

AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award

In the American Kennel Club's ongoing efforts to recognize and celebrate its volunteer club members, The AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award program was established in 2006 to provide each member club with an AKC Medallion to award to one of its own on a yearly basis.

This award honors those individuals who deserve special recognition that have made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club. Medallions are awarded solely at the club's discretion.

Criteria for Selecting a BSCA Member to Receive the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award

The recipient must be a member in good standing of the BSCA for at least ten (10) years. They must have undertaken substantial activities to promote the sport of purebred dogs, demonstrated a high level of commitment to the Belgian Sheepdog and embody the attributes outlined in the AKC Code of Sportsmanship [see page 2].

The recipient should regularly attend AKC dog events with their dog(s) and participate in sanctioned activities i.e. conformation, performance and/or companion events of the BSCA and/or Regional clubs.

This annual award will be presented to the deserving BSCA member at the annual awards banquet for their contribution to the BSCA and the Belgian Sheepdog breed. Examples of such contributions might include spearheading a successful program, making a major contribution to the breed, organizing a successful fund raising effort, chairing a committee, being a show chairman, being a BSCA Board Member, being a 'worker bee' or simply showing a selfless act of kindness.

1) How to nominate a person.

Nominations must be from a BSCA Member in good standing in the form of an essay of 500 words or less stating why the individual is deserving of this award. The essay should describe the activities of this individual that makes them a worthy candidate and explain how this person exemplifies good sportsmanship as outline in the AKC Code of Sportsmanship.

2) Send nominations to Gail O'Neil at gailoneiln@gmail.com by March 30, 2023. A list of eligible members is attached here.

3) Selection of the award recipient.

The award recipient will be selected by a vote open to the entire membership.

4) What are the criteria of the award?

The award will recognize an individual who has shown unparalleled examples of sportsmanship and who best exemplifies the ideals of sportsmanship as defined in the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, including but not limited to: fairness, civility, honesty, unselfishness and respect of the rules. The individual will also have set an example and acted responsibly in furthering the BSCA's objectives:

- To define the standard of the breed and to urge members and breeders to accept the AKC Standard for judging and breeding;
- To promote the Belgian Sheepdog as a show dog, performance dog, family dog, and working dog of many talents;
- To popularize the breed with the general public by providing information and news concerning breeding, care, training and showing;
- To protect and advance the interest in the breed by encouraging sportsmanship;
- To assist in conducting AKC Licensed Specialty shows, obedience trials, performance and companion events;
- To encourage and foster the establishment of Regional Clubs for the betterment of the breed.

AKC Code of Sportsmanship

The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of the AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance, and companion events. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this Code is presented:

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The Sportsman Judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The Sportsman Exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The Sportsman Exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The Sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations, and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.

These members are eligible for nomination for the 2023 AKC Outstanding
Sportsmanship Award
The names are in anniversary order.

1963	HENDRICKS	TERRY
1965	JAYE	ELAINE
1968	MARTI	KURT
1968	PATTON	LAURA
1969	HERMAN	JAMES
1969	HERMAN	KATHLEEN
1969	McDONALD	ELEANOR S.
1970	GERBER	CAROL
1971	ALBRO	DONNA
1971	AVILA	RUTH M.
1971	BROWN	JEANI A.
1971	CONSTABLE	JANET
1972	EATON	JOHN
1972	MASDEN	DALENE A.
1972	PORTER	PAT
1972	SHERER	JILL T.
1973	BROWN	MILLARD F.
1973	LAFUSE	SHARON A.
1973	MILLER	JILL A.
1973	SPALDING	MARCY
1974	PRAGNELL	MADELINE
1975	HACKNEY	CAROLYN S.
1975	LEVINE	BRENDA
1975	SALBERG-RICHMAN	BARBARA
1975	VAN DUYNE	LYNN CAROL
1976	CHAMBERLAIN	A. LINDA M.
1976	McCARTY	SUSAN M.
1976	SPINHIRNE	CLAIRE M.
1976	TRETHERWEY	PEGGY
1978	ANTROBUS	JANET
1978	CIESLAK	CHRISTINE
1978	CLAUSSEN	LYNNETTE A.
1978	GANDL	JANICE
1978	HANDLERS	ANITA
1978	MEEKS-CHAMBERS	LORRA ACORD
1978	MILLER	LINDA
1978	MIZRAHI	MAUREEN
1979	GARGAN	CINDY M.
1979	GILBERTSON	LYNN
1979	SOUTH	JOHN T.
1980	ANTROBUS	PATRICIA M.
1980	BARRETT	

