

# PUPPY PUDDLES



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## Monthly Meeting

- Oct 17, 2017 Benco Building  
Board Meeting — 6:30PM  
Club Meeting — 7:30PM

## Refreshments

- Oct — Bev Cox & Kaitlin Freienmuth
- Nov — Still need someone
- Dec — No Meeting

Thank you to Pat Hooey and Sharon Olson for the wonderful refreshments at the September Meeting!

## Important Dates

- Oct 31 — Halloween

## Your Contributions

Please feel free to e-mail your ideas, stories or pictures to me and I will try my best to incorporate them. Lets work together to make this a great newsletter!

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## Dog Training



## Upcoming Seminar

In this workshop, Lin will demonstrate her techniques for evaluating a dog's structure and developing a customized training program designed to enhance performance and prevent injury. For more information, please check out the website for the poster and the registration form.

If you have already notified Melissa about attending the seminar, she would appreciate that you take the time out to fill out the form.

Club members get a \$10 off of the seminar fees.

Registration deadline is /11/04/2017.

Seminar date is 11/11/2017

Time 12:00 pm—5:00 pm

If you have any other questions you may contact her by phone 507-304-2078 or by email: [Melissa@vomwennerhaus.com](mailto:Melissa@vomwennerhaus.com).

## Officers

President — Jim Olson

Vice President — Pete Otterness

Secretary — Megan Hancock

Treasurer — Lynn Davey

## Nominating Committee's Slate Of Officers For 2018

The nominating committee is pleased to report that for 2018 the current Officers have agreed to continue to serve. The nominated ballot shall consist of the following Officers and Board of Directors:

### Officers

President – Jim Olson *Term 2017*

Vice President – Pete Otterness *Term 2017*

Treasurer – Lynn Davey *Term 2017*

Secretary – Megan Hancock *Term 2017*

Board Member—Brian Carstensen

Board Member—Alexis Smith

### Board of Directors:

Patty Hooey *Term 2017-2018*

Lori Espeland *Term 2017-2018*

Melissa Lembke *Term 2017-2018*

There were very few eligible candidates in accordance with the attendance requirements set forth in the constitution of Key City Kennel Club. It is also the policy to not have spouses serve concurrently on the Board. Nomination from the floor can be made during the October meeting by any member in attendance provided that the person nominated has attended the minimum number of meetings (7 of the scheduled meeting), is in good standings with the club and that the person nominated agrees to serve in the capacity nominated.

### **Please Welcome New Member:**

Kathy Sonnek  
23235 498th Lane  
Lake Crystal, MN 56055  
Home: 507-947-3043  
Cell: 507-995-1336  
kathysonnek@gmail.com

### **Email Address Change**

Please change Lori Espeland's personal email address to ratflatdogs@gmail.com

## Good Cheer

If any club member knows of anyone needing Good Cheer please contact Bev Cox.

Email: beverlygrace39@gmail.com

Cell phone: 507-351-4899

Address: 110 S Plainview Ave., Mankato, MN 56001

## AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award

We need your nominations for this year's AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award. This award is presented to an individual who deserves special recognition and has made a difference in the sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship and has been an active and valued member with Key City Kennel Club. The 2017 recipient will be presented with the award at our annual party.

At the October meeting, nominations for the annual AKC Sportsmanship Award need to be made out. Roxie Eaton, who won the award last year will keep the results until the holiday party. So, be thinking about who you think deserves the 2017 AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award.

Members who have received this award in the past:

Ron Schulz, Jill Shirley, Joey Heilman, Jan Richards, Lynn Davey, Patty Hooey, Jim Olson, Bruce Davey, Pete Otterness, Sue Erickson, Roxie Eaton.

## Trophies For May Show

It is time to start thinking about the trophies we sponsor for our May All-Breed Show, Obedience and Rally trials. Please clip out the sign up sheet on last page and along with your money or donation (such as a toy), send it to Lori Espeland at the address listed. Please note that the deadline is December 19, 2017. Unfortunately, we cannot have any exceptions because of deadlines imposed by Onofrio for printing premium lists. If your trophy information and payment is not received by the deadline, your name will not be included in the premium list. If you have any questions, please contact Lori.

## 2017 Agility Wrap-Up

Whew, well another year in the books of what I feel was a fun Agility Trial for Key City Kennel Club. The weather was perfect for the 5 days we were out at the Fair Grounds in St. Peter. Was warm, but not unbearable HOT and NO RAIN. Everyone worked very hard and made a success of Key City's Agility Trial.

I want to thank everyone in our Club that participated in helping with the Trial. From those that could only participate for a short while to those that participated and worked every single day. I am so thankful to everyone for the help the Agility Trial received. We cannot function without everyone working together in large and small ways.

Extra big thanks to the following:

Our Judge this year was Dawn Glasser-Falk. She put up 28 different courses for our show over the 3 day Trial. The courses were very fun and challenging. She enjoyed being at Key City and would like to see us continue to have our Trial in the outdoors as Agility was first meant to be played. (Read Dawn's Post)

Great Lunches were served by Patty Hooey and Sue Fleming, with additional help each day from Lee Shultz. Thank you so much ladies for all your efforts. Everyone was well fed and enjoyed the amazing food and hospitality.

