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ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, February 21, 2018
Gorat's Steakhouse
4917 Center Street
Omaha, NE

6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Drinks and
Election of President, Secretary, 2 Board Members,
and AKC Delegate
Dinner around 6:45 p.m.
Reports and Awards to follow dinner

RSVP with attendance and dinner selection to
Sue Volkmer, 402-651-0884 or zman.volkmer@gmail.com
See page 9 for more de "tails"

ELECTION

Election of NKC President, Secretary, 2 Board Members, and AKC Delegate will take place at this meeting. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO VOTE.** No proxies or mail-in ballots will be accepted. Resumes of the candidates appear on pages 7 and 8.

REPORTS

All NKC Committee and Officers Annual Reports will be read at the Annual Meeting. 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. If you are a committee chair or officer and unable to attend, please submit your report to Barb Ihle, Secretary: Blihle@aol.com by Monday, February 19th.

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

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR MARCH GROWLER: *March 9, 2018*

` SECRETARY'S REPORT

JANUARY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, January 17, 2018
Nebraska Humane Society
8929 Fort
Omaha, NE

Nebraska Kennel Club held its meeting at the Nebraska Humane Society on January 17, 2018. There were 13 members present. The meeting was called to order by Tim Bourke, President, at 7:00 P.M. He asked Medora Harper if she would take the minutes. He called for all committee reports from any chairs present at the meeting. Tim also stated that all committee chairs are to have a written report given at the February Annual meeting.

Sharon Bourke gave the Growler deadline as February 9th and asked for resumes from all candidates nominated for club positions with NKC. Tim mentioned that the Constitution amendment will be discussed and voted upon at the Annual Meeting in February.

Holding a stand-alone obedience trial was discussed but many felt there was a lot of competition with other clubs. No decision made.

Shelly gave a detailed report on the recent tracking trial and noted two TD's passed but no TDX's. Norine discussed the upcoming NKC Scent Work Trial on July 6, 2018.

Nominations were held for the following positions open as stated in the NKC Constitution.

President: Tim Bourke
Secretary: Christy Brandt
Delegate: Medora Harper
Board members: Sue Volkmer, Joe Bradley and Alycia Noble. Two Board members are to be elected.

Barb Hill gave a review. There were 19 Conformation entries and 24 obedience entries. She received a thank you note from AKC for the club holding a match. AKC sent out an email to some people in the surrounding area mentioning the match and there were some attendees who were there due to the notice from AKC. Some concern was mentioned as to why the AKC was promoting ANY dog come to the match. Medora will check on this matter.

Ron Weaks earlier had given a report about the Annual Meeting and Sue Volkmer finalized the details and told members to check the club website for menu, time, etc. Beverages will start at 6:00 P.M. and dinner will follow at 6:45 P.M. If a member has a new AKC title on a dog, please notify Joe Bradley. RSVP to the dinner with menu selection by February 16th.

Shelly Rehmeier read two first readings for membership: Irina Harrington and Kaili Appunn, junior membership. Karen Tesarek had the second reading and was voted into NKC membership.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion passed.

Program followed with members bringing dog articles to share with the membership. (NOTE: never too late to return to school for Show and Tell!)

Respectfully submitted,
Medora Harper, Acting Secretary

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FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, February 7, 2018
Nebraska Humane Society
8929 Fort
Omaha, NE

Attendees: Barb Hill, Ron Weaks, Joe Bradley, Shelly Rehmeier, Tim Bourke, Sue Volkmer, Norine Nieman, Barb Ihle.

President called the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

Barb moved the previous meeting minutes be approved. Seconded by Shelly.

Report of the President: None

Report of the Secretary: None

Report of the Treasurer: January 2018 Treasurer's Report submitted for review.

Report of the Vice President: None

Membership Chair: None

Unfinished Business:

Fun Match – Sunday, January 14, 2018: There were 24 Obedience entries and 19 conformation entries. Event made a small profit.

2018 AKC Scent Work Trial – July 6 – 8, 2018: Ribbon order has been placed. Chief Ring Steward Shelly Rehmeier. Prizes/Raffle/Gift Chair: Christine Brandt. Still looking for a food chairperson.

2018 NKC Dog Show, Obedience and Rally – May 19 – 20, 2018: The premium is up on Onofrio's website. We are in need of someone to put together two floral arrangements to be used in the photo area. Please contact Barb Hill at arabarb@cox.net if you can help out with this item.

2019 NKC Dog Show, Obedience and Rally: Discussed negotiations with Platte Valley KC regarding hiring judges for 2020.

Barn Hunt Training: Plan to have training two weeks before Barn Hunt Trial.

