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MEETING NOTICE

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, October 16, 2013
7:00 p.m.
Nebraska Humane Society
8929 Fort
Omaha, NE

PROGRAM

Dog Drafting and Carting

Presented by Pam Swisher

--Meeting will follow program--
--Members are encouraged to attend
And guests are always welcome to the meetings—

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Ralph Carter, a Nebraska Kennel Club lifetime member, passed away on October 5, 2013. The Nebraska Kennel Club extends its deepest sympathy to his family. Ralph joined the NKC in 1976.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR NOVEMBER GROWLER, *November 8, 2013*

SECRETARY'S REPORT

SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday, September 18, 2013
Nebraska Humane Society
89th & Fort
Omaha, NE

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Bourke at 7 PM. Everyone was asked to introduce themselves and their breed. There were 19 Members in attendance.

Secretary - Minutes were approved with the following addition under the proposed Constitution and Bylaws Article 1 Section 1 via Motion and Second, unanimously passed - to state " the idea of any Honorary Membership was eliminated".

There was also a Motion and Second, unanimously passed - to switch under Article 1 Section 1 of the proposed NKC Constitution and Bylaws item (c) and item (d) so that Item (c) will be for the Regular Membership and Item (d) will become the section listing the NKC's "Lifetime Membership".
The Secretary was asked to include absentees in all future Board Minutes.

COMMITTEE Reports:

Shelly is working on the 2014 Agility Trials and will need a working Committee to do all.

Barb said there are 3 people now running the Training; herself, Dianne Krantz and Medora Harper. Training classes are going well.

Community Outreach will be chaired by Sue and Melody.

Responsible Dog Owners' Day - there was much discussion about this activity, being run by Ron Weaks. This will be held, along with "My Dog Can Do That" on Saturday, September 21 from 10:39 AM to 3 PM. Ron has worked very hard to make this a success at the Companion Dog facility.

Pampered Chef - orders are due NOW.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER DAWN SINGLETON-OLSON

Henceforth, add the small letters "tm" at the end any time the phrase "For The Love Of Dogs" is used.

Calendars: we could use more pictures and Melody wants to sell all the pages (12 total) at $100 per page to businesses so the calendar will be paid for.

There will be a "Gently Used" table at the Cornhusker Valley Cluster on the Saturday in exchange for 2 ring stewards. If you have anything to contribute, PLEASE let the Board know!

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM

Respectfully Submitted
Ann Witte, NKC Secretary

OCTOBER BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, October 2, 2013
Nebraska Humane Society
89th and Fort
Omaha, NE

Meeting was called to order by President Tim Bourke at 7 PM. In attendance were Tim, Ann Witte, Elly Rensink. Medora Harper, Shelly Remeier, Barb Hill, Sheryl Bradbury, Sue Volkmer and Ron Weaks; Absent were Sandy Orr and Dawn Hall (both had notified the Board of the conflict with the shows) and Deb Stokley.

There was a Motion and Second to accept the Agility Secretary's bid and send her a contract for the 2014 Agility Trials. Passed. Shelly is working with all the appropriate people to make the 2014 Fall Agility Trials a success.

The 2014 Herding Trial was tabled for now.

Medora stated that she has now been officially seated as the NKC Delegate to AKC.

There was a longish discussion about the RDOD held by Ron Weaks; he was highly praised by the whole Board for all his hard work presenting this Club activity. We hope to get started on next year's RDOD sooner and be more helpful. The phrase "For The Love Of Dogs" does belong to NKC and will be used again.

There was a Motion and Second to pay Companion Dog Club half our income for RDOD thus $165.75 will be sent to them. Passed with 2 abstentions.

There was a discussion about the Club having "D & O" Insurance for the Board. There was a Motion and Second to NOT renew our "D & O" Insurance; Motion passed with 5 "For", 2 "Against" and 2 "Abstain". Barb Hill will ask around for some less expensive "D & O" Insurance and report to the Board.

The 2014 Club Calendar was discussed. They will be available about November 1, 2013 and are to be sold for $20 each. There was a Motion made to ask all Board Members to pay for one page; this was withdrawn by the maker after some on the Board stated they had already planned to "buy" one page at a cost of $100. Melody has enough photos and will put the Calendar together.

Among the possible "Fund-Raising" ideas was the thought about holding a "50/50 Raffle". Any and all ideas are welcome.

