



# Key City Kennel Club Annual Picnic



**Come join us for the annual picnic!**

Lake Washington Club

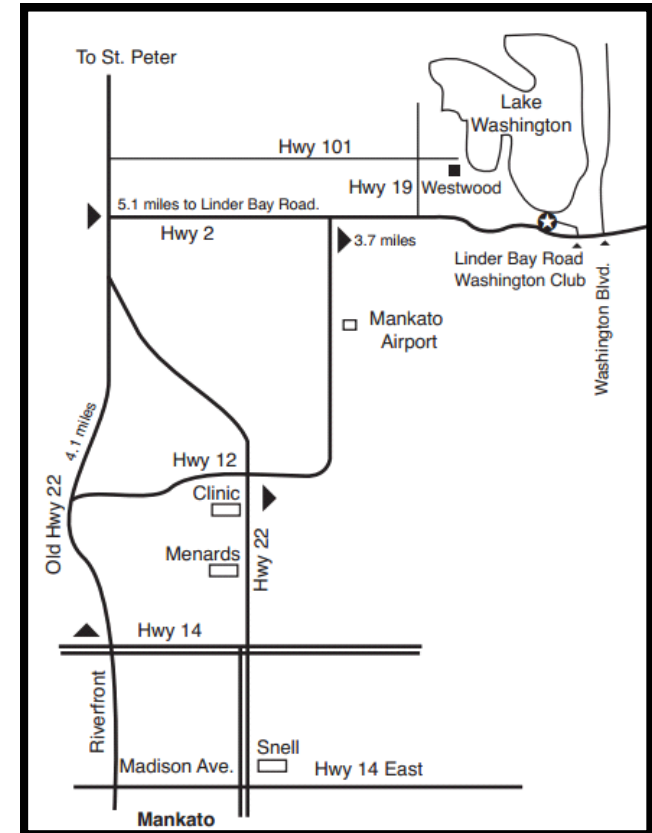
July 21, 2015

Social Hour — 5:30pm

Potluck dinner— 6:30pm

The Kennel Club will be providing chicken but everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass, as well as your own beverages, plates, eating utensils and chairs to sit in. You are welcome to bring your spouses, children, guests and dogs for a great evening

- ◆ Dogs in attendance must be on leash



## MAY SHOW REPORT 2015

The Key City Kennel Club conformation, obedience and rally trial was held the weekend of May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. On Friday we had 75 entries in obedience and 45 entries in rally. Obedience was almost the same as last year but the rally entries were up by 5. Sue Erickson handles the obedience and Gladys Berlin the Rally.

We continued with having two rings and again set up more chairs for the exhibitors. This works out well for everyone.

On Saturday, we had 932 entries from 29 states and 3 entries from Canada. The entries from agents were down slightly with 75. On Sunday, our entries were 901 from 29 states and again 3 entries from Canada. The entries from agents again were down to 73. Our total entries for this show were down by 12 including Rally. The Vizsla Specialty entries were down and so our Saturday/Sunday conformation numbers were down as the Vizsla's tend to carry over for the weekend.

Our judges this year were Tom and Sandy Alexander, Jon Cole, Wayne Harmon, Stephen Hubbell, Larry Mackai, Marissa Shepherd and Sandy Wheat for conformation and Shirlee Jacobson and Cynthia Pischke for obedience.

The weather didn't exactly cooperate this year, however with that being said, it could have been much worse. We had light rain on and off for most of Sunday. It rained a little heavier during the groups, but we had no wind or lightning and the temperature was nice.

As she does every year Lois Almendinger does the flowers for the Vizsla specialty and leaves them for us to use. Thank you Lois.

Dave Johnson and Louise Braam again trained for inside ring stewarding and Lynn Holmgren and Sue Compart and Gloria Robinson tried their hands at being an outside ring steward for conformation.

Penny Helgerson in her second year as hospitality head does such a nice job with the judges.

Connie Timmerman, along with Lori Espeland and, I think, Marlene Oliver again taped off the grooming area. This really helps keep the grooming building more orderly.

Sharon received several compliments on Friday about how nice the grounds were and how well everything was marked.

We had two committee changes this year. Lori Espeland took over the trophy position from Lee Schulz who has done it forever. Lori created a new trophy form which worked out very well. Thank you Lori for taking over this position and a very special thank you to Lee for handling this all these years!

Melissa Lembke along with Marlene Oliver took over the Saturday night B match from Donna Burgess. Thanks Donna for doing this the last couple of years and a big thank you to Melissa and Marlene for taking this over. I think that we had over 50 entries to the match.

