

# WAGG'n TAIL

February 2016

Richland Kennel Club  
P.O. Box 386  
Richland, WA 99352

## Officers & Committees

<p>President Chuck Ames 588-6430</p>	<p>Vice-President Alyssa Paxton 378-7139</p>	<p>Treasurer Michele Murray 531-0432</p>	<p>Recording Secretary Liz Summa</p>	<p>Show Chairman Ryin Horne 737-7206</p>	<p>Board of Directors Cindi McInturf Laurie Weed</p>
<p>Corresponding Secretary Bonnie Ames 588-6430</p>	<p>Newsletter Cheryl Stevens Draymia@gmail. com</p>	<p>Judges Selection Chairman Valerie Brown 554-1668</p>	<p>Judges Selection Co-Chairman Marion Ford 588-8413</p>	<p>Historian Handling Class Bonnie Ames 588-6430</p>	<p>Refreshments</p>

<p>NEXT MEETING</p> <p>February 7, 2016</p> <p>PIZZA FEED 6:00 at Round Table Pizza Pasco 3201 W Court</p>	<p>RKC BOARD MEETING</p> <p>January 28, 2016 7:00pm TRAC at the RKC Booth</p>	<p>BRAGS</p> <p>Jennifer Floyd has two new Italian Greyhounds. Come Sail Away aka Galaxy and Princess of the Universe aka Lyra.</p> <p>Rose Davis after almost 5 years finally got her Xoroitzcuintu-Bayshore Stonehaven's Flirtatious Intention of Essardi.</p> <p>Liz Summa's puppy Polar Mist Forever Yours Faithfully aka Faith got her Star Puppy.</p>
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## **HANDLING CLASS**

Wednesdays 7:00-8:00

4 Paws DogWorks  
2765 Kingsgate Way Richland, WA

Dogs need to be current on their shots and handlers need to sign a waiver if you have not already done so. (please bring copy of vaccination records)

Feb 3th-Chris Larson  
Feb 10th-Bonnie & Chuck  
Feb 17th-Kim & Bruce  
Feb 24th-Bonnie & Chuck

## **Tri-Cities Family Expo**

January 29 & 30, 2016

Friday 12:00-8:00

Saturday 10:00-5:00

TRAC in Pasco

Super Sound dogs around children, are welcome for some great socialization for the dogs and education for a large crowd of people with lots of children.

Contact Bonnie for times available at: 588-6430

## **DUES FOR 2016 ARE DUE NOW**

Family- \$25.00      Single- \$15.00      Junior \$10.00

Please send payment to:  
Michele Murray  
Richland Kennel Club  
5401 Holly Way  
W. Richland, WA 99353

### **President's Bark February 2016**

As many of us know, January is the official start of the dog show season in the Northwest for many of us. In an effort to help all of us prepare for these upcoming shows, handling class restarted on January 13<sup>th</sup> (The 6<sup>th</sup> was canceled due to inclement weather). I expect these classes to be quite large and ask everyone to be patient with the class leader. Our leaders are volunteers to help everyone in the club and their dogs improve their ability to show. These classes are being held at the 4 Paws facility from 7:00pm to 8:00pm until about April of this year.

Bonnie has been busy contacting all our club members to set up the schedule in support of the Family Expo on January 29<sup>th</sup> and January 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have not been contacted or missed her call, please call her at (509) 588-6430 to set up a time. Everyone who brings their dogs down to participate always have a great time and the socialization of their dogs pays great dividends in support of showing. Remember that one of our main goals is responsible dog ownership and a good dog is a sign of this responsible ownership.

Our last general meeting was a great opportunity for all of us to transition from the lay off to address club activities. The fall dog show is now registered with AKC and Ryn Horne and her team are starting the process of preparing for this show. The Finnish Spitz club is holding their National Specialty at our site on Friday along with the Cardigan Welsh Corgi Club. The English Setter Club is holding their National within 300 miles of our show so we will not have this breed at our show. Also, the Columbia Basin Dog Training Club is still holding their obedience trial at our show site. For all of our members interested in earning an obedience trial, the Columbia Basin Dog Training Club is holding a Spring obedience trial on March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> at the 4 Paws facility.

Our next general meeting is a Pizza feed at the Pasco Round Table Pizza Parlor on Court. It will start around 6:00pm on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. We always have great fun at these pizza feeds and I look forward to seeing all of you there. Good Luck on the upcoming show circuit.