Meeting was Adjourned at 8:25 PM

Respectfully Submitted
Ann Witte, NKC Secretary.

CONFORMATION TRAINING CLASSES

WHEN: Every **Monday,** except major holidays.

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

TIME: **7:00 PM - Small Dogs**
7:40 PM - Large Dogs

COST: $5.00 for first dog,
$4.00 for all subsequent dogs per evening
Junior handler $3.00 per dog

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

Check the NKC website for updates and/or changes – Everyone welcome.
No reservations needed.

Any questions? Contact:
Barb Hill, 402-572-5304

Welcome

TO NEW NKC MEMBER

★Dawn Singleton-Olson★

I want to say a BIG

to all of those individuals who lent a hand with the RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER'S DAY. While not a huge turnout, most all had a positive opinion of the event. We are already talking about a bigger and better event for next year.

---Submitted by Ron Weaks

Joe Bradley has posted around 80 photos from the "Responsible Dog Owners Day." To see the photos go to:
http://www.joeomar.com/NKCRespDogDay2013.html

Elly Rensink

---Photo courtesy of Joe Bradley

2014 NKC CALENDAR SPONSORSHIP

Deadline to have your sponsorship information to Melody Falcone is Tuesday, October 15th
If you are interested in sponsoring a month and/or placing a coupon in the calendar, please contact Melody at:
melarbasenjis@gmail.com
or 402-670-5212
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NKC 2013 COMBINED 2TD/5TDX TEST

Sunday, November 10, 2013
Chalco Hills Recreation Area
8901 S. 154th Street
Omaha, NE
(See page 7 for more de"tails")

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- **If** you are the Chair of an NKC committee and would like to inform the membership of the committee's activities, **please contact the Growler Editor.**
- **If** you have a photo of your dog to put in the **Growler**, **please contact the Growler Editor.**
- **If** you have something for the **Growler**, please contact the **Growler Editor**: **Sharon Bourke, 402-391-5069, or e-mail:** omahasb@aol.com

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$75.00 for a full page
Non-members: *$15.00 per 1/8th of a page*
$112.50 for a full page

Copy cannot change between issues of the Growler. *All ads are subject to NKC Board approval.*

NKC Members: No charge to advertise the sale of used dog equipment.

AKC Delegate's Report

By Medora Harper, Delegate

AKC September Delegate meeting consisted of electing standing committee members, one by-law change and one proposed changed read for a vote at the December Delegate Meeting.

CAR, Companion Animal Recovery, has been renamed to AKC Reunite. It was felt that this was an easier term for people to contact to contact the proper area when an animal is lost.

The AKC new Disaster Relief Trailers should be of wonderful help for people during tornado, hurricane, flooding or any other type disaster where our animals are affected. I will have the packet or what goes into the trailers at the next meeting to share the contents with the membership. Right now, the flooding in Colorado was mostly covered by the Red Cross although the AKC was involved also. Even the dogs were zip-lined out of areas so the owners could remain with their pets. Even a monkey was zip-lined out!! Clubs are encouraged to donate to this fund and can have their club logo put on a trailer!

AKC has a very informative website and I encourage you all to visit it. Go to: akc.org

TROPHY ROOM

Peva's Titan Hyperian The High One, aka "Titan" – St. Bernard

Owners: Chris and Barb Ihle

Sept. 22, 2013	Heart of America SBC	2nd place Open Shorthair	Handled by Tim Bourke
Sept. 22, 2013	Grtr. Twin Cities SBC	WP Qualifying Pull 1,673#	Handled by Chris Ihle
Sept. 23, 2013	Grtr. Twin Cities SBC	WPX Qualifying Pull 1,863#	Handled by Chris Ihle
Sept. 24, 2013	No. Ill. SBC	3rd place Open Shorthair	Handled by Chris Ihle
Sept. 25, 2013	SBCA National Specialty	WPX Qualifying Pull 2,053#	Handled by Chris Ihle
Sept. 25, 2013	Canine Good Citizen		Handled by Barb Ihle
Sept. 26, 2013	SBCA National Specialty	4th place Open Shorthair	Handled by Tim Bourke
Oct. 5, 2013	Platte Valley KC	BB, WD 1 pt.	Handled by Tim Bourke
Oct. 6, 2013	Platte Valley KC	BB, WD 1 pt.	Handled by Tim Bourke

New Titles: WP, WPX and CGC

Chris Ihle and Titan

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Cache Retreat Atlas World on His Shoulders, aka "Atlas"

