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Because Eastham Dog is Your Pack

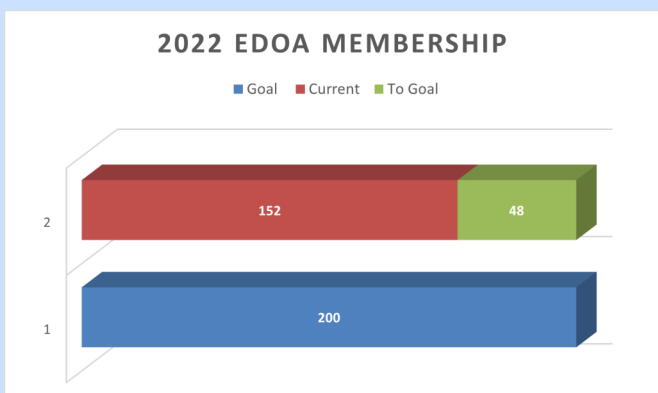
Your Eastham Dog Pack

Thanks for renewing. We are most grateful to the "faithful". It is the backbone of our organization. We have a better-than-average rate of renewals this year. Yea!

The lack of opportunity to reach out to new members hurt our numbers last year, but this response to our membership drive puts us in great shape. Now we just have to go out and let dog owners know of our group. As events open and our crack team of booth volunteers get to work we expect to surpass our goal.

This community's dog owners are great!

Mention us to those you meet on your walks, neighbors, etc. Let them know of our services, education, resources, and discounts. Give them a business card. Here is a [direct link to a page of business cards](#). Please print them out and hand them to prospective members you meet. We need to grow.



What is EDOA Up To These Days?

1. Linda Wood, director, is putting together a new info and recruiting brochure.
2. Ruth Bentsen, treasurer, presented our end of year statement and our budget for 2022.
3. Ed Daniels, director, has updated the EDOA website.
4. Vicky Anderson, director, mailed out final membership reminders.
5. Cindy Nicolson, director, has updated the database and sent out new membership cards.
6. Tracey Plantier, president, whips us all into shape regularly.

EDOA By the Numbers

- 3 Animals sheltered by LCAST in the storm.
- 9 Scholarships given.
- 74 Engaged on our Facebook page.
- 92 e-mail blasts published.
- 555 Viewed our Facebook page.
- 5000 Largest annual scholarship \$ awarded.

On the Web—recommended by our members

[Dangers to dogs presented by marijuana](#): with local shops open and use more widespread, how can dogs be affected?  
-Mike Golan

[Dementia in Dogs](#): what are the signs, effects and therapies (link at the end of the article)?  
-Suzie Williams

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Debrief: The Storm of 2022

-Kathy Herrick, LCAST Coordinator

Storm Kenan brought blizzard conditions, hurricane strength winds, snow and frigid windchills to Cape Cod. Were you prepared? It is easy to ignore weather warnings since forecasts are not always exact, but Kenan's forecast was right on target. Anticipating power outages and dangerous road conditions, the Barnstable County Regional Planning Committee opened three emergency shelters on Cape, including Nauset Regional High School. Over the course of the weekend, thirty people used Nauset either overnight or as a warming center. One German Shepherd and two cats also took advantage of the pet shelter staffed by EDOA's Lower Cape Animal Shelter Team (LCAST). This was in addition to the municipal and volunteer agencies that maintained the shelter over a 36-hour period.

Whether it is a winter storm or a hurricane, preparation starts at home. This is the first time in 7 years that Nauset High opened as an emergency shelter, but there have been close calls over those years. Coastal storms, whether in winter or summer, offer potential impact to Cape Cod because we extend sixty-five miles into the Atlantic Ocean.

You should always plan to shelter in place but doing so means being prepared to stay safely in your home until the storm passes. The basic recommendation is to have supplies for three days: water, food, and medications for all family members and pets involved. Granted, sheltering-in-place is easier if you have a generator and town water since you will have access to power and water. Think about having easy to prepare foods, canned and bottled items, which are easy to store and have long shelf lives. Plan for one gallon of water per person per day with extra

for your pets. If your generator is gasoline operated, obtain the gas in advance of the storm. Have cash on hand since power outages could impact ATM machines at your bank. Make sure you have batteries in the right sizes for flashlights and any lanterns. Charge your cell phones, vital equipment and any supplemental power sources before the storm hits.

If conditions are such that sheltering in your home is not safe, pay attention to public service announcements from local officials indicating whether shelters or warming centers are opening. If you have to go to a shelter, remember to bring essentials with you. Learn more about storm preparation and emergency sheltering on these websites:

- <https://www.easthamdog.org/eastham/emergency/>
- <https://www.barnstablecountyhealth.org/health-topics/emergency-preparednesshttps://www.barnstablecountyhealth.org/health-topics/emergency-preparedness>

- *Editor's notes: Kathy Herrick has been the spearhead of LCAST since it became part of EDOA. She and Joanne Baldauf took the bulk of the staffing time. Setting up and organizing the pet shelter and staffing relief came from Carolyn Castiglione, Steve Tenczar, Per Bentsen, and Kerri Reid. Thank you all for giving your time and energy to reach out to those in need.*
- *We received a most complimentary letter from the head of the BCREPC citing the preparedness and professionalism of our LCAST crew.*
- *If you want to volunteer, contact us at [shelter@easthamdog.org](mailto:shelter@easthamdog.org)*

Upcoming

As pandemic restrictions ease toward allowing public gatherings, we are watching to see what events might interest our dogs owners. At this time not much is being definitively scheduled. Here is what we have so far.

- Bow Wow Bash: penciled in for May 21st.
- Hands on the Arts: tentative for June.
- Rabies Clinic: nothing scheduled yet. We are watching, but recommend contacting your vet to update.
- Board Meeting: it's bring your leprechaun day—March 17th.

In Our Mailbox

Hi Ed;  
Thank you for the newsletters. They are wonderful and so well done. Our pups are grateful too. We will tell others that we know to join. The discounts at Eastham Vet Hospital have been great as well. We had several pet visits last year and the discount was amazing.  
~Kemea and Chris Thompson

Dog of the Month

Our pack wants to know about your dog. We plan to feature a new dog with each newsletter. In addition, we are refreshing our website with a new photo gallery.

Offer to feature your dog(s) and send a photo. We'll take it from there.

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