1980	CZECH	CYNTHIA H.
1980	DANIELSON	JOHN L.
1980	HALL	KAYE
1980	LEFFINGWELL	LISA
1980	MASCUCH	CHARLENE
1980	RICHTER	PEGGY
1980	ROBEY	LINDA
1981	BELLOWS	LAURA
1981	BELLOWS	WAYNE H.
1981	FIECHTER	JULIA E.
1981	VOTAVA	TERRI ANN
1982	CONNELL	KAREN
1982	COOPER	CAROLYN M.
1982	HODGES	KAREN
1982	SPECTOR, DVM	MICHELE A.
1983	ARTYMYSHYN, M.D.	RENEE L.
1983	BRICE	LARRY
1983	GILL	TEDDI
1983	OLSON	LOIS
1983	POWERS	JOHN D.
1984	DAVITO	KAREN SUE
1984	MORAN	CARILEE
1984	SNOW	PATRICIA J.
1984	TREZZA	BARBARA L.
1985	ANDRIC	MELINDA
1985	BRADY	LINDA
1985	JOHNSTONE	JUDY
1985	KRAFT	RAMONA C.
1985	TAILER	KATHRYN C.
1986	BRAND	MARGIT
1986	CORSON	CHERYL
1986	DAVIS	PHYLLIS
1986	DOYLE	WILLIAM K.
1986	GRAICHEN	LAURIE
1986	KOZEL	ANN M.
1986	RINGE	JEANNE WEBER
1986	SCOTT	SARAH E.
1986	VAN SCYOC	GARY L.
1987	BRICE	CHERYL A.
1987	HUDSON	CAROL
1987	KREIDER	STANLEY
1987	LEONARD	BONNIE

1987	MANUEL	JANICE
1987	MORRIS	CAROL R.
1987	OSTLUND	PETER K.
1987	OSTROM	SONJA J.
1987	SOLDERS	BARBARA FETTY
1987	STAVELEY	ELAINE P.
1988	ECKINGER	KATHLEEN
1988	FRANKS	SUE SIVESS
1988	LLOYD-THOMPSON	MEGAN
1988	NELSON	SHAWN L.
1988	ROLF	LINDA
1988	TEXTER-KNAPP	LYNN
1988	WILSON	KIM
1988	WORLEY	TAMI
1989	BAYER	ERNESTINE (TINA)
1989	NAULTY	PATTY
1989	O'NEIL	GAIL N.
1989	PASCOE	JO
1989	PAUL	LAUREN
1989	STORMS	GREG
1990	ALLIGOOD	SHERY
1990	BREWER	SHARON
1990	BUTCHER	JUDY B.
1990	LANG	KATHY J.
1990	MOELLER	MELINDA
1990	VELLA	CATHY
1991	Edmonds	Nancy M.
1991	Foley	Maureen F.
1991	Foy	Mara Lusia
1991	Lattanzio	Terry
1991	Lusia	Anda
1991	Martin	Sheila
1992	Hoffman	Susan
1992	Miller	Peggy L.
1992	Powers	Janice
1993	Bandy	Laurie
1993	Heise	Marion
1993	Madden	Raini
1993	Madden	Terry
1993	Mallonee	Cheryl R.
1993	Roundy	Sharon G.
1993	Sommer	Wendy J.

1994	Bailey-Austin	Rachelle
1994	Cantrell	Julie A.
1994	Codding	Julie
1994	O'Gara	Gina
1994	Sandall	Lori
1994	Vanden Boom	Paula K.
1995	Albert	Andrew
1995	Barker	Jocelyn M.
1995	Beihoff	Timothy J.
1995	Champine	Kathleen A.
1995	Hess Hoos	Patricia
1995	Levine	Joan F.
1995	Pulliam	Alissa H.
1995	Ricci Smith	Janet
1995	Stevens-Sollman	Michele A.
1995	Toma	Pamela T.
1995	Williamson	Jeanne L.
1995	Courtier	Cathy L.
1995	Dyer	Mary F.
1996	Garvin	Debby
1996	Goddard	Viola
1996	Mode	Stacy
1996	Phillips	Charles D.
1996	Robotka	Charlene S.
1996	Schantz	Sharon K.
1996	Smith	Cheryl
1996	Smith	R. Eric
1996	Stevens	Brenda K.
1996	Wainio	Michael J.
1996	Carlsgaard	Thomas A.
1996	Holland	Lisa A.
1997	Mackay	Linda S.
1997	Murphy	Magdalene
1997	Paese	Ann
1997	Spriggs	Carole P.
1997	Sterngold	Patricia
1997	Stout	Karla J.
1997	Tabert	Susan
1997	VanderBurg	Laverne M.
1997	Walsh	Mary
1997		Karen M.
1997		Angela

