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Bobbie Nuytten, Betsy Norland

Monthly Meeting

July 20, 2021 IN-PERSON MEETING

at the Training Center

Board Meeting 6:30pm

Club Meeting 7:30pm

July 20 - KCKC picnic CANCELLED

July 30th, 31st, and August 1st - KCKC Scentwork Trial

September 3rd, 4th, and 5th KCKC Agility Trial

Updates & Encouragement

Good Cheer has relocated it's home! Effective 8/1/2021, Mary Schroeder will be taking over the Good Cheer Corner. Mary's contact information is listed below, please let her know if there is a need for sympathy or encouragement to be extended from the club:

Mary Schroeder
1407 7th St North
New Ulm, MN 56073
phone: 507-217-6141
email: marys@newulmtel.net

We have a new member! Please welcome our newest member: Deb Gaare. Deb has an English Springer Spaniel and a German Shepherd.

Add to the newsletter!

Please e-mail your ideas, stories, pictures, or newsletter corrections to:
puppypuddlesnews@gmail.com

Hybrid Meeting in July

The July meeting will be held in-person at the training center, and also virtually. If you attend the meeting at the TC, please bring your own chair. Masks and social distancing are at the discretion of members.

The information needed to attend the KCKC general meeting virtually at 7:25 p.m. on July 20th will be sent through email on the morning of the meeting.

Summer Picnic

After much discussion, and some conflicts that couldn't be overcome, it was decided to cancel this year's summer picnic.

Scentwork & Agility shows

Our Scentwork and Agility trials are approaching fast! Please take a look at pages 2-5 for more information and volunteer opportunities!

Key City Kennel Club **Scentwork Trial**

The KCKC Scent Work Trial will be held July 30th, 31st, and August 1st - Friday, Saturday, Sunday this year. More information will be available soon for dates and times of:

- Loading of the Trailer at the Training Center is tentatively set for Sunday, July 25th at 3PM

Information for the following will be available from the Scentwork committee::

- *Prep of fairgrounds area for trial in St. Peter*
- *Unload equipment at fairgrounds*
- *Trial start time and volunteer check-in time*
- *Cleanup of Fairgrounds and load the equipment back into the trailer.*

JOBS AT THE SCENTWORK TRIAL

Timer – Will time competitors' runs ~ Good role for volunteers with: some experience and any mobility level.

Gate Steward – Will help manage the traffic flow for the trial, moving competitors up to the search areas, or holding back when needed ~ Good role for volunteers with: any experience and strong mobility.

Judges Steward - Will bring competitors to the line to start their search and remind them of the time limit and on or off leash options for the search. Good role for volunteers with: some experience and strong mobility.

Parking Lot Steward - Will manage having competitors on the line and ready for their turn. They will also help with making sure competitors park in the correct spots. Unlike Obedience and Agility trials where competitors can themselves see how things are progressing, this role will be key in keeping the trial moving. Good role for volunteers with: No experience and strong mobility

Cold Box Steward - Will set-up and adjust non odor containers (including buried hides) for the class. Good role for volunteers with: any experience and good mobility.

Hot Box Steward - Will set-up and adjust odor containers (including buried hides) for the class. Clean-up between buried hide competitors may be required, including sweeping, vacuuming, or returning spilled soil or sand to the container. Best if not entered in trial or after competing; will learn a lot about the sport working closely with the judges. Good role for volunteers with: any experience and good mobility.

Score Runner - Will carry batches of 6-8 score sheets from the elements to the scoring table throughout the trial. Good role for volunteers with: any experience and good mobility

Key City Kennel Club **Scentwork Trial**

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: Melissa McIntyre is our Volunteer Coordinator for the scentwork trial. If you are able to Volunteer for any of these jobs please contact Melissa at:

Melissa McIntyre
929 Charles Ave.
Mankato, MN 56001
507-304-2078 or melissa@vomwennerhaus.com

SCENTWORK VOLUNTEER FORM

NAME: _____

DAY(S) ABLE TO WORK: _____

TIMES ABLE TO WORK: _____

JOB(S) WILLING TO DO (see list on p.3): _____

ARE YOU COMPETING IN THE TRIAL?: _____

IF YES, WHAT LEVELS?: _____

Please contact Melissa at melissa@vomwennerhaus.com or
via phone 507-304-2078 (call or text) with your choices by July 20th.

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.
THIS IS A RAIN OR SHINE EVENT.
THANKS A MILLION FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS

Key City Kennel Club **Agility Trial**

The KCKC Agility Trial will be held September 3rd, 4th & 5th - Friday, Saturday, Sunday this year. Join us as you are able, for fun with friends and to help our Trial run smoothly for everyone. Just like our May show, we will need plenty of volunteers.

- **Loading of the Trailer at the Training Center will be on August 29th at 3PM for anyone who can make it - many hands make light work!**

Information to come for:

- *Prep of fairgrounds area for trial in St. Peter*
- *Unload equipment at fairgrounds*
- *Trial start time and volunteer check-in time*
- *Cleanup of Fairgrounds and load the equipment back into the trailer.*
- *food plan*

JOBS AT THE AGILITY TRIAL

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.

