'S BECCA OF HIGH PROFILE JC</b>	<b>D HAYEK</b>	<b>81</b>
6	<b>CH JUBA LEE'S FLYING SOLO JC</b>	<b>K WILLIAMS/S RIORDAN</b>	<b>59</b>
7	<b>CH MAISAI'S JOIE DE VIVRE</b>	<b>J RODGERS/BERRY &amp; ELLIOT</b>	<b>46</b>
8	<b>DC KIMANI'S HIGH PROFILE SC FC</b>	<b>D HAYEK</b>	<b>45</b>
9	<b>CH RIVERCITY'S THIS BUD'S FOR YOU</b>	<b>P NICHOLAS</b>	<b>29</b>
10	<b>WYNDRUNHR SUNNI SKYES OF GOLD</b>	<b>N &amp; D BRANDEWIE/ L CANNON</b>	<b>40</b>

#### **THANKS GO TO . . .      By Lisa Patterson**

Many volunteers selflessly donated their time, and in some cases money, to ensure the success of OCRRC's 16<sup>th</sup> Annual "...of Old Friends and New Beginnings..." Regional Specialty. We sincerely thank everyone whose efforts made this show a memorable event for all Ridgeback lovers:

First, our heartfelt thanks to judges Kent Delaney, Diane Jacobsen and Kenneth Miller for their knowledge and enthusiasm; it was a delight to watch their obvious enjoyment of our breed. To our wonderful ring stewards, conformation 'veterans' Ron and Jackie Wassenaar, and Barbara Dickson and Sharon Pierce who stepped in as last minute sweeps stewards, for graciously keeping order in this large entry. To Obedience Chairs Dotty Ambrose and Lyn Valdivia, capably assisted by Maril Suess, for smoothly running a large obedience entry. And to Rhonda Storm and Janis McManigal, our new show secretaries, for providing us with top-notch service and a quality catalog.

A big shout out to raffle chairs Brian and Vicky Swink for the many hours spent organizing one of the most beautiful, prize-laden raffle tables of all time. To Shirley Wait for creating the highly anticipated grand raffle prize, a gorgeous Ridgeback-motif hand-painted gourd. To Nick McCracken, sales guy extraordinaire, for selling countless number of raffle tickets and for manning the sales table during the show and the exhibitors' dinner the next day. To Mindy Smith and Amy Walker for spending many hours behind the sales table. To Linda Robbins for making sure all of the trophies had a sponsor - and ensuring the sales table had plenty of tempting stuff from which to choose. Speaking of trophies, artist Jennifer Benedict truly outdid herself this year with her stunning African petroglyph ceramic treasures, complete with personalized Swahili engravings on each trophy.

Our sincere appreciation to Myrna Berger, Sara Glasser, Rebecca Eastman and Karen Kay Brown for ensuring our exhibitors had plenty to eat and drink throughout the day. To Nancy Brandewie, Linda Cannon and Debra Driza for providing the most scrumptious exhibitors' dinner yet. To Joe Berger for engraving the challenge trophies...and serving up his famous margaritas at the exhibitors' dinner. To Dr. Christina Wistrom for her fascinating post-dinner seminar on RR temperament testing in Sweden. To the always-delightful Theresa Lyons for traveling across the country to cover our show despite a very untimely airport delay. To Vickie Marx for transporting Mr. Delaney to the show in style. To Art Valdivia for stepping in as last minute master of ceremonies for the Parade of Veterans. To Kathy Main for her very generous donation to offset specialty expenses. To Dick and Barbara Rupert for their help and advice. And to Edith Mrak, Beverly Brown, John Rodgers, Jim and Betty Scattini and [continued on p. 10]

## OCRRC SPECIALTY SWEEPSTAKES JUDGE DIANE JACOBSEN GIVES HER IMPRESSIONS

I felt very honored to be asked to judge the Sweepstakes at the OCRRC Regional Specialty. Overall the quality of the exhibits was very high. The weather couldn't have been better, cool and overcast. Now all I had to do was pull myself together and judge puppies.

