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PREZ Message

The Spring trial is in the books and it was a very successful trial thanks to Amanda Buse and her committee of wonderful WSOTC members. No dog sport could continue without the support of enthusiasts willing to step up, take on responsibilities and give of their time to insure we all have the opportunity to put our training to the test. Thank you to the show committee, the ring stewards and all of the competitors for making this trial so memorable.

Our club recently presented two awards to hard working club members. The club's Personal Achievement Trophy is a tradition that dates back to WSOTC's early years. That the recipient is nominated by fellow club members makes it quite an honor. Amy Reagan, the 2017 recipient, has enthusiastically supported the club since joining in 2013, volunteering many times over at events, offering ideas to promote the club and taking on the never ending task of club communication. All this while still training and showing her own dogs.

The AKC Sportsmanship Award was presented to long time member Sil Sanders. The meaning of this award goes beyond service to just WSOTC. It speaks to the example set by an individual who has long been committed to supporting the sport of dogs in a positive manner. Sil has demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship as a judge, as an exhibitor and as a club member. The WSOTC board was proud to submit his name to AKC as an outstanding example of good sportsmanship.

Recognizing club members for their devotion to the club and the sport of dogs had me reflecting on the AKC Code of Sportsmanship. At all dog sporting events the feeling of competition runs high. It is sometimes difficult to be mindful of our words and actions in the heat of competition. It is easy to criticize the hard work of others. In reading over the AKC Code of Sportsmanship I think there are several areas where our club excels. We respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport. We are a part of that history! We welcome and encourage newcomers to the sport. We respect AKC rules and regulations. I believe every WSOTC member considers the welfare of their dog above all else. However, before I attend my next event I plan to review not just the rules, but the Code of Sportsmanship, and to renew my personal commitment to courtesy, the enjoyment of vigorous competition and the ability to win or lose with grace. I hope we can all be supportive in our failures but truly happy for each other in our successes.

~ Terrie ~



Club Committee & Chairs

- Agility– Nancy Light
- Audit/ Budget– Janice Bergman
- Awards - Nancy Light & Holly Krohn
- Hearts & Flowers - Gloria Newby
- Insurance- Sue Cox
- Membership- Nancy Light
- Newsletter– Amy Reagan
- AKC Sanctioned Match Chair- Sue Cox
- Obedience/Rally Trials– Fall 2018—Ingrida Robinson
- Obedience/Rally Trials Spring 2018—Amanda Buse
- Printing/Mailing—Nancy Griffin/ Debbie Addicoat
- Programs—vacant
- Property/inventory - Don Rennick
- Obedience Seminar—Terrie Sato
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Membership Report

The following have applied for membership and had their first readings at the March 31 meeting. They will be on the ballot for election at the April 28 meeting

Arlette Davison is applying for Associate Membership. She lives in Olympia, has a Papillon and her sponsors are Ingrida Robinson and Amy Reagan

Melissa Knaqpp is applying for Full membership. She lives in Granite Falls and has English Cocker Spaniels and a Smooth Fox Terrier. Her sponsors are Laura Burns and Ingrida Robinson

Nancy Harney is applying for Associate membership. She lives in Snohomish, has Labrador Retrievers and her sponsors are Terrie Sato and Nancy Light

Debbi Humble is applying for Full membership. She lives in Everett, has a German Shepherd Dog and her sponsors are Nancy Light and Janice Bergman

The membership roster will be updated and printed in May

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From your Editor

Do you have any brags, articles or special interests that you would like to see in the Post?

Please don't hesitate to email or call me. Send me candid photos of your dogs or I can fill up the entire newsletter with Papillons...LOL!

Happy Training!

Amy Reagan

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Did you know?

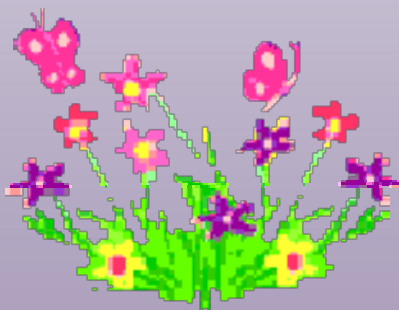


**AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUBSM**

New Point Schedules are effective May 16, 2018

<http://www.akc.org/sports/conformation/resources/points-schedule/>

FAQs—<http://www.akc.org/sports/conformation/resources/faq/#points>



Hearts and Flowers

*Gloria Newby reports she
sent a card to Lee Boelter*

NEXT MEETINGS & EVENTS

Next Board Meeting

General Meetings

- April 28th @ Sue Cox's home
- Annual—June 18th, Location TBA

WSOTC General Membership Meeting

March 31, 2018

1. Call to Order- Meeting was called to order by President Terrie Sato at 12:35pm, at the WSOTC Spring Obedience Trial, March 31, 2018 at Fun-Fur-Paws. Quorum was present.

