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MEETING NOTICE

JUNE GENERAL MEETING AND PICNIC

Saturday, June 22, 2019

Noon until 3:00 p.m.

Todd & Christy Brandt's Home
3124 South 93 Avenue
Omaha, NE

Main dish provided, please bring a dish to share
and a lawn chair, BYOB

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

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR JULY GROWLER: July 5, 2019

SECRETARY'S REPORT

MAY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Companion Dog Club

10803 N 72nd Street

Omaha, NE

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm. There were 12 members and 3 guests in attendance.

Motion made by Dona Rosales to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as published in the Growler. Seconded by Alycia Noble. Motion carried.

Motion made by Chris Ihle to file the Treasurer's Report for audit. Seconded by Dona Rosales. Motion carried.

Report of the President – Tim Bourke; None except hoping to see everyone in Lincoln.

Report of the Vice President – Ron Weaks; Absent at time of report.

Report of the Secretary – Barb Ihle; AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards candidates, in the areas of Conformation, Companion Events and Performance, need to be submitted by member clubs by June 28, 2019.

Report of the Treasurer – Barb Hill; See the back of the agenda.

Membership Chair – Alycia Noble – Second reading of new applicant, Sharee Neuman. Vote of the present membership was taken on Sharee's application. Welcome, Sharee!!

First reading of membership applications of Kari & Jeremy Medberg and Cindy Gredys.

Unfinished Business

1. 2019 NKC Dog Show – May 18-19, 2019; Proceeding on schedule. Barb Hill reviewed pre-show logistics. Venue will be open for set-up beginning at 10:30am on Friday, May 17th.
2. AKC Scent Work Event – July 5-7, 2019; Open for entries on Monday, May 20th. December 7-8, 2019 event has been approved.
3. Barn Hunt – October 19-20, 2019; Need volunteer coordinator for the event. Barn Hunt Practice will be on Sunday, September 29th.
4. Tracking Test – November 10, 2019; Planning on schedule. Judges are hired.
5. 2020 National Tracking Invitational – October 23-25, 2020; Waiting for approval from Branched Oaks Recreational Area to hold event there.

New Business

Deadline for *The Growler* is Friday, June 7th, 2019.

Christy Brandt handed out flyers for the upcoming "NKC Annual Picnic". Event will take place at their home on Saturday, June 22nd, 2019 from Noon-3pm.

No further business. Motion made by Alycia Noble to adjourn meeting. Seconded by Dona Rosales. Meeting adjourned at 7:21pm.

PROGRAM: Ring Stewarding for Conformation and Obedience presented by Barb Hill and Norine Nieman.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Ihle, Secretary

JUNE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, June 5, 2019

Omaha Public Library Milton R. Abrahams Branch

5111 N 90th Street

Omaha, NE

Meeting called to order at 6:55pm.

Motion made by Joe Bradley to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2019 meeting as published in The Growler. Seconded by Sue Volkmer. Motion carried.

Report of the President – Tim Bourke; No report.

Report of the Vice President – Ron Weaks; No Board or General Membership meeting in July. Next Board meeting will be Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at the Omaha Public Library Milton R, Abrahams Branch. Membership meeting will be Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at the Omaha Public Library, Millard Branch, located at 13214 Westwood Ln, Omaha, NE 68144.

Report of the Secretary – Barb Ihle; A request for new Scent Work Regulation books was submitted to AKC ahead of the effective October 1, 2019 changes. Return correspondence from AKC said resubmit request after August 1, 2019 since print copies will not be available until then. We have received a request from researchers at the University of Guelph, Ontario and Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada and Ohio State University Colleges of Veterinary Medicine who recently received an AKC – Canine Health Foundation grant. They are investigating infectious disease risks (i.e. canine influenza) for dogs at group settings, such as shows, and other locations dogs come together. There is very little information available, currently. They have sent us a formal letter and short survey asking for the participation of our membership. The study is open to anyone who has ever shown a dog in a conformation event. The Board agreed to present the information to the membership. Please see the Growler and club website in the future for an explanation of their study and a link to the survey. Participation is optional.