I looked up to see a lovely class of 6-9 month puppy bitches. Suddenly this didn't look like it was going to be so easy after all. All seven of the babies were wonderful and acting just like baby puppies should on a cool morning. I found myself wishing I could have started with the males because they are usually easier to judge. The quality to me, is in the bitches where the strength of the breed should be.

I found a nice young girl to start this class with. She was a well put together bitch, wheaten in color, a bit shorter on leg and neck than what I would normally go for but this pup excelled in movement. She was clean on the out and back and outstanding on the sidego. She exhibited power and smoothness, light on her feet and floated around the ring. I had to ignore her to judge the rest of the class.

My 2<sup>nd</sup> place was a real baby. She was barely 6 mos from the look of her and very immature for her age but she was clean moving and had a ground covering gait, pleasing head and the leg and neck that my first place lacked. In 3<sup>rd</sup> was a nice young bitch with a pleasing head and overall balance. Not quite the sidegait that the two that placed above her had. 4<sup>th</sup> place went to another young bitch whose sidegait caught my eye. Overall this class had seven very respectable entries, that should do well for their owners.

The 9-12 class came into the ring and I thought that 7 babies strained my brain and then looked up to see 10 young girls standing there. I wasn't sure this was going to be so easy after all. Another nice class overall, showing depth of breeding throughout the class. These girls were trained a bit better and showed the work put into the training.

My first place bitch was a showy, well-put together youngster. I liked her overall balance, headpiece and the way she carried herself moving. She was more like a collected gaited horse instead of the power mover that I usually like. 2<sup>nd</sup> was a bitch that I liked the type on and moved well. Not quite as fancy as the 1<sup>st</sup> place but very sound. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> were obviously litter sisters. At first I had the 4<sup>th</sup> place up a notch because she was a bit smoother than her sister, but in the last go-round, it was obvious the 3<sup>rd</sup> place bitch was a bit stronger in the front and more efficient moving. Both these bitches are big girls with lots of bone and substance. It did not affect their ability to move and both were efficient and light on their feet.

Okay, I made it through that class and no one shot me so on to the 12 to 18 mo. bitches. Now I look up and there are 14 young ladies out there. I was kind of hoping this was going to get easier but it didn't look like it was going to soon. This was about the time of the first attack of the rubber chickens. As I look to my left, I noticed a naked rubber chicken with a carefully drawn ridge upon his naked chicken back. I thought it best to ignore him.

I found a nicely put together, very smooth bodied young bitch to start this class with. She had type, femininity and a lot of style to go with a ground-covering stride. She was correct on the out and back and the sidegait was reachy but very smooth.

2<sup>nd</sup> was a darker bitch, pleasing to watch as she moved but just not quite at the party at this time in the class. I couldn't say she didn't do everything as well, she just didn't seem to be giving at that time. Very sound and nice headpiece. I liked her very much. 3<sup>rd</sup> place went to a strong bitch, maybe not as feminine as the first two. She excelled in sidegait and type to me and garnered the 3<sup>rd</sup> place on those merits. 4<sup>th</sup> was a very typey, red bitch, strong on the sidego but lacking a bit coming at you. Nice headpiece and striking standing. The rest of this class bears mentioning as there were some excellent prospects in here. Nice bone and substance but had one thing or another that bothered me. I found a wry mouth, several with short, straight upper arms and a couple of not exactly pleasing heads. Not to knock these dogs as the rest of them more than made up for these minor things but not in the strength of this class. (Continued on next page.)

