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PREZ'S MESSAGE

In the age of pandemics it is difficult to maintain a club culture. Clubs should be made up of people with similar interests and passions. Club members need to work together towards their similar goals. When restrictions are placed on the ability to meet and train in person we need to get creative in maintaining an effective club.

Going into the Covid crisis, WSOTC had several strikes already against us. Our club is no longer teaching classes - a goal of the club founders - and we do not have a training building or home base for our club. There are very good reasons to have quit teaching classes. The lack of a home base is certainly one of the reasons. The upkeep of a club building and the real estate costs in the Puget Sound area are very good reasons to be....let's face it....homeless.

The 21st century has brought us some innovations that can make a homeless obedience training club work. We have the internet and social media. These are tools that can connect us and let us help each other. Let's use our Facebook page for more than announcements.



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Prez's Message *(Continued from Page 1)*

Announcements are important but we can use our page to encourage each other, share some experiences in the ring...both good and bad. We can share training ideas, ring prep ideas, thoughts for controlling nerves, as well as suggestions for good places to train. How about sharing the source of a piece of equipment that has worked especially well along with a picture of that equipment? Visit the page often and if there has been no discussion for awhile just start one. It would be great to know who is going to what shows. Maybe a training date could be set up before the show. I am aware that not all club members choose to use social media. Perhaps we could take some of the discussions on Facebook and add them as articles to the newsletter.

I am happy to hear that the August 17 match went well. I know that many members were involved in making that happen. Amy Reagan as chair was the driving force behind this event. Great job of thinking outside the box and creating a successful training event!

Let's make an effort to build our club's reputation as a cohesive group intent on promoting good dog training, and stay connected as a club in any way that we are able.

Terrie

WSOTC SPRING 2022 OBEDIENCE AND RALLY TRIAL

It may seem a bit early to think about our 2022 Spring Obedience and Rally Trials scheduled for April 2nd and 3rd but please save the dates on your calendar NOW!

Also if you are interested in helping with the trials we could use volunteers to steward and do some decorations. If you're interested in stewarding, contact Sue Cox at johnandsuzanne@comcast.net or (206) 546-2230. If you're interested in decorations, reach out to Neil Evans at yorkevans@comcast.net or call 206 499-5360.

We may need help on Sunday the 3rd to transport judges back to the airport. Please connect with Neil if you can help with this!

CLUB COMMITTEES & CHAIRS

Agility: Linda Shea

Audit/Budget: TBD

Awards: Nancy Light

Hearts & Flowers: Gloria Newby

Insurance: Sue Cox

Membership: Rhonda Forman

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Awards for Spring 2022 Obedience and Rally Trial

WSOTC Members,

I am the trophy and awards chairperson for the WSOTC Spring Trial, April 2-3, 2022. I've found some special trophy items and would like to give you the opportunity to sponsor them. The items are handmade pottery from Stone Pony Pottery, beautiful and functional.

<https://stoneponypottery.com/dog-shows/>
Each piece will have the club logo on it.

Getting donations early will allow us to place the order before prices go up, which I've been informed they will.

The selection is as follows for SATURDAY:

- ★ High Score Regular Classes - Large Treat Jar \$80
- ★ High Combined from Open B and Utility B - Dog Bowl \$50
- ★ High Score Preferred Classes - Large Salsa Bowl \$50
- ★ High Combined Preferred Open and Utility - Dog Bowl \$50
- ★ Rally High Combined Triple Qualifier - Large Treat Jar \$80 (*sponsored*)
- ★ High Combined Rally Exc B and Adv B - Large Salsa Bowl \$50

Awards for SUNDAY will be CASH in the amounts above for each class. (*High Score Preferred Classes and Rally High Combined Triple Qualifier have sponsors.*)

Multiple sponsors for one award is another way to pool resources and contribute. If you or your breed club would like to support a trophy or entries not listed here, please let me know. There are many options to choose from the Stone Pottery collection.



Above: Examples of pottery items from [Stone Pony Pottery](https://stoneponypottery.com/)

There are special awards for Obedience and Rally Novice A:

Saturday First Prize: Dog Toy Basket \$20

Sunday First Prize: To be decided \$20

Awards for 2nd through 4th placements Saturday and Sunday \$15 - award to be decided

Even though the trial is several months away there are many moving parts to be coordinated. Donating early will help it all come together more smoothly.

Please send donations in a check made out to WSOTC and mail to:

Jane Pitts
3028 W Blaine St
Seattle, WA 98199

Thank you for supporting the club and the trial!