Report of the Treasurer – Barb Hill: May 31, 2019 Treasurer's financial report emailed to Board members and included with meeting agenda.

GUEST: Dawn Thrapp – Nebraska Humane Society, Behavior Specialist. Dawn presented the Nebraska Kennel Club with a request for help. NHS is currently being pushed near capacity with canines, many being purebreds, needing to find new homes quickly due to the number of natural disasters affecting the area. To accomplish this, the Humane Society would like to find people who will be immediately available to accept a dog. This would be an immediate "pass thru" of dogs that have not gone through the normal Humane Society processing so there would be no fees or donations. For dogs that **have** been through processing, the Humane Society is requesting a \$50 donation. Dawn can be reached at DThrapp@nehumanesociety.org or 402-905-3420. The Board has agreed to send an email correspondence the general membership since many of us have contacts with our breed rescue groups both locally and nationally or know of individuals who may be looking to give a dog a home.

Unfinished Business

1. Permanent General Meeting Location: Update – Ron Weaks. Still looking.
2. 2019 NKC Dog Show: Lancaster Event Center, May 18 & 19, 2019. Follow-up. Discussion and recap of the 2019 Nebraska / Valley Cluster Dog Show. Barb Hill made a motion to hold a 2-day (Sat/Sun) 2-show per day 2020 conformation, obedience and rally dog show event with Platte Valley Kennel Club just like 2019. Ron Weaks made an amendment to the motion to ask AKC to raise the entry limit from 500 dogs per show to 600 dogs per show. Joe Bradley seconded the amended motion. Motion carried. Barb Hill and Mateel Smith agreed to be the 2020 Co-Show Chairs from the respective Clubs. Norine Nieman agreed to be Obedience Chair. Barb Hill made a motion to enter into a contract with Lancaster Event Center and Onofrio for the 2020 Nebraska / Valley Cluster All-Breed Dog Show pending AKC approval. Seconded by Sue Volkmer. Motion carried. Barn Hunt Practice Training 2019: Sunday, September 29, 2019.

3. Barn Hunt 2019: October 19 & 20, 2019. Need to start lining up volunteers for event and find someone to coordinate volunteers.
4. Tracking Test 2019: November 10, 2019. – Judges hired.
5. AKC Scent Work Trials 2019: July 5 – 7, 2019 and December 7 – 8, 2019; All planning on schedule. Entry open for July event. AKC has made changes to the regulations beginning October 1, 2019 which will affect how events are run. Clubs will need to decide on one of three possible formats. Norine presented a pro-forma for the December event with all three possible formats and made recommendations.
6. Hard Copy Membership List – Joe Bradley has completed.
7. Recap and prioritize strategic planning results – Tabled until next Board meeting.
8. New Constitutional Amendment to AKC – Tabled until next Board meeting.
9. 2020 AKC National Invitational Tracking Test – October 23-25, 2020. Branched Oaks Recreational Area has given approval for the use of the park and clubhouse.
10. Irish Wolfhound Club National Specialty 2020 would like sponsored Class. Formal discussion pending approval of AKC for NKC to hold a 2020 Conformation dog show.

No further business. Motion made by Barb Ihle to adjourn the meeting at 8:34pm. Seconded by Joe Bradley. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Ihle, 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 Picnic
Saturday, June 22, 2019
Noon – 3:00 p.m.

AKC Scent Trial
July 5 – 7, 2019

Barn Hunt
October 19 and 20, 2019

AKC Scent Trial
December 7 and 8, 2019

Save the Dates

July 5 -7, 2019

NKC will be hosting a double Scent Work Trial with two judges. This means we need stewards to help keep the trial running on time. The work is low on the physical labor but high on fun as you get to watch dogs use their noses to find hidden odors. When the email blasts come out later in June from Sharon Dowell or Joe Bradley, please consider working the trial. You don't need to work all day nor do you need to work all three days. Any contribution of your time would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact me at zman.volkmer@gmail.com

Thank you for your support of NKCC!!!

