



PUPPY PUDDLES NEWS

WE TEACH YOU TO TEACH YOUR DOG

Monthly Meeting

May 19, 2015
Benco Building
Board Meeting — 6:30PM
Club Meeting — 7:30PM

Refreshments

May — Sue Erickson &
Megan Hancock
June — Joey Heilman & Pat
Hoey
July — N/A

Thank you to Bev Cox, Karen
Byron, & Penny Helgersen for
the wonderful refreshments at
the previous meeting!

Important Dates

- May 22, 23, 24— KCKC
All Breed Show,
Obedience, and Rally
Trials
- Aug 28, 29, 30— KCKC
Agility Trials

Your Contributions

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

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Dog Training



2015 KCKC All Breed Show, Obedience and Rally Trials

KCKC's May show is just around the corner and if you are not planning on showing but still want to be apart of the action, please contact the show committee for information on volunteering! The help is always greatly appreciated. If you are new, don't worry, there are plenty of people who will teach you what to do. Also, volunteers will be fed by our hospitality crew.

Hospitality crew is asking all the club members to bring a desert to the 4H building **Saturday morning**. These will be for the workers and the judges who look forward to all of the goodies we provide each year!

Officers

President — Jim Olson Vice President — Pete Otterness
Secretary — Megan Hancock Treasurer — Lynn Davey

Agility Volunteer Coordinator

Attention KCKC Members:

OK gang – I've had NO takers for this position I need filled on my Agility Trial Crew. Is there no one that is able to step up to the plate and help out at our Agility Trial? It's once a year and for only 3 days. Takes some effort, but the few of us can't do this alone we need the help of our Club members. Premium opens in July and I would like this filled before then. PLEASE HELP!!

After 2 years of wonderful service Lynn Davey has decided to give up the Volunteer Coordinator position for our Agility Trial. I am in search of a new Volunteer Coordinator to set up Volunteers to fill the rings at the Agility Trial. It will be a bit easier this year as we will be going down to one judge and 2 rings so we will only need to be filling one ring at a time with volunteers. If anyone is interested in helping the club with this much needed position please contact me and I will be happy to fill you in and let you know how everything is done. You can contact me through EMAIL – flapjack@hickorytech.net – OR – PHONE – 507-327-5616. Thank you – Elaine Carstensen – KCKC Agility Trial Chair.

KCKC Newest Members

Please welcome to the club:

Renee Schwerin

2318 W Ballantine Dry

Madison Lake, MN 56063

507-243-4020

rschweim@hickorytech.net

Australian Cobberdog

Judy Funk

1714 N 2nd St

Mankato, MN 56001

507-625-4897

jujud56@hickorytech.net

Shetland Sheepdog

Camping At KCKC's May Show

If you are planning on bringing a camper to the May show please contact Bruce Davey about holding a camping spot. Grounds set-up for the show begin Wednesday May 6. Bruce will be able to let you know if/when you can set up.

Bruce Davey

E-mail: bdavey122@gmail.com

Good Cheer

If any club member knows of anyone needing Good Cheer please contact Elaine at the following:

Elaine Carstensen
53001 174th Lane
Garden City, MN 56034
507-327-5616
flapjack@hickorytech.net

CGC Testing at Training Center

The club's annual spring CGC testing dates have been set as follows: *Thursday, May 14th 7:30 pm at the training center for regular CGC testing only. Wednesday, May 27th 10:00 am at Roy Erlandson Park off Main Street in Mankato – CGC and CGCA testing. Club members willing to help during each of the testing times would be greatly appreciated!* As usual, the club will charge \$5.00 per dog tested. You'll need your own grooming tool for CGC testing and should bring your dog's AKC registration number for either test. Dogs must have passed CGC and received the certificate from AKC prior to being eligible for CGCA testing. If you've tested for CGC somewhere other than with KCKC, please bring the AKC CGC certificate. Indicate your willingness to help or get your dog put on the testing list by emailing Lynn at keycitykennelclub@hotmail.com. We are in planning stages to offer the new CGC Urban Canine testing at the end of the summer session. This test will possibly be held in the downtown Mankato area. Dogs testing for Urban Canine need to have already passed CGC and received that certificate.

AKC Adds New "Urban CGC" Title to Popular Canine Good Citizen® Program

Giving responsible owners a whole new level of achievement for their dogs, the American Kennel Club (AKC) announced today the launch of "AKC Urban CGC" to the Canine Good Citizen (CGC) training program. The new title focuses on city-dwelling dogs and the special skills they require.

Since 1989, more than 700,000 dogs and their owners have been recognized by the CGC program, which rewards the dogs' good manners at home and in the community. As with CGC, AKC Urban CGC requires a 10-step test of skills that dogs must pass to earn the official AKC Urban CGC title. AKC Urban CGC skills dogs must possess include:

- Exits/enters doorways (of dog friendly buildings) with no pulling
- Walks through a crowd on a busy urban sidewalk
- Reacts appropriately to city distractions (horns, sirens, etc.)
- Waits on leash, crosses street under control
- Ignores food and food containers on sidewalk
- Person approaches on sidewalk and pets dog
- 3-minute down-stay in lobby of dog friendly building
- Safely negotiates stairs and elevators
- Housetrained
- Enters, exits, rides dog-friendly transportation (car, subway in a carry bag, cab)



"City dogs require a very special set of skills, including waiting to cross a street, ignoring food tossed on a sidewalk, behaving in building lobbies and riding elevators," said Mary Burch, Ph.D., Director of the Canine Good Citizen program. "Urban CGC reinforces practical, everyday skills for the millions of dogs living in urban areas today, creating safer, more responsible communities."

To be eligible for the AKC Urban CGC title, dogs must have a CGC certificate or title on record at AKC and must have an AKC number (AKC registration number, PAL number, or AKC Canine Partners number). Dogs passing the AKC Urban Dog test will earn the "CGCU" title.

With the introduction of AKC Urban CGC, the AKC's CGC program now provides a variety of training options for dog owners and their dogs. Beginning with AKC S.T.A.R. Puppy, progressing to Canine Good Citizen, AKC Community Canine and now AKC Urban CGC, the CGC program trains dogs through all stages of life and in all settings to be well-behaved in society.

Instructors can learn more about the program and begin training their students on AKC Urban CGC skills by visiting the AKC Urban CGC page. Urban CGC test materials are now available in the AKC store.

AKC Urban CGC testing will be administered by approved AKC CGC evaluators nationwide beginning this month.

For more info, contact cgc@akc.org.