Attendees: Terrie Sato, Nancy Light, Janice Bergman, Neil Evans, Veronica Ness, Ingrida Robinson, Sue Cox, Don Rennick, Jill Petersen, Amanda Buse, Laura Burns, Judy Peterson, Sarah Kahn, Susan Mulligan, Linda Shea, Holly Krohn, Kathy Teufel, Amy Reagan, Laura Day

Guests: Jody Woodruff, Kim Spooner. Laila Vafaezadeh, Nancy Harney, Melissa Knapp, Arlette Davison, Deb Humble, Janice Gunn

2. Report of the Board-

Thank you Amanda for your time and effort in making the trial a success. Thank you to your committee: Sue Cox, JoAnne and Susan Mulligan, Nancy Light, Linda Shea, Don Rennick and Amy Reagan. Well done by all! At this meeting we will be voting for a new AKC delegate to represent our club.

3. Report of the Secretary

- a. From AKC Approval of Agility Trial for dates, location and judges.
- b. Notice of email scam, Board members are receiving requests to send money for payments to a third party

4. Report of the Treasurer

Sue passed out financial report as of 3/30/18. Bills were read, motion was made and approved to pay bills.

5. Committee reports

a. Membership-

First readings for Nancy Harney, Melissa Knapp for full membership and Arlette Davison, Deb Humble for associate membership. They will be voted on at the April 28th meeting. Second readings for Laila Vafaezadeh and Jody Woodruff.

b. Hearts and Flowers- A card was sent to Lee Boelter

c. Fall Trial- Ingrida Robinson is the Trial Chair. Teresa Calter is the Trial Secretary. September 1, 2, & 3 2018. Premium should be out in early June.

d. Seminar- Connie Cleveland- 3-4 working spots left, auditors are beginning to register. Looking for dog friendly hotels in the area, if you know of any please contact Terrie. Looking into Brenda Aloff for 2019

e. Agility- July 14,15,& 16, 2018 at Argus. We need to make sure we have at least 5 WSOTC members on the grounds for all three days, please contact Nancy Light if you are attending.

f. Nominating Committee- All current officers and board members have agreed to continue. We will be accepting nominations from the floor at the April 28th meeting at Sue Cox's. If you are nominating someone not attending meeting, we need a written letter from the person being nominated to confirm they are willing to run.

6. Election of New Members

- a. Jody Woodruff and Laila Vafaezadeh were voted in

7. Unfinished Business-

None

8. New Business

- a. New AKC Delegate- Membership approved Jack Cadalso to replace Jim Smith as our AKC

Delegate. AKC has told us that they expect Jack to be approved by their Board of Directors at their June meeting in time for him to make the one Delegate's meeting.

b. Presentation of AKC Sportsmanship Award- Sil Sanders was given the award.

c. Next meetings- General Membership meeting April 28th at 1 pm at the home of Sue Cox.
June Annual Membership meeting June 18th, Location TBD

9. Good of the Order-

a. June 16/17 2018- 2 day Obedience/Rally Trial at Country Classic Canines in Arlington, sponsored by the English Cocker and Irish Water Spaniel Clubs. Judges are Sue and John Cox and Debbie Addicoat.

b. May 26 John Cox seminar New rule changes at Family Dog

10. Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 1:05pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary





Thank you from your Editor!

With all the wonderful members and volunteers, I am very honored to have been awarded the Louis Prince award and thank the many of you who nominated me. I hope you will continue to like the support I try to give to our wonderful club and help me by contributing great articles and photos to keep the Post alive and vibrant.

My humble thanks and hugs to all of you!
Amy Reagan



AKC Sportsmanship Award



Thanks to WSOTC for honoring me with the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award this past weekend. It is a prestigious distinction which I am appreciate deeply. Thanks to Jill Petersen who delivered it to the PSEC Earthdog practice I was helping run, making me unable to receive it at the Obedience Trial.

I celebrated Saturday by practicing Earthdog with Twizzle & introducing Gretzky to the rats. I continued the celebration yesterday and today by tracking Twizzle & Gretzky.

~ Sil Sanders ~



All About Volunteering by Amy Reagan

(Originally published in Papillon Revue, a National Breed Magazine, Sept/Oct 2015, Vol. 3, No. 2)

You see it everywhere from churches to charity organizations - there's a shortage of volunteers. Whether your goal is for spiritual or networking satisfaction, volunteering is a very personal motivation and decision.

Many of us in the dog show hobby volunteer to give back to the breed, meet and learn from new people, or want to influence change. Some volunteer's goals are noble while others self-serving, but whatever the reason, the help is always needed.

Unlike the private or public sector where many of us work(ed), volunteers do not get paid...which means you can't fire them or maybe even find the optimum person to perform a duty or task that you need help filling. Sometimes it means learning how to really work and keep volunteers engaged. Managing volunteers means being a leader who can provide the vision and philosophy to keep volunteers motivated and encourage long term involvement. Being a leader does not equal needing to always be in CONTROL. There is a big difference in needing to control, the fine art of delegating and being a visionary who can lead.

Just like in the public or private sector you have people who are 'long in the tooth', who can provide coaching and mentoring to the newly hired. Those that are 'long in the tooth' aren't going to be around forever and have a great opportunity to get the next generation involved. Some of the newer volunteers may have some new ideas and 'out of the box' thinking, but just because 'we have done it this way' doesn't mean that there are not other good ways to reach the end goal. Everyone's talents are different and how they go about achieving whatever they are tasked with may still get the results done. This is the meaning of working with diverse individuals. You don't need to belittle, yell or chastise them. Take the time to explain why some ideas or methods have not worked.