Barn Hunt Trial: September 15 – 16, 2018. Trial will include all classes including Crazy 8's. Premium coming out the end of July.

New Business:

Discuss potential to have a Scent Work Trial in August 2018.

Diane Krantz has finished the audit for 2017. No issues were found.

Growler: Deadline is Friday, February 9, 2018.

Ron moved for adjournment, Joe seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Volkmer, Acting Secretary

NEWS & NOTES

CONFORMATION TRAINING CLASSES

WHEN: **Monday**

During the winter months of January, February, and March, if the Omaha Public Schools are closed due to weather, NKC will also cancel conformation training classes.

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

TIME: Classes begin at 7PM – if no one shows up by 7:15 pm, the trainers will go home.

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

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
- Group Training
- Individual Gaiting
- Group Gaiting

Breed specific training (you tell us what you need)

- Different patterns typical to conformation ring, i.e. triangle, L pattern, T pattern
- We will go over ring/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 or arabarb@cox.net

NKC Annual Meeting

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March General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

NKC All Breed Dog Show, Obedience Trial, and Rally

May 19-20, 2018
Lancaster County Fairgrounds
Lincoln, NE

AKC Scent Trial

July 6 – 8, 2018

NKC Tracking Test

November 12, 2018

GROWLER ADVERTISING RATES

NKC members: *$10.00 per 1/8th of a page,*
$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.

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- **If** you have something to contribute for the betterment of the dog fancy that you would like published in the **Growler, please contact the Growler Editor.**
- **If** you have a show win that you would like to brag about, information regarding an upcoming dog event, or poem, etc. to share with others, **please contact the Growler Editor**.
- **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

Proposed Change to NKC By-Laws

At the **Nebraska Kennel Club's Annual Meeting**, on **Wednesday, February 21, 2018**, the following proposed change to **Nebraska Kennel Club's Constitution and By-laws**, **Article 1, Section 4** will be voted upon by the NKC membership:

Current Wording in the NKC By-laws:

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.

Proposed change to NKC By-Laws:

SECTION 4. *Election to Membership*. 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 the constitution and bylaws and the rules of The American Kennel Club. The application shall state the name, address, and occupation of the applicant 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 Secretary and each application is to be read the first meeting of the club following its receipt. At the next club meeting the application will be voted upon and affirmative votes of 2/3 of the members present and voting by secret ballot at that meeting shall be required to elect the applicant.

Applicants for membership who have been rejected by the club may not reply within six months after such rejection

CANDIDATES FOR NKC OFFICERS, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, and AKC DELEGATE

THE FOLLOWING RESUMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND AKC DELEGATE OF THE NEBRASKA KENNEL CLUB, ARE SUBMITTED TO THE MEMBERSHIP FOR CONSIDERATION:

PRESIDENT

Tim Bourke: Member of the NKC for 48 years. Positions held in the Club include President, Treasurer, Chair of the Constitution and Bylaw Review Committee, member of the membership application revision committee and Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. Activities in the NKC include ring stewarding, catalog sales, judge's transportation, judges' luncheon and p.a. announcer. I was a charter member of the Greater Omaha St. Bernard Club 48 years ago and served as president, vice-president, show chairman and newsletter editor. I am a member of the St. Bernard Club of America. I have judged several St. Bernard sweepstakes and numerous all-breed fun matches. I am a past president of the Greater Omaha Pharmacists Association. I was a national delegate and past treasurer of the Nebraska Hospital Pharmacists Association. I exhibited and bred St. Bernards for 41 years. Fourteen years ago, I added a Vizsla to my household. I am married and have two grown children and 3 grandchildren. Occupation: Pharmacist. Having served for 37 years on the NKC board, I have a thorough understanding and background of Club goals and activities.

---Submitted by Tim Bourke

SECRETARY

Christine "Christy" Brandt: She is an Omaha Native and graduate of Omaha Westside High School. Christy went on to graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the then Kearney State College. Christy worked for 15 years at Commercial Federal Bank in the retail management and mortgage lending areas. After banking, she went on to work in commercial and residential real estate with Deeb Realty and Magnum Development. Always a Golden Retriever enthusiast, Christy is the owner/operator of Kashmir Gold Retrievers. Kashmir specializes in Comfort dogs. Many of the Brandt's dogs have gone on to graduate from PTSD programs, service dog programs and therapy programs.

---Submitted by Christy Brandt

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Joe Bradley: I am a graduate of Michigan State University with a BS in Computer Sciences. In 2002 I took early retirement from West Corporation, where I held the title of Executive VP of Systems and Technology. I have been an enthusiastic photographer throughout my life and since retiring have dedicated more of my time to photography. I've had a Labrador Retriever, an Australian Shepherd, and a Great Dane, who has been shown in conformation.