Jane Pitts

CLUB UPDATES

AUGUST 2021 WSOTC 'OC' MATCH REPORT

With the threat of extreme heat it was a mixed blessing of overcast and light rain for our first 'OC' match held on August 17th in conjunction with the long Enumclaw Sammamish/Olympic Kennel Club All-Breed Cluster.



I need to thank our wonderful and patient judges, Stella Rowlett and Laura Cronin. All our exhibitors really enjoyed the judges and the many opportunities to work and train their dogs. I also need to thank the many volunteers who helped steward in both Rally and Obedience – almost every person who entered helped steward...that was awesome! Thanks goes to - Raney Commet, Neil Evans, Pat Lindquist, Andrea Sanford, Amy Aitken, Lynn Winchester, Nadine Morgan, Janet Elliott, Sandy Burr, Pam Hollenbeck, Judith Peterson, Debbi Humble, Erika Brennan, Erin Fosler, Sidney Ocheltree, Marie Black, Debby Warden, Judy

Hunsburger and Cris Whitehurst. Special thanks to Arlette Davison for designing the Rally course. I hope I didn't miss anyone. *We couldn't have pulled this off with all your help, thank you!*

With over 35 exhibitors and multiple runs, we had a very busy day. Obedience classes from Beginner Novice to Utility and all levels of Rally were requested. We had a Bassett Hound and a Pumi along with Golden Retrievers, GSD, Shelties, Cane Corso, English Cocker, Aussie, Papillons, and Dobermans and we received a LOT of comments about wanting more of these 'fun matches' and when will the next one be?

We need to also thank the Olympic Kennel Club for their generosity and assurances of having baby gates for our match. They didn't charge us any fees for the use of the rings and the loan of all the equipment they rent from BaRay. Our only expense was feeding our judges.



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AUGUST 2021 WSOTC 'OC' MATCH REPORT

Oh, by the way, we made money for the club –

2021 OC Match Financials		
Income	Entry fees	\$412.00
Expenses	Lunch	-\$28.80
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		\$383.20

Thank you to everyone!

Amy Reagan
2021 OC Match Chair



Yes, that is a Basset Hound! (*No sniff, no sniff, no sniff....that was not happening!*) He did awesome.



HEARTS AND FLOWERS

Gloria Newby, chair

In the past month, a get well card was sent to Pat Rennick.

Upcoming Western Washington All Breed Trials

- ◆ **Evergreen Golden Retriever Club** (Agility) 9/3-5 at Argus Ranch
- ◆ **United States Australian Shepherd Association** (Agility) 9/10-12 at Fun Fur Paws
- ◆ **Pacific Northwest Sussex Spaniel Club** (Rally) 9/11 at Olympia
- ◆ **Pacific Northwest Sussex Spaniel Club** (Obed) 9/12 at Olympia
- ◆ **Bell Vernon Kennel Association** (Agility) 9/17-19 at Fun Fur Paws
- ◆ **Portland Agility Club** (Agility) 9/24-26 at Clark County Fairgrounds
- ◆ **Pyrenean Shepherd Club of America** (Agility) 9/25-26 at Fun Fur Paws
- ◆ **Peninsula Dog Fanciers Club** (Obed, Rally) 10/2-3 at Kitsap County Fairgrounds
- ◆ **Overlake Collie Club** (Agility) 10/8-10 at Fun Fur Paws
- ◆ **Evergreen Afghan Hound Club** (Agility) 10/29-31 at Fun Fur Paws

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 11, 2021

1. **Call to Order-** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by president Terrie Sato
attendance: Terrie Sato Janice Bergman, Sue Cox, Karen Snee, Neil Evans and Nancy Light
2. **Minutes:** The minutes from the 7/14/21 board meeting were approved as printed in the Canine Post
3. **Report of the President:** Tonight we need to select a new Agility chair for 2022.
4. **Report of the Secretary:** Janice Bergman - All three days of the Agility trial were closed out by AKC
5. **Report of the Treasurer:** Sue - financial statements had been sent to members and a brief discussion followed

6. Committee Reports

- a. Membership - Rhonda - nothing new to report
- b. Agility - Nancy - financials for the trial were reviewed; discussion was held on the possibility of adding new title ribbons and QQ ribbons; Linda Shea was approved to chair the 2022 Agility trial
- c. Hearts and Flowers - Gloria - nothing to report
- d. Seminar - Nancy - nothing new to report
- e. Match - Amy - full
- f. Audit/Budget committee - meeting scheduled for Aug 23
- g. Spring Trial 2022 - Neil - dates Apr 2 & 3; the judges have been lined up pending AKC approval; Sue Cox agreed to be the chief ring steward

7. Old Business

Review Article VII, VIII and IX of the By-Laws - reviewed and ready for the membership to review in Sept.