It seems that the intensity of dog show planning, showing or participation forgets the most simple of chivalry and that is just saying "Nice Job", "Thank you", or "Hope you are on my team again". Some may say that if a volunteer can't "hack it" they should stay out the kitchen? How is that going to promote more participation or involvement? It's just human nature to want to feel needed or that the work a volunteer performs is valued. Don't forget to tell a volunteer!

Ever heard the phrase, "we keeping doing it the same way over and over and get the same results" or something to that effect? Let's encourage and be open minded to new and fresh ideas. With cross continent communication usually via e-mails, chat rooms and phone calls, we don't always find the most optimum method to talk and work together. Volunteers are the core of longevity of any club, organization or cause. Encourage new voices by being open, polite, and compassionate. Take a volunteer under your wing and help them grow to be the next generation.

At the end of the day or lifetime, it is not whether you are the best 'Breeder of the Top Winning Dog', 'Highest Scoring Dog', or the 'Most Devoted Rescuer'. Think about the legacy you wish to leave behind.

Hug a volunteer today! We need them all.

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Spring 2018 WSOTC Obedience and Rally Trials

We had a fabulous Spring Trial. Our entrant numbers were up and we had some fun additional classes, including both Team Obedience, Team Rally, Future Open 1 and Future Open 2. Feedback from exhibitors has been positive. I would like to take this time to thank those who helped at our trials.

Thanks to.....

Our judges were Aimee and Ken Kincaid, Margaret Chandler, and Debbie Addicoat. All of the rings ran smoothly throughout the weekend.

We had a fabulous ring crew this year with a few first time stewards and many experienced stewards, including both members and non-members. I would like to personally recognize each of our stewards who were:

Janice Bergman
Jim and Jan Bradley
Ane Brusendorff
Laura Day
Betsy Fortman
Jim Franklin
Barbara Fuller
Michelle Fuqua
John Heinrich
Debbi Humble
Holly Krohn
Veronica Ness
Ken Norman
Shari Phillips
Barb Reed-Stamps
Diana Simonsen
Laila Vafaezadeh
Karen Vallo
Betty Winthers

As we all know, these shows require a lot of behind the scene support and several club members were there to help.

Amy Reagan did an absolutely fabulous job with Trophy and Awards this year. She added some fun trophies to this year's trials and we were able to have a trophy for each Group. Amy was successful at soliciting coverage of almost every trophy from club members, area trainers, and breed/group clubs. Several people commented positively on the trophies and hope to see something similar at future trials.

JoAnne and Susan Mulligan oversaw the huge weekend task of hospitality. This year the club added coffee, tea, and morning munchies for all exhibitors. This was well received. A suggestion was made that we put these items outside of the hospitality space so it would be easier to see and access. We will consider this change for next year. The judges felt spoiled by the Friday night dinner, which was really good. Saturday and Sunday meals were also excellent. JoAnne noted appreciation to those who contributed to hospitality by bringing dishes. This helped to keep the cost down and a little less food prep for JoAnne and Susan.

Don Rennick assisted with all aspects of our judges and as always this is greatly appreciated. Don picked up the Kincaids Friday from the airport and helped arrange transportation back to the airport on

Sunday. We were lucky to have Ken Norman available to take the judges back to SeaTac so Don could help with cleanup. Don also handles all of the club's equipment and sets up the practice ring.

Linda Shea oversaw decorations this year. She provided the flowers at each table. With the show falling on Easter and April Fool's Day, a little bit of spring, Easter, and fun made an appearance ring side. Were you fooled by Sunday's foil covered grapes or were you not fooled and got a chocolate covered egg?

Sue Cox was our Assistant Show Chair and as club Treasurer, she ensured that all of our bills were paid for the show and reimbursements were distributed. Paying bills is always a good thing. Sue also assisted me greatly in figuring out our final Financial numbers. Although we did end up a bit in the red, just under \$600, we were well under our projected budget deficit. Sue also distributed thank you cards and club logo envelope openers to our judges.

Finally Nancy Light or, as I affectionately refer to her as, "my wing-gal." I am unsure if club members are aware of how much Nancy does behind the scenes to ensure that many of our club events run smoothly. She is a wealth of information and help. As a first time Chair for these trials, it was great to have someone like Nancy there to make sure things were getting done, answering questions, and to bounce off ideas or suggestions for future trials. Nancy also handles our contract with Fun Fur Paws and BaRay. In addition, she serves as Chief Ring Steward helping to find day of ring assistance. Nancy also came up with the idea to hold the Future Open 1 and 2 classes to allow exhibitors a chance to experience the upcoming Open Obedience changes, before they happen (May 1st, 2018). This also allowed for others to see what this class will look like so it was a good opportunity for many.

And not to be left out... our exhibitors. Without them, we have no show, so thank you for entering, showing, and we look forward to seeing you next year, March 30th and 31st, 2019!

Now, onto the fall Labor Day weekend Obedience and Rally trials. As your Chief Ring Steward, I will gladly accept offers of assistance. :-)

Respectfully submitted by,
Amanda Buse
2018 Obedience and Rally Trial Chair



**2018 WSOTC Spring Trial
Trophy Sponsorship
(as published in catalog)**

No dog show or obedience/rally trial could be a success without its' generous donations by members and non-members alike. This year aside from requesting donations from members, we approached businesses and all breed clubs to help us support our competitors. Without all of you we could not have made our beautiful trophies a success and for that we are very thankful to all of you!

