WAGG'N TAIL



March 2017

Officers & Committees

President	Vice-President	Recording Secretary	Corresponding Sec	Treasurers
Alyssa Paxton 378-7139	Bill Murray	Candee Foss	Bonnie Ames 588-6430	Michele Murray 531-0432
Show Chairman	Board of Directors	Judges Selection	Historian	Newsletter
Ryin Horne	Cindi McInturf Cheryl Stevens	Chairman Valerie Brown 554-1668	Handling Class Bonnie Ames 588-6430	Cheryl Stevens Draymia@gmail.com

Next General Meeting		
March 2, 2017	Board of Directors Meeting	Want to Help With Handling Class Wednesday evenings at 7:30.
Richland Community Center	March 23, 2017	It is a great way to help your Club, observe dog movement and give our current volunteers a little
	7:30	break. People right now are only having to do a class every two
7:30	Richland Dennys	months. A few more people and it could be once every 3-4 months
		Contact Cheryl at <u>Draymia@gmail.com</u>

Handling Class

4 Paws Dog Works
Wednesdays 7:30
March 1st- Bonnie & Chuck
March 8th- Candee Foss
March 5th- Alyssa Paxton
March 22th- Kim & Bruce
March 29th- Rose Davis

ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Patricia McConnell, author of the much acclaimed book, *The Other End of the Leash*, as well as eleven other popular books on dog training, will be speaking at Third Place Books in Lake Forest Park, WA (near Seattle) on March 1st. She will be talking about her new book, *The Education of Will*, a memoir about how her troubled dog, Willie, forced her to confront difficult issues from her past. I've attached the press release from her publisher and we are hoping you would help spread the word to members of your dog training club.

You can learn more about the book and Patricia's book tour schedule by going to

www.TheEducationofwill.com

Member Brags

Rosemarie Davis-Xoloitzcuintli
Bayshore Stonehaven's Flirtatious Intention
took WB Sat & Sun at Puyallup and BOW on
Fri at Rose City and WB on Sun at Rose City.

Rylee Carlon-Australian Shepherd

River City Wrecking Ball (Leo) took WD Sat, Jan 14, 2017 in Puyallup for a 5 point major and Rylee & Leo's second dog show.

Mark & Nancy Eby-LH Dachshund GRCH Riverwind Stole M'Heart (Nelson) at East Bay Dachshund Club-Best of Variety, Kachina KC on Sat-BOB/Group 1 and Sun-BOB/Group 1.

Kim Glenn-Pembroke Welsh Corgi
New owners of a 1 1/2 year old Corgi. Amburgs Own Touch
Of Glory (Glory)

Candee Foss-German Shepherd
Ch Legends You Ain't Seen Nothin Yet CGC HIC TC
(Turner) finished with all majors at Rose City.
Ch Legends Ryobi of Inquest (Lola) finished her CH in Texas.
Legends Mayka of Custer (Mayka) went RWB x2 at Oregon.

"I just judged my first Sweepstakes at the GSDC of Fremont in CA!"

Cindi McInturf-German Shepherd

Vadara's Sale of the Century Chic HCT TT CGC RN DAE

(Rush) qualified all three days at Rose City to get his

Rally Novice title and passed his Canine Good Citizen and will receive his Duel Award of Excellence from the German Shepherd Dog Club of America.

RKC January 2017 Board Meeting

The January Board Meeting was called to order by President Alyssa Paxton, at the TRAC in Pasco, Washington at 6:55 pm on January 26, 2017.

Attendees included President Alyssa Paxton, Vice President Bill Murray, Treasurer Michele Murray, Correspondence Secretary Bonnie Ames, Show Chairman Ryin Horne, and past President Charles Ames. Visitors included Laurie Weed.

Minutes of the last meeting:

There were no minutes, as there was no board meeting in December 2016.

Report of the Secretary:

Bonnie Ames, Corresponding secretary, identified that an order was being made to order more polo shirts for the club. (12-XL) (Note: During the Family Expo, it was identified that 12 more Large Polo shirts will also be ordered.)