I joined the Nebraska Kennel Club in 2006 and help support the NKC in a variety of ways. I maintain the NKC website and Facebook page. I have updated the NKC logo, and I create a variety of print media including posters, flyers, signs, and the NKC business card. I create video and slideshow presentations to show at various NKC events. For many years I have been Conformation show ring steward for the NKC and other kennel clubs in our area. And I am generally found at all NKC events taking photographs which are made available online for exhibitors and anyone else who'd like to have them. I have been an NKC Board Member since February 2015.

---Submitted by Joe Bradley

***Alycia Noble*:** Experience: Chair of a sub-committee in college that was responsible for organizing: a semester-long mentoring program; and a first time, 4 hour conference, with 8-10 professionals from both in and out of state. Sat on the board of directors for Companion Dog Club for one year. Currently the Secretary of the board of directors for the Nebraska Architectural Engineering Institute. Honors and Activities: I currently have 8 titles on my first dog (TKN, TKI, TKA, CGC, R01, R02, TEAM1, RATI). I have taught Pet and Competitive OB classes at CDC. I am Assistant Captain on my Rec Adult Hockey team. Skills: Customer service work history and work well on a team.

---Submitted by Alycia Noble

Sue Volkmer: I joined the Nebraska Kennel Club (NKC) in 2006/2007. I have previously sat on the Board from approximately 2008 through 2014 and 2016 through 2017. I have a Grand Champion Bouvier des Flandres who has retired from the conformation ring, but is a certified therapy dog. He also dabbles in Tracking and Scent Work. I have a retired champion Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen (PBGV). She has her Champion Tracker title. She competes in Scent Work and is certified therapy dog. Since joining the NKC, I have helped at the All-Breed Conformation shows, Tracking Tests, Herding Trials, and Obedience/Rally Trials. I have also served as the Vice President of the club early in my Board tenure. Currently, I am the Event Chair and have been responsible for organizing the Club picnics, Annual Meeting, and movie nights. I am also the Chair for the upcoming Scent Work Trials.

---Submitted by Sue Volkmer

AKC DELEGATE

Medora E. Harper: I am a Lifetime member of NKC and have served in many positions for the club, i.e., Board Member, Secretary and Show Chair for many years and currently a trainer for the classes. I have been serving as Delegate for the AKC and am honored to continue in this position. I have been AKC Board nominated to several positions, been elected by my fellow Delegates to several committees. Some of the committees are: Nominating Committee, Commercial Puppy operations, All Breed Committee, Delegate Advocacy Committee and the Perspectives Committee. I also serve on the AKC Trial Board. I was also given the AKC Community Achievement Award for the club efforts with For the Love of Dogs. The Delegate can play a role as liaison between the local club and the AKC. I have finished many Basset Hound champions and one TD Basset! I realize I am running unopposed but would love to see an X anyway!

---Submitted by Medora Harper

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Drinks & Election of Board Members
Dinner around 6:45 p.m.
Reports and Awards to follow

Reservations required by
Friday, February 16,2018.
RSVP with attendance and dinner selection to Sue Volkmer
402.651.0884 or zman.volkmer@gmail.com
OR CLICK HERE to fill out your RSVP online

Menu
Filet - baked potato, vegetable and salad 6oz $29 | 8oz $35 | 10oz $40
Whiskey Rib Eye - baked potato, vegetable and salad 12oz $30
Bourbon Glazed Salmon – rice, vegetable and salad $23
Chicken Piccata – rice, vegetable and salad $14
Cheese Ravioli – bread sticks and house salad $12
Prices do not include applicable taxes or gratuity

Guests are welcome!!

NKC Standing Committees

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NKC/AKC Legislative Liaison	Sandy Orr
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Event Planning	Sue Volkmer
Ways & Means	Sheryl Bradbury
Obedience	Ron Weaks

NKC
2018 Calendar of Events

February 21	Annual Banquet
March 7	Board Meeting
March 21	General Meeting
April 4	Board Meeting
April 18	General Meeting
May 2	Board Meeting
May 16	General Meeting
May 19 – 20	NKC All Breed Dog Show, Obedience Trial and Rally
June 6	Board Meeting
June 20	General Meeting & Picnic
July 6 – 8	AKC Scent Trial
August 1	Board Meeting
August 15	General Meeting
September 15 – 16	Barn Hunt Trial
September 5	Board Meeting
September 19	General Meeting
October 3	Board Meeting
October 17	General Meeting
November 7	Board Meeting
November 21	General Meeting
December 5	Board Meeting

Note: List subject to change

--Sharon Bourke, Editor

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