Friends of Obedience Donors

Special thanks to our Friends of Obedience Fund by Terrie Sato, Nancy Griffin, Nancy Brodie, Dori Ayala (in Memory of Dee Carlson), Holly Krohn, Lee Boelter, Nancy Teufel, Donna & Gordon Frazer, Amanda Buse, Sue & John Cox, Jill Sundberg, Neil Evans, Michelle Fuqua, Betty Winthers, Dalene McIntire, Karen Snee & Becky Johnson.

SATURDAY

High Scoring Dog from Regular OB Class - Logo Embroidered Duffle (Black) Bag- Karen Snee
High Combined Score from OB Open B & Utility - Logo Embroidered Travel Poly/Fleece Blanket - Don & Pat Rennick
Rally Triple Q - Logo Embroidered Duffle (Black) Bag - Kathy Teufel
High Combined from Rally Excellent B & Advanced B - Logo Embroidered Travel Poly/Fleece Blanket - Amanda Buse
High Scoring Dog from Preferred OB Class - Logo Embroidered 12-can Cooler Bag w/logo only - Susan & JoAnne Mulligan
High Combined Score from Preferred Open & Utility - Logo Embroidered Bath Towel w/logo only—Friends of Obedience
High Scoring All American from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only - Sharon Colvin InStep Dog Training - <http://instepdogobedience.com/>
Highest Scoring Toy Dog from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only - Betty Winthers
Highest Scoring Working Dog from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only - Mount Rainier Working Dog Club - <http://www.mountrainierworkingdogclub.com/>
Highest Scoring Herding Dog from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only -Nova Berkshire
Highest Scoring Terrier from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only - Sharon Colvin InStep Dog Training - <http://instepdogobedience.com/>
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Highest Scoring Non-Sporting Dog from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only -Nancy Griffin
Highest Scoring Hound Dog from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only - Nancy Light
High Scoring Poodle from Regular Class – CASH - NW Poodle Obedience Club
Highest Scoring Poodle from Preferred or Optional Class – CASH - NW Poodle Obedience Club

SUNDAY

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High Combined Score from OB Open B & Utility - Logo Embroidered Travel Poly/Fleece Blanket - Don & Pat Rennick
Rally Triple Q - Logo Embroidered Duffle (Black) Bag - Holly Krohn
High Combined from Rally Excellent B & Advanced B - Logo Embroidered Travel Poly/Fleece Blanket - Diana Simonsen Dog Training - <http://www.dianasimonsen.com/>
High Scoring Dog from Preferred OB Class - Logo Embroidered 12-can Cooler Bag w/logo only - Susan & JoAnne Mulligan
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Highest Scoring Working Dog from Regular Class - Logo Embroidered Shopping Tote Bag w/logo only - Mount Rainier Working Dog Club - <http://www.mountrainierworkingdogclub.com/>
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**2018 WSOTC Spring Trial
Trophy and Awards Report by Amy Reagan**

SATURDAY

High in Trial - Neil Evans and OTCH MACH3 Weatherman's Warrior Princess UDX3, OM5, BN, RN, MXG, MJC (Shetland Sheepdog)

High Triple Q - Tracy Thorlesifson and GCH Bijou Educated Guess CDX, RAE, BN, OA, OAJ, OAF (Briard)

High Combined Preferred in Obedience - Linda Shea and Classica's Snow Falling on Cedars BN, CD, HSAS, NJP (Shetland Sheepdog)

High Combined Open B & Utility B - Neil Evans and OTCH MACH3 Weatherman's Warrior Princess UDX3, OM5, BN, RN, MXG, MJC (Shetland Sheepdog)

High Combined Rally Advanced B & Excellent B - Arlette Davison and Sunshine Butterfly Ornamenta CD, PCD, BN, RAE, CGCA, TKI (Papillon)

High Combined Preferred Open & Utility - Nancy Light and MACH OTCH Adirondac's Koura Tiki VCD3, UDX3, OM4, GN, GO, VER, RE, MH, MHU, MXB, XF (Golden Retriever)

High Scoring Working in Regular Class - Newfoundland owned by Janet Elliott

High Scoring Terrier in Regular Class - Staffordshire Bull Terrier owned by Cassie & James Malloy

High Scoring Sporting in Regular Class - Labrador Retriever owned by Janice Gunn

High Scoring Poodle in Preferred or Optional Titling Class - owned by Penelope Broomer

SUNDAY

High in Trial - Janice Gunn and OTCH TNT's Spring It On UD, OM1 (Golden Retriever)

High Triple Q - Doreen Pezzella and Ezee's Extra Edition CD, BN, RAE, CGC, TKA (Papillon)

High Combined Preferred in Obedience - Penelope Broomer and Marsan's The Sky The Limit At Moonstone (Standard Poodle)

High Combined Open B & Utility B - Elizabeth Rudy and Elysian's Lettuce Be Green RN, BN, GN, UD, OM1, SH (Golden Retriever)

High Combined Rally Advanced B & Excellent B - Lisa Sproat and Legacy Legend's The Last Snoreturion (Cardigan Welsh Corgi)