Report of the Treasurer:

The Club financial statements, including checking, money market and certificate of deposit were provided at the meeting. Anyone wishing to obtain the amounts provided should contact the club treasurer.

Committee Reports:

Handling Class: The handling class was finally held during the week. Most of January was canceled due to hazardous weather conditions. Handling class Chairman Bonnie Ames reported that a discussion was held with Tracy Hill (4-Paws) and we have the ring for 1.5 hours starting at 7:30 pm on Wednesday. When the conformations training is over, there is no problem using our ring for other ventures (rally, obedience, etc) as long as we use our own equipment. There was one incident where a member asked Tracy if they could use the agility equipment and when told no, due to liability, it was not used. Tracy said there were no issues with the club's use of the facility.

Show Committee:

All trophy donations for the 2016 show have been received. The park has been reserved and the shows have been approved by the AKC. The error on the AKC website listing RKC as the obedience show owner was changed to reflect CBDTC. Ryin Horne identified that she still needs a Chief Ring Steward and a Hospitality Chairman.

Old Business:

There was no outstanding old business.

New Business:

No new business was identified during the meeting.

Motion made by Charles Ames and seconded by Michele Murray to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:12pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by Charles Ames.

Richland Kennel Club General Meeting 2/2/2017

Alyssa - President called meeting to order at Richland Round Table at 7:00pm

1. Roll Call

Everyone introduced themselves and their breed. There were lots of great brags! Congrats to all the achievements.

2. Reading of the last minutes

Posted in the last newsletter.

Motion to accept the minutes as published.

3. Report of the President

Alyssa thanked everyone for helping at the Expo.

4. Report of the Secretary

Bonnie had no new news.

5. Report of the Treasurer

Michele gave the report and that we purchased another CD for the scholarship fund. Dues are due-so please pay!

6. Report of Committees

New membership readings - First readings:

Adrienne Amsberry and Tim Willis - Am Staff

Riley Carlon - Australian Shepherd - has experience as a junior, conformation and 4 H club

Karen Lorenze - Black Russian Terriers, interested in conformation

Kent Bledsworth - Black Russian Terriers, interested in conformation - has done some obedience

Chief Ring steward has been selected - if you would like to volunteer to ring steward, please let us know

Chuck let everyone know that we have the building for an hour and 1/2 - and can use the ring while at 4 Paws.

We have secured the park for the show.

- 7. Elections
- 8. Unfinished Business

None

9. New Business

Would like the club to donate \$200.00 to KTNW public television - it was motioned and seconded. They show a video of dogs

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:17pm

RKC Board Meeting held on February 16, 2017

Meeting held at Denny's in Richland WA at 7:30pm

1. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting

No minutes to read

2. Report of the Secretary

Note from Katie, Expo lady, is retiring and going on to other business adventures. Jennifer Peterson is going to be the new contact person for the Expo. They thanked us for our participation!

3.Report of the Treasurer

Michele gave the balances of the accounts. Bills were sent out for the dues.

4. Reports of the Committees

2. Show Committee - Ryin Horne - it was brought to her attention that they are having problems getting judges for Rally. They are working these issues out. Mark will be contacted to help work this out. Ryin will email him and see what his thoughts are. Ryin is trying to be proactive in getting this taken care of. NOHS will be offered both days this fall. Due to changes with AKC and NOHS, Linda Riedel will oversee this and make sure we are within our guidelines.