## DIANE JACOBSEN'S THOUGHTS ON SWEEPS (continued from page 6)

Now we get the boys and the sun comes out. I knew that I should have started with the boys, as there was only two in the 6-9 mo. class. They fell into 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> very easily. The 1<sup>st</sup> place pup was masculine, well boned up and handled his body well for the class age. He covered ground quite well and used himself efficiently. I would like to have cleaned up his neck a bit but that was all I would have changed. My 2<sup>nd</sup> place puppy was at that unfortunate puppy stage where body parts don't match. He was high in the rear throwing the balance off, a stage that I am sure he will outgrow but not on that day.

The 9-12 class came into the ring. I had a bit of trouble in this class as the dog that I might have started with decided that I was the boogey man. I must have looked at him with a hungry look as he envisioned a hot dog bun in one hand and mustard in the other. He was having nothing to do with it.

The dog I started with was a smooth male, not quite as much bone and substance as I would have liked but nicely put together. He moved well but did float his front at times when he was moved a bit too fast. He was clean coming and going. In second was a nice, young, red male with a stunning sidegait. I almost put him first but I didn't like the dog coming at me. Not consistently, but every once in a while he would scramble his front. Third was my dog that was sure I was going to eat him. He was a nicely put together dog, more the type that I like. Too bad the feeling wasn't mutual. Fourth was a tall, yellow dog that was a tad overly exuberant. He was one happy boy and I couldn't see him out and back but the go round was a race.

The 12 to 18 class was in the ring now and I turned to the table to get my book. There it was another rubber chicken.

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## OCRRC SPECIALTY—KENT DELANEY'S COMMENTS (continued from Page 1)

lovely original ceramic piece. What an appropriate judges gift. I love it and it will always remind me of a very special judging assignment.

The quality of the classes was outstanding and this showed as soon as the first class came into the ring. What a privilege to appraise such depth of quality in a single time and place. I saw lots of dogs with great profiles with great detailing, definitive muzzles, good toplines, well-muscled legs and let down hocks.

I could not deny the Open Dog class winner, Firedance's Fafner. He put it all together – mind and body. His head is classic in shape and detail, lovely strong neck flowing into wonderful shoulders. His balance flowed through into his extremely sound and clean movement. I was pleased to award him Best of Winners. My Reserve Winners Dog, Shadoridge Wstwood Lil' Deuce Coupe, came from the 9-12 puppy class – lovely type, size and soundness for his age – his neck is of good length and flowed into his topline. He had good front angulation and his rear was balanced both standing and moving – with a little more maturity, he will do very well.

The strength of the bitch entry became apparent with the first puppy bitch class. The Bred By Exhibitor class of 19 had so many of lovely type, size and soundness. Their beauty and style will make so many champions. This is a perk for the breed if they are bred correctly. The Open class of 21 was also filled with so many of lovely type. I could not deny the Open Bitch class winner, Rdsnds Archetype Speed of Light. Her movement was balanced with perfect reach and drive. Her head was exquisite with loads of detail. Her topline was rock hard and never let down – she is a very exciting lady. I was pleased to hear she finished her championship the following day at the Hound Show. My Reserve Winners Bitch, Oakhurst Abayomi Andazi, came from the Bred-By class. Her balance moving and standing was excellent. There was very little to dislike about her and so much to like. She had an air of dignity and poise – she was presented beautifully.

The fifty specials including two very athletic veterans made an awesome sight – so many beautiful animals. After several cuts all those left at the end were worthy of the honors. It was a difficult decision. I liked each and every one that got an award of merit, but I also felt there were others deserving of an award. My Best of Breed, CH Kwetu's Mahubah's Fair Play, had strength, balance, movement and such stature. He moved flawlessly but when you're built right you should move right. His sure determination and attitude carried him to Best of Breed. Best of Opposite Sex went to CH Ushamwari's Nori, she too had purpose in movement. Her balance moving and standing was excellent. She had a very pleasing head and expression with proper eye color and shape. Awards of Merit went to: CH Oakhurst WGASA Morgan Run; CH Wetu of Kalahari; CH Clapton Z Masai (Veteran Dog); CH Spring Valley's Great Gatsby; CH Rajataru's Dbltake Sir Rufus; and CH Tigris Nothing But Net From Masai, NA, NAJ.