The show went very well. Stephen Hubbell wasn't feeling well on Saturday afternoon but he went back to the hotel after the show and took a nap and felt much better for Sunday. The only other incident was one vendor drove over a small tree that happened to be planted in memory of someone. Bruce, as always, took care of everything for us, except maybe we should have put a plaque in memory of the tree that had been planted in memory of that someone.

As always, my committee members need a huge thank you for all the work that they do, before, during and after the show. We have the great show that we do because of all the people that volunteer.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Olson

Our 2015 KCKC AKC All Breed Agility Trial will be held Friday, August 28 through Sunday, August 30th at the Nicollet County Fairgrounds in St. Peter. We will begin preparing the fairgrounds on Thursday, August 27th.

Just like our May show, we will need plenty of volunteers: Please RSVP by AUGUST 17th.

We will also need your favorite potluck items to add to the meal for all of our hard working volunteers and judges. The club will be providing the main course, but salads, fruits, vegetables, and desserts are needed. Please bring them to the fairgrounds before 10AM on Saturday, August 29th. Please contact Pat Hooey (507-386-7488) if you have any questions or if you would like to volunteer anything additional for hospitality.

**Don't forget to bring a lawn chair, and dress according to the weather.**

**Scribe** – Responsible for watching the judge for the simple hand signals used to represent course faults.

**Assistant Scribe** – Responsible for recording the run time from the timer and keeping the scribe's sheets in order for the scribe.

**Timer** – Responsible for starting the dogs when the judge is ready. Uses the electronic timers to time the run and quickly gives the run time to the assistant scribe.

**Gate Steward** – Responsible for making sure that the exhibitors & their dogs are ready at the starting line. Usually tries to keep 3 dogs ahead to move the trial along quickly. Informs the ring stewards when it is time to change the jump height (usually consists of yelling "last dog this height"), keeps the dogs in catalog order or notifies the assistant scribe of any change in order.

**Course Builder** – Responsible for moving equipment into & around the ring according to the judge's course plan. The course changes from Novice to Open to Excellent so equipment will need to be added and/or removed. After a course is set, the builders won't be needed until a new course change, so these people would be excellent as equipment setters also.

**Equipment Setter/Ring Steward** – Responsible for adjusting the equipment during the runs. These people will need to bring chairs to sit on the edge of the ring and are expected to be ready to adjust anything that needs adjusting.

**Runner** – There are 2 different runners needed: *leash runners* & *scorecard runners*. The leash runner brings the dog's leash from the starting gate to the finish gate. The scorecard runner takes the finished scorecards from the assistant scribe and brings them to the secretary.

**REMEMBER:** Our trial is held Outside, but NOW in a warmer part of the year – YEAH!! Be ready for rain or heat and sun. The trial will be held rain or shine!

**VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:** Deanna Kuhl has graciously volunteered again this year to be our Volunteer Coordinator. So if you are able to Volunteer for any of these jobs please contact Deanna at:

Deanna Kuhl  
24537 Hardeggers drive  
Cleveland, MN 56017  
507-995- 3477 or ddkuhl3@gmail.com

**VOLUNTEER FORM**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Loading the Agility Trailer on August 23 at 4 pm at the Training Center / Set up at the Fair Grounds for the Agility Trial will be Thursday, August 27 at 9:30 am. Many hands make the jobs go faster and easier. Consider coming out for either day or both. Whatever you would like to do.

We have found a new Volunteer Coordinator for the Agility Trial. Thank you to Deanna Kuhl for stepping up to help us out. She will be working with Lynn Davey to learn the ropes.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DAY(S) ABLE TO WORK: \_\_\_\_\_

TIMES ABLE TO WORK: \_\_\_\_\_

JOBS WILLING TO DO: \_\_\_\_\_

(see above listing)

ARE YOU RUNNING A DOG:        YES        NO        (please circle one)

IF SO – WHAT CLASSES ENTERED: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

WHAT JUMP HEIGHT: \_\_\_\_\_

REMEMBER IF THERE IS SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO BUT DON'T KNOW HOW WE WILL TRAIN YOU – MOST OF THE JOBS ARE REALLY STRAIGHT FORWARD.

THANKS A MILLION FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS  
TO MAKE THIS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL AGILITY TRIAL  
FOR KEY CITY KENNEL CLUB!!!!  
HOPE TO SEE MANY OF YOU THERE!!