Deanna Kuhl was my Volunteer coordinator again this year and manned the New Volunteer board we had going. The new system seemed to work very well with everyone signing up for a job or jumping in when asked. Deanna was always at ringside making sure spots were filled and was always pleasant and appreciative of everyone's help. Thank you again Dee Dee for your willingness to work as our Chief Ring Steward. You are awesome!

Jane Richards was our Trial Secretary this year and did a fantastic job at getting everything recorded quickly and efficiently. Ever present at her side was Dave Richards and Lois Almendinger. Thank you so much for helping to make our Trial run so smoothly.

Bruce and Lynn Davey, always and ever present at every Club Function. How do I thank them properly? As always, I count on them, as we all do, so much. They were present and working hard all 5 days of the Trial. From preparing the grounds to take down and put away for another year. You both are awesome and the Club is lucky to have the support you give in every endeavor we take on. It is a very rare moment that we don't see your faces at a Club function. From the bottom of my heart, thank you ever so much.

The number of participants was still small this year. We were up slightly, but not significantly. Jan Richards came up with the idea of surveying our participants about their thoughts of changing our Trial weekend again. I gave the options of staying with Labor Day Weekend, changing to September 28, 29,30 or going back to October 5, 6, 7. Out of 22 responses, 15 want to stay on Labor Day Weekend, 5 would go to September 28, 29, 30, and only 2 want to see us return to the October weekend.

Because of these responses the Trial Committee has decided to continue with Labor Day weekend. We are going to ask the Club for a person to promote our Trial. Someone with Social Media knowledge and a connection especially with the Agility crowd on Social Media sites. Someone who may already have a network in place for the Agility Community.

We had a lot of help from our Agility Students, which was so wonderful to see. They were full of questions and worked very hard. Because of this the Trial Committee thought it would be nice to set up a mentoring program for our Students. Have a sign up in classes to walk them through their first Agility Trials. How to find Trials to go to. How to fill out the entry forms and what they need to do when they get to the Trial sites. I believe a whole new Committee would need to be formed to do this properly.

Which leads me into my next topic. CLUB Participation. I was a little disappointed in actual Club participation. From the loading of the Trailer for the Trial, to work at the actual Trial site, through the actual 3 days of Trialing, and then clean up and unloading. I know many will say its because I changed it to Labor Day weekend and everyone is busy. But which weekend do I change it to? People that consistently come to our Trial want us to keep it on Labor Day weekend. If I go later, it's too cold. If I go earlier in the year, it's too warm and too close on the heels of our May show. There are A LOT of shows for people to choose from on any given weekend and being outdoors makes it tougher.

There are 76 Club Members listed on the 2017 Membership List. I know more have been added. ONLY 6 people are eligible for Board membership, SIX. Club participation at events has fallen. We have the core few that are regulars at Meetings, work details, our May and September Trials, and the general day to day duties of putting together and taking care of everything this Club does, but what about the rest. How do we get people to help at Club functions? To learn to take on the roles of the Club members who have worked so hard for so many years in their respective functions. If more of our members don't get more involved with Club functions eventually there will be no more Club.

My Agility Trial Committee asked for more help in certain areas. As the Agility Trial gets closer next year, I will define and ask for people to help more with certain duties. I hope we will have success. It takes a small village to run our Trials successfully and our village keeps getting smaller. We need to find ways to grow our village like I remember it used to be.

I want everyone to know that I am so thankful for the help that was given, you know who you are, no matter how large or how small it was. I hope I thanked all of you in person at the Trial. If I didn't please know I appreciate all of your hard work and thank you so much for your participation. Please take what I have said as food for thought. These are just my observations and thoughts. I am not good with words and I know this has gotten lengthy, but there it is. Thank you for listening.

**DONATIONS FOR 2018 KCKC SHOW**

ABSOLUTE DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 19, 2017

If you would prefer your donation to go towards a specific breed, please indicate it on the line below.

BREED OF DOG \_\_\_\_\_

Donated By: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Donation (non-monetary items): \_\_\_\_\_

Please choose the day/days you would like to donate for: **Friday** **Saturday** **Sunday**

**CONFORMATION (only Saturday and Sunday)**

Donation Group: \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_ BOB \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ BOW \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_

BOS \$10.00 \_\_\_\_\_ WD \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_ WB \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP (only Saturday and Sunday)**

There are no specific amounts dedicated to these classes. Classes are as follows:

Novice Junior	Novice Intermediate	Novice Senior	Open Junior
Open Intermediate	Open Senior	Master Class	Best Junior Handler
Reserve Junior Handler			

**OBEDIENCE**

For First in each Regular class: \$20.00 (Circle those you wish to donate to)

Beginner Novice A or B	Novice A or B	Graduate Novice
Graduate Open	Open A or B	Utility A or B

**RALLY**

For First in each Regular class: \$20.00(Circle those you wish to donate to)

Novice A or B	Intermediate	Advanced A or B
Excellent A or B	Masters	

**OBEDIENCE and/or RALLY PRIZES: \$10.00**

Highest Scoring Dog      Highest Combined Score: Obedience (Open B & Utility B)  
Highest Combined Score: Rally (Advanced B & Excellent B)  
Triple Qualifying Score: Rally (Advanced B & Excellent B & Master)

If you wish, please indicate which class/classes you would like to sponsor and how much you would like to donate. Please make checks payable to: Key City Kennel Club. Please send this form along with your payment to:

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**821 E 2<sup>nd</sup> St. N.**  
**Truman, MN. 56088**