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## MEETING NOTICE

### MAY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, May 16, 2012

7:00 p.m.

Nebraska Humane Society  
8929 Fort  
Omaha, NE

## PROGRAM

**“NKC Strategic Planning”**  
**Chapter 3**  
**Moderated by Tim Bourke**

**The Officers and Board are anxious to hear from the NKC members!  
If you have questions or suggestions about club projects or policy, or  
if you wish to serve in some capacity, please come to the  
April General Membership meeting. This is your club.**

**PLEASE PARTICIPATE!!**

---Program will follow meeting---

--Members are encouraged to attend,  
and guests are always welcome to the meetings---

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**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR JUNE GROWLER: June 8, 2012**

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

### APRIL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 18, 2012  
Nebraska Humane Society  
89th and Fort  
Omaha, Nebraska

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by the President, Tim Bourke. Those present introduced themselves.

The minutes from the March general meeting were approved as printed.

Treasurer's report: Barb had no new entries from the March report. The checking account has a total of \$2,677, money market total \$376.00, with a combined total of \$3,054.

Our only sources of income at the present are monies from the training classes, and grant money.

Cluster report: The committee is currently working on the draft for the premium list.

AKC delegate: no report

Obedience: no report

Agility: no report

Training: Barb stated that she needs to have someone to take money at the Monday night classes. Jerry and Margie Thurber will do this. Barb also needs someone to schedule trainers for the Monday classes.

Tim said that the club needs someone to volunteer to chair the Community Outreach position.

Legislative: Sandy Orr sends e-mails regularly to keep members informed.

Tracking: Shelly said that she has one judge committed so far.

Ron Weaks did a first reading for prospective new member Sharon Dowell, who was present.

Barb stated that the audit is done. All funds are accounted for so far. It is a possibility that an over-payment was made to Paula Steenson of Paula Presents. Barb will follow up on this.

Sharon said that the deadline for the May Growler is the 4th.

New Business: Tim discussed the new AKC approved class at the shows, which will be a 4 to 6 month puppy class. We discussed this, but no decision was made as to whether we would consider doing this class at upcoming shows.

Shelly questioned if we are going to hold an eye clinic at our fall shows; and if so, have we contacted Dr. Tonya McIlroy to schedule her for this. Sandy will find out at the Thursday cluster meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Margie Thurber,  
Acting Secretary

The program was a discussion of the suggestions provided at the March general meeting as to how best to proceed with improving our club in the future years.

The following items were discussed and put into 7 priorities.

1. Ron will develop a mission statement for the club. He will update us on the progress at the May general meeting.
2. Advertise the cluster shows with flyers, Mom's Everyday, Paula Presents, etc.
3. Stewarding classes: Jo Anne has volunteered to hold these classes this summer. CBKC will be invited to attend.
4. Marketing Chair: We should develop a job description for this position.
5. Fundraising: Tim wants the club to have a reserve of \$12,000.00 by November. We need to have a fundraising manager.
6. Annual audit: Jerry Thurber volunteered to do this.
7. Alternative show sites: The board has visited the Ralston Event Center which is still under construction, and it could be a possibility if the size is sufficient. We will check into the Mid America Center in C.B to see if new ownership might accept dog events in the future.

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### **MAY BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, May 2, 2012  
Nebraska Humane Society  
89th and Fort  
Omaha, Nebraska

**Attending:** Sue Volkmer, Pat Leyendecker, Tim Bourke, Barbara Hill, Dawn Hall, Ann Witte, Elly Rensink, Ron Weaks, Cheryl Morris,

**Absent:** Debby Stokley, Jenni Toebben, Sandy Orr

**President Tim Bourke called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.**

Cheryl Morris resigned her Board Position.

**President Report:** The club is still in need of an assistant secretary and training director. The storage unit is emptied. Tim has everything at his house.

**Secretary Report:** The minutes from the last Board Meeting were approved at posted in the Growler.

The Secretary received an e-mail from AKC about Liability Claims and Insurance. Pat will forward this e-mail to the Treasurer, Barbara Hill. Ann Witte suggested looking into other insurance policies such as: Sportsman Insurance, and the insurance AHBA (American Herding Breed Association) has.

**Treasurer Report:** The April 1- April 30 report was e-mailed to the Board. No objections were made. Secretary will file for record.

Barbara has called Tammy Taylor and her husband about re-applying for membership, but has received no reply. Ann will assist Barbara in trying to contact them.

Barbara found we overpaid Paula \$312.00 in 2011. Barbara will contact Paula for a refund.

