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PREZ'S MESSAGE

If there is an obvious take away from the January C match it is that there is a demand for matches. The match was full and there were multiple requests for more. New locations would be ideal so I am asking Club members to put some thought into where and when we can hold another match. I hope all who were entered in the Western Washington Cluster and any who attended the Rose City shows had success and that we get to see your achievements in this newsletter. Please share!

Our next General Membership meeting is the awards meeting March 6 at 7pm. There will be a short business meeting followed by the announcement of awards. This meeting will still be via zoom. As a topper to the meeting Stella Rowlett has agreed to share her experiences at the 2021 Obedience Classic complete with video! Plan to attend as this will be a fun meeting!

We have another volunteer opportunity in that we need a Junior Coordinator. This person will have their name submitted to AKC and will be the contact for any information for juniors in our Club. Since we have no junior members at this point in time, the duties required of this person will be very light. We do hope to see some



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junior membership. By taking on this position you will be helping advance the future of our sport. If you would like to volunteer please contact a board member.

As a final reminder, please be sure your dues and membership renewal are up to date. We are looking forward to a great year together!

Terrie

It's time to renew your membership!

Membership renewal forms were due January 31 and the end of the 60 day grace period is approaching quickly. Please send in your membership renewal if you have not already!



UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

General Meeting

Sunday,
March 6 at 7pm
over Zoom
*Annual Awards
Presentation*



CLUB COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

Agility: Linda Shea

Audit/Budget: TBD

Awards: Nancy Light

Hearts & Flowers: Gloria Newby

Insurance: Sue Cox

Membership: Rhonda Forman

Newsletter: Elizabeth Soule

'C' Match: Terrie Sato

Programs: vacant

Property & Inventory:

Don Rennick

Spring Obedience and Rally

Trial: Neil Evans

Tracking: Marta Brock

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Welcome to new member Lee Ann McNeil! Lee Ann is from Bothell and owned Shelties in the past.

WSOTC SPRING 2022 OBEDIENCE AND RALLY TRIAL

April 2 and 3
at Fun Fur Paws in Mount Vernon

Ring Stewards Needed! If you can help out, please contact Sue Cox at johnandsuzanne@comcast.net or (206) 546-2230.

Help with decorations is also needed. If you'd like to volunteer, reach out to Neil Evans at yorkevans@comcast.net or call 206 499-5360.

Upcoming Western Washington All Breed Trials

- ◆ **Mount Hood Doberman Pinscher Club** (Agility) 2/4-6 at Clark County Fairgrounds
- ◆ **Evergreen Afghan Hound Club** (Agility) 2/18-20 at Fun Fur Paws
- ◆ **Seattle Kennel Club** (Obed) 2/19 at Win-Star Bed & Biscuit in Tacoma
- ◆ **Seattle Kennel Club** (Rally) 2/20 at Win-Star Bed & Biscuit in Tacoma
- ◆ **Evergreen Belgian Tervuren Club** (Agility) 2/25-27 at Fun Fur Paws
- ◆ **Overlake Collie Club, Collie Club of Washington** (Obed, Rally) 2/26-27 at Argus Ranch
- ◆ **Evergreen State Shetland Sheepdog Club** (Agility) 3/4-3/6 at Argus Ranch
- ◆ **Chuckanut Dog Training Club** (Tracking VST and TDU) 3/6 at Bow, Burlington, Mt. Vernon
- ◆ **Seattle Kennel Club** (Agility) 3/11-13 at Fun Fur Paws
- ◆ **Old English Sheepdog Club of Greater Seattle** (Obed, Rally) 3/12 at Chuckanut Farm
- ◆ **Portland Agility Club** (Agility) 3/18-20 at Clark County Fairgrounds
- ◆ **Columbia Basin Dog Training Club** (Obed, Rally) 3/18-20 at 4 Paw DogWorks in Richland
- ◆ **Washington State Cocker Spaniel Club** (Double Rally Trial) 3/25 at Olympia
- ◆ **Boston Terrier Club of Western Washington** (Agility) 3/25-27 at Argus Ranch
- ◆ **Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club** (Double Obed & Rally Trials Saturday, Single Obed & Rally Trial Sunday) 3/26-27 at Kitsap County Fairgrounds