Owners: Chris and Barb Ihle

Sept. 23, 2013	Grtr. Milwaukee SBC	3rd Open Shorthair	Handled by Tim Bourke
Sept. 24, 2013	No. Ill. SBC	4th Open Shorthair	Handled by Tim Bourke
Sept. 25, 2013	Heart of America SBC	1st Open Shorthair	Handled by Tim Bourke
Sept. 25, 2013		Canine Good Citizen	
Sept. 26, 2013	SBCA National Specialty	2nd Amateur Owner Handler	Handled by Chris Ihle

New Title: CGC

---Submitted by Barb Ihle

Congratulations!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

NEBRASKA KENNEL CLUB'S 2013 COMBINED 2TD/5TDX TEST

Sunday, November 10, 2013
Chalco Hills Recreation Area
8901 S. 154th Street
Omaha, NE

JUDGES: Sandra Mcmillan and Jeanne Ramirez

Entries Close Monday, October 28, 2013

Contact: Shelly Rehmeier at (402) 779-2080
or
shellyrehmeier@cox.net

It is that time of year again when folks want to be out enjoying nature and all her beauty. What better way, than to come and help out at the Tracking Test.

If you are interested in a premium list to enter our test, please go to the club's website: www.nebraskakennelclub.com or contact me.

We have a variety of jobs for volunteers: tracklayers, flag carriers, hospitality, raffle, drivers, etc. We would like volunteers to be available for Saturday and Sunday if possible, but not necessary. We do have jobs that we can split up the times and days. If any of these sound like something you would like to try, please call or email me.

Experience for most of these jobs is not necessary.

In the past, we have had great success with our raffle which provides money to help fund this event. The money is used, along with the entry fees, to pay for AKC fees, judges, judge's gifts, awards, food, etc. If you have something to donate please contact me at the phone number or email address shown above.

Thank you for all of your support and I hope to see you there.

---Shelly Rehmeir, Tracking Test Secretary

NOTICE

Due to suggested amendments to the NKC Constitution and By-laws at the September 18, 2013, NKC General Membership meeting, amendments will be voted upon at the 7:00 p.m. NKC General Membership meeting on Wednesday, November 20, 2013, at the Nebraska Humane Society, 89th & Fort, Omaha, NE. Amendments are in bold.

CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE I
NAME AND OBJECTS

SECTION 1. The name of the Corporation (herein also referred to as the Club), shall be the Nebraska Kennel Club, Inc.

SECTION 2. The objects of the Corporation shall be:

(a) to further the advancement of all breeds of pure-bred dogs;

(b) to do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of all ~~breeds of pure-bred~~ dogs and to encourage sportsmanlike competition at dog shows, ~~and~~ obedience trials, **AND PERFORMANCE EVENTS**;

(c) to conduct sanctioned matches, dog shows and obedience trials, agility trials and other performance events under the rules of American Kennel Club.

SECTION 3. The Corporation shall not be conducted or operated for profit and no part of any profits or remainder or residue from dues or donations(s) to the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member or individual.

SECTION 4. The members of the Corporation shall adopt and may from time to time revise such by-laws as may be required to carry out these objects.

SECTION 5. The purpose of the Corporation is to educate the public generally as to the habits, characteristics, advantages, training, care and treatment of all breeds of dogs by reasonable and legitimate methods of education and information.

BY-LAWS
ARTICLE I
Membership

SECTION 1. While membership is to be unrestricted as to residence, the Corporation's primary purpose is to be representative of the breeders and exhibitors in its immediate area. There shall be four types of memberships open to all persons who are in good standing with The American Kennel Club and who subscribe to the purpose of this Corporation.

(a) Associate membership. Members who are inactive (due to health or distance from Omaha) yet desire to retain association with the Nebraska Kennel Club. Associate members cannot vote or hold office but are eligible for all other Club benefits and privileges.

(b) Junior membership. Members less than eighteen (18) years of age who enjoy all the rights and benefits of the Corporation except the right to vote and hold office

(c) Regular members. Members eighteen (18) years and older who enjoy all the rights and benefits of the Corporation.