High Combined Preferred Open & Utility - no award

High Scoring Working in Regular Class - Bernese Mountain Dog owned by Meredith Gilbert

High Scoring Terrier in Regular Class - Rat Terrier owned by Susan Mulligan

High Scoring Sporting Dog - Golden Retriever owned by Janice Gunn

High Scoring Herding Dog in Regular Class - Shetland Sheepdog owned by Rosemarie Jorgensen

High Scoring Poodle in Preferred or Optional Titling Class - owned by Penelope Broomer



2018 Spring Trial—Thank You



~ From Judge Margaret Chandler ~

Hi Sue,
Thank you so much for that adorable card. It truly is frame worthy. I love the girl hugging the St Bernard and the expression on the dog's face...so sweet! I was also very much surprised to receive the letter opener with the WSOTC logo at the top. A lovely memento of the weekend. What a delightful discovery when I opened the envelope! So very thoughtful.

Thanks,
Margaret



Another note from Margaret Chandler

Thank you so much for inviting me to judge your trials. It was a most enjoyable experience. The venue is perfect; the hospitality exceptional; the stewards wonderfully efficient; all Club members were so welcoming and considerate; and the judge's gift is beautiful, thoughtful and useful. All your hard work is very much appreciated.

Congratulations on your most successful trials.





2018 Spring Trial



Judge Ken Kincaid with Tiki and owned by Nancy Light



Arlette Davison and **SUNSHINE BUTTERFLY ORNAMENTA CD PCD BN RAE CGCA TKI (Menta)** earning Rally High Combined - Saturday



Janice Gunn and **OTCH TNT'S BULLSEYE UDX OM3**



Jody Woodruff and Boone in Preferred Open

Thank you to Nina Sage for many of these candid photos!



2018 Spring Trial



Team Obedience - Paws and Peep



Kathy Teufel and Danny - Rally



Susan Mulligan and **TURND INTO A PRECIOUS GEM** - Novice B (Highest Scoring Terrier from Regular Class)



Lisa Ford's daughter wins First for Adv A on Sunday.



2018 Spring Trial



Janet Elliott and Jamie in Future Open 2



Alisa Sibley and Dusty - Rally Novice



2018 Spring Trial



What fun to watch.
Congrats to the German Shepherd Team for 1st Place!



Douglas (Cripple Creek Always Looking Up to the Frontier RN BN CGC NTD ITD ATD), Border Terrier, earned his Rally Intermediate title Saturday at the WSOTC trial. Thanks for letting this little social butterfly collect his wits and complete his title!

Yippee Douglas & Kathy!!



2018 Spring Trial



Good thing Margaret lived close to the border and had a short drive from BC as the wait line at the border was 4 hrs!



Good food, friends and home made root beer...who could ask for more!

Thank you Don for the yummy, gooey S'more desserts!



2018 Spring Trial





2018 Spring Trial



Diagonal Drop on Recall and Retrieve on the Flat

While the judge called for a 'I' heel pattern, I asked him at dinner about his choice of a diagonal DOR & ROF and he explained to me that he likes to use the longest leg of the ring especially since it allows dogs more distance if they have fast

speed,
~ Editor Note ~





Brag & Announcements



Danny (CH Otterecho Frontier Rusty Roads BN PCD RN RA RE CGC RATN RATO NTD ITD ATD) completed the requirements for his RAE title at the Seattle Kennel Club shows. It's been a long haul (2 years) but we got it done. I am so proud of him! Danny also has picked up 2 Rally Master legs.

Way to Go Danny & Kathy!!



AKC / IABCA INTL CH Meridian Treasure of the Sea, aka 'Pearl' earns her third major for her Grand Champion at the Peninsula Dog Fanciers show with two Best of Opposite over the weekend!
(CKC Pointed)

Way to go little girl!



Braggs & Announcements



Anja got her NAP title at the whopping young age of 8yrs and 5 months!! And, we just found out that we're the 8th ranked berner in Front and Finish's Rally combined Advanced/Excellent for 2017. Slow and steady is our motto!!!

Look at her fly!!



Laura Burn reports that "Journey completed her UDX at the Collie Club trials in February! Her last three legs were all High Combined as well. We'll keep playing in the ring for those OTCH points..."

Hooray to the hard work!





Brag & Announcements



Kathy Teufel brags that "I am so proud of my little Gracie! At age 13.3, she qualified for her 15th Master Barn Hunt leg to earn her RATCH (Barn Hunt Champion) title at SchaSam Farm's Barn Hunt trial.

Thanks to her supporters: Donna Braschler (who started it all with a Barn Hunt Fun day, April, 2014), Judge Catherine Wright for giving Gracie her favorite number of rats; Julie Germano and Jayne Walker for tears and hugs...and many more who make this such a fun sport. And will you look at that ribbon? It is bigger than she is. Now maybe we will work more on Crazy 8s!"

**Wow, look at that ROSETTE!!
Congrats to Kathy & Gracie.**





Brag & Announcements



Nancy Light reports—

At the WSOTC Spring Trials, Tiki qualified in Preferred Open and Preferred Utility to earn her 10th PUDX leg, High Combined Preferred and her PUDX title. She is now:

*OTCH MACH UH HRCH URO3 U-UD ADIRONDAC'S KOURA TIKI, UDX3 PUDX OM4 BN
GN GO VER RE TDX MH MHU MXS MJB MXP MJP XF TKN WCX VCX CCA OBHF NAC
NWI Can UD TDX WCX MH.*

There are actually 71 separate titles behind that list. There might be 2 or 3 more to come as she is still competing at age 10. She is probably the most eager in the field, but happy to work with me no matter what the game.