It was a wonderful weekend for me. Thanks to all the exhibitors for such an exciting entry and for the sporting and courteous manner in which my decisions were accepted.

## Board Meeting Minutes (continued from page 2)

TREASURER'S REPORT – Meredith Wisniewski: As of July 23, 2002 – Checking: \$1,555.84; Savings: \$125.96; CD: \$9,200.98; Website hosting bill is past due since July – the bill should be paid and Meredith to contact Brian Swink regarding his offer of free hosting of our website. Mike Patterson interjects that the Lure Coursing bank account (\$1,041.00) should be moved to a bank more convenient to current BOD members. Meredith to contact B of A to discuss best plan for our 4 bank accounts – checking, savings, CD and Lure Coursing account. Specialty monies – around \$3,900 profit! Not including the returns from Shoreline, Long Beach, and the WHASC. Sales table - \$1,957.50; Raffle just under \$2,000. The actual Specialty financial report will be published in the Rambles.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Specialty: Unfortunately we wont be able to use the site in San Juan Capistrano again. Other possible sites are being reviewed by the Long Beach/Shoreline clubs; some alternatives are Palm Springs weekend with the Inland Empire Hound club, San Gabriel/San Fernando KC at the Santa Fe dam recreational area or a completely independent 2003 Specialty at a location like Featherly Park; a decision will have to be made at the General Meeting in September so that Show Chair Catherine Schock will have a direction to take.

Fall Match: Irvine Park is available for use of the Lure Coursing fun run area. But need to check on the availability of October 26 or 27 when the Pattersons and the Bergers can attend; Barbara Rupert needs to make the AKC application and get insurance rider 6 weeks in advance; Meredith needs to submit park permit application 20 days in advance of Match date; Conformation judge suggestions: Danny Canino, Patrick Garcia, Pluis Davern; Barbara Rupert to contact; Barb will also contact Dotty Ambrose for suggestions for an obedience judge; as always volunteers are needed to help with the match.

Rescue: A “Thank You” was received from Gregory G. Detkos – Corporate Secretary & Webmaster for National Club Rescue group for our \$500 donation. Discussion - there are concerns about the number of rescue dogs in the circuit, foster homes and shelters when referrals for possible homes are being sent to the local coordinator but she does not return phone calls and placements are not being made.

Membership: Cindy Cartwright –voting member application but only one sponsor. Suggest the she contact the breeder of her RR for another sponsor and invite her to attend our Match in Oct; Edith Mrak – associate member application.

OLD BUSINESS – Mike Patterson: needs to send check to Jennifer Benedict for the 5 prints offered at the Specialty. This will come from the Specialty funds.

NEW BUSINESS – We currently have 7 bronze and zero silver medallions; need to order 15 bronze and 2 silver.

Meeting adjourned: 9:27 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine Schock

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## Diane Jacobsen's thoughts on Sweeps (continued from page 7)

This one with a classy, well placed, golden ridge on its rubber chicken back. It was perched on the flower arrangement getting ready to crow or maybe looking for feathers, not sure which. I was hoping he would find the other one and run away.

My first place dog just caught my eye and everything I saw I either loved or could live with. The ridge could have been a tad longer and I would have liked to see it wider but it was there and adequate and therefore in my book, okay. He was a bit sloppy in the top moving when he was not under control but when pressure was put on the leash, he collected up, firmed the topline and was pure pleasure to watch moving. He exhibited extreme controlled power both front and rear and was superbly balanced. Light on his feet and had a head that was masculine and pleasing.