(d) Lifetime membership. Members with more than twenty (20) consecutive years of active membership in the Corporation who are so elected by a majority vote of the general membership at any regular meeting as Lifetime Members. Lifetime members enjoy all the rights and benefits of regular members and are exempt from payment of dues. **LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP WILL NO LONGER BE CONFERRED AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2013. LIFETIME MEMBERS WHO WERE VOTED INTO LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013, WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE VOTING PRIVILEGES AND ALL BENEFITS OF THE CORPORATION.**

SECTION 2. Members in good standing of the Nebraska Kennel Club, definition: A member in good standing is one whose dues are paid for the current official year and who is not under suspension by The American Kennel Club or the Nebraska Kennel Club.

SECTION 3. Membership dues:

(a) membership dues shall be set by the Board of Directors at the August Board meeting.

~~**(b) membership dues shall be due at the close of the annual meeting.**~~

SECTION 4. Each applicant for membership shall apply on a form as approved by the Board of Directors and which shall provide that the applicant agrees to abide by these rules and bylaws and the rules of The American Kennel Club. The application shall state the name, address, occupation of the applicant, breed(s) of dogs, type of membership desired, and it shall carry the endorsement of two members in good standing. Accompanying the application, the prospective member shall submit dues payment for the current year. All applications are to be filed with the chairman of the Membership Committee. Each application is to be read the first general meeting following its receipt at which the applicant is present. The Board Directors shall recommend to the general membership the type of membership to be offered the applicant. At the next Corporation meeting the applicant will be voted upon by secret ballot. Affirmative votes of ¾ of the members present and voting at that meeting shall be required to elect the applicant. Applicants for membership who have been rejected by the Corporation may not re-apply within six months after such rejection. No individual who is indebted to the Corporation shall be eligible for membership until said indebtedness has been paid.

SECTION 5. Membership may be terminated:

A. by resignation. Any member may resign from the Corporation upon written notice to the Secretary.

B. by lapsing. ~~**A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid 90 days after the first day of the official year. Lapsed members will be required to reapply and be reaccepted as outlined in SECTION 4 of this Article.**~~

MEMBERSHIP DUES SHALL BE PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY OF EACH YEAR. NO MEMBER MAY VOTE WHOSE DUES ARE NOT PAID FOR THE CURRENT YEAR. DURING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, THE TREASURER SHALL SEND TO EACH MEMBER A STATEMENT OF DUES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR. A MEMBERSHIP WILL BE CONSIDERED AS LAPSED AND AUTOMATICALLY TERMINATED IF SUCH MEMBER'S DUES REMAIN UNPAID 31 DAYS AFTER THE FIRST DAY OF THE OFFICIAL YEAR.

C. by expulsion. A membership may be terminated by expulsion as provided in ARTICLE VI of these rules and bylaws.

ARTICLE II
Meetings and Voting

SECTION 1. Club Meeting. Meeting of the Club shall be held within 25 miles of the city of Omaha, Nebraska on the third Wednesday of the month, at such hour and place as may be designated by the Board of Directors. There will be a minimum of 6 club meetings each year. Written notice of each such meeting shall be mailed/**EMAILED** by the Secretary at least 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for such meetings shall be 20% of the members in good standing.

SECTION 2. Special Club Meeting. Special Club meetings may be called by the President, or by a majority vote of the members of the Board who are present and voting at any regular or special meetings of the Board; and shall be called by the Secretary upon receipt of a petition signed by five members of the Club who are in good standing. Such special meeting shall be held within 25 miles of the city of Omaha, Nebraska at such place, date, and hour as may be designated by the person or persons authorized herein to call such meetings. Written notice of such a meeting shall be mailed/**EMAILED** by the Secretary at least 5 days and not more than 15 days prior to the date of the meeting, and said notice shall state the purpose of the meeting, and no other Club business may be transacted thereat. The quorum for such a meeting shall be 20% of the members in good standing.

SECTION 3. Board Meetings. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held within 25 miles of the city of Omaha, Nebraska on the first Wednesday of the month at such hour and place as may be designated by the Board. There will be a minimum of 6 Board meetings each year. Written notice of each such meeting shall be mailed/**EMAILED** by the Secretary at least 5 days prior to the date of the meeting. The quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the Board.

SECTION 4. Special Board Meetings. Special meeting of the Board may be called by the President; and shall be called by the Secretary upon receipt of a written request signed by at least three members of the Board. Such special meetings shall be held within 25 miles of the city of Omaha, Nebraska at such place, date, and hour as may be designated by the person authorized herein to call such meeting. Written notice of such meeting shall be mailed/**EMAILED** by the Secretary at least 5 days and not more than 10 days prior to the date of the meeting**.** ~~**or telegraphic notice shall be filed at least 3 days and not more than 5 days prior to the date of the meeting.**~~ Any such notice shall state the purpose of the meeting and no other business shall be transacted thereat. A quorum for such a meeting shall be a majority of the Board.

