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MEETING NOTICE

MARCH GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, March 19, 2025 7:00 p.m.

Sump Memorial Library 222 Jackson Street Papillion, NE

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84568560093?pwd=bair4Qfa7al2OV6ZJbEbNzCyd7al7r.1

Meeting ID: 845 6856 0093

Passcode: 244675

PROGRAM

Dr. Cheryl Morris PhD. Q/A on Nutrition

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting date February 19, 2025 IN PERSON ONLY

Sand Point, 656 N 114th Street (in Miracle Hills)

Call to order: 7:15 PM CST

Members in Attendance: Tim Bourke, Sharon Bourke, Sheryl Bradbury, Brenda Bruce, Elizabeth Bucholz, Gerianne Darnell, Shayne Fili, Nina Gottsch, Jan Hauge, Barbara Hill, Carol Jack, Karen Kenkel-Fife, Lizz Koehn, Libby Lancaster, Kari Medbery, Norine Nieman, Jessie O'Hara, Shelly Rehmeier, Lori Tranmer, Samantha Vangi, Sue Volkmer, Ron Weaks Guests: Tom Bucholz, Caleb Fili, Deb Fili, Juli Jurgens, Scott Jurgens, Charlie Rehmeier, Liz Shotkoski, Dalton Shotkoski

Approve the Minutes from January General Membership Meeting as published in the Growler Gazette – Motion to approve the January Gen Member meeting, Shayne File motioned to approve, Tim Bourke seconded, motion carried.

Report of the President – Sheryl Bradbury welcomed everyone to the banquet, she discussed the focus of the club as GROWTH. Growth in membership, Growth in events and profitability and our reputation in the dog community. We are doing really well. Sheryl asked for help executing community programs that have been planned. We continue to see more young membership, so thrilled to see them interested in the sport, the breed and the club.

Report of the Vice President – Sue Volkmer – NTR

Report of the Secretary – Lana Petersen has volunteered to help with the secretary duties.

Report of the Treasurer – Norine Nieman reviewed the financials of the club.

Delagate Report – Medora Harper, absent

Committee Reports:

Constitution & By Laws -Barb Hill, gave an overview of the updates to the Constitution & By Laws, each member that was at the banquet received the updated C &BL. All other members will receive their copy via USPS.

Scent Work & Detective Trials – Sue Volkmer gave an overview of the events and the statistics from 2024 and updates on the 2025 events.

Fast CAT – Ron Weaks gave an overview of the events and the statistics from 2024 and updates on the 2025 event and new provider. Sheryl also announced that if you have vouchers from past volunteering. If you have vouchers that you want to use for FASTCAT you will need to use them at the APRIL 2025 event. Vouchers can be used for Scent trials. If you are using vouchers you much mail in your entries.

All Breed Dog Show – Sheryl Bradbury gave an overview of the 2024 All Breed Dog show, gave an update on the 2025 Show and informed the members of the update to the 2026 Show. We have requested that AKC consider our All breed dog show to be a 3 day event.

Club Picnic – Sheryl Bradbury – Planning has started, please watch the Growler for details.

Tracking Trials & NTI - gave an overview of the events and the statistics from 2024 and updates on the 2025 events. Shelly also mentioned the dogs that attended.

Growler Gazette – Sharon Bourke gave an overview and statistics of the Growler. Thank you to Sharon for creating such a beautiful newsletter.

Membership

New Membership Applications:

Dalton Shotkoski – Sponsored by Sue Volkmer and Sheryl Bradbury – Voted in for Junior member, WELCOME! Juli Jurgens – Sponsored by Chara Eckery and Carol Jack – Voted in for regular membership, WELCOME!

New Business:

Election Results – Nina Gottsch
Board positions
VP – Sue Volkmer
Treasurer – Norine Nieman
Board of Director – Shelly Rehmeier, Shayne Fili

Awards Program – Shelly Rehmeier, thank you to Shelly for doing such an amazing job with the plaques and awards and designing the beautiful slideshow!

*You are encouraged all to send in brags and news to Sharon Bourke for the Growler.

Her email address is Omahasb@aol.com

Adjournment: X:XX pm Motion to adjourn, unfortunately my battery died on my phone so I did not get the motion to adjourn time and people motioned to document.

MARCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, 5 March 2025 7:00pm Zoom Connection Information below

Attendance: Norine Nieman, Sue Volkmer, Shelly Rehmeier,

Absent: Sheryl Bradbury, Nina Gottsch, Cindi Gredys

Guest: Lana Petersen (Interim Secretary), Barb Hill (Business Advisor)

Approval of Minutes from February Board meeting: There was no quorum of the Board; therefore, the minutes for February 2025 Board meeting will be voted on at the April Board meeting.

Report of the President - Sheryl Bradbury - NTR Absent

Report of the Vice President – Sue Volkmer

Report of the Treasurer – Norine Nieman reported - Report has been sent out: Income is mostly from banquet and renewals of membership. Expenses were for ribbons, paid accounting firm for 1099's and paid Sharon Belle for trophies (\$175.00). CD was renewed on 2/12/2025 for 12 months @ 4%. Norine also reported that check# 1256 was voided to pay \$1300.86 for year's rent of the storage unit. PayPal is working and she has no issues with reporting income categories and information at this point. Net worth is \$70683.14.

