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### AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day

was celebrated this September in a community near you. Find out more about hosting or attending one of hundreds of fun and exciting events at <http://www.akc.org/clubs/rdod/events/index.cfm>

The AKC Responsible Dog Owner Pet Promise, created to bring the spirit of AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day to life, reminds us that raising a happy and healthy pet is more than just playtime and pampering.

**Petition:**

We are petitioning America's pet owners to remind them of everything that is required to be a responsible dog owner. Sure we give our pups lots of playtime, treats and affection, but what about training? Is your dog groomed as often as his breed requires? Is your pup wearing a collar with tags and permanently identified with a microchip to maximize his chances of being returned to you if he becomes lost?

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We signed the AKC Responsible Dog Owner Pet Promise to show our commitment to our four-legged friends and we hope you will too!

**AKC RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER PET PROMISE**

As a dog owner, I do solemnly swear:

- \* I will never overlook my responsibilities for this living being and recognize that my dog's welfare is totally dependent on me.
- \* I will always provide fresh water and quality food for my dog.
- \* I will socialize my dog via exposure to new people, places and other dogs.
- \* I will take pride in my dog's appearance with regular grooming.
- \* I will recognize the necessity of basic training by teaching my dog to reliably sit, stay and come when called.
- \* I will take my dog to the vet regularly and keep all vaccinations current.
- \* I will pick-up and properly dispose of my dog's waste.
- \* I will make sure my dog is regarded as an AKC Canine Good Citizen® by being aware of my responsibilities to my neighbors and to the community.
- \* I will ensure that the proper amount of exercise and mental stimulation appropriate for my dog's age, breed and energy level is provided.
- \* I will ensure that my dog has some form of identification (which may include collar tags, tattoo or microchip ID.)
- \* I will adhere to local leash laws.

Sign the AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Pet Promise!  
<http://www.gopetition.com/online/9290.html>



**Wishing you Happy Hollow-Days and Great Hunts for this Season!**

**Patricia L. Watts  
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**For Upcoming  
Boykin Spaniel Events go to  
American Kennel Club • [www.akc.org](http://www.akc.org)  
United Kennel Club • [www.ukcdogs.com](http://www.ukcdogs.com)**

### Tuckered Out

by Danny O'Driscoll



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**We Are in NEED of  
Hunting Pictures for  
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