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PREZ'S MESSAGE

As we approach the summer months there is still an uncertainty as to the fate of dog events for the remainder of 2020. The board has decided to cancel the July Agility trial as the needs to provide a safe environment for exhibitors in line with both state and AKC modifications made the trial cumbersome. However, we are still planning our TDX test for December and feel the social distancing, small number of entries and large amount of space required that are inherent to this venue will make this our most successful event of the year.

Our plans have turned to making 2021 a very special year for WSOTC events. Please feel free to send suggestions and ideas to Sue Cox. Sue is chairing our Diamond Anniversary Events committee and welcomes all ideas.

Our next General Membership meeting will be held on June 22nd via Zoom. The Zoom meeting held May 18 was very successful. It was so nice to see the faces of so many club members! I hope more can join us for the June membership meeting that will include a vote for next year's board.

There has been some discussion in my dog groups on Facebook of 'virus fatigue' in regards to their training. Things are opening up a little but we are a long way from 'normal' when it comes to our



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dog training expectations. I have enjoyed watching some virtual mini training tips and webinars. It might be fun to have a 15 minute guest speaker at our next zoom meeting. If you have ideas of what you would like to see or who you would like to have as guest speaker please let me know. Stay safe!

Terrie



EVENT UPDATES

Cancelled

WSOTC July Agility Trial

Postponed

Diane Baumann Seminar - Moved to June 2021
Alex Robinson Seminar - Moved to August 2020



CLUB COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

Agility: Nancy Light

Audit/Budget: TBD

Awards: Nancy Light & Holly
Krohn

Hearts & Flowers: Gloria Newby

Insurance: Sue Cox

Membership: Susan Mulligan

Newsletter: Elizabeth Soule

'C' Match: Terrie Sato

Programs: vacant

Property & Inventory:
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CLUB UPDATES



Hearts and Flowers

Gloria Newby, Chair

A get well card was sent to Debbie Addicoat for her recent knee surgery.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

Board Meeting

June 15 at 7pm
Zoom

General Meeting

June 22 at 7pm
Annual Meeting
Zoom—meeting link and information will be emailed a few days before the meeting

2020-21 WSOTC Board Nominees

The following slate of nominees was presented at the May 17 General Meeting, and the motion to close nominations was approved. We will vote on the following list of nominees at the annual meeting on June 22.

President

Terrie Sato

V. President

Nancy Light

Treasurer

Sue Cox

Secretary

Janice Bergman

Board Members

Karen Snee

Neil Evans

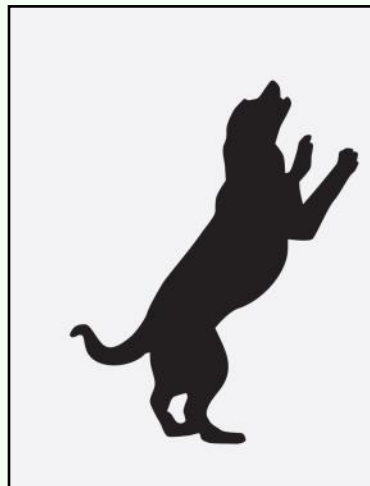
AKC Delegate

Jack Cadalso

Thank you,

Holly Krohn

Nominating Committee Chair



Diane Bauman Seminar Update

Due to uncertainties with the coronavirus, we have rescheduled the Diane Bauman seminar from October 24-25, 2020 to June 12-13, 2021. We will be amending the flyer and registration form to change that information.

Those who have already sent their forms and checks will have the option of having that money carried over to the new date or have having their checks shredded. In the coming months, we will be putting more information about Diane in the Canine Post. Anyone who has questions about Diane and her program are free to contact me at kylahgold@aol.com.

Nancy Light



AKC UPDATES



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB

Dear Friends,

To begin this update, I am pleased to share with you an uplifting letter to our Canine Good Citizen department about COVID-19 and trick dogs.

"We are a small group of medical and business professionals who are dog training our way through the COVID-19 quarantine period. We have a diverse array of members, many of whom are front line staff working during the COVID-19 crisis.

The AKC decision to accept videos for Trick titles has been game-changing for us. You have given us a welcome respite during the pandemic. The AKC trick dog program is bringing so much joy to us and giving us something to talk about other than COVID-19. Thank you so much, AKC.

