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NKC
Holiday Party
Wednesday, December 20, 2023
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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF MATERIAL FOR January GROWLER, January 5, 2024

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
NE Humane Society, 8929 Fort Street, Omaha, NE
or Zoom (details below)
Wednesday, 15 November 2023
7:00pm

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Attendance: Sheryl Bradbury, Sharon Bourke, Tim Bourke, Chara Eckery, Nina Gottsch, Medora Harper, Barbara Hill, Carole Jack, Norine Nieman, Toni Oliva, Shelly Rehmeier, Sue Volkmer, Ron Weaks,

Approve minutes from General Meeting: 18 October 2023 as printed in Growler. Motion #1(BV/BH) – Motion passed.

Report of the President - Sheryl Bradbury – Deferred to Unfinished Business

Report of the Vice President – Sue Volkmer – No report

Report of the Treasurer – Norine Nieman

Treasurer's report sent to Board via email. **Motion #2 (TB/SV) – Submit the Treasurer's report for audit. Motion passed.** There was discussion regarding purchasing a CD. The Board will research the best options and bring their findings to the next meeting.

Report of the AKC Delegate – Medora Harper – Medora reported on the new FETCH title offered by the AKC. The Board will look into the requirements to see if this is an event we wish to offer.

Report of the Secretary – Nina Gottsch

New Membership applications:

Motion #3 (AG/NN) – Suspend the secret ballot requirement for the new member vote. Motion passed.

Sarah Neal – Sponsors: Norine Nieman & Sue Volkmer – **Motion #4 (AG/SV) – Approve Sara for membership. Motion passed.**

Julie Baker – Sponsors: Barbara Hill & Sheryl Bradbury – **Motion #5 (AG/NN) – Approve Julie for membership. Motion passed.**

Unfinished Business:

1. NKC Performance/Companion Events

Shelley Rehmeier - NKC Tracking Test Wrap-Up, November 12, 2023, at Chalco Hills – There was a TD entry that passed and two TDX entries that did not.

Sue Volkmer - Two Detective Trial December 8, 2023, at Werner Park

Sue Volkmer - Scent Work Trial December 9-10, 2023, at Werner Park

Both events are good to go and are full on Friday. There is still room for more entries on Saturday & Sunday.

2. All Breed Show 2024, 2025 & 2026 – All judges have been hired for 2024 year, several have been hired for 2025, none yet for 2026. There will be several Specialties on Friday.
3. NKC Holiday Party – The holiday party will be at the Nebraska Brewing Company on Wednesday, December 20. It will be a buffet for one set price and a cash bar. We will have a basket raffle and Stealing Secret Santa exchange at the party.
4. Membership Committee – Sue is working on setting up the committee.

New Business:

1. Growler Deadline: 8 December
2. There will be no meeting at the Holiday party.
3. Dues renewals will be going out soon for 2024.

Additional Comments:

Elections will be held at the Annual Awards Meeting in February. If you are interested in running for an office or wish to nominate someone for an office, please contact a Board member.

A member had a question regarding judges judging several big shows close together. The AKC regulations regarding potential judging conflicts was explained and why certain judging assignments were allowed.

Adjournment: 7:46pm **Motion #6** – BM/RW. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. Gottsch
NKC Secretary

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES
via Zoom
Wednesday, 6 December 2023
7:00pm

Call to Order: 7:10pm

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

Approve minutes from Board Meeting: 1 November 2023 as printed in Growler. Motion #1

(SV/DK) – Approve the Minutes from the 1 November Board meeting as amended. Motion passed.

Report of the President - Sheryl Bradbury – No Report

Report of the Vice President – Sue Volkmer – We are waiting to hear about reserving the Humane Society Conference room for 2024.

Report of the Treasurer – Norine Nieman

Treasurer's report sent to Board via email. There was discussion regarding whether to put some of our funds in different types of accounts for better interest rates. Barb will look into it.