Your Servant  
Charles Ames, President

### Minutes for Membership Meeting January 6, 2016

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Club President Chuck Ames called the Richland Kennel Club Membership Meeting to order at 7:36 pm, at Richland Community Center in Richland, WA. For December there were no minutes presented. The club Christmas party replaced the December club meeting.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Treasures report was given by Michelle Murray.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- There was no Old Business presented to the Club Members

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- New Membership's were voted in
  - Jennifer & Tresa Floyd- Italian Greyhounds
  - Steve & Marilyn Clark- Corgi's & Tibetan Spaniels
- Motioned by Cheryl Stevens & Seconded by Cindi McInturf
- Stacia Gunderson Boston Terrier
  
- New Membership Applications Presented Were:
  - Blackie & Mary Witzel Corgi's
  - Lanae Sharp Pug
  - Jessica Cahalan Corgi's & Doberman's
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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

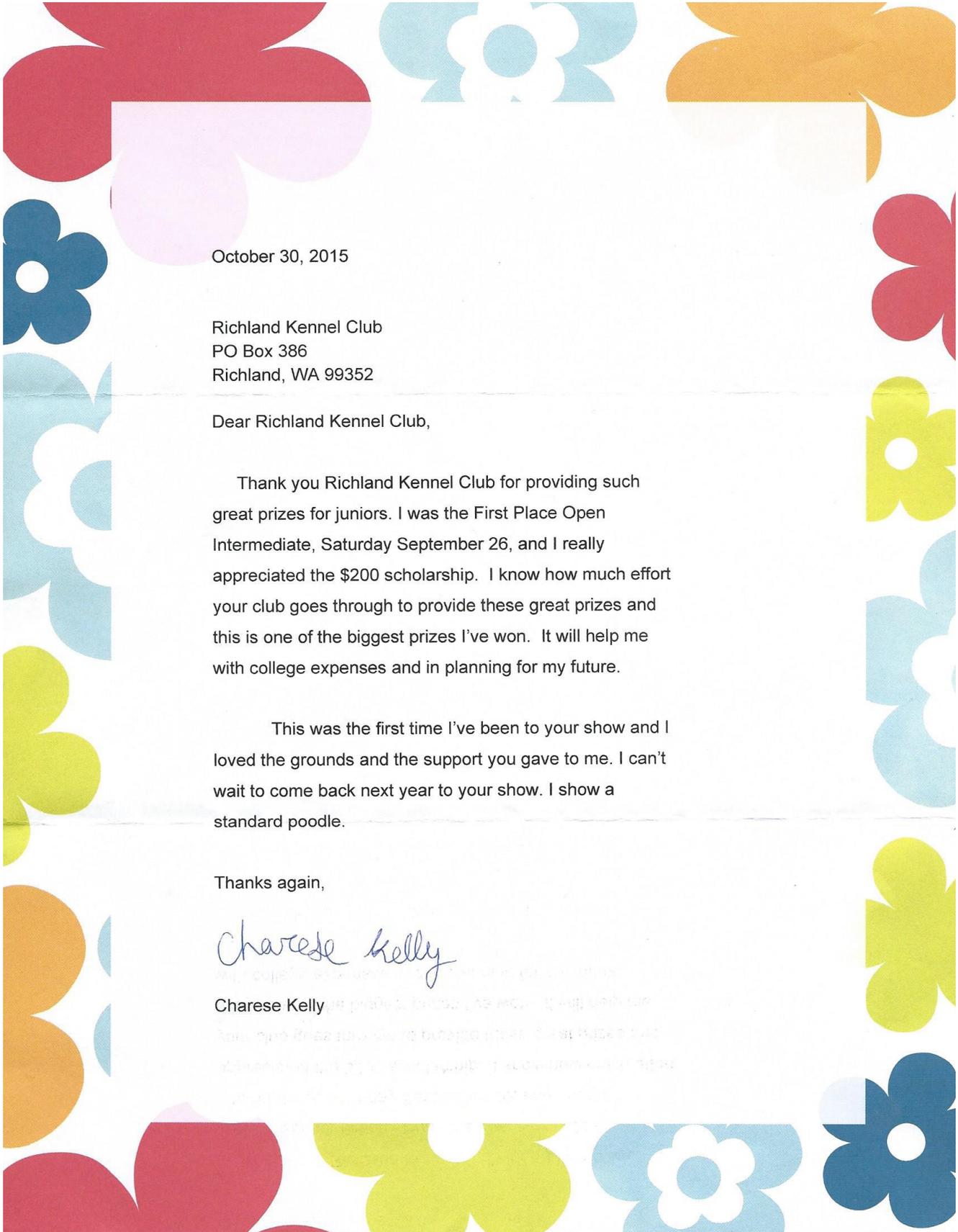
- Show Committee- 2016 Show Info has been submitted to Onofrio
- Finnish Spitz & Cardigan Welsh Corgi will hold Specialties at 2016 Show
- There will be NO English Setter's due to National Being held
- Handling Class- 4 Paws @7pm Every Wednesday
- Board Meeting will be Held on Jan. 28 @ 7p.m at TRAC

**Club Announcements:**

- Please be respectful of other Dogs & Owners/Handlers at Handling Class
- Family Expo @ TRAC will be Jan 29 & 30, Sign-ups are thru Bonnie Ames
- Pizza Feed will be Feb. 4 @ 6pm Round Table in Pasco on Court.

Motion to adjourn was by Alyssa Paxton and Kevin Davis

Elizabeth Summa  
 RKC Recording Secretary for 2016  
 Meeting Adjourned at 8:20 pm



October 30, 2015

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Dear Richland Kennel Club,

Thank you Richland Kennel Club for providing such great prizes for juniors. I was the First Place Open Intermediate, Saturday September 26, and I really appreciated the \$200 scholarship. I know how much effort your club goes through to provide these great prizes and this is one of the biggest prizes I've won. It will help me with college expenses and in planning for my future.