Report of the Secretary – NTR

New Membership Applications:

None to report

Unfinished Business:

Event fee Increase - according to the email from AKC on 2.26.2025 the increase in the event fees has been postponed. Please notify all event committee heads that this change affects: The Board will continue to monitor AKC's correspondence for any updates.

Secretary Position – Lana Petersen has offered to step in and support the club to provide secretary support. Barb tabled the motion to accept Lana as the interim secretary until the next board meeting of April 2, 2025, due to lack of quorum at this meeting.

SECTION 5. Power and Duties of the Secretary. The Secretary will: (a) act as Secretary of the Board of Directors and enter or cause to be entered the minutes of all meetings of the Board or general meetings and submit the minutes of the said meetings at the next regular meeting of the membership or the Board. S/he will also be the Chairperson of the Membership Committee. (b) keep a roll of the members in good standing of this Club, along with addresses, email addresses, and telephone numbers. (c) keep all books, papers and records as may be required by Law and the Rules and By-laws of this Club. (d) notify all members of the Board of Directors of Board meetings and to sign all notices thereof as in these Rules and By-Laws. (e) serve all notices required either by Law or the Rules and By-Laws of this Club. (f) perform such other acts and things as may at any time, or from time to time, be requested of him/ her by the Board. (g) in the event s/he shall require assistance or shall be unable to act, his/her duties may be performed by an Assistant Secretary or any other club member selected and approved by the Board.

2025 Fast CAT – Premium is up, Caterer has been hired and they will have photographer at event. Photographer is listed on the premium as Tiffany Schulze.

NKC New title ribbons, Norine did order 25 Title Ribbons for a total of \$141.37 (\$5.65/each approx.). Norine did inform the members that these ribbons are for the May 2025 show.

Charitable Donations – Norine reported that she will be placing an announcement into the Growler and also emailing all members to bring all donations for the raffle, to be held at the All-Breed Dog Show in May, to the next 2 monthly meetings. **Website** - **Sue Volkmer:** Irina is building the site on her server. Irina is confident that the website will be up in 30 days. It needs to be addressed that anyone having access to the website and format should check individual computers for Malware now to avoid issues at a later date.

3 Day All Breed Show – Sheryl sent an email to AKC to request consideration for NKC to hold a 3 day all breed show in 2026. I will update the board when I hear back from Glenn Lycan.

2025 Meeting programs – Sue Volkmer - There is a new site for future meetings. Location, unless stated, will now be at the Sump Memorial Library 222 N Jefferson Street Papillion, NE 68046. Meetings will be held in the South Meeting Room. January – No program

February - Awards Banquet

March – March 19, 2025 - Cheryl Morris, Nutrition Q&A - Location: Sump Memorial Library 222 N Jefferson Street Papillion, NF

April – Ring Stewarding - Sheryl Bradbury - Location: Sump Memorial Library 222 N Jefferson Street Papillion, NE

May - Dr. Marty Greer - Parasitology/Vacinology

June – June 18, 2025 - Club Picnic - No Regular meeting - Please bring side dishes or desserts, meat will be furnished by club - Location: @Sheryl Bradbury's home (address to follow)

July – No member meeting

August - Meeting

September - Meeting

October - Meeting

November - Meeting

December - December 17, 2025 - Holiday Party - Looking for Chair/Organizer of Event

2025 Event Dates -

Fast CAT, Spring – April 18 – 20, 2025 Premium is up and Ron is looking for volunteers. Shayne's catering group will do the lunches. Photographer is now listed on the premium as Tiffany Schulze.

All Breed Dog Show – May 16-18, 2025 – The premium is completed, ONOFRIO has stated that they are 4 premiums behind. I will continue to harass ONOFRIO to get our premium up. Our show is on Onofrio website under the upcoming tab, https://www.onofrio.com/execpgm/fndindex?show=PL2025043005CD#NEBR1

Kudos to Cindi for being a magician getting all the judges sorted out.

Club Picnic – June 18, 2025 The picnic will be hosted at Sheryl Bradbury's. The meat will be supplied by the club. All members will be asked to bring a side dishes and/or desserts.

Scent Work – July 11-13, 2025 The applications have been sent to AKC. All judges have been hired. It was affirmed that fees would still be raised, due to higher rental costs.

Detective Trial – July 27, 2025 The applications have been sent in. All judges have been hired and contracts have been signed.

Fast CAT - September 12,13&14, 2025 September event will be handled by Harmony.

NTI – October 10-12, 2025 Shelly is currently working on Judges contracts. The website and facebook is up for NTI and is also on AKC's website. Shelly and Barb state that 2025 AKC NTI check has not yet been received. Shelly will follow up with AKC to find out why check has not been received.