Received an invoice from the electrician for the show and the bill of \$250.00 was paid in April.

**First Vice President Report:** Sue found the best location for picnic in June is Chalco Hills Recreation, 8901 S.154<sup>th</sup> Street. She will check on reserving.

Steward training for the November Show will take place in October.

Sue will e-Blast information on the Royal Canin presentation at Uncle Buck's inside Bass Pro Shop.

**Second Vice President Report:** Ron developed a Mission Statement that will be presented to the general membership at the May 23 meeting.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Training:** Barbara Hill volunteered. She will survey, the people coming to training classes through the month of May and make a decision whether to hold classes through the summer months.

**Tracking:** AKC papers have been signed and mailed in.

**Audit:** The audit is complete. Requested tax returns for 2007, 2008, 2009,2011.

**Cluster Committee:** Jenni (conformation) – information is being gathered for the premium list. Health seminars are being looked at. Discussed the Ralston Event Center and decided currently it does not fit our needs for a show.

Pat (obedience and rally) – there will be three rings. Fun matches will be held Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Cheryl (agility)- no report

**Legislative Liaison** – no report

**Specialty Coordinator** – no report

**Strategic Planning** – no report

**Events Planning** – No one has contacted Pat to work on this committee.

**Constitution Review and Revision** – Met on Monday, April 30, 2012

**New Membership Applications** – Sharon Dowell has been approved by the Board.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Anyone interested in helping decorate the “float” for Council Bluffs Pride Parade should meet at Jean Lien’s house, 1428 Avenue A, Council Bluffs around 3:00p.m., May 18, 2012. More information on the pride will be available closer to parade time.

If you would like to participate in the Parade, you will need a NKC T-shirt. Please contact Pat Leyendecker 402-334-5757 or [sheltie-sable@cox.net](mailto:sheltie-sable@cox.net) to order. Please allow a week for completion.

Responsible Dog Ownership day is fast approaching in September. We will need a Chairperson to head this effort. We may be able to combine with Council Bluffs.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Elly will approach Jean Lien about a joint Board meeting with Council Bluffs on May 10.

Tim will encourage members to attend Board meeting.

The Board would like to see a financial report from the Cluster Committee

Pat will email all Board members the minutes from the last Cluster Meeting.

We will wait until the June Board meeting to decide if we need to meet in July.

Motion to adjourn at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Leyendecker, Secretary

**TROPHY ROOM**



**CH CT OTCH MACH HC Outburst Chasing Butterflies (Riva) – Border Collie**

**Owner: Gerianne Darnell**

March 25, 2012

Indian Nations Tracking Club

Tulsa, OK

She earned her VST.

**New Title: VCCH**

**CH OTCH HC Skyland’s Riochet (Rick) – Border Collie**

**Owner: Gerianne Darnell**

March 24, 2012

Greater Kansas City DTC obedience trial

He won Utility B with a 198.

**New Title: OTCH**

*---Submitted by Gerianne Darnell*

**CONGRATULATIONS!!**

## CONFORMATION TRAINING CLASSES

**WHEN:** Every Monday thru June 25, 2012, except major holiday.

**LOCATION:** Companion Dog Club  
10803 N. 72 Street  
Omaha, NE

**TIME:** 7 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**COST:** \$3.00 for first dog,  
\$2.00 for all subsequent dogs per evening

**DURATION:** Recommend 30 minutes or less for puppies. 30 to 60 minutes for adult dogs.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND:** Experience and inexperienced dogs and handlers.

### CONTENT:

- ❖ Table Training Individual Gaiting
- ❖ Group Gaiting Free Stack
  
- ❖ Breed specific training
  
- ❖ Different patterns typical to conformation ring (i.e. triangle, L pattern, T pattern)
  
- ❖ Ring and show etiquette for those new to showing in conformation



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402-571-7036



## COUNCIL BLUFFS COMMUNITY PARADE

Council Bluffs Kennel Club has asked the Nebraska Kennel Club to team with them again this year for their community parade on **Saturday, May 19, 2012**. Parade starts at 10:30 a.m. We will be decorating two floats and walking with our dogs in the parade. This year's theme is **"Toot Your Own Horn."**

We will be doing a 50's theme for our floats. We need volunteers to help decorate the floats and walk in the parade. Walkers will need a NKC t-shirt to participate.

This is a great opportunity to get out with your dog and promote our cluster dog shows with the **Council Bluffs Kennel Club**. Those who participated last year had a great time, but we can always use more volunteers. Looking forward to hearing from you!