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 12, 2022

1/12/22 via Zoom at 7pm

1. Call to order The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by President Terrie Sato. In attendance: Terrie Sato, Nancy Light, Karen Snee, Neil Evans, Sue Cox, Janice Bergman, Sil Sanders, Betty Winthers, Jill Petersen, Elizabeth Soule, Cathy Soule, Sandy Burr, Rhonda Forman, Stella Rowlett, Nancy Harney with guests Monica Dotterwich, Lee Ann McNeil, Kelli Armstrong

The minutes of the last meeting 11/21/21 were approved as printed in the Canine Post

2. Report of the Board - The by-laws updates are ready for membership approval before sending to AKC. Kathy Lang and Ingrida Robinson have been appointed as chair and co-chair of the obedience/rally trials to be held Aug. 13 & 14 during the Sammamish weekend of the OKC week at the Enumclaw Fairgrounds. Thank you Kathy and Ingrida for volunteering!

3. Report of the President - Thank you to the **21** WSOTC members who volunteered at the Jan. 9 C match. It was a long day but so nice to see so many Club members gathering to help prepare for obedience competitions. One thing that became clear is that a number of non members had no idea that our club exists. We will be discussing ideas on getting our name and Club mission out to the dog training public.

4. Report of the Secretary - The tracking test was closed out by AKC. There will be a Pet Palooza held in Auburn on Saturday May 21. If anyone from WSOTC is interested in representing our club at this event contact a board member and events@AuburnWA.gov. The deadline for application in April 15.

5. Report of the Treasurer - Sue reported on the checking and saving account. Check the members only web page for the recorded amounts.

6. Committee Reports:

a. **Membership**- Rhonda Forman - There is a first reading for Monica Dotterwich who is applying for Associate membership. Monica has Rotties. We welcome Lee Ann McNeil to the club as she was elected to membership at this meeting- Lee Ann has trained Shelties but is currently without a dog. She also works with the Esprit de Corp 4-H club.

b. **Spring Trial 2022**— Neil reported that the premium is available on BaRay. It was noted that more garbage cans at the venue would be welcome.

c. **Hearts and Flowers** - Gloria - Nothing new to report.

d. **Agility** - Nancy/ Linda Shea- It was noted that no contract is yet in place. The current ribbon count should be sufficient. Does the club want to add a double Q ribbon?



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e. **Insurance - Sue** - AKC has an insurance flyer. It will be sent to Sue to make sure WSOTC is fully covered.

f. **Awards - Nancy** - be sure to get your awards applications into Nancy. The awards meeting will be held virtually on March 6. Please submit suggestions for the Club Achievement Award. Please note that perpetual trophies need to be returned to the club. It is the responsibility of the recipient to get the award to Karen Snee.

h. **Tracking test** - The wrap up for the TDX test held Dec. 5, 2021 was a good one with 3 TDX passes. The newsletter and Facebook page have the details. Congratulations to the new TDX dogs! Sil asked that a judges selection list be sent to club members to vote on judges for the 2023 test.

g. **C match - Terrie** - The C match was well attended, running from 8:30 in the morning until 5:30 in the evening. One entire ring was dedicated to Novice and Beginner Novice. Several junior handlers were in attendance. The request for more matches was made by many. Places suggested include French Creek, the Monroe Fairgrounds.

e. **Summer/Fall Obedience Trials - Kathy/Ingrida** - The judges are lined up.

7. Unfinished Business

a. By-Laws vote a motion was made to accept the By-Laws as presented. Motion passed.

b. Meeting program suggestions - suggestions included members present their breed, introduction to canine scent work, canine fitness for sports, presentations featuring our own club members

8. New Business

a. Club recognition in the dog training community - a number of nonmembers had no idea that the Washington State Obedience Training Club was hosting the match. Membership applications were available, people said they wanted to see more matches but those new to the sport did not know about the club. Ideas to get recognition included more use of Facebook and possibly an article by Ranny Green.

b. The next board meeting is Feb.16 via zoom and the next General Membership meeting is set for Sunday March 6 via Zoom.

c. Other - A Junior Coordinator is needed.

9. **For the Good of the Order:** OKC and the Hushpuppies 4-H club are holding a match March 6 including BN and Novice at the Enumclaw Fairgrounds.