SECTION 5. Voting each member in good standing whose dues are paid for the current year shall be entitled to one vote at any meeting of the Club at which s/he is present. Proxy voting will not be permitted at any club meeting or election.

ARTICLE III
Directors, Officers, Their Number, Designation, Qualifications

SECTION 1. All Officers and Directors of this Corporation shall be elected ~~from and by the Board of Directors~~. **by the members.**

SECTION 2. The officers of this Corporation shall consist of a President, ~~**First**~~ Vice President, ~~**Second Vice President**~~, Secretary and Treasurer.

SECTION 3. POWER AND DUTIES OF THE PRESDIENT: The President shall preside over all the meetings of the members of this Corporation and of the Board of Directors. S/he shall call the members of the Board together whenever s/he deems it necessary, and discharge such duties as may be required of him/her by the Board of Directors; to appoint committee chairpersons and may act as exofficio member on all committees approved by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 4. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ~~**FIRST**~~ VICE PRESIDENT: The ~~**First**~~ Vice President shall have the powers and duties of the President in the absence of the President or on his/her inability or refusal to act, and shall act as Administrative Assistant to the President. S/he will also be the Chairperson of the Program Committee.

~~**SECTION 5. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: The Second Vice President shall have the Powers of the President as outlined above in the absence of the President and First Vice President or their inability or refusal to act. S/he will also be the Chairperson of the Membership Committee.**~~

SECTION **5**. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY: The Secretary will:

A. Act as Secretary of the Board of Directors and enter or cause to be entered the minutes of all meetings of the Board or general meetings and to submit the minutes of the said meetings at the next regular meeting of the membership or the Board. **S/he will also be the Chairperson of the Membership Committee.**

B. Keep a roll of the members in good standing of this Corporation, along with addresses, **EMAIL ADDRESSES,** and telephone numbers.

C. Keep all books, papers and records as may be required by Law and the Rules and Bylaws of this Corporation.

D. Notify all members of the Board of directors of Board meetings and to sign all notices thereof as in these Rules and Bylaws.

E. Serve all notices required either by Law or the Rules and Bylaws of this Corporation.

F. Perform such other acts and things as may at any time, or from time to time, be requested of him/her by the Board.

G. In the event s/he shall require assistance or shall be unable to act, his/her duties may be performed by an Assistant Secretary or any other club member selected and approved by the Board.

SECTION **6.** POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE TREASURER: The Treasurer will:

A. Keep or cause to be kept adequate and correct accounts of the Corporation's Assets, Liabilities, Receipts, Disbursements, etc. **ON CASH ACCOUNTING BASIS.**

B. Receive and deposit all monies and other valuables in the name of and to the credit of this Corporation with such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

C. Disburse the funds of this Corporation as ordered by the Board of Directors; any disbursement over $100 to be countersigned by the President; to render to the President, the Board, and to the membership whenever they request it, an account of all his/her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation.

D. Provide a Treasurer's report at each regular meeting of the Board of Directors, giving the current account balance.

E. Keep proper account books in debit and credit form and perform such other duties as pertain to his/her office and are prescribed by the Board of Directors.

F. Furnish a fidelity bond in such an amount as may be fixed by the Board to be paid for from the funds of this Corporation.

G. Shall maintain for the corporation a reserve fund of twelve thousand dollars ($12,000.00) to be used only in emergencies.

H. In the event s/he shall require assistance or shall be unable to act, his/her duties may be performed by an Assistant Treasurer or any other club member selected and approved by the Board.

SECTION **7.** ~~**The affairs of the corporation shall be administered by a Board of Directors consisting of twelve (12) elected members. The term of office for elected Directors shall be three (3) years, four (4) directors to be elected each year.**~~ **THE AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY A BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSISTING OF 8 ELECTED MEMBERS. THE TERM OF OFFICE FOR ELECTED DIRECTORS SHALL BE 2 YEARS WITH 4 DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED EACH YEAR. THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY WILL BE ELECTED FOR A 2 YEAR TERM IN EVEN YEARS AND THE VICE PRESIDENT AND TREASURER WILL BE ELECTED TO A 2 YEAR TERM IN ODD YEARS. THE OTHER 4 BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE WILL BE ELECTED: 2 ON EVEN NUMBERED YEARS AND 2 ON ODD NUMBERED YEARS.** Only members in good standing of the Nebraska Kennel Club for one (1) or more years as of the conclusion of the annual meeting shall be eligible for nomination and election.