8. New Business

GM meeting August 25

Better use of Facebook/other methods to fulfill our mission promoting performance events was discussed

Meeting Adjourned
Submitted by Terrie Sato



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 25, 2021

1. Call to Order- Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm on August 25, 2021 by President Terrie Sato via Zoom.

Attending- Guest- Stella Rowlett

Members- Terrie Sato, Janice Bergman, Sue Cox, Arlette Davison, Betty Winthers, Rhonda Foreman, Sandy Burr, Nancy Light, Cathy Soule, Neil Evans, Elizabeth Soule, Amy Reagan, Jill Petersen, Pat Lindquist, Karen Snee, Holly Krohn, Debbi Humble

2. Minutes- Minutes of the June 23, 2021 General meeting were approved as printed in the Canine Post

3. Report of the Board- The Board would like to acknowledge Amy Reagan for Chairing the C match on August 17th as well as all the Club members who helped. Thank you! Also Amanda Buse has been incredibly helpful in preparing the 2022 Spring Trial committee to run the next year's trial. She is preparing a show procedure notebook for our Club. The Board has completed a review of the By-Laws and they will be ready for Club review next month.

4. Report of the President- I would like to make better use of our social media options. We will discuss ideas under New Business.

5. Report of the Secretary- To AKC- Notice that we will not be having an event in January 2022.

6 Report of the Treasurer- Financial report was given.

7. Committee Reports

a. Membership- Rhonda gave a second reading for Stella Rowlett

b. Spring Trial 2022- Planning is moving along. We have judges, Committee members include; Jane Pitts- Awards, Sue Cox Chief Ring Steward, Don Rennink- Judges Transportation, Jo Anne and Susan Mulligan- Hospitality

c. Hearts and Flowers- Gloria has sent a card to the Rennicks

d. Agility- Trial was a success. We made about \$2,400 on the Trial. Judges were well liked and will have next year. Linda Shea is the Trial Chair for 2022

e. Awards- Nancy asks that everyone reviews the application for changes that need to be made and if anything needs to be clarified.

f. Match- Amy reports it did very well and we had about 30 people that did multiple runs. She saw many different breeds competing. People loved the site, grounds were great, great parking, plenty of shade available- so there was no problems with dogs being in crates. Amy says Arlette did a wonderful job on the Rally courses. We made about \$380.

g. Tracking- Everything is moving along.

8. Election of New Member- Vote was taken and Stella Rowlett is our newest member. Welcome Stella.

9. Unfinished Business- None



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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 25, 2021

10. New Business

Making better use of Social Media- We have about 300 members on our Facebook page- some Club members some not- we can use page to encourage people to join Club or promote Webpage

- Ask training questions" I'm having a problem with this, does anyone have an answer or suggestion?"
- Just how to do a "Fix and Go" in the Ring?
- I'm showing at this Show can someone come and watch me
- I'm training at this place does anyone want to join me?
- Make Obedience Brags

11. Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary



Celebrations!





Jill Petersen + Wally + Etta

Etta is a new UD as of 6/20/2021 after 2 consecutive passes at the Cascade English Cocker Spaniel Fanciers and Mt. Rainier Sporting Spaniel Association trials with 2 first placements, and Wally, new CDX on 7/24/2021 at the Rose City trials in Portland with a bonus leg on 7/25, also both first places! Pretty amazing month for 2 terriers and their mom!! Wally's the one with the wine!

Celebrations!

