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MEETING NOTICE

MAY GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, May 17, 2023
7:00 p.m.
Nebraska Humane Society Auditorium
8929 Fort St.
Omaha, NE

Or

Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88193206596?pwd=WUJOZERJNlRSWlk2UVB0a0ttSFJaUT09

Meeting ID: 881 9320 6596
Passcode: 256371
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PROGRAM

Conformation Ring Steward Training

Caroline Buettner will be giving a training session on how to inside ring steward. This is an important job at our upcoming show in May. Please plan to attend and learn this skill.

---Submitted by Sue Volkmer

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR June GROWLER: ***June 9, 2023***

SECRETARY'S REPORT

APRIL GENERAL MEETING
via Zoom and in Person
Wednesday, April 17 2023
7:00 pm

Call to Order: 7:15pm
Attendance: Sheryl Bradbury, Tim Bourke, Sharon Bourke, Sue Volkmer, Ron Weaks, Shelly Rehmeier, Jim Clayshulte, Sally Clayshulte, Barb Hill, Medora Harper, Carol Jack, Hailey Powell. Guest: Shayne Fili
Approve minutes from the General Meeting: March 15, 2023 as printed in the Growler. **NOT DONE**
Report of the President – Sheryl Bradbury: No Report
Report of the Vice President – Sue Volkmer: No Report
Report of the Treasurer - Norine Neiman: Norine was not in attendance. Barb Hill had a copy and read it to the membership. There were no questions.
Report of the Secretary- Nina Gottsch: Nina was not in attendance.
Applications for Membership:

- Jim and Sally Clayshulte: Both were in attendance and have sent in their application for membership.
- Carol Jack: Was in attendance at this meeting. She has sent in her application for membership.
- Hailey Powel: Was in attendance. The motion was made by Barb Hill and seconded by Sue Volkmer to vote Hailey for membership. All voted to approve Hailey for membership. Hailey did mention that she was moving out of state and still wanted to become a member.

Unfinished Business:

- **NKC Performance/Companion Events**

  Ron Weaks – Fast CAT April 22-23, 2023, Banner Park – All is going well but still need volunteers for Sunday morning. Friday set up will start at 1:00pm with practice runs starting at 5:00pm.
  Sue Volkmer – Scent Work Trial July – Fees are paid, Judges are hired and application is approved.
  Chair? - Detective Trial – There will be 2 trials. Fees are paid and Judges are hired.
  Shelly Rehmeier – NTI – September 9 & 10, 2023 – Judges are hired. Working on the Booklet to be sent to AKC for approval.
  Ron Weaks – Fast CAT September 16-17, 2023 at Banner Park – Banner Park is approved. Will talk to John, Candy and Trish if they are available.
  Ron Weaks - For the Love of Dogs – Looking for presenters especially for agility.
  Shelly Rehmeier – Tracking Test November 12, 2023 – Moving forward.
  Sue Volkmer – Detective and Scent Work Trial December8-10, 2023 at Werner Park – AKC has approved the events.

2. Ron Weaks – 100th NKC Anniversary Event July 9, 2023
Menu is picked. Working on decorations. Melody is working on the invites.

3. Sheryl Bradbury – 2023 100 year Dog Show

- Saturday will be the celebration day.
- All participants will receive a leash.
- Nina will be in charge of a "Guess how many entries on Saturday" contest. Deadline is May 3.
- There will be a costume contest.
- Celebrity Announcer
- Cardiac Clinic
- Micro Chip Clinic

New Business-

- Places for the upcoming meetings (In person and zoom) Humane Society May 17 and June 21.
- Deadline for the Growler is May 5.
- Swag bags for the Boston Terriers will be given out on Saturday and provided by Shayne Fili.
- Carol Jack will make a list of local specialists and submit it to the Growler. Sue will send her Sharon's contact information.