**Retire....are you crazy? Look at me work!
Way to Go, ole girl!**

Stealing Joy by Connie Cleveland-Nolan (Reprinted with permission)

As a fifth grader, I was so excited to be selected to play Mammy Yokum in the school wide production of the musical, Li'l Abner. That is, until the popular, blond headed child, cast as Daisy Mae, told me, "You got that part because you're not very pretty, and you can't sing."

When I tearfully relayed the conversation to my mother, she said, "She's a joy stealer. Don't ever let anyone else steal your joy."

Are You A Joy Stealer?

At the Dog Trainers Workshop, in addition to helping owners train their pets, we compete in the sport of obedience and teach many of our students to do so as well. Competitors are often oblivious to how the comments they make steal the joy of the winner.

"You won that class? I can't believe it!"

"You know if my dog hadn't laid down on the long sit stay, I would have won the class!" said, unfeelingly, to the winner.

"Boy, aren't you glad Mrs. Winallthetime wasn't here today or you might not have won."

My godson had been chosen to play quarterback on his middle school team, and I had the pleasure of driving him to his first game. On the way, as I was telling him how excited I was for him, he told me his mother, an absentee parent, had called him and said, "They must not have any real football players to choose from."

My anger and revulsion were immediate. Fortunately, after a few deep breaths I was able to explain to him what it meant to steal someone's joy, and that we were not going to give her the power to do that.

Many years later, as a young man, he called me to say he had passed on the lesson of what it means to be a joy stealer with his younger brother, bereft over the unfeeling remarks that someone had made when he excitedly told them where he had chosen to go to college.

Stealing joy is not always an unfeeling comment made after an accomplishment. It can be a doubt placed, or negative response to a stated dream or goal. If you have ever told anyone that their dream or goal is "pretty lofty" for someone of their age, size, race or family background, count yourself as a joy stealer. If you are willing to destroy someone's dream, perhaps you don't realize that it is the **joy** of pursuing the dream that keeps the dreamer motivated, not simply reaching the accomplishment.

My first Labrador Retriever, Ezra, had already earned his field championship, his amateur field championship, and had 65 of the necessary 100 points needed to become an obedience trial champion when a fellow competitor said to me, his owner, trainer and handler, "No dog will ever be capable of earning field championships and an obedience championship. It can't be done!" My jaw drops when I think about it. Isn't it telling that I remember this attempt at stealing my joy more than I remember all the congratulatory cards and letters I received when those last 35 points were earned?

When we compete in the sport of obedience, the dogs must earn at least 170 points of the 200 points available in order to pass. Then, the top four scores in the class receive placements. Occasionally a student will sheepishly report to me that they won first place, but add that no other dog in the class received

a passing score, as if somehow this diminishes their accomplishment. My response is always this: "Perhaps worse than allowing someone else to steal your joy is to steal your own. They had an opportunity to pass. This doesn't mean you won by default, it means you won by a landslide. Celebrate!"

So how do we prevent Joy Stealing either from ourselves or others?

1) I think every single one of us has been a Joy Stealer, even if inadvertently. The sad thing is that we are all both *victims* of Joy Stealing and *perpetrators* of Joy Stealing at some point in our lives.

2) Usually our Joy Stealing is inadvertent. We're often myopic and focused on ourselves -- our own performances, successes, and disappointments. So rather than respond to another's successes with encouragement, we focus on our failures, sometimes from the distant past, and often from the near future.

Besides focusing on our own problems, we also find it difficult to look at the world from another's point of view. We don't recognize that we are saying something that might undermine another's accomplishment.

Often, too, we crush people's dreams out of a misplaced kindness. We don't want them to be disappointed if they fail.

And of course, sometimes Joy Stealing comes from simple malice. Often, the person who is engaged in that kind of Joy Stealing has a long history -- perhaps lifelong -- of sadness and anger. Life can do that to people sometimes, because life is often hard and full of losses. *So often, people try to knock others down, as they have been knocked down.*

3) When confronted by your own tendencies towards Joy Stealing, focus first on the other person's triumphs, not your own disappointments. Then go back through your own life and notice the things for which you are grateful. I guarantee that even the worst of times will include some kindness, some good people, some unexpected blessings and benefits.

If you're the victim of Joy Stealers -- forgive them. And then move on to the other people in your life who are confident, secure, and other-focused enough to congratulate your triumphs. And be sure to be that person for them, too.

Every dream, turned into a goal, involves a journey laden with set-backs, disappointments and milestones. There is joy in that journey. Guard that joy well so that in the end you rightly celebrate the accomplishment as well as the memories of the trip.