Things to Remember

- Our trial is held Outside, but now in a warmer part of the year, be ready for rain or heat and sun. The trial will be held rain or shine!

Key City Kennel Club Agility Trial

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: There hasn't been an Agility Trial volunteer coordinator settled on yet, in the interim, please contact Lynn Davey with questions or volunteer information:

Lynn Davey

phone: 507-381-9890

email: ldavey470@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER FORM

NAME: _____

DAY(S) ABLE TO WORK: _____

TIMES ABLE TO WORK: _____

JOB(S) WILLING TO DO (see list on p.6): _____

ARE YOU RUNNING A DOG?: _____

IF SO, WHAT CLASSES ENTERED & 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 BUNCH FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS TO MAKE THIS
ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL AGILITY TRIAL FOR KEY CITY KENNEL CLUB!

HOPE TO SEE MANY OF YOU THERE!

Training Center and Classes Update

The KCKC board has approved new fees for Conformation/Rally/Open Mat punch cards. The price will now be \$50 for 6 and \$100 for 12 punches.

Old cards will be honored for anyone who has them.

For additional information on class times please refer to the class schedule pages on the KCKC website: <http://www.keycitykennelclub.org>

Fast CAT Event in Rochester

The Rochester MN Kennel Club will be hosting a Fast CAT event on July 23, 24, 25 in Rochester at the History Center of Olmsted County. Entries are open now and close on July 9 or when we have reached the entry limit. Our premium is attached to this email.

JULY MEETING

AGENDA:

BOARD MEETING

- I. Approve minutes of previous meeting
- II. Report of Secretary
 - A. Correspondence
 - B. Applications for membership
- III. Reports of Committees
 - A. Treasurer
 - B. Training
 - C. Building Committee
- IV. Unfinished Business
- V. New Business
- VI. Recess meeting
- VII. Adjourn meeting

GENERAL MEETING

- I. Introduce Guests
- II. Approve minutes of previous meeting
- III. Report of the President
 - A. Board discussion and action
- IV. Report of the Secretary
 - A. Correspondence
 - B. Applications for membership
- V. Good Cheer Fund
- VI. Report of the Treasurer
- VII. Reports of Committees
 - A. AKC Delegate
 - B. Training
- VIII. Unfinished Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Adjourn Meeting

JUNE GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

No meeting/quorum last two months; no minutes to approve.

Reports

President:

- Talked about building and mold issue as raised by Jeanne Epp (she raised to Dept of Health and Cty of Mankato); we as a club have done everything we can to mitigate the mold, she should have known that nothing has changed, but are refunding her for the punch card. Melissa recommended a disclaimer on website/application about adverse reactions. Have a waiver for conformation, rally, etc also.

- Also had discussion on rabies certificate storage/ collection.

Secretary:

Correspondence --

- New member readings: 1st for 3 Jill & Emily (junior – 9 yo) Schmidt, Melissa Alexander; 2nd reading & vote on Deb Gaare - approved

Treasurer:

- Show report – bottom line good, we made money (almost \$10K – \$9682.89)! Bruce still needs to submit some expenses. Also waiting on cheque from Onofrio.

- Rented golf carts - one was dud. Thanks to Pete & Bobbie for bringing four-wheelers to use. Melissa L. made motion to reimburse P&B the same amount we spent on golfcart rentals (\$500), Brian seconded, carried (Bobbie abstained).

- Balance: \$ 15,701.34

Training Report

- Classes started last week: 2 Wed morning/evening; Thurs evening (9 students each); 5 intermediate thurs, 5 wed morning; 5 monday agility, agility tues???. scentwork ? (4 per Brian) (One check in from one person)

Committees:

- May Show – Report from Sharon

- Scent Work – End of July trial; judges assigned & approved

- Agility - Agility this year and next judges have signed contracts; will be Labor Day weekend

Business

- Good Cheer – sent card to Melissa & Avery for loss of dog Tempi; Lori has one person interested in taking over (Mary Schroder), not sure if she's a good fit due to amount of responsibilities, need someone who is more in the know/closer to town and is good communicator; Lori has tub of cards to pass on

Delegate:

- Melissa L.'s name printed in May Gazette; vote will happen in July meeting, first meeting would be Sept.; has mentor arranged; will start preparing a report for newsletter once voted in; not yet hearing about anything that would affect us.

- AKC is banning dogs imported from China (and some other countries).

New Business

- Trailer repairs needed: Bruce needs \$\$ (~\$550 at an estimate) for trailer roof repair – waterproofing totally deteriorated, roof has sagged and rusting due to pooling water; Brian made motion to approve, Bobbie second, carried; Bruce will let us know if it goes over \$500

- Implementing raised prices on punch cards July 1st - (\$10/dog -) 12 for \$100 or 6 for \$50 (separate colors); all classes to use same card, add date; existing cards remain good.

- Picnic – Survey Monkey: would you be comfortable with trad pot luck, purchased box lunch, or bring your own, or no picnic; Alexis to do survey and send link to Bobbie. Will decide based on results.

Adjournment:

Brian made motion to adjourn, Bruce seconded.