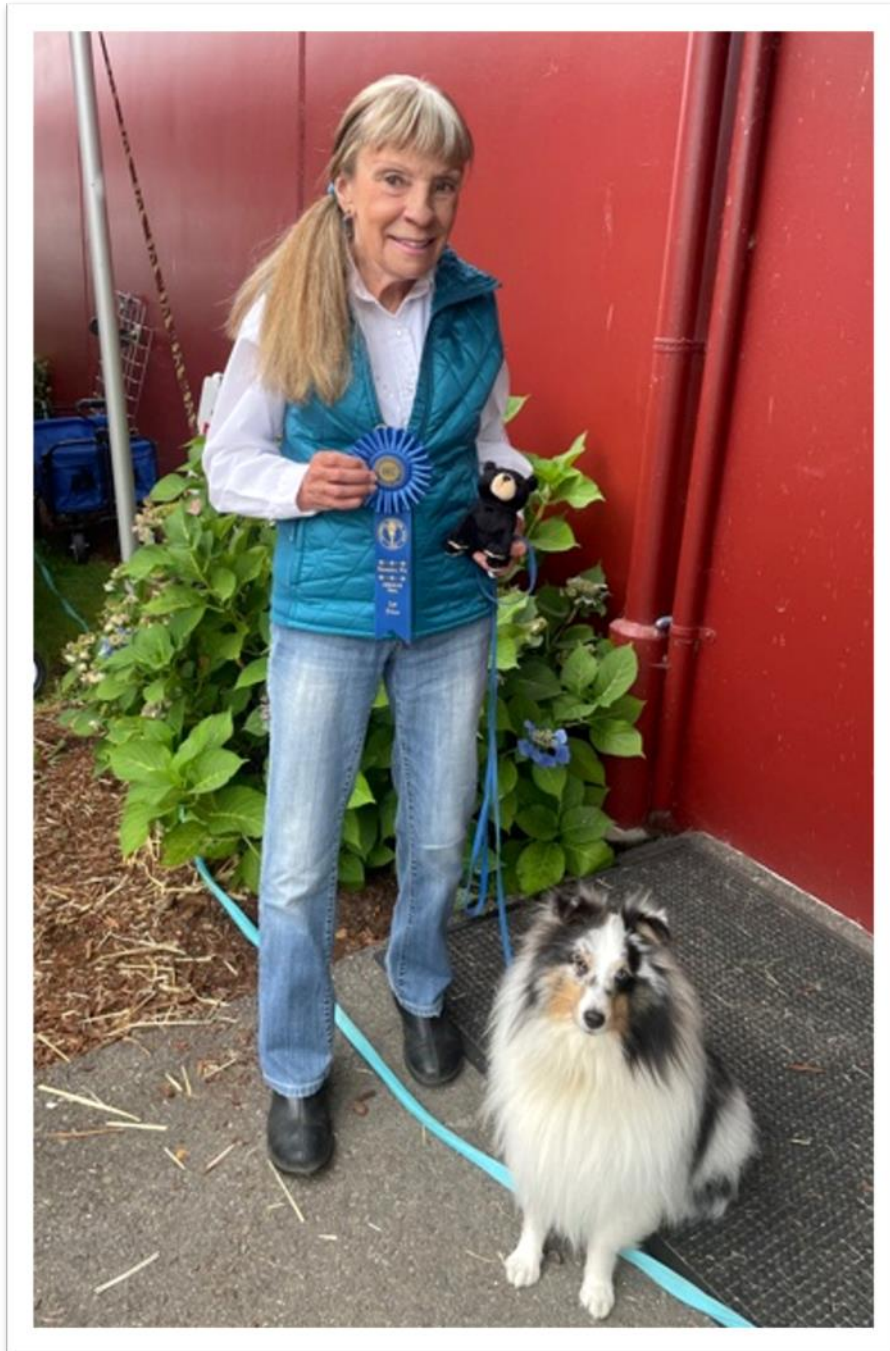


Stella 
Rowlett +  Cherry Pie

Cherry Pie, my 11 year old rescue cocker and my Novice A dog, completed her OM title last weekend at the Upper Snake River Valley DTC show with a Utility B win. Earlier this year, she got her last 8 UDX legs towards her UDX2 title in 9 shows. Cherry Pie has been retired in March 2017 and came out of her retirement in February this year.



Celebrations!



Neil Evans +
Dylan

Dylan earned his
Beginner Novice title
with a score of 199 and
1st place at Olympic
Kennel Club on August
22 under judge Carol
Mett!

Trilliant's Rolling
Thunder BN NAJ

Celebrations!

Davison Papillon Celebrations . . .



Papillon Specialty in Enumclaw 8/20

Menta earned the Rally
High Triple Q award



Elsa earned the Rally
High Combined award



Olympic Kennel Club Enumclaw 8/21

Breya says "Hurray for me, I
earned my first leg to a CDX!"

Celebrations!



Arlette Davison + Breyia

The day after a Group 4 in Owner Handler Toy Group, I showed Breyia to her Grand Championship title. She is now GCH CH Ezee's Princess Royal Breyia CD PCD BN RI CGCA TKA

Celebrations!



 Kathy Teufel + Ellie Rose

Ellie Rose (8 months) has successfully completed the requirements for the Do More with Your Dog Intermediate and Advanced Masters Trick Dog awards. Hard work!

Celebrations!



Nancy Light + Lia

Lia earned her Rally Advanced title on the OKC weekend (Rainier Sporting, EGRC Specialty, and OKC on Sunday) with scores of 190, 196 and 198. She also earned her CD with score of 195, 193.5 and 190.5. She is now

SHR Rio Ranch Leap Into Action CD BN RA JH SHU NAP NJP
OFP TKI