Adjourn: Motion by Ron and Medora seconded – 8:00pm

Respectfully Submitted by Shelly Rehmeier

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MAY BOARD MEETING
via Zoom
Wednesday, 3 May 2023
7:00pm

Call to Order: 7:02pm

Attendance: Tim Bourke, Sheryl Bradbury, Nina Gottsch, Barb Hill, Dianne Krantz, Norine Nieman, Shelly Rehmeier, Sue Volkmer

Approve minutes from Board Meeting: 5 April 2023 as printed in Growler. Motion #1 (TB/SV) – Motion passed.

Report of the President - Sheryl Bradbury – No report.
Report of the Vice President – Sue Volkmer – The program for the May membership meeting will be conformation ring stewarding. Ron is requesting we purchase a cooler on wheels for our events, as it will make easier to get beverages around in buildings and out in the field than carrying a cooler. **Motion #2** (TB/SV) – Allow Ron to purchase two coolers with wheels for the club with a budget of $75. Motion passed.
Report of the Treasurer – Norine Nieman

Treasurer's report sent to Board via email

Report of the Secretary - Nina Gottsch
New Membership applications:

Jim & Sally Clayshulte – Sponsors: Shelly Rehmeier & Sue Volkmer
Chara Eckerly – Sponsors: Norine Nieman & Sue Volkmer
Shayne Fili – Sponsors: Sheryl Bradbury & Barbara Hill
Carole Jack – Sponsors: Norine Nieman & Sue Volkmer
Sarah Neal – Sponsors: Norine Nieman & Sue Volkmer
Michelle Vidlak – Sponsors: Sheryl Bradbury & Ron Weaks
Motion #3 (SV/DK) – Recommend the above applicants for membership. Motion passed.
The Board went into Executive Session from 7:18 until 7:26.

Unfinished Business:

1. NKC Performance/Companion Events
   - Ron Weaks - Fast CAT April 22-23, 2023, Wrap-Up – See report.
   - Sue Volkmer - Scent Work Trial July 14-16, 2023 at IA Western Community College – Sue needs the judge's contracts signed and the event is ready to go. The premium will be out next week.
   - Norine Nieman - Two AKC Detective Trials July 30th, 2023 at Bellevue University – Ready to go
   - Shelly Rehmeier - National Tracking Invitational, September 9-10, 2023 at Branched Oak State Recreation Area, Raymond, NE – The booklet for the event will go to the AKC tomorrow.
   - Ron Weaks - Fast CAT, Sept 16-17, 2023 at Banner Park – We are waiting on John and Candy to return the contract.
   - Ron Weaks - For the Love of Dogs October 14, 2023 at Companion Dog Club – Ron is requesting volunteers to head up the Agility demonstration. Barb has requested to revisit this event.
   - Shelley Rehmeier - NKC Tracking Test, November 12, 2023 at Chalco Hills – No report.
   - Sue Volkmer - Two Detective Trial December 8, 2023 at Werner Park – No report.
   - Sue Volkmer - Scent Work Trial December 9-10, 2023 at Werner Park – No Report.

   There was some discussion as to whether we were wearing out our volunteers with the events we sponsor every year. The Board will discuss this with the membership at the next General meeting.
2. 2023 – 100th NKC Anniversary Event
   Member Banquet – July 9, 2023 at the Scott Convention Center – They are working on the invitations and everything will be ready.
3. 2023 – 100th NKC Year Dog Show – May 20-21 in Lincoln, NE – The judge's menu is ready, The French Bulldog club will assist with extra judges should they max out their entries. We have 74 grooming spaces reserved and 14 vendors at this time. We still need volunteers for ring stewarding.
4. NKC Credit Card – The Board discussed the need for a credit card for club use.
5. Online Fillable Application Form – Completed.

New Business:

1. Growler Deadline: May 5th
2. Club Insurance – The Board discussed the insurance coverage that we currently have and what the AKC guidelines recommend. The Board felt that we were effectively covered.