Still looking for an advertising chairperson. Please let Ryin know

- 3 Training Director/Handling Class still doing the class. Still at 4 Paws at 7:30pm We will start outdoors in April (to be announced)
 - 4. Judges Selection no new news
 - 5. Interclub Picnic Need a chairperson for this if you would like to volunteer, please let us know
 - 6. AKC Delegate

5. Unfinished Business

1 Membership - a motion was motioned by Chuck Ames to vote for all new members at once. Seconded by Michelle

Kent Bloodsworth - has a Black Russian - is interested in confirmation, obedience and agility Adrienne Amsberry and Tim Willis - Am Staff - is interested in confirmation, obedience and agility Rilee Carlon - Junior Member - Australian Shepherd - is interested in confirmation, obedience and agility Karen Lorenzen - Black Russian Terrier - is interested in confirmation, obedience and agility

Bonnie motioned, Michelle and Cheryl seconded the motioned the approval presentation for approval to the membership

6. New Business

1. We need to look for a new awards chair person for the picnic. If you would like to do this Alyssa.

7. Adjournment

Cheryl Stevens motioned we adjourn. Bonnie and Chuck Ames seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

5 Tips for Keeping Your Dog's Teeth Clean

Katie Finlay | November 02, 2016

When it comes to keeping our dogs healthy, many owners overlook the importance of oral hygiene. According to the American Veterinary Dental College, it's estimated that the majority of dogs show signs of periodontal disease by just three years old. Since the primary sign of early dental disease is bad breath, it often goes unnoticed by owners because they simply think that bad breath is something dogs just happen to have. Sure, it's not minty fresh, but your dog's breath also shouldn't be bad enough to make you gag.

Periodontal disease can cause some serious health issues for our canine companions, so it's essential to maintain adequate oral hygiene. Untreated dental disease can cause tooth loss, and it can lead to painful abscesses and systemic infections throughout your dog's entire body. This is always bad news, especially when it comes with an increased risk of permanent jaw damage and heart disease. Both of these things have been linked to long-term periodontal disease in our dogs. So how can we keep our dogs' teeth clean? Here are some tips!

Brushing your dog's teeth might sound silly, but it's an excellent way to prevent plaque buildup. You don't need to brush your dog's teeth daily, although the more often the better. Most dogs aren't too fond of the idea at first, but you can easily train your dog to have his teeth brushed the same way you would to have his nails trimmed. There are several options you can take when brushing teeth. First, you'll want to get toothpaste that is made specifically for dogs. This is because toothpaste for humans contains ingredients that are toxic to our pets. Plus, dog toothpaste usually comes in a delicious chicken or peanut butter flavor. Second, you can use either a canine toothbrush or a brush that fits over your fingertip. Ask your veterinarian about what's best, and see what you and your dog prefer. For those that are unable to brush teeth or simply want to switch up their cleaning techniques, tooth wipes are a great solution. Tooth wipes are made to be rubbed against your dog's teeth to help remove plaque. They work similarly to toothbrushes, but are not able to get into the tiny nooks and crannies that a brush does. Still, they are a great way to clean your pet's teeth and are often easier to manage than a toothbrush with toothpaste.

Dogs love treats, and dental treats are a very good way to improve your pup's dental health. These treats are made specifically to remove plaque buildup and often contain ingredients that freshen breath and clean your dog's mouth. They are generally much more appreciated by our dogs than a toothbrush or tooth wipes, and they do a great job of keeping our dog's mouth clean. These treats come in a variety of shapes, sizes, and flavors, and you are sure to find something your dog loves.

There are hundreds of different types of chews, but almost all of them have teeth-cleaning properties. The act of chewing actually benefits your dog's oral health, in and of itself, regardless of what is being chewed on. The gnawing scrapes plaque off your dog's teeth, and many all-natural treats made from meat contain enzymes that help promote dental health. Chews like cow ears, bully sticks, and chicken strips are a great way to keep your dog happy and healthy. If you're looking for something without any calories, there are many long-lasting rubber or nylon chews that do the job, as well.

Perhaps the best way to ensure your dog's oral health is to have him undergo a professional cleaning by a veterinarian. Your veterinarian knows what's best for your dog's teeth and will be able to address any issues she finds. Although much more expensive than the other tips we've mentioned, a professional dental cleaning is the best way to maintain your dog's dental hygiene. Your veterinarian is experienced in preventing, locating, and treating any issues that might go unnoticed by even the most dedicated dog owner. If there is one option you choose to promote your dog's dental health, we suggest visiting your veterinarian for a professional exam.



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