SECTION **8.** Any vacancy occurring on the Board will be filled by a majority vote of the then members of the Board of Directors.

SECTION **9.** **A**ny member of the Board of Directors may be recommended for recall at any regular or special meeting of the Corporation membership by a majority vote of the membership present at the meeting. The motion for recall may not be voted upon at the same meeting during which it is made, and the Secretary shall be instructed to notify all members in writing concerning the date of the voting. Members being recalled shall be notified by registered mail in advance of the meeting. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the Corporation membership present at the meeting is required to sustain the recall. Any member of the Board of Directors absent from three (3) consecutive Board meetings shall automatically stand for a recall vote.

SECTION **10.** Any officer may be recommended for recall at any regular or special meeting of the Board by a majority vote of the members present at the meeting. The motion for recall may not be voted upon at the same meeting during which it is made and the Secretary shall be instructed to notify all members in writing concerning the date of the voting. Officers being recalled shall be notified by registered mail in advance of the meeting. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the Board membership present at the meeting is required to sustain the recall. Officers so recalled will remain as a member of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV
The Club Year, Annual Meeting, Elections

SECTION 1. Club Year. The Club's fiscal **AND OFFICIAL** year shall begin on the 1st day of January and end on the 31st day of December. ~~**The Club's official year shall begin immediately at the conclusion of the election at the annual meeting and shall continue through the election at the next annual meeting.**~~

SECTION 2. The annual meeting of the Nebraska Kennel Club shall be held in or within twenty-five (25) miles of the City of Omaha, Nebraska, during the month of February~~**. AND SHALL SIGNIFY THE CLOSING OF THE CLUB'S OFFICIAL YEAR.**~~ All committees and officers shall have submitted written reports of their activities during the past year and suggestions for the coming year with the Secretary prior to the annual meeting. These reports shall be read to, and accepted by, the general membership. Directors shall assume office following the adjournment of the regular February general membership meeting.

SECTION 3. Elections. Directors will be elected by a secret ballot of the members in good standing at the annual meeting. The four (4) nominated candidates who receive the highest number of votes shall be declared elected~~**. The AKC delegate will be elected by a majority vote of the Board Directors to serve a term of three (3) years.**~~ **THE AKC DELEGATE WILL BE ELECTED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP AT AN ANNUAL MEETING. TERM OF DELEGATE TO BE FOR THREE YEARS.**

SECTION 4. Nominations. No person may be a candidate in a club election who has not been nominated. Nominations will be made at the January general membership meeting.

ARTICLE V
Committees

SECTION 1. The Board may each year appoint standing committees to advance the work of the Club in such matters as dog shows, obedience trials, trophies, annual prizes, membership and other fields which may well be served by committees. Such committees shall always be subject to the final authority of the Board. Special committees may also be appointed by the Board to aid it on particular projects.

SECTION 2 Any committee appointed may be terminated by a majority vote of the full membership of the Board upon written notice to the appointee; and the Board may appoint successors to those persons whose services have been terminated.

ARTICLE VI
Discipline

SECTION 1. Any member who is suspended from the privileges of The American Kennel Club automatically shall be suspended from the privileges of this Corporation for a like period.

SECTION 2. Any member may prefer charges against a member for alleged misconduct prejudicial to the best interests of the Corporation. Written charges with specification must be filed in duplicate with the Secretary together with a deposit of twenty-five dollars ($25) which shall be forfeited if such charges are not sustained by the Board following a hearing. The Secretary shall promptly send a copy of the charges to each member of the Board or present them at a Board meeting, and the Board shall first consider whether the actions alleged in the charges, if proven, might constitute conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Corporation. If the Board considers that the charges do not allege conduct which would be prejudicial to the best interests of the Corporation it may refuse to entertain jurisdiction. If the Board entertains jurisdiction of the charges, it shall fix a date of a hearing by the Board not less than three (3) weeks nor more than six (6) weeks thereafter. The Secretary shall promptly send one copy of the charges to the accused member by registered mail together with a notice of the hearing and an assurance that the defendant may personally appear in his/her defense and bring witnesses if s/he wishes.

