

# JUDGES EDUCATION

## **JUDGE'S EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT**

The Constitution of the Mastiff Club of America lists Continuing Education as one of the objectives of the club (Section 2.e.). The MCOA Judges Education Program is one aspect of the club's efforts to fulfill this objective.

It is the Mission of the MCOA Judges Education Committee to provide prospective judges of Mastiffs a comprehensive training program which focuses on the positive qualities of the breed and the proper evaluation of the Mastiff in accordance with the breed standard, as well as, being an on-going resource to provisional and approved Mastiff judges.

The prospective judges program is conducted by MCOA approved Presenters and Mentors, many of whom are breeder judges, that have been specifically trained to meet the JE requirements of the Club. This annual presentation, held at the MCOA National Specialty, showcases the following AKC recognized Judges Education components:

- History of the Mastiff Breed – a power point presentation
- Mastiff Standard Presentation Part 1- a power point presentation highlighting the approved AKC standard. Part 2 - Interactive hands-on session with 8-10 of the top winning dogs in the current year, plus regional and national specialty class winners
- Three days of Ring Side Mentoring with approved MCOA Mentors
- Question and Answer sessions at each component level of the Workshop

Provisional and approved judges will be supported by providing updated materials and listings of mentor resources, as well as, the addressing of current issues/concerns of which the JEC becomes aware of via the Club..

The Goal of the JEC is to be the comprehensive resource for prospective, provisional and approved judges. This will be achieved by the continuous review of our programs, materials and resources to ensure they are meaningful and consistent.