This was the first time I've been to your show and I loved the grounds and the support you gave to me. I can't wait to come back next year to your show. I show a standard poodle.

Thanks again,

*Charese Kelly*

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## **Two All-Breed Obedience and Rally Trials**

**ENTRIES CLOSE at 5:00 p.m., Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

### **NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS**

The American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations will govern these Shows and Exhibitors must make themselves familiar with the agreement of the American Kennel Club, referred to on the reverse side of the entry blanks that accompany this Show Premium list.

Event # 2016219701 and # 2016219702

Event # 2016219703 and #2016219704  
(Licensed by the American Kennel Club)

**Saturday, March 19, 2016**

**Sunday, March 20, 2016**

**4 Paws DogWorks - 2765 Kingsgate Way, Richland, Washington**

### **TRIAL HOURS:**

**Saturday 12:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.**

**Sunday 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.**

**These Trials to be held indoors on mats**

This Event is Accepting Entries for Mixed Breed Dogs Listed  
in the AKC Canine Partners Program

### **MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES TO:**

Christy Munden, Obedience Trial Secretary

905 N Road 34

Pasco, WA 99301

Phone: (509) 845-9655



### **CERTIFICATION**

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of these events under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

James P. Crowley, Secretary

**Liz Donovan, AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB  
DEC 16, 2015**

A substance called xylitol is making thousands of dog sick and even causing death, affecting more pets now than ever before, and it's probably in your home right now.

Cases of xylitol poisoning in dogs have increased dramatically in recent years, [\*The Wall Street Journal\*](#) reported, citing statistics from the [Pet Poison Helpline](#), which received 10 times as many calls relating to xylitol by November 2015 than in all of 2009.

“There are still a lot of dog owners who have never heard of xylitol,” Ahna Brutlag, associate director of veterinary services for the hotline told *The Wall Street Journal*. “Nor do they understand that something this benign, an ordinary sweetener, could be toxic to pets.”

Learn about this substance, why it’s dangerous to dogs, and what to do if your dog eats it. q q

### **What Is Xylitol?**

Xylitol is a sugar substitute most often associated with “sugar-free” chewing gum and mints, but it’s also found some brands of peanut butter, toothpastes, certain medications, and vitamins, many sugar-free products (chocolate, JELLO, yogurt, pudding), and even some household products such as baby wipes and lip balm. Xylitol is 100 times more toxic to dogs than chocolate.

### **Why Is Xylitol So Dangerous?**

According to Caroline Coile, [AKC Family Dog](#) Nutrition & Health columnist: “The dog’s pancreas confuses xylitol with real sugar and releases insulin to store it. The insulin removes real sugar from the bloodstream and the dog can become weak, and have tremors and even seizures starting within 30 minutes of eating it.” Other symptoms of hypoglycemia include poor coordination and vomiting/diarrhea.

Liver failure (and death) can also result from xylitol ingestion, and symptoms can take as much as eight hours as show up. A dog only needs to consume a very little amount of xylitol to receive a deadly dose. As much as two pieces of gum can cause a problem in a small-breed dog.

### **How Is Xylitol Poisoning Treated?**

If you suspect your dog ate something with xylitol in it, no matter how little it was, contact your veterinarian (or an emergency veterinarian if off-hours) immediately.

“Because the amount of xylitol in gum and other products varies so widely and because some manufacturers don’t report how much is in their product, it’s important to call your veterinarian as soon as possible if he ate something with xylitol in it,” Coile says.

A good prognosis is dependent on how quickly the pet is treated. Your veterinarian may need to stabilize your pet’s blood sugar, give intravenous fluids, monitor your pet, and use other therapies to treat symptoms.

## How Can I Protect My Dog?

**Read the ingredients:** If you're offering your dog [peanut butter](#), look for xylitol in the ingredients, as some brands, namely specialty brands, are using the sugar substitute to sweeten their product. Also, check the label on products with buzz words relating to sugar, such as "reduced sugar," "diabetic-friendly," "cavity-free," or "no sugar added," for example, as these also may contain xylitol.

**Keep gum, candies, mints, and purses out of reach:** Even if you don't typically have these items in your home, be sure that guests visiting keep their purses out of the dog's reach in case they are carrying xylitol-containing medications or products, such as gum, mints, or candies. Also, [be aware of household products](#) that contain xylitol and find alternatives or store them where your dog cannot reach them.

**Be prepared:** Post the phone number to the [Pet Poison Helpline](#) (855-764-7661) as well as the number and address for your local emergency veterinarian in a place where all household members can see it. This is a good idea for all pet-related emergencies. That way, if your dog eats xylitol or another toxic substance, you'll save precious minutes getting him treatment immediately.

**Pizza Feed  
February 7, 2016  
Roundtable Pizza  
3201 Court St.  
Pasco  
6:00**

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