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Arlington, WA

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2018 AKC All Breed Companion Events

(Specialties not included)

February

- 16, 17 & 18 —Spokane Dog Training Club
- 17 & 18—Nisqually Kennel Club
- 17 & 18—Evergreen Afghan Hound Club (Agility)
- 18—Western WA Hound Association (Agility)
- 23, 24, & 25—Chuckanut Dog Training Association (Agility)
- 25—Puget Sound Labrador Retriever Association (Variable Surface Tracking & Tracking Dog Urban)



March

- 2, 3, & 4—Evergreen State Shetland Sheepdog (Agility)
- 10 & 11 —Seattle Kennel Club
- 11—Wenatchee Kennel Club (Tracking)
- 17 & 18—Columbia Basin Dog Training Club
- 16, 17, & 18—Portland Agility Club
- 31—**WSOTC Spring Trial**

April

- 1 —**WSOTC Spring Trial**
- 13—Inland Empire Collie Club
- 13 & 14—American Manchester Terrier (Agility—All Breed & All American)

May

- 6 & 7—Wenatchee Kennel Club (Hunt Test only)
- 19, 20 & 21 —Bell Vernon Kennel Club
- 19 & 20—Spokane Dog Training Club
- 21 & 22—Mt. Baker Kennel Club
- 26, 27 & 28—Evergreen Belgian Tervuren Club (Agility)
- 27 & 28 —German Shepherd Dog Club of Pacific NW

June

- 9 & 10—German Shepherd Dog Club of NW (Rally—All Breeds & All American)
- 2 & 3—Yakima Valley KC
- 15, 16 & 17—Evergreen Golden Retriever Club (Agility)

July

- 7, 8, & 9—Puyallup Cluster
- 13, 14 & 15—**WSOTC Agility Trials**
- 20, 21 & 22—Chuckanut Dog Training Association (Agility)
- 27 & 28—Belgian Sheepdog Club of America (Agility—All Breed & All American)
- 27, 28 & 29—Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club of WA
- 29—NW Bearded Collie Club of Puget Sound (Agility)

2018 AKC All Breed Companion Events (Specialties not included)

August

- 11 & 12—Nisqually Kennel Club
- 17, 18 & 19—Olympic Kennel Club (Agility)
- 18 & 19—Olympic Kennel Club
- 25 & 26—Sammamish Kennel Club

September

- 1, 2 & 3—**WSOTC Fall Trial**
- 21 & 22—Spokane Agility Club
- 21, 22 & 23—Portland Agility Club
- 23—Spokane Dog Training Club (Tracking)
- 28—Richland Kennel Club
- 29 & 30—Columbia Basin Dog Training Club

October

- 12 & 13—Wenatchee Kennel Club (Agility)
- 20 & 21—Wenatchee Kennel Club
- 27 & 28—Vancouver Kennel Club

November

- 17 & 18—Whidbey Island Kennel Club

December

- 2—**WSOTC Tracking Test**

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All events are from AKC website. If they are not posted on AKC, I do not include them. Any Corrections, Updates or Additions would be appreciated.



Announcements!
SAVE THE DATE!!

~ A FALL TRIAL ~
 (Pending AKC Approval)

September 1, 2, 3, Saturday through Monday

Location

Family Dog Training Center, Kent, WA

Judges:

Chris Primmer, D. Bruce Fraser, Debbie Addicoat, Chip Taylor

Some committee chairs are still available:

Trial Chair:	Ingrida Robinson
Assistant Chair:	Kathy Lang
Chief Ring Steward:	Amanda Buse
Potluck:	Veronica Ness and Shelley Timbers
Awards:	Vacant
Grounds:	Vacant
Judges Day Hospitality:	Vacant

With a Potluck all three days, we are hoping for nicer weather and a volunteer to grill hot dogs and hamburgers for judges and exhibitors!

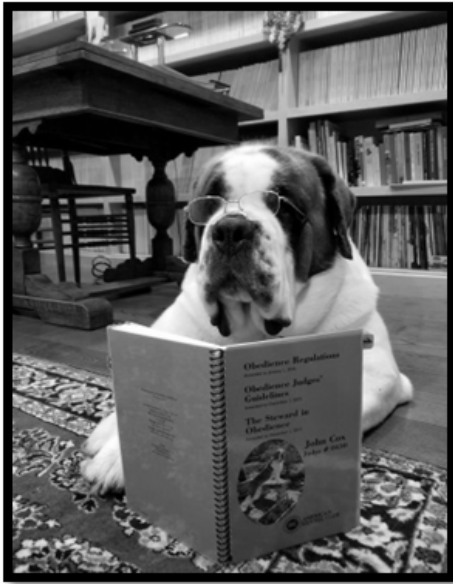


Any questions can be directed to Ingrida Robinson at
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Ingrida Robinson, 2018 Labor Day Obedience & Rally Trial Chair
 Kathy Lang, Assistant Trial Chair



Family Dog Training Center presents....



AKC Judge John Cox Seminar

Sat., May 26, 2018 10 am to 5 pm \$25/person

Family Dog Training Center
1515 Central Ave. S., Kent, WA 98032
Office@FamilyDogOnline.com / 253-854-9663
Register online at www.familydogonline.com

Join us for this informative workshop, highlighting the changes to the AKC Obedience Regulations effective May 1, 2018. A month's worth of trials will have occurred when this seminar is held, so participants will have a much better idea of their application, scoring, judging and handling concerns, etc.

John Cox is a highly respected AKC Obedience Judge and Exhibitor with more than 40 years' experience. John is also the author of the very popular "Random Little Tidbits" and "Dog Talk" articles where he writes about AKC obedience, judging and handling from a judge's perspective.