Adjournment: Motion #4 (TB/SV). Motion passed at 8:31.

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Respectively,

A. Gottsch

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TROPHY ROOM

Brags from the American Shetland Sheepdog Club National Specialty:

Dimar April Shower RN, HT, THDN, CGC (Violet)
- Finished her Rally Intermediate Title
- Qualified in both Farm Dog Test to earn her Farm Dog Title

Dimar Autumn Charm CGC (Charm)
- Earned her first leg of her Herding Test Title

---Submitted by Dianne Krantz

Additional List of NKC Members Whose Dogs Earned Titles in 2022

Congratulations!!

	Owner
2022 GCH AKC/UKC CH TopFlite Ricochet OTCH POC MACH2 PACH RACH C-ATCH UCDX UROC NWGC UDX2 OM4 PUDX2 VER BN GN GO RM4 RAE2 TD MXB MXPB MXP3 MJS MJPB MJP3 MXF TQX T2B PAX VCD2 SWME SWEE SWAE SWNE CGCA CGCU FDC TKA, Can CD RN, TBAD TG1, SPOT-ON, CCSS-L3, NW2	Gerianne Darnell
2022 HC NWCH NGC AGC SNGC URO1 UCD Ricochet Rayna UDX OM1 PCDX BN GN GO RI HXAsM HXAdM HIBd HSBs HSD SWM SWAE SWNE SCME SEME SEEE SCEE CGCA CGCU FDC TKN, HTAD I-s, CCSS-L2, RL1-AOE, NW1	Gerianne Darnell
GCH CT Snowflower Tarragon CD PCD BN RN PT CGC 2022 - VST CT	Sharon Brewer for Nico

CH CT Blackfyre Tarragon Optical Illusion TDU HT BCAT	2022 - TDU	Sharon Brewer For Lexy
Dimar Sure To Impress CGC	2022 - CGC	Dianne Krantz
MCH NNCH EN SN HDN FDC DCAT SWME SHDM CGCA CGCU TKI SEEE SBEE SIME SBME SWME SCNE SENE SINE SWNE SEAE SHDM CGCA CGCU TKI	Sir Bindi 2022- SCEE FDC DCAT	Sharee Newman
MCH SCH ACH NNCH NHD EN TD BCAT SWEE SWM SEME SBME SHDN THDN CGC TKN, CCSS-L2	Highland Plains Mariah 2022- SWEE SIEE SCEE SBEE SBME SEME BCAT	Shelly Rehmeier
CT NWCH NHD BN RN SWME CGC TKN 2022 - SCME SIME SEME SBME SWME BN	Rush Lake's Diggin That Dillon	Shelly Rehmeier
Golden Romance Grace Kelly BCAT CCA CCA	2022 - BCAT	Christy Brandt
Kashmir's Blessing From Bob CGC	2022 - CGC	Christy Brandt
Ebullient Mr Gillespie At Wildrose CA RATI DDS DDG DDBE	2022 - BCAT	Alycia Noble

NEWS & NOTES

Welcome

TO NEW NKC MEMBER

★ Hailey Powel ★

General Membership Meetings

The May 17th and June 21st General Membership Meetings will be held both in-person at the Nebraska Humane Society, and via zoom.

---Submitted by Sue Volkmer

GROWLER ADVERTISING RATES

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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, 402-677-6336, or e-mail:** omahasb@aol.com

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Ring Stewarding

Link to AKC training video for Conformation Ring Stewarding: **akccaninecollege@akc.org**

No show can run without judges or stewards. A show runs smoothly with competent stewards in the rings. You are there to make the judges day easy and comfortable and assist so they can concentrate on judging.

Dress properly, have a professional attitude, give your total attention to the ring and do not chat with friends/exhibitors, always have a watch or clock with the correct time and bring a couple of extra pens. If you use your phone for the time, be sure to have the ring turned off.

