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MEETING NOTICE



The **May General Membership Meeting** will be held via a Zoom video conference. The video conference will be Wednesday, May 19, 2021, beginning at 7:00 pm. Joe Bradley will be sending all NKC Club Members an email with instructions on how to join the video conference.

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR JUNE GROWLER: June 4, 2021

SECRETARY'S REPORT

APRIL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

Call to Order : 7:04 pm

Attendance: Joe Bradley, Tim Bourke, Sharon Bourke, Norine Neiman, Sandy Orr, Angel Lopez, Sue Volkmer, Barb Hill, Ron Weaks, Nancy Draper, Shelly Rehmeier, Barb Ihle, Chris Ihle, Medora Harper, Kari Medbery & Jeremy Medbery for a total of 15 in attendance

Report of the President – Tim Bourke

Report of the Vice President – Ron Weaks

Report of the Treasurer-Barb Hill

treasurer's report sent to board via email, file for audit. Motion made: Barb Ihle, 2nd: Angel Lopez, motion passed.

Report of the Secretary – Kari Medbery

Unfinished Business:

1. FAST CAT-April 23-25, Sarpy County Fairgrounds, Springfield, NE-ready, almost here.
2. Dog Walk-Virtual event May 2021-May 1 through June 15. tshirt, dog tag, pooch pack with a \$35 donation.
3. NKC/PVKC Dog Show; May 22-23, 2021, Lancaster Event Center, Lincoln, NE full steam ahead. Ring Steward duties being discussed.
4. NKC/AKC Scent Work Trial: July 16-18, 2021 Bellevue University, Bellevue, NE-location will need to change due to COVID restrictions at the University.
5. AKC National Tracking Invitational; October 16-17, 2021, Branched Oak-on schedule
6. FAST CAT, Oct 23-24, location TBD-waiting to complete spring trial
7. NKC/AKC Tracking Test; November 14, 2021, Chalco Hill-on schedule
8. NKC/AKC Scent Work Trial; Dec 11-12, 2021, location determined-Werner Park-add friday detective class? Motion made: Sue Volkmer, 2nd: Norine Nieman; motion passed.
9. 100th Year NKC Anniversary Event-committee

New Business:

1. Storm Chasers Game-May 26th nonprofit night (Bark in the Park)-yes, we want to participate, its free for the club to participate in this event.
2. What are thoughts about meeting in person-Still on hold for now. Let's see what happens over the next few months.

Presentation: Joe Bradley-walked us through some exciting changes happening to our website; including a members only section that will require a login to access. He will keep us informed as the website moves along in development.

Adjourn: Motion made: Medora Harper, 2nd: Shelly Rehemeier; motion passed. Meeting over: 8:52pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kari Medbery
Secretary

MAY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Barb Hill, Ron Weeks, Norine Nieman, Joe Bradley, Tim Bourke, Kari Medbery, Shelly Rehmeier & Sue Volkmer for a total of 8 in attendance.

Approve minutes from Board Meeting: 3-7-21 as printed in Growler. (missed at the 4-7-21 meeting) Motion made: Sue Volkmer, 2nd by Joe Bradley; motion passed

Approve minutes from Board Meeting: 4-7-21 as printed in Growler. Motion made: Joe Bradley, 2nd Barb Hill; motion passed

Report of the President – Tim Bourke-nothing to report

Report of the Vice President – Ron Weeks-nothing to report

Report of the Treasurer-Barb Hill-nothing to report

treasurer's report sent to board via email

Report of the Secretary – Kari Medbery-nothing to report

Unfinished Business:

1. FAST CAT; April 23-25,Sarpy County Fairgrounds- Final report; great event for first attempt, got good feedback, about \$1400 profit-now to start prepping for fall.

2. Dog Walk Charity Event; (May-June) Still plenty of time to join us for this great fundraising event while getting some exercise in with your pooch. Also good for those cat lovers out there. Help raise money for the Food Bank of the Heartland to help with pet supplies.
3. NKC/PVKC Dog Show; May 22-23, 2021, Lancaster Event Center, Lincoln, NE-entries closed today, waiting for confirmation from Onofrio that the event is full.
4. NKC/AKC Scent Work Trial; July 16-18, 2021 location TBD. Have a couple of places they are scouting.
5. AKC National Tracking Invitational; October 16-17, 2021, Branched Oak-judges contracts are out, moving right along.
6. FAST CAT; Oct 23-24, location TBD- excited to start planning.
7. NKC/AKC Tracking Test; November 14, 2021, Chalco Hill-nothing new to report
8. NKC/AKC Scent Work Trial; Dec 11-12, 2021, location determined: Werner Park, Papillion, NE
9. Awards Banquet (sum up 2020) Date and location TBD-Looking at the dates last week in July 28, 30 or 31. Couple of options for the restaurant are being looked into.
10. Defibrillator purchase-still researching, will continue to discuss at the next board meeting
11. 100th Year NKC Anniversary Event; 2023 committee in long-term planning stages

New Business:

1. Bark in the Park-NKC will be onsite at the ballgame to promote the club and talk about the different things we do both in performance events and in our community.
2. Does the club want to do a charity donation this year? In the past the Scent Work Trial has been used to help raise funds for a charity. Will discuss in more detail in the upcoming weeks.
3. Growler deadline May 7

Adjourn: Motion made: Barb Hill, 2nd Shelly Rehmeier; motion passed. Meeting end: 8:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kari Medbery
Secretary

**NKC Conformation
Training Classes
CANCELLED
Until Further Notice**

CANCELLATION NOTICES

Joe Bradley will be updating the NKC website on any cancellations. Also, cancellations will be in the **NKC Growlers Gazette**.

Updates and changes to NKC schedules are on the NKC Facebook page. To receive these please "Like" our page!