This Obedience Workshop Will Cover:

1. Major points in Chapters 1 & 2, as they pertain to ALL chapters.
2. Setting up the Ring (for future Judges, for those judging run-throughs at matches or classes, and for handlers in general): A. Posting of required information at ringside for handler's information. B. Required marks in the ring to be aware of when showing. C. Judge's orders, directions & questions. D. Learn when the scoring of the actual "exercise" starts and ends. E. Learn what may be scored before, between or after an exercise. F. Judging positions.
3. Demonstrations and Explanations --Reviewing the exercise about to take place in the ring. A. Learn the Principal features & non-principal parts of an exercise, plus judging observations of the dog and handler. B. Review the Novice Foundation exercise (s) and the applications. C. Review the Foundation exercises in the advanced classes (beyond Novice), plus learn how the Novice Foundation exercises still apply. D. The before, between & after an exercise scoring will be covered. E. A team (dog & handler) will be brought into the ring and demonstrate the exercise in its entirety. Bring some paper and a pencil to score along.
4. After the exercise is completed the audience will then discuss what took place: A. Handler errors? B. Dog errors? C. What may the handler have done to save points, if possible?
5. The NEW (May 1st, 2018) exercises, (2) Novice, (2) Open, will be gone over thoroughly as we cover the Novice & Open exercises in that order.

General Information

Coffee, tea, water, soda and light snacks will be provided. Please bring your own lunch or plan to visit a nearby fast-food restaurant. Please bring your own comfortable chair. Quiet, non-aggressive dogs will be permitted. Demonstration dogs (limit of 10) may crate in the seminar room; auditors' dogs may crate in our adjoining room. Pre-registration is required (prior to May 22). Registration is limited to 70 auditors plus 10 handlers with demonstration dogs (dogs trained through and capable of performing the new Open exercises).

The seminar will be held at Family Dog Training Center, 1515 Central Ave. S., Kent, WA 98032. To register online, use this link: <https://familydogonline.dogbizpro.com/public/registration/events.aspx?event=3054>

To register via snail mail, use the form on the back of this flyer.

Registration Form: John Cox Obedience Seminar May 26, 2018

Complete this form and send with payment to: Family Dog Training Center, 1515 Central Ave. S., Kent, WA 98032. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Make checks payable to Family Dog Training Center. You may also register online using this link: <https://familydogonline.dogbizpro.com/public/registration/events.aspx?event=3054>

Please register me for this seminar.

Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Cell phone _____ Home phone _____

Email address _____

Do you have a dog that is trained through the new Open position changes (exercises)? If yes, and if you would like to be one of our demonstration dogs for this workshop, check here _____. We will contact you with more information. (Limited to 10 dogs; however, other dogs may attend the seminar provided they are not disruptive.)

Demo Dog's Name _____ Breed _____

Confirmation will be emailed to you.

If you have questions, contact us at Office@FamilyDogOnline.com or 253-854-9663.

PLEASE READ & SIGN THE FOLLOWING REGISTRATION AGREEMENT:

Returned or NSF checks are subject to a \$30 bank processing fee. There will be no refunds issued for any reason; however, participants who are unable to attend may send someone to take his or her place.

Dogs that are disruptive or pose a threat to other dogs and/or humans will be asked to leave and no refund will be given. (Unacceptable behavior includes, but not limited to: barking, growling, lunging, nipping, etc. Dogs must be on leash at all times unless working in one of the rings.)

All participants must clean up after their dogs and dispose of animal waste in the appropriate containers.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Kathy Lang Dog Training Services, Inc., The Family Dog Training Center, and its owners, board of directors, officers, agents, employees, instructors, and staff members, from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action or liability of any kind whatsoever, for death, personal injury or property damage in any way proximately caused by myself, my family members, my friends and/or any animal belonging to, or brought onto the premises by myself or any member of my family or my assigns. I further agree, on behalf of myself, my family and my assigns, to assume complete and sole responsibility for any and all actions of any animal belonging to, or brought onto the premises by myself, any member of my family or my agents or assigns.

I have read, understood and agree to the above conditions relative to my registration for this event.

Owner's Signature _____ Date _____

LOOKING FOR A NEW JUNE OBEDIENCE/ RALLY TRIAL ?

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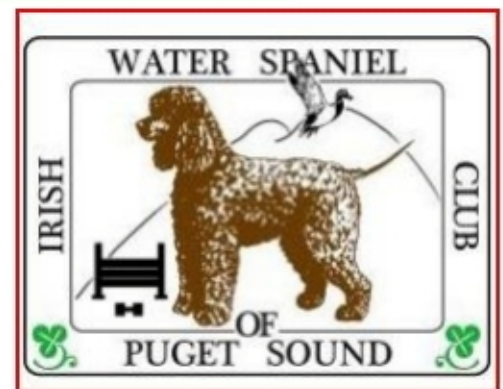
JUNE 16-17, 2018

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Two regional spaniel clubs are filling our June obedience/rally
void with 2 days of fun, limited entry trials!



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Judges:
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& Debbie
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Premium lists available May 1st!
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to be put on her mailing list at
Melissa.s.knapp@gmail.com or
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Questions? Want to help out?
Contact Laura Burns, Chair, at laura.burns373gmail.com
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