Know what ring you are assigned to, pick up your stewarding pack at the superintendent's desk and be in the ring 20 minutes before judging begins. The bag should contain a two-way radio (know how to use it), steward's badge (it must be worn while you are in the ring, rubber bands, armbands banded together for each breed (typed on the bottom of each number is the breed name),a steward's book and sometimes the judge's book. Locating a judge's book is not your responsibility but if you have it, lay it out.

Unwrap the ribbons. Put any trophy cards where they will be handy and not forgotten (you might notate in your book at the breed about trophy cards so they are not forgotten. The Chief Ring steward should have at each ring, hand wipes, paper towels, filled coolers under the table.

Cooler will contain water only. Make sure the right hand side of the table has ample room for the judge's book, their book of Standards and a drink.

Get armbands in the order of judging for the morning only on the table outside the ring. Put the afternoon armbands back in the bag as well as any afternoon trophy cards.

Then check your ring:

1. Make sure place markers are set.
2. Walk the ring checking for any hazards. Keep the ring tidy, picking up hair balls and left bait.
3. The Superintendent will place the exam table and/or ramp next to ring or in the ring. You will be required to bring these items into the ring or remove them if not needed.
4. Put the armbands in the packets on the outside table in the order breeds will be judged.
   The exhibitor will pick up and mark in the book lying on the table that armband has been picked up. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to know the number and what class the dog is entered in. If someone tells you dog number such and such will be absent, mark your book AB and pull the number, mark it AB on the front and set it aside. When the class enters the ring hand all armband numbers that have been declared absent and not picked up to the judge stating NOT PICK UP. DO NOT SAY ABSENT. Never show your stewards book to the judge. NEVER REFER TO AN EXHIBIT BY NAME – ONLY BY NUMBER. Do not discuss "if the major is holding"

   When the judge arrives, establish a pleasant working relationship. Introduce yourself and they will more than likely reciprocate. Smile. Keeping the judge on time is partly your responsibility.

   Ask the judge:
   1. Where would you like your dogs to come in?
   2. Catalog order?
   3. Single entry on the table or right around? (if a table breed, same thing for a ramp)
   4. In Best of Breeds, dogs before bitches?
   5. Handler changes? There are rules for this but it is strictly up to the judge. Always ask their permission for a change, choosing a time that doesn't interfere with concentration. Same with a "late" dog
   6. Do you want the absentee's armbands by your book?
   7. Where do you want your Table? Ramp?
   8. Our refreshments are in the cooler under the table (only water)
   9. When do you want to do photos? (it will probably be at the break)

AND MOST IMPORTANT, WRITE DOWN THE ANSWERS. The inside back of your steward's book would be most handy. You might also point out where the restrooms are located. Often the judge will review the judges' book for changes and coordinate with you, making sure you have the same changes.

Now you are ready to begin. Coordinate the time with the judge and ask "Are you ready?"

The judging cannot begin before stated time in the judging schedule.

ONLY the judge, you, the steward and the current exhibitor(s) are allowed in the ring. The exceptions to this are the show chairman, another ring steward, a superintendent will come in to pick up sheets from the judges book or when called to repair a ring, the photographer when called. If the AKC Rep comes up to the ring, they should not enter without the judge's permission.

Reading from your steward's book, LOUDLY call your first class i.e. Golden Retriever puppy dogs, 6-9 months numbers, 7,9,41,45, catalog order (or "any order" whichever the judge wants) in the ring. For any numbers not picked up (unless declared absent) call all the numbers two more times. For any numbers not picked up place the

armbands on the table where the judge can see them. If they come in late, pick up the number, tell the judge "number ## is here now, may they come in?"

Never assume a dog is absent. You then tell the judge "number 47 is declare absent and number ## and ## have not picked. Once the class is assembled and judging has begun, pull ribbons for the first four placements placing them near the judge's book, blue on top, followed by red, yellow and white. Keep an eye on the judge in case they need something, always paying attention. NEVER CHAT.

