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Something to Chew On

Labrador Retriever owners have spoken! Labrador Retriever is number one on the list of dog breeds most licensed in Hamilton County with 6,516 licensed Labs. Not only are Labs the “most licensed”, they left in the dust the number two breed, German Shepherd with only 2,825 licenses.

Interesting is the fact that four of the top five breeds are big dog breeds. Following Labs and German Shepherds are Beagle (2,400), Golden Retriever (2,343), and Boxer (2,068) with only Beagle not considered a big dog breed.

Rounding out the top ten are five “little ones”: Chihuahua (1,745), Shih Tzu (1,611), Yorkshire Terrier (1,283), Dachshund (1,276), and Jack Russell Terrier (1,028).

The 2014 dog license renewal season which ended February 28th totaled 48,399 licenses sold in Hamilton County, a total fairly close to last year’s renewal total of 48,810. Licenses for new dogs will be sold throughout the remainder of the year and can be purchased online through the Hamilton County Auditor’s website www.hamiltoncountyauditor.org, by mail to the Auditor, or in person at the Auditor’s office or at one of the neighborhood vendors. Go to the dog licensing icon on the Auditor’s website for complete information.

The 2014 top ten dog names are Lucy (580), Max (536), Buddy (506), Bella (477), Maggie (436), Daisy (428), Sadie (415), Molly (404), Charlie (361) and Bailey (346). (Ranking 131st is the name Dusty).

Gender-wise the girls rule with 24,647 to the boys at 22,896. (856 registrations did not denote a gender.)

And if you are wondering who gets the applause for “oldest canine”, it’s Kody, the toy poodle, who is 15 years, 8 months old this year. Congratulations Kody!

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