Tracking Test - November 9, 2025 Application has been submitted and currently looking for Judges

Detective Trial – December 5, 2025 Sue Volkmer reported that they are looking for sites, but will list Warner until something is found. Two judges are confirmed for the event.

Scent Work - December 5 - 7, 2025 Location will stay the same at Warner. Two judges have been confirmed.

Holiday Party - December 17, 2025 Club is currently looking for Chair/Organizer for the event.

New Business:

Award Plaques - Board decided that this topic would be discussed at next Board meeting, due to lack of quorum.

Used Equipment Sale - Further discussion needs to be had regarding how many days, items and pricing.

Raffel Tickets - Further discussion needed in regards to buying a flat screen tv this year, and how raffle tickets are going to be sold.

Fast Cat Ribbons - The Club will be utilizing Harmony's ribbons at all of our 2025 FastCat events. Growler Deadline - March 7, 2025

Next Board Meeting - April 2, 2025

Shelly Rehmeier motioned to adjourn at 7:52pm, Norine Nieman, seconded; motion carried



2025 NKC Raffle

Our Annual All-Breed Dog Show, Obedience Trials, & Rally Trials will be on May 16-18, 2025.

This year we are once again having a raffle to help offset the cost associated with this event.

You Can Help!

We hope that each of you is willing to donate to this raffle. Here are ways you can do that.

- 1. Visit your local pet store or vet clinic and ask for a donation. Pet stores often give items for a gift basket and vet clinics might offer a free wellness check. Your favorite restaurant or groomer might donate also.
- 2. You can purchase small items and create your own gift basket, or you can purchase a big item such as a large dog bed. Dog beds are popular items at raffles.
- 3. You can donate money (make check payable to NKC) to the raffle, mail it to the Treasurer, and the Raffle Chairperson will use it to purchase items for the raffle.
- 4. One last way you can help is donate your "time" to help work at the raffle table at the event. Contact the Chairperson.

Keep in mind that raffle items do not need to be dog related. Use your imagination when soliciting donations. Please remember: Although NKC is a non-profit, it is not a 501(c)3 and donations are not tax deductible, if anyone asks.

You may take your donation(s) to our next two general meetings on March 19th at the Papillion Public Library, 222 N Jefferson, Papillion, NE and on April 16th, place to be determined. We will need to have your donation(s) by May 9th so we can start organizing the raffle items. We will also take donations at our homes or make other arrangements with you.

If you have questions, please contact:

Raffle Chairperson: Carol Jack, cajack55@gmail.com, 402-514-7256, 9368 Maplewood Blvd. Omaha, NE NKC Treasurer: Norine Nieman, norinenieman@gmail.com, 402-490-6405, 13500 Spring Street, Omaha, NE FYI: We already have items from Scheel's, The Pet Clinic, Wondercide, BarkBox, The Henry Doorly Zoo, and Two Dowells, LLC. We want to see this list grow!

---Submitted by Norine Nieman





Please Join Us

For the Nebraska Kennel Club "Total Dog Experience"

May 16-18, 2025

Superintendent: Onofrio Dog Shows

Sandhills Global Event Center 4100 N 84th Street Lincoln, NE 68507

Two All-Breed Conformation Shows &





National Specialty

- Two Regional Specialties
- Two International Judges





Nine Open Shows



Three Benched Coonhound Events
Three Obedience Trials & Four Rally Trials

(In a conduct a building)

(In a separate building)

NOHS, Best Bred By, Best Veterans, Best Puppy Events

4-6 month Beginner Puppy

Health Clinics (Eye, Cardiac, OFA, Microchip)

Used Equipment Sale Two Raffle Tables Awesome Vendors
RV Parking

Hotel Room Blocks

Reserved

<u>Welcome</u>

TO NEW NKC MEMBERS

*Juli Jurgens *

Dalton Skotkoski



Nebraska Kennel Club is pleased to hold its bi-annual Fast CAT April 18, 19 AND 20th. That's correct 3 days and 6 events in one weekend. So, now is the time to take a 1/2 day on Friday.

GROWLER ADVERTISING RATES

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

\$75.00 for a full page

Non-members: $$15.00 \text{ per } 1/8^{th} \text{ 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.

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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Vacancy Sandy Orr Tim Bourke Vacancy

John & Irina Harrington

Vacancy
Ron Weaks
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2025 Calendar of Events



March 19 General Meeting
April 2 Board Meeting
April 16 General Meeting

April 19-20 Fast CAT

May 7 Board Meeting

May 16-18 All Breed Dog Show

June 4 Board Meeting

June 18 General Meeting & Club Picnic

July 2
July 11-13
Scent Work
July 16
No Meeting
July 27
Detective Trial
August 6
August 20
September 3
Board Meeting
General Meeting
Board Meeting

September 13-14 Fast Cat

September 17 **General Meeting** October 1 **Board Meeting** October 15 **General Meeting** November 5 **Board Meeting** November 19 **General Meeting** December 3 **Board Meeting** December 5 **Detective Trial** Scent Work December 5-7 December 17 No Meeting

Note: List subject to change --Sharon Bourke, Editor 9