When the judge places the class, tell the exhibitors, "Armbands to the judge" Mark your book with the placements. NEVER call out the placements and numbers to the judge. This is against the judging rules. If the judge requests you to do this, then comply, but it is not proper. Mark the placements in your book. Continue this for each class.

You will need to keep track of which number is in first place for each class and also do the same for second place. You are now ready to call them back in for Winners starting with open down to puppy. Pull the purple winners ribbon and purple and white for reserve winners. Keep track of the second place in each class as they will be called back in to compete for "reserve". If the winner came from a class with only one entry, the judge will select reserve from the remaining dogs in the ring.

Sample grid to keep track of 1st and 2nd place per class

1st ____!_____!_____!_____!_____!_____!_____
2nd ! ! ! ! !

Repeat this procedure for bitches.

After class dogs and class bitches are done, call breed name, i.e. Golden Retriever Best of Breed competition, dogs up front, then call the numbers in catalog order. They will sort themselves out. Call Winners dog and Winners bitch. Pull Best of Breed, Best of Winners and Best of Opposite Sex ribbons. Also pull Select ribbons when applicable. Add trophy cards . If you have a dog/bitch that has moved up to Best of Breed, verify this with the judge book.

When it is time for lunch, if you are ready you may or may not accompany the judge to lunch. In either case they will probably want to wash their hands, remind them the location of the bathroom and you may have to show them the location of the bathroom and the lunch room.

Do not leave the ribbons and armbands on the table unattended.

CLOSE THE RING DOWN. Roll up the ribbons, the judge will take their own book. DO NOT OFFER TO TAKE THE JUDGES BOOK. Pick up any trophy cards and left over arm bands, pens. The judge will probably be taking photos while you are closing and you may be finished at the same time. Just make sure they know where to go. Be back to re-open the ring at least 20-30 minutes before judging resumes Check the cooler and call if it needs restocking for the judge.

Hopefully by the end of the day, it has been a pleasant one, the judge was on time or even had a few minutes to rest and you have had a good day.

Place the steward's book in the bag with the left over ribbons, radio, armbands, catalog, rubber bands, pens, steward's badge and return to the superintendent and look forward to tomorrow.

Should the judge want the wicket to measure a dog or scales to weigh a dog, contact superintendent for these items. Identify the ring number and breed. This will probably alert the AKC Rep and they will probably arrive about the same time. You do nothing. Keep the items in the ring until that breed judging is complete. Return the items to the superintendent.

If a confrontation begins between the judge and an exhibitor, be aware. Say nothing but listen as the judge may need a witness if it escalates. Hopefully this will not happen, but occasionally it does.

If a dog soils the ring, you give the paper towels to the exhibitor and you may hold the lead of the dog. If it is cleaned rather well you may look for a spray bleach or some disinfectant. Cleaning supplies will be under the judges table. The exhibitor is responsible for his/her dog. You are the judge's secretary not the cleanup crew.

---Submitted by Barb Hill

NKC Standing Committees

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Ways & Means	Vacancy

Come to the May NKC General Membership Meeting and learn how to Ring Steward!!

2023 Calendar of Events

May 18	General Meeting
May 20-21	All Breed Dog Show, Obedience & Rally
June 7	Board Meeting
June 21	General Meeting
July5	Board Meeting
July 9	Member Banquet
July 14-16	Scent Work Trial
July 30	Two Detective Trials
August 2	Board Meeting
August 16	General Meeting
September 6	Board Meeting
September 9-10	National Tracking Invitational
September 16-17	Fast CAT
September 20	General Meeting
October 4	Board Meeting
October 14	For the Love of Dogs
October 18	General Meeting
November 1	Board Meeting
November 12	Tracking Test
November 15 (Subject to change)	Holiday Party
December 6	Board Meeting
December 8	Two Detective Trials
December 9-10	Scent Work Trial

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

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