Submitted by Terrie Sato

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 5, 2022

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 7:02pm on January 5, 2022 by
President Terrie Sato via Zoom
Guest - Ingrida Robinson
Attending - Terrie Sato, Nancy Light, Sue Cox, Janice Bergman, Karen Snee, Neil Evans
2. **Minutes** - Minutes of the 11/17/2021 Board meeting were approved as printed in the Canine Post.
3. **Report of the President** - We will need to amend Article II of the Articles of Incorporation to add junior members to the By-laws
4. **Report of the Secretary** - No report
5. **Report of the Treasurer** - Balances were read
6. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Membership** - Rhonda reports she has received an application from Monica Dotterweich for Associate membership.
Kelli Armstrong will be attending the 1/12 General meeting as a guest.
 - b. **Awards** - Nancy says she has received some applications.
 - c. **C-Match** - Terrie reports that the match has been extended to 5:30pm and is completely full. 21 Club members have volunteered to help. One ring is filled with Novice/Beginner Novice only all day.
 - d. **Hearts and Flowers** - No report
 - e. **Insurance** - A question was asked if we fall inline with AKC recommendations. Sue said she thinks we do but she would check to make sure.
 - f. **Tracking** - The financial report was submitted by Marta. Three people passed.
 - g. **Spring Trial** - Neil is working on corrections to the premium list. Jane Pitts has been given a list of ribbons we have.
 - h. **Agility** - Nancy reports that the Robins have submitted all the information for the Trial to the AKC. We will have the same judges as last year.
7. **Old Business**
 - a. **By-laws** - Changes were made to wording in the Articles of Incorporation on membership requirements to add junior membership to the By-laws
8. **New Business**
 - a. **August Obedience/Rally Trial** - Approval of Kathy Lang as chair and Ingrida Robinson as co-chair for the August 13/14, 2022 Trial, Terrie will be contacting OKC to inform them.
9. **Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 30, 2022

1. **Call to Order:** the meeting was called to order by President Terrie Sato at 6:33.
Sue Cox, Nancy Light, Neil Evans, Karen Snee and Terrie Sato were in attendance.
2. **Spring Trial Budget:** An updated spring trial budget was presented and discussed. Some changes were noted and amended to reflect current actual values.

A motion was made to accept the budget as amended and to present it to the general membership for approval.
3. Due to time constraints a special general membership meeting will be held on Feb. 13 at 7pm specifically to receive approval of the spring trial budget from the membership.
4. Several items concerning judges hospitality and contracts were briefly discussed.
5. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm

Submitted by Terrie Sato



WSOTC PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award recognizes outstanding membership and service within the club—the people who make WSOTC possible! Nominations for this year were due by January 31. The board will make the selection at their February meeting. Previous recipients include the following contributors:


Glenn Ellen Sickles
Alice Trincherro
Harley Craig
Rozanne Pitzer
Janice R. Thomas
Betty Winthers
Josephine Sullivan
Floyd Cottrell
Carole DeLand
Irene Sorley
Anna Cottrell
Chuck & Lois Kletch
Ron & Pat Isham
Frank Jones &
 Marilyn Jones (Ashby)
Jerry Foley
Edel Price
Eileen Childress
Jean Rassbach
Suzanne MacDonald (Cox)
Richard Ashby
Fred Marsh
Robin Munson
Gene Manfredi
Mary Stech
Laurie Snell (Weaver)
Marion Rivers
Jo Ann Mather
Carole Hapke

Becky Johnson
Nancy Phillips
Nancy Kaiser
Pat Shuler
Valerie Robbins
Janet Germeau
Nancy Griffin
Nancy Light
Lori Davis
Lisa Baldwin
Ron Perry
Walter Kilmer
Lee Boelter
John Heinrich
Jackie Lovette
Mary Schurr
Janice Bergman
Jean Rassbach
Wanda Diemert
Kathy Lang
Jill Petersen
Ingrida Robinson
Amy Reagan
Don Rennick
Sil Sanders
Terrie Sato




CLUB UPDATES

THANK YOU TO WSOTC MEMBERS WHO HELPED AT THE C MATCH !

A cluster of colorful stars in shades of green, orange, purple, and blue, arranged in a roughly circular pattern on the left side of the page.

Linda Shea
Sarah Kahn
Rhonda Forman
Don Rennick
Darlene Brown
Laura Burns
Elizabeth Soule
Nancy Light
Jill Petersen
Sue Cox
Cat Bailey
Jayne Walker
Betty Winthers
Holly Krohn
Judy Peterson
Sandy Burr
Jody Woodruff
Matha Jordan
Debbi Humble

A cluster of colorful stars in shades of purple, blue, green, and orange, arranged in a roughly circular pattern on the right side of the page.