Report of the Secretary - Nina Gottsch

New Membership applications: No new applications

Unfinished Business:

1. NKC Performance/Companion Events
Sue Volkmer - Two Detective Trials, December 8, 2023 at Werner Park
Sue Volkmer - Scent Work Trial, December 9-10, 2023 at Werner Park –
Both events are good to go with 465 total entries, to include 31 Detective Trial entries.
2. All Breed Show 2024, 2025 & 2026 – We will be offering Best Puppy on Saturday. We will not be offering BBE or Best Veteran in the 2024 shows. There will be a Coonhound Specialty, NOHS and OB/R times three. We will also have nine open shows. We have several groups that will be holding their National Specialties with our shows in the upcoming years.
3. Disposal of 100th Anniversary Merchandise – Barbara Hill & Diane Krantz
4. Holiday Party – We were informed that there will be a \$400 charge for the room for the holiday party and we will need to bring dinnerware. These were unexpected expenses. **Motion #2** (NN/SV) – The club will cover the cost of the room and dinnerware. Motion passed. Christy and Ron will be making up raffle baskets for the party.
5. NCA Practice – The Nebraska Coursing Association set up a practice FastCAT at the Storz Rugby Field on 19 November. All their equipment has been purchased and was in working order. There were approximately 10 runs of various breeds that went with no problems. They will be providing services for the Borzoi club this spring.

New Business

Growler Deadline: 8 December

Blanket Distribution – Blankets that will need to be distributed will be done at our annual February meeting.

FETCH – Alycia Noble has volunteered to research the viability of the club hosting AKC FETCH trials.

The Board will begin working on the Awards Banquet in February.

Adjournment: 8:19pm. Motion #3 (TB/SV) – Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A. I. (Nina) Gottsch
NKC Secretary



NKC 2023 Holiday Party

December 20th

5:30-6 Happy Hour

6-7 Dinner

7-8:45 Games & Networking

\$20 per person

3 different pasta choices, salad & rolls, Christmas cookies, tea and water included.

Cash bar

Stealing Santa game, please bring \$15-\$20 wrapped dog themed gift.

Toys for Tots, please donate a new unwrapped toy in donation box.

RSVP before December 15 by text or message to: 402-212-9685

Event is at Nebraska Brewing Co.
6950 S. 108th St. LaVista, NE

---Submitted by Nina Gottsch

AKC DELEGATES REPORT

Hello fellow members of NKC. The next AKC Delegate meeting will be in Florida along with the 5,000 entry for the Dog Show! Several amendments to be voted on, i.e., dog show rules, trial board and field trial amendments. Two amendments will be read for an upcoming vote. Many Delegates will be working the shows.

Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and a wonderful new year to all and many successes in the ring and in the field.

Medora Harper, Delegate

NEWS & NOTES



2024 NKC MEMBERSHIP DUES NOTICE

The NKC Constitution and By-Laws requires that membership dues are due and payable on or before, January 1, 2024. A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if a member's dues remain unpaid after February 1, 2024.

At the end of November, NKC membership dues notices were mailed to all NKC members. A Membership Dues Notice is on page 8.

Renewals may be mailed or hand delivered to: Norine Nieman, NKC Treasurer, 13500 Spring Street, Omaha, NE 68114. Please return the form with your 2024 dues (make check payable to NKC)

GROWLER ADVERTISING RATES

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

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\$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.

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

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Event Planning	Vacancy
Fast CAT	Ron Weaks
Social Events	Vacancy
Obedience	Vacancy
Ways & Means	Vacancy



2023 Calendar of Events

December 20

Holiday Party

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

Renewal Notice

2024 Nebraska Kennel Club Membership Dues

Name(s) _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Landline _____ Cell _____

E-Mail _____

Breeds: _____

Dues are payable on or before the 1st day of January of each year. A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid after February 1st.

Single Membership \$20 ____ Joint Membership \$40 ____

Junior Membership -0- ____ Lifetime Member -0- ____

Donation \$ _____

If you are a life time member, please use this notice to provide NKC updated contact information. If there are no changes you do not need to return the form

Please return this form with your 2024 dues (make check payable to NKC) to: Norine Nieman, 135000 Spring Street, Omaha, Nebraska, 68144

Areas of Interest

- ____ Conformation Ring Stewarding
- ____ Obedience and Rally Ring Stewarding
- ____ Obedience Chair
- ____ All Bred Show Chair
- ____ Conformation Class Trainer
- ____ Fun Match Chair
- ____ Community Outreach
- ____ Publicity
- ____ Librarian/Historian
- ____ Meeting Hospitality

- ____ Herding Trials
- ____ Agility Trials
- ____ Tracking Tests
- ____ Scent Work Chair
- ____ Scent Work
- ____ Judges' Hospitality
- ____ Newsletter
- ____ Legislative
- ____ Education
- ____ Other _____