--Zak Thatcher, RN BSN CEN"

We are pleased to share the many ways the AKC has addressed the COVID-19 crisis:

[Read AKC's Update](#)

[\(Click here\)](#)

My appreciation to the AKC Board of Directors and staff for their ongoing dedication to our clubs, breeders, delegates, judges, exhibitors, handlers, and everyone who makes our 26 sports so important to each of us. We will WIN this war and be back at events with our beloved dogs. My sincere wishes for good health to you and your loved ones.

Dennis B. Sprung



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MAY 11, 2020

1. **Call to Order**- Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Terri Sato on May 11 2020, via Zoom
Present- Terrie Sato, Nancy Light, Sue Cox, Karen Snee, Neil Evans, Janice Bergman
2. **Minutes** - Minutes from the March 23 and April 20 meetings were approved as printed in the Canine Post
3. **Report of the President** - No report
4. **Report of the Secretary** - From the AKC- Update on the Trick Titles via video, reminder of upcoming elections in June
5. **Report of the Treasurer** - Sue sent monthly report. Thank you from Sharmin Dominke for the gift card sent for her help with Zoom setup
6. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Membership**- Rhonda Forman has given her permission to change the information on the website to her contact information listing her as Membership Chair. Is waiting to hear from Susan Mulligan, previous Chair
 - b. **Agility** - Nancy reported that both judges have been informed of the cancellation of the Trial. Nancy will check to see if AKC has been informed. Discussion on where to hold the 2021 Trial and when do we need to reserve site.
 - c. **Tracking Test** - Budgets for the Test were presented and approved to present to the General Membership for approval. Discussion on changing budget form to a fillable one.
 - d. **Diane Bauman Seminar** - Nancy has updated flyers/registration to reflect the new date.
 - e. **Hearts and Flowers** - Gloria has sent a card to Nancy Light
 - f. **2021 Spring Trial** - Amanda Buse will serve as Trial Chair and Holly Krohn will serve as Trophy Chair
 - g. **Insurance** - Sue reports that the insurance had been paid.
 - h. **Website** - Nancy has removed Agility Trial from website. Discussion on moving some documents, By-Laws, Standing Rules, Renewal form, Meeting Attendance, from the Members Only section (secured site) to another section for easier access.
 - i. **Awards** - Discussion that due to cancellations of multiple shows this year, how will we handle awards? Board will discuss later in the year.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MAY 11, 2020

7. Old Business

a. BaRay Refund Information - Sue reports that due to health issues, mail is not being picked up at the Baray office. So no one knows if people have put a stop payment on their checks or have contested charges on their credit cards. Without this information we are unable to process refunds. Sue says she has been contacted by about 20 people and has an email she sends explaining problem. She has everything ready to send refunds when we get this information.

b. 2021 Diamond Anniversary Trial - Sue is looking for people to be on committees. She has some ideas for the Trial.

c. Sportsmanship Award - Person has been chosen to receive award and will be announced at the Annual Meeting in June.

8. New Business

a. New Membership Packet - Discussion on what should be included in packet and do we snail mail or email.

b. General Membership Meeting via Zoom - Agenda was discussed, nominations from the floor, Tracking budgets. Information will be sent on attending the meeting.