And special thanks to Nancy Harney for co-chairing and hanging in there all day!

Terrie Sato, Match Chair

Winter Training Opportunities for Competition Obedience Participants In Kent & Auburn

Family Dog Training Center is proud to partner with Gwen Blake of Donida Farm in Auburn, WA, to offer the following activities for handlers who compete in competition obedience.

Rent-A-Rings in Auburn

You alone, or with your friends, can reserve a 40' x 50' baby-gated ring, complete with jumps and cones, for competition obedience practice in the 100' x 200' enclosed equestrian arena. Four rings will be set up; the spacious arena provides lots of room for crating and warming up.

Upcoming dates: February 13, 2022; March 20, 2022 and April 17, 2022 (all are Sundays). Hours are 10 am to 3 pm. The cost is \$45.00 per 50-minute slot.

Open Training Hours in Auburn

Two 40' x 50' baby-gated rings will be set up. Each ring will include jumps and cones for all levels of competition obedience practice. The rest of the 100' x 200' enclosed equestrian arena will be available for heeling, retrieving, recalls, signals, drops, etc. Space will be shared by participants, with sign-up sheets for the rings. Dogs must be crated when not being actively worked, or secured in your vehicle. (No x-pens.) Practice time will begin at 11 am and end at 1 pm. Attendees may train multiple dogs and help their buddies; however, instructors are not permitted to teach at these practices. Dogs must be controlled at all times. No people or dog aggressive animals allowed.

Upcoming dates include: February 2 to March 9, 2022 (all are Wednesdays). There is a discount if you register and pay for all six weeks: \$90 for people not currently enrolled in Family Dog classes or \$50 for current Family Dog students. For those who prefer to pay each week the fee is \$25 for non-students and \$15 for current students.

For more information, hold-harmless forms and to register, go to www.familydogonline.com and click on the "Events" button at the top of the page, or type this URL in your browser:

<https://familydogonline.dogbizpro.com/Public/Registration/Events.aspx>

All Levels of Classes for Competition Obedience, Rally Obedience, Body Awareness & Conditioning and Breed Ring Handling in Kent and Auburn

Family Dog also offers a variety of dog sports classes at both Family Dog in Kent and Donida Farm in Auburn. Upcoming options are available on the Family Dog website, www.familydogonline.com. At the top of the home page click on the "Performance" button and then select "Competition Obedience" or type the URL in your browser: <https://familydogonline.dogbizpro.com/public/registration/index.aspx?tab=classes&cat=16>

For more information and/or questions, contact the Family Dog office at 253-854-9663 or Office@FamilyDogOnline.com. Pre-registration is required.



Nahkohe

Amanda Buse
PHOTOGRAPHY



TDCH WA Nordic Wonder Bear w/Me CDX, PCDX, GN, BN, RAE, RM, TKP, CGC, VHMA, WRD, DD3, TODD

"February 1, 2007" - December 7, 2021

My heart. My light. My bestest girl. You did it all. A wonderful ambassador for your breed and rescued dogs. You beat the odds of living with melanoma for 3 years, B-cell lymphoma for 2+ years, a TPLO, and osteoarthritis in those 'ol gal hips. You were just shy of 15 on paper, but were technically over 15 years old and still active up to the end, still enjoying those walks.

You were a medical marvel, not only with your cancers, but also for your breed. Unfortunately your kidneys were ready to rest. We had a blast Nahkohe. A ride I probably will never experience again. I could not have asked for a better furry partner, who has left me with years of training knowledge, doggy life lessons, and more medical understanding.

Run free once more.

"That's my girl. That's my rescue. That's Nahkohe."

Loved by Amanda Buse and family

Celebrations!



Stella Rowlett + Cherrie Pie



Cherry Pie made her national debut at Obedience Classic 2021 in Orlando and finished 7th in the Utility class.

We did well at the Western Washington Winter Cluster and at Rose City with 3 All Breed HCs and 1 All Breed HIT.

We also won both HIT and HC at the Cocker Specialty.

Celebrations!



 Kathy Teufel + Douglas

Douglas (Cripple Creek Always Looking up to the Frontier) with his ribbon from earning his Nose Work 2 Title