My 2<sup>nd</sup> place dog was a smoother dog, lacking the power of the first place dog but a very well put together dog. He



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Conformation Events

#### All Breed Events (Sept. 20 through October 6, 2002)

9/21 Santa Ana Valley KC I, Cypress, CA	10/04 San Luis Obispo KC I, Paso Robles, CA
9/22 Santa Ana Valley KC II, Cypress, CA	10/05 San Luis Obispo KC II, Paso Robles, CA
9/28 KC of Riverside I, Perris, CA	10/06 Santa Maria KC, Santa Maria, CA
9/29 KC of Riverside II, Perris, CA	10/12 Black Mtn KC I, Henderson, NV
	10/13 Black Mtn KC II, Henderson, NV

### Sanctioned Matches

San Diego Rhodesian Ridgeback Club, Inc. — AKC Sanctioned “A” Match—September 14, 2002, San Marcos, CA

### Fun Matches

Aztec Rhodesian Ridgeback Fanciers— Fun Match October 6, 2002, San Marcos, CA.

### OCRRC General Meeting

September 12, 2002 at CoCo's in Orange (Intersection of Tustin & Lincoln) Dinner at 7:00p.m., meeting starts at 8:00 p.m..

## Diane Jacobsen's thoughts on Sweeps (continued from page 8)

showed well and fit in second quite easily. I had a problem between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. My 3<sup>rd</sup> place dog is a cobby dog, maybe a bit too straight in pastern but a good mover and nice bone and substance. The 4<sup>th</sup> place dog looked like he went out to the local hotdog stand and ate his way back. He was a bit heavy but he was stuffed in the stomach area. I had to admire the smoothness of the side-gait and his reach and drive that made it look effortless. I mentioned this to the handler. The next day he told me the dog must have heard also as he dumped in his crate three separate times. Each pile bigger than the last. Then went on to go WD at the next show to finish while showing off his new waistline.

My selection for Best in Match was between the 12-18 dog, the 6-9 bitch and the 12-18 bitch. I felt that the dog showed me what I wanted most, smooth, effortless power on the side gait. He had plenty of bone and substance and handled his body well.

My selection for BOS in Match was the baby bitch. I liked the strength she showed while moving and her overall balance. She out showed the 12-18 bitch, who did a nice job but not quite the reach and drive nor the strength doing it.

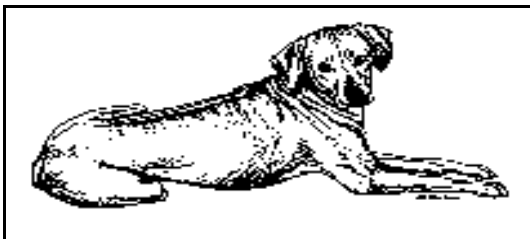
I had a wonderful time and ended up with 4 rubber chickens with ridges on all of them. Someone was at the National Specialty and saw my rubber chicken floating around, being served as an hors d'overs to Theresa Lyons and the victim of Alicia Mohr's demonstration of proper length of neck and leg. In all I had a wonderful time.

## SAN DIEGO'S CLUB TO HOLD AKC SANCTIONED MATCH

Our Neighbor Ridgeback Club to the South, the San Diego Rhodesian Ridgeback Club, Inc., will be holding an AKC Sanctioned “A” Match on Saturday, September 14, 2002 at Walnut Grove Park. The Park is located at 1950 Sycamore in San Marcos, California, just north of Highway 78.

All class ridgebacks are invited to enter. Premium Lists and entry forms are available for download from the club's web site at <http://www.sdrbc.org>. Judging will commence at 10:00 a.m. All judging will be conducted by Ms. Dixie Hirsch of Silverado, California. Entries will close on Wednesday, September 11, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. As this event is sanctioned by the American Kennel Club, no day-of-show entries are permitted.

For more information contact Match Secretary David T. Hayek at [hpkridgebacks@earthlink.net](mailto:hpkridgebacks@earthlink.net)





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And finally, very special thanks to our loyal exhibitors and spectators who came from all across the country to attend this show. On behalf of OCRRC, we are sincerely grateful for your support...hope to see you all next year in Southern California for our 17<sup>th</sup>!