9. Meetings

Board meeting June 15 7pm via Zoom

General meeting - Annual - June 22 7pm via Zoom

10. Adjourn - Meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 17, 2020

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by President Terrie Sato on May 17 2020 via Zoom
Attending - Terrie Sato, Nancy Light, Sue Cox, Karen Snee, Neil Evans, Janice Bergman, Ingrida Robinson, Betty Winthers, Cathy Soule, Elizabeth Soule, Lynn Grinnell, Arlette Davison, Sandy Burr, Rhonda Forman, Bev May, Jill Petersen, Martha Jordan, Nancy Harney, Veronica Ness and Kathy Teufel
2. **Minutes** - Minutes of the March 7th meeting were approved as printed in the Canine Post
3. **Report of the Board** - The Board has been making decisions about our events, trying to balance the stay at home orders/ recommendations from the State. We are moving ahead in planning for 2021. The Board has met three times using the Zoom app and have found it to be helpful to have face to face discussions while at home saving gas and time
4. **Report of the President** - Here's hoping we will all have the chance to train and show together again soon. Thank you to Nancy for agreeing to be our Zoom manager and to Sharmin Dominke (EGRC) for showing us the way. I am tickled that this is working so well for the meeting.
5. **Report of the Secretary** - From AKC - update on the Trick Titles and reminder of our upcoming elections in June.
6. **Report of the Treasurer** - Sue reported on the balances. Sue also reported on the refunds for the 2020 Trial. The Club is waiting for information from BaRay about any stop payments on checks or people contesting credit card charges. We don't expect this information until after the first of June.
7. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Membership** - Rhonda Forman is now listed as our Membership Chair on the website. Thank you to Susan Mulligan for chairing this committee for the last couple of years. Rhonda said she couldn't get the New Membership form to come up. Terrie and Nancy are looking into this.
 - b. **2021 Spring Trial** - Amanda Buse has agreed to Chair our Trial next Spring. Holly Krohn has agreed to continue as Trophy Chair. The judges from our cancelled 2020 trial have all agreed to judge for us in 2021.
 - c. **Hearts and Flowers** - A card was sent to Nancy Light
 - d. **Agility** - The Board has decided to cancel our 2020 Agility Trial. The Board felt that not knowing what the rules on social distancing would be in July, it was best to cancel. Nancy reported that we will have the same judges in 2021. Discussion on where to hold the Trial in 2021. We don't know if we want to continue at Argus given the clause in the contract regarding cancellations. We are considering Fun-Fur-Paws for next year. Members voiced their opinions on both places

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e. Diane Bauman Seminar - The Seminar has been moved to June 2021. The updated information is on the website.

f. Website - We are moving some of the nonexclusive information from the Members Only section to the "about" page of the website. This will include the Standing Rules and By-Laws so they are easily available. Discussion on changing the password.

g. Tracking Test - Budgets for Ft Lewis and Bow were presented. Ft Lewis is the preferred site. Motion was made to approve both budgets. Motion was approved.

h. Nominations - The nominating committee Chaired by Holly Krohn has presented the following slate of officers and Board members;

Terrie Sato--President
Nancy Light--Vice President
Sue Cox--Treasurer
Janice Bergman--Secretary
Karen Snee--Board Member at Large
Neil Evans--Board Member at Large
Jack Cadalso--AKC Delegate

There were no nominations from the floor. Motion was made to close nominations and was approved.

8. Unfinished Business

a. Diamond Anniversary Committee - We would like to acknowledge our 75 years as an obedience club throughout the at all our events in 2021. Please contact Sue if you are interested in helping with this.

9. New Business

a. Virtual Rally Trial - Sue has contacted the AKC about setting up a video test.. She has not heard back yet. Martha Jordan talked about her experience. Discussion on deleting NQs and redoing portions of the video to pass. Is this OK? People had some strong opinions. AKC has no rules on the subject.

10. Good of the Order

a. Sportsmanship Award - Winner will be announced at the June meeting.

b. Roster - Sue will be printing a limited number of rosters(can be printed off the website) If you would like a hard copy, contact Sue

c. Obedience/agility - Discussion on holding trials in an open arena, like in the past.

11. Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary



Announcements & Brags



Lorri Kraft +Electra

Electra making us smile with her rocket recall at a WSOTC trial!
Electra finished 2019 as the #3 Rottweiler for Front and Finish Novice Obedience, ARC Top Ten Novice Obedience for 2019. She finished 2018 as #1 ARC Carting Started, and #5 ARC Rally Novice.

Ch Neu-Rodes You're The One That I Want, "Electra" BN, CD, RN, CS, CI, NDD (x3), TKN, CGC



Announcements & Brags



Martha Jordan + Moss



The Irish Water Spaniel Club of America had to reschedule our 2020 National Specialty show to June 2022 (the 2021 is already being planned by another group). The show committee decided to have a Virtual Irish Water Spaniel Distance Specialty (VIDS). The competition included agility, scent work, field work, conformation, rally and obedience.