SECTION 3. The Board shall have complete authority to decide whether counsel may attend the hearing, but both complainant and defendant shall be treated uniformly in that regard. Should the charges be sustained, after hearing all the evidence and testimony presented by complainant and defendant, the Board may by a majority vote of those present suspend the defendant from all privileges of the Corporation for not more than six (6) months from the date of the hearing. And, if it deems that punishment insufficient, it may also recommend to the membership that the penalty be expulsion. In such case, the suspension shall not restrict the defendant's right to appear before his fellow-members at the ensuing Corporation meeting which considers the Board's recommendation. Immediately after the Board has reached a decision, its findings shall be put in written form and filed with the Secretary. The Secretary, in turn, shall notify each of the parties of the Board's decision and penalty, if any.

SECTION 4. Expulsion of a member of the Corporation may be accomplished only at a meeting of the Corporation following a Board hearing and upon the Board's recommendation as provided in SECTION 3 of this Article. Such proceedings may occur at a regular or special meeting of the corporation to be held within 60 days but not earlier than 30 days after the date of the Board's recommendation of expulsion. The defendant shall have the privilege of appearing in his/her own behalf, though no evidence shall be taken at this meeting. The President shall read the charges and the Board's findings and recommendations, and shall invite the defendant, if present, to speak in his/her own behalf if s/he wishes. The meeting shall then vote by secret written ballot on the proposed expulsion. A 2/3 vote of those members present and voting at the meeting shall be necessary for expulsion. If expulsion is not so voted, the Board's suspension shall stand.

ARTICLE VII
AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1. Amendments to the constitution and by-laws may be proposed by the Board of Directors or by written petition addressed to the Secretary signed by twenty percent of the members in good standing. Amendments proposed by such petition shall be promptly considered by the Board of Directors and must be submitted to the members with recommendations of the Board by the

Secretary for a vote within three (3) months of the date when the petition was received by the Secretary.

SECTION 2. The constitution and by-laws may be amended by a 2/3 vote of the members present and voting at any regular or special meeting called for the purpose, provided the proposed amendments have been included in the notice of the meeting and mailed/**EMAILED** to each member at least two (2) weeks prior to the date of the meeting.

SECTION 3. No amendment to the constitution and by-laws that is adopted by the Corporation membership shall become effective until it has been approved by the Board of Directors of The American Kennel Club.

ARTICLE VIII
Dissolution

SECTION 1. Dissolution. The Club may be dissolved at any time by the written consent of not less than 2/3 of the members. In the event of the dissolution of the Club other than for purposes of reorganization whether voluntary or involuntary or by operation of law, none of the property of the Corporation nor any proceeds thereof nor any assets of the Corporation shall be distributed to any members of the Corporation but after payment of the debts of the Corporation its property and assets shall be given to a charitable organization for the benefit of dogs, selected by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX
Order of Business

SECTION 1. At meetings of the Club, the order of business, so far as the character and nature of the meeting may permit, shall be as follows:

Roll Call (or sign in of members)
Minutes of last meeting
Report of President
Report of Secretary
Report of Treasurer
Reports of Committees
Election of Board (at annual meeting)
Election of new members
Unfinished business
New business
Adjournment

SECTION 2. At meetings of the Board, the order of business, unless otherwise directed by majority vote of those present, shall be as follows:

Reading of minutes of last meetings
Report of Secretary
Report of Treasurer
Reports of Committees
Unfinished business
New business
Adjournment

ARTICLE X
Parliamentary Procedure

SECTION 1. All meetings shall be conducted under Parliamentary Law as specified by the most current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order."

NKC Standing Committees

Education	Dona Rosales
Growler Editor	Sharon Bourke
Training Director	Barb Hill
Community Outreach	Melody Falcone & Sue Volkmer
NKC/AKC Legislative Liaison	Sandy Orr
Tracking	Shelly Rehmeier
Strategic Planning	Tim Bourke
Meeting Refreshments	Barb Ihle
Specialty Coordinator	Sandy Orr
Web Page Coordinator	Barb Hill
Event Planning	Pat Leyendecker
Constitution	Medora Harper
Ways & Means	Shelly Rehmeier
Facebook	Sharon Dowell

NKC
2013 Calendar of Events

October 16	General Meeting
November 6	Board Meeting
November 10	Tracking Test
November 20	General Meeting
December 4	Board Meeting

Note: List subject to change *--Sharon Bourke, Editor*

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