We will be meeting at Jean Lien's house in Council Bluffs at 3 pm on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup> to decorate the floats. Jean's address is 1428 Avenue A in Council Bluffs, IA. Her phone number is 712-323-2235. If you can't make 3 p.m., but want to participate, please come on over later.

**Please contact Sue Volkmer via email at [drsuz1990@yahoo.com](mailto:drsuz1990@yahoo.com) or phone at 402-932-5974 for more information.**

*--Submitted by Sue Volkmer*

**June 20, 2012**

**June General Membership meeting will be a picnic at Chalco Hills. More details will be in the June Growler.**

**DUES ARE DUE**

The last day to pay  
your 2012  
membership dues is

**Tuesday May 15, 2012.**

**\$20.00 per Regular Membership, per person**  
Make checks payable to **Nebraska Kennel Club**  
and fill out the **2012 Dues Notice** that was in the  
January Growler.

Mail to:

**Barb Hill, Treasurer**  
**5604 No. 79<sup>th</sup> St.**  
**Omaha, NE 68134**

**NKC FACEBOOK**  
**ADMINISTRATOR**

If you are the **NKC Facebook Administrator**,  
please contact:

**Tim Bourke, 402-391-5069 or [rxtb@aol.com](mailto:rxtb@aol.com).**

# HELP WANTED

NKC Secretary, **Pat Leyendecker** is unable to attend the NKC general membership meetings and needs your help.

**Pat Leyendecker** is heading up a committee to develop activities that the NKC will hold in the next 2-3 years. If you have experience in any dog activities, or any type of activity, please contact Pat . If you are not able to work on the committee, but have ideas, please give your suggestions to

**Pat Leyendecker, 402-334-5757 or [sheltie-sable@cox.net](mailto:sheltie-sable@cox.net)**

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## Talent Wanted

**By Ann Witte**

Hi there!

I want you to know that the **Nebraska Kennel Club NEEDS YOU!!**. Now is the time for you to give us what you can of your talent and time. Oh, yes – you do have talent to offer, and can find the time to give to **YOUR dog Club**.

Sometimes, there is a call for a “**volunteer**” to do certain jobs in the **Club** – just because you weren’t asked personally surely does not mean you are not capable of fulfilling the needs of the **Club**. Please contact **President Tim Bourke**, or any **Board Member**, with your ideas, thoughts, and above all your abilities.

**YOU** count tremendously – not just your Membership (though certainly that is important) but as an active, working member. It may be a time-limited position such as serving **NKC** as a ring steward, or a longer-term position. And hey, we’ll even teach you what you need to do ☺. Believe me, there are many positions to be taken!

We want **YOUR** ideas, too...things we should do as a dog club...ways to increase the treasury, and how to be most helpful to the **Club** in a comfortable way for you.

I will be writing articles for the **Growler** each month; what do you want to know more about? What suggestions do you have for your **Board** or the **Membership**? How can we help you to help us?

Please fee free to contact any **Board Member**, or me at [adonnie@webtv.net](mailto:adonnie@webtv.net)

### NKC Standing Committees

2012 Show Chair	Jenni Toebben
Education	Dona Rosales
Growler Editor	Sharon Bourke
Training Director	Barb Hill
Community Outreach	Vacancy
NKC/AKC Legislative Liaison	Sandy Orr
Tracking	Shelly Rehmeier
Strategic Planning	Tim Bourke
Meeting Refreshments	Charity Upchurch
Specialty Coordinator	Sandy Orr
Web Page Coordinator	Barb Hill
Event Planning	Pat Leyendecker
Constitution	Medora Harper

### **NKC** **2012 Calendar of Events**



May 16	General Meeting
May 19	Council Bluffs' Community Pride Parade
June 6	Board Meeting
June 20	General Meeting
July	Board Meeting
August 1	Board Meeting
August 15	General Meeting
September 5	Board Meeting
September 19	General Meeting
October 3	Board Meeting
October 17	General Meeting
November 7	Board Meeting
November 15 – 18	Lewis & Clark Cluster Dog Shows
December 5	Board Meeting

*Note: List subject to change*

*--Sharon Bourke, Editor*



**WOOF, WOOF,  
Last chance to pay your  
2012 NKC membership  
dues!!**

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**Council Bluffs Parade...  
Sat. May 19, 2012**

FIRST CLASS DATED MATERIAL

### **Growlers Gazette**

Nebraska Kennel Club  
c/o Sharon Bourke, Editor  
1026 South 92 Street  
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**May, 2012**