People submitted videos for each venue showing the team doing the class as prescribed by the judges. There were limited lumped classes as obedience only had 4 exercises per level (Beginner or Advanced). Rally was a complete course. We were given extra credit for creative use of props (for directed retrieve I used cloth face masks, figure 8 posts were near life size metal giraffes).

I entered Moss (Ch. Whistle Stop's Mischievous Thought CDX JH WCX RAE RATM CGC CGCA CGCU) in Advanced Obedience and Rally Excellent. Entries came in from all over the country and one from Holland. I am proud to say we got First Place in both Rally Excellent and Advanced Obedience (no HIT or scores given). We also got Most Creative Use of Props award. While it may not have been the real thing, it was a great way for IWS enthusiasts across the country to connect, see each other's dogs, and have fun along the way.



Announcements & Brags



Reggie Gausman + Stu, Elle,
and Delilah + Puppies!

Welcome to Elle's puppies, Baily, Harley, Lilly, Jill, and Abbey, pictured here at four weeks!



Dogs in ACTION



Arlette Davison + Breya + Menta+ Elsa

Breya: Wobble Board Trick

Elsa: Pivot

Menta: Take One of pick up your toys trick (OK, I will pick it up but I am not leaving it!)

All three girls have now earned their Advanced Tricks titles!

And a trick for Arlette—walking all three at once!



Dogs in ACTION



Lorri Kraft + Lincoln + Electra

Ch Neu-Rodes Hot Rod Lincoln, "Lincoln" BN, RE, URO1, TKN, TKN, CGC at 9 1/2 yrs old still enjoying OB practice!

Ch Neu-Rodes You're The One That I Want, "Electra" BN, CD, RN, CS, CI, NDD (x3), TKN, CGC

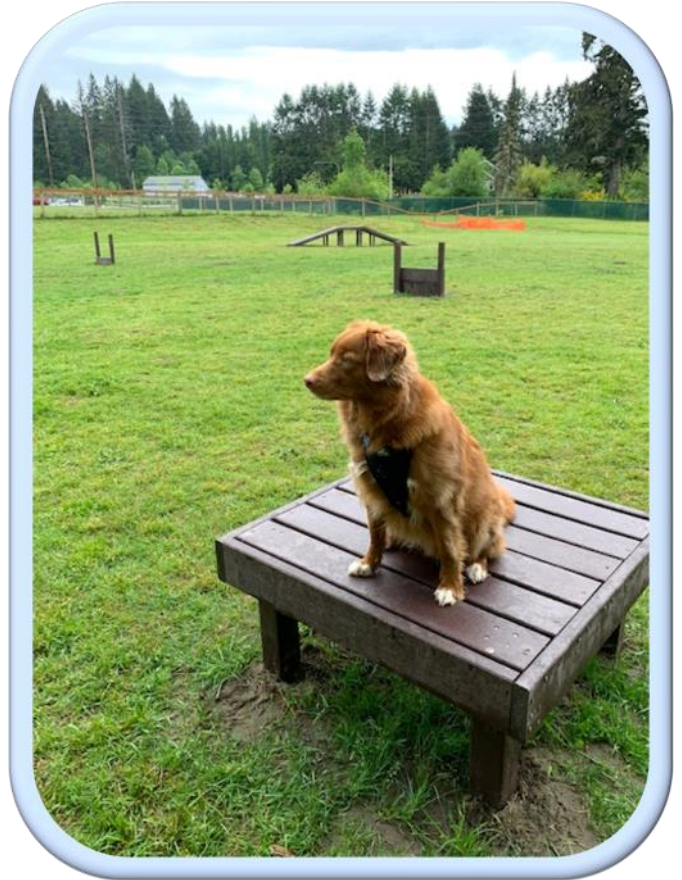
Enjoying the sun together Camping, and out and about brushing up on our Carting skills in preparation for the June ARC Carting test!



Dogs in ACTION



*Have favorite action photos of your dog(s)? Share them with us! Let's celebrate our awesome dogs and their many talents. If your photo was taken by a pro, remember to credit the photographer!
Email your photos to souleea@gmail.com by July 24 for inclusion in the August issue.*



Lynn Grinnell + Skyy

Practicing at the dog park on a rainy day!
QuinnCreek's Fire in the Skyy TKN CGC