<https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaKennelClub>



---Submitted by Joe Bradley

SHOW RING PRACTICE

Preparing for an AKC or UKC dog show?
Join us for drop in show ring practice!

Bonafide Dog Academy

- Conformation Handling Practice-
- Wednesday's in May and June-
- Cost \$10 per dog/\$5 additional dog-

Visit our website for more details and to check for any schedule changes:

<https://bonafidedogacademy.com/conformation-handling-practice/>

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(72nd & Pacific – Behind Boot Barn)

---Submitted by Dianne Krantz

GROWLER ADVERTISING RATES

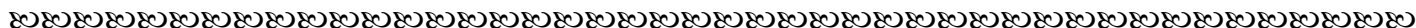
NKC members: \$10.00 per 1/8th of a page,
\$75.00 for a full page

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.c





Lace up, leash up and help fight pet hungry. Let's have some fun!

This is the Nebraska Kennel Club's 1st Virtual Charity Walk/Run event. Choose your own distance whether it's a 5k, 10K or more. Choose your own pace. Don't forget your furry friend. Registrations begins May 1, 2021 and ends June 15, 2021. The event goodies will be mailed approximately 3 weeks after registration ends. With people struggling to provide food for their families, they also have struggled to provide food for their pets.

All profits from this virtual event will be donated to Food Bank for the Heartland. They provide for pet food and supplies to communities in Nebraska and Iowa as well as food for struggling families.

Each Paws Against Hunger participant will receive a t-shirt, a military-style dog tag medal and a dog poo pouch for some cool doggie swag.

Click this link to sign up:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/NE/Omaha/NKCPawsAgainstHungryVirtualCharityWalkRun>

OR Participates can go to Runsignup.com, then select find a race, type in NKC Paws Against Hunger, Select the state of Nebraska and search.

Once your registration is complete, just grab your four-legged friend(s) and start strolling. There is no deadline to complete the walk/run and there's no need to report your time. We would love to see your photos of you enjoying the outdoors with your furry friend. If you would like to share them, you can post them on Facebook and tag us at Nebraska Kennel Club (public).

If you have any questions, please email NKCVirtualDogWalk@gmail.com

*If you would like to add an additional Dog Tag Medal to your order, please contact NKC at the email address above.

---Submitted by Sue Volkmer



Mark your calendar - **Wednesday, May 26**, is "Bark in the Park" night for the Omaha Storm Chasers and the Nebraska Kennel Club is going to be the featured organization of the evening! Our president will be interviewed before the game and we're going to have a booth describing the NKC and all the fun activities we host. So, come visit our display and watch the game with your furry friend! Omaha Storm Chasers, Wednesday, May 26, at Werner Park, game starts at 6:35 p.m. See you there!

---Submitted by Joe Bradley

Ring Stewarding This Year

By Norine Nieman & Nancy Draper



In May 2020, the AKC published suggested best practices for the well-being of dog sport participants. Health mandates vary, but many suggested changes have become popular with judges and exhibitors and may remain as standard ring procedure. General rules of conduct include the basics: wearing a mask, social distancing and washing your hands. Participants are also encouraged to avoid shaking hands, hugging or other physical contact and to avoid touching dogs that belong to others.

For conformation, an outside steward table and an armband table are placed outside the ring. The steward places the individual armbands on the armband table for each exhibitor to pick up. If an exhibitor does not recall their armband number, the steward may look it up in the steward book.

Two gates per ring are suggested, one for dogs entering across from the judge and one for dogs exiting after receiving their ribbon. Classes should be called in catalog order, and judges are encouraged to be conscious of spacing. Judges are to have the exhibitor display the oral exam and refrain from re-examining dogs. Judges are also encouraged to personally pull ribbons, however the ring steward occasionally is asked to place the appropriate ribbons on the steward table for the exhibitor to pick up as they exit the ring.

For obedience and rally, all judges, exhibitors, and stewards are to wear masks at all times while inside the building. A chair will be placed for leashes. Exhibitors will place and retrieve their own leashes.

Stewards should maintain a six-foot distance from other stewards, the judge, and the exhibitors. Stewards will wear gloves or use hand sanitizer frequently especially after handling the equipment. When placing the utility gloves or articles stewards will use grabbers/tongs or wear gloves.

Cones will be used in place of stewards for the figure eight exercise.

Exhibitors should arrive near their scheduled times and leave when finished showing. Exhibitors will pick up their armbands, as well as their class qualifying and placement ribbons, from a separate table.

Crating should be at least six feet apart, except for “family” groups of exhibitors and dogs.

Rally course maps will be posted. It is up to the individual judges if they want to print maps for the exhibitors.

NKC Standing Committees

Barn Hunt Chair	Ron Weaks
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Scent Work Chair	Sue Volkmer
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Meeting Refreshments	Vacancy
Media Director	Joe Bradley
Event Planning	Vacancy
Fast CAT	Ron Weaks
Centennial	Ron Weaks



*Please join the
NKC Meeting on
May 19, 2021, via
Zoom*

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NKC **2021 Calendar of Events**



May 19	General Meeting
May 22-23	NKC/PVKC Dog Show
June 2	Board Meeting
June 19	NKC Picnic
July 6	Board Meeting
July 16 -18	NKC/AKC Scent Trial
August 4	Board Meeting
August 18	General Meeting
September 1	Board Meeting
September 15	General Meeting
October 16 - 17	- AKC National Invitational Tracking Event
October 6	Board Meeting
October 20	General Meeting
October 23 -24	Fast Cat
November 3	Board Meeting
November 14	Tracking Test
November 17	Holiday Party
December 1	Board Meeting
December 11-12	NKC/AKC Scent Work Trial

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

FIRST CLASS DATED MATERIAL



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