---Submitted by Sue Volmer

Welcome
TO NEW NKCC MEMBER
★ Sharee Neuman ★

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 NKCC Board approval. NKCC
Members: No charge to advertise the sale of used
dog equipment.

CONTACT THE GROWLER EDITOR

- ◆ **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.co**

Please join us Friday evening, October 4, 2019, for:

“Dinner, Drinks and Canine Reproduction”

Our Speaker is Dr. Kelly Stich, DVM, DACT

The presentation will focus on fresh vs chilled vs frozen semen, shipping methods, extenders and various methods of insemination. Questions will guide further subjects.

Dr. Stich is a boarded reproductive specialist handling canine reproductive cases covering a four-state area. She is a native Nebraskan who received her bachelor's at the University of Nebraska Lincoln, her DVM at Kansas State Univ. and did her reproductive training at Texas A&M Univ. She has been a clinical instructor at Kansas State Veterinary school and has been in private practice in Texas, upstate New York and now in the Lincoln, Nebraska area.

When: Friday, Oct 4th (after judging of 2nd Sheltie show)

Location: Nebraska Rm at the Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N. 84 St., Lincoln, NE

Host: Midland Shetland Sheepdog Club

Please send this form along with payment to:
Kathie Antrim, 5400 Normal Blvd, Lincoln, NE 68506.

Number of people attending: _____

Your name: _____

Your email address for confirmation:

Cost is \$25 per person if received on or before closing date. After show closing date cost is \$30 per person. Dinner includes choice of 2 entrées (beef, chicken), 2 sides, salad, rolls, coffee, iced tea or water. Cash bar available also.

Questions to: fcbaze@mindspring.com

---Submitted by Dianne Krantz, MSSC President

AKC-CHF Funded Project Identifying Infectious Disease Risks At Dog Group Events

Dear NKC Members,

At the request of the study team, I am forwarding along their request for your participation in a short on-line survey. See below for details. Please contact them with any questions.

---Barb Ihle, NKC Secretary

Dear Club Member,

Our study team was recently awarded a grant by the AKC-Canine Health Foundation to investigate infectious disease risks (e.g., canine influenza) for dogs at group settings, such as shows. As you may know, there is little information available about infectious disease risks at group dog events. This study will be a critical step toward better understanding disease risks and most importantly developing steps to reduce these risks and protect dog health.

If you have ever shown a dog in a conformation event, we are asking you to help by taking a short on-line survey designed to gather information about your dogs, practices you follow to keep them healthy, and your concerns about infectious diseases at the events where your dogs compete.

Participation in the study is completely voluntary and involves completing a 5-minute on-line survey. Your name will not be collected, and no identifying or individual results will be released. You will be able to skip any question(s) or end the survey at any time.

To get more information and to take the survey, click on the following link:

<http://go.osu.edu/dog-show-survey>

Please consider taking this short survey to ensure your voice is heard.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in keeping our dogs safe from infectious diseases. If you have any questions or concerns at any time, please do not hesitate to contact any of the study team members via email or phone.

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Ways & Means	Vacancy
Obedience	Vacancy
Scent Work	Norine Nieman
2019 Show Chair	Barb Hill
Social Events	Christy Brandt

NKC 2019 Calendar of Events



June 22	General Meeting & Picnic
July 5-7	AKC Scent Trial
August 7	Board Meeting
August 21	General Meeting
September 4	Board Meeting
September 18	General Meeting
October 2	Board Meeting
October 16	General Meeting
October 19 & 20	Barn Hunt
November 6	Board Meeting
November 23	Holiday Party
December 7 & 8	AKC Scent Trial

Note: List subject to change

--Sharon Bourke, Editor



Please come to the
NKC Picnic and
Meeting on June 22,
from Noon to 3:00 p.m.

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