1998	Cambier	Annabelle
1998	Cambier	Jean-Luc
1998	Daugherty	Vicki L.
1998	Hanley	Sherry L.
1998	Narez	Lynne
1998	Norman	Peri D.
1998	Tacquard	Carol
1999	Goddard	Betty Pat
1999	Herman	Cindy
1999	Lovell	Kathay
2000	Harrill	Barbara J.
2000	Harrill	Spencer J.
2000	Huey	Karen A.
2000	McKereghan	Margot R.
2000	Norman	Virginia W.
2001	Black	Lynn M.
2001	Curran	Christopher
2001	Iona	Thomas A.
2001	Worley	Ron
2002	Reise	James M.
2002	Roberts	Kathy Graham
2002	Savory	Kayla Marie
2002	Verhoski	Bernadette
2002	Vitt	Terry W.
2002	Watson	Robin
2003	Beall	Karen
2003	Behm	Jana L.
2003	Brosnan	Shelly
2003	Kenny	Gail
2003	Kraus	Dr. Mary
2003	Kraus	Thomas
2003	Kreider	Bonnie
2003	Marchesi	Peggy
2003	McKagen	Valerie
2003	Swabb	Sherri Wilmoth
2003	Wiles	Carleen
2003	Wilson	Michelle
2004	Dixon	Dr. Greta KM
2004	Jones	Beth
2004	King	Penny
2004	Sanders	Nancy P.
2004	Wood	Suzanne

2005	Clarke	Margaret
2005	Myer	Sylvia
2005	Sutton, DVM	Kathy Y.
2006	Greenwood	Kathy
2006	Jones	Ann M.
2006	Jones	Nicki
2006	Kent	Colleen
2006	Kohn	Sunny
2006	Lang	Cathie
2006	Lynch	Anne Marie
2006	McGregor	Andy
2006	Niemeck	January
2006	Niemeck	Samantha
2006	Ralston	Mary Ann
2006	Rolf	Donald E.
2007	Allison	Llewellyn S
2007	Buckwalter	Mary Grace
2007	Freedman	Bruce
2007	Goldstrom	Lori
2007	Hodges	Elizabeth
2007	Kutsch	Marie L.
2007	Lloyd	Marion
2007	Mahoney	Lisa
2007	McArtor	Anna
2008	Friedow	Linda
2008	Friedow, DVM	Rory
2008	Gentry	Anita Rice
2008	Gilbert	Laura
2009	Acerra	Andrae Kipin
2009	Agacinski	Karen
2009	Agacinski	Robert L.
2009	DeBlois	Suzanne
2009	Dixon	Jamie
2009	Handler	Suzanne
2009	Looney	Mike
2009	Looney	Susi
2009	Scott	Karen
2009	Stephens	Mary
2009	Taylor	Catherine (Kate)
2010	Berry	Robert C.
2010	Blossom	Ginger
2010	Cherichella	Joseph F.

2010	Daniels	Barbara
2010	Greger	Cara
2010	Halton-Berns	Katherine (Kitty)
2010	Holloway	Tamara
2010	Hopp	Lorie A.
2010	Jakovina	Bob
2010	Jakovina	Harriet E.
2010	Laffler	Linda P.
2010	MacLeod	David
2010	Miller	LeAnn
2010	Newman	Lesley
2010	Nielsen	Susan C.
2010	Ryder	Cynthia
2010	Stark	Marion
2011	Newton	Dorrie
2012	Byrne	Ann L.
2012	Byrne	Kenneth C.
2012	Heflich	Herbert S.
2012	Heflich	Marilyn
2012	Jackson	Cheryl
2012	Jackson	David
2012	Matson	Kimberly M.
2012	Patterson	Felicia
2012	Winings	Jennifer
2013	Boyer, DVM, CAV, AVCA	JoAnn
2013	Eck	Judith A.
2013	Eckhoff	Christian
2013	May	Don
2013	May	Nancy
2013	McClelland	Cathy
2013	Mershon	Lynn
2013	Mershon	Steven
2013	Smith	Wanda
2013	Young	Susan J.

