

Richland Kennel Club



WAGG'N TAIL

Newsletter

November, 2020

Officers & Committees

President	Vice-President	Recording Secretary	Corresponding Secretary	Treasurer
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Show Chairperson	Board of Directors	Judges Selection	Historian Handling Class	Newsletter Editor
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Mark Your Calendar

All Member General Meeting	Board of Directors Meeting	Handling Class Cancelled until January, 2021	Other Events
<p>Suspended until further notice.</p> <p>Stay tuned and watch RKC Facebook for meeting announcements that may be coming our way via Zoom or a new location.</p>	<p>Suspended until further notice.</p> <p>More to come on the Board Meeting schedule after the new elected RKC President comes into office.</p>	<p>Handling class will resume on Wednesday evenings at 7PM- starting in January 2021.</p> <p>Location: 4 Paws</p> <p>Volunteer Judges schedule to come in upcoming Newsletters.</p>	<p><i>Be sure to see the <u>New Club Business</u> section for important member & officer voting information!!</i></p>



EDITOR'S CORNER

With Halloween and Thanksgiving fast approaching it has been a great deal of fun harvesting sweet pumpkins from my garden. Living in town, I never thought I would have gardening space for these little beauties but the garden arch has solved that problem. Not only are these little orange wonders festive for the holidays but what a great diet supplement they have been to our dog's diets.

Our first Norwich Terrier was the jumbo puppy of the litter and his appetite has never diminished. It's been a challenge keeping his weight under control so I was super pleased to read articles that identified adding the power of pumpkin to his diet which helps him feel more full while we cut back on his food portions. Pumpkin is high in dietary fiber which helps keep all of our dogs



urinary and digestive tracts running smoothly. In addition they love homemade doggy treats made from pumpkin. No wasting the pumpkin seeds either as they contain plenty of healthy fats, protein, and antioxidants which can make your dog's coat softer and shinier. A quick roasting in the oven and they last for about one month. A perfect, healthy treat they go crazy for and super inexpensive!

Happy Halloween & Thanksgiving!



THE BRAG BOX



Congratulations to **Linda Riedel** and **Mark & Nancy Eby** for their outstanding wins in September!! Shows are back on and we want to hear how everyone is doing.

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR BRAGS to Janice Kusch at: djmitchell5@charter.net

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

No new membership applications.

NEW CLUB BUSINESS

Don't forget to mail in your RKC new officer ballots!

Voting ballots for RKC's 2020-2021 officers were sent in the mail during October. **If you did not receive a ballot, please contact Bonnie Ames or Michele Murray and a new one will be emailed to you.**

Ballots must be returned and received by **November 5th**. The committee will be counting the ballots that evening to determine the club's new elected RKC President and Officers. Announcements will be made on the RKC Facebook page and the RKC webpage.

**Richland Kennel Club
General Meeting Minutes
October 1, 2020 6:06 PM**

Meeting called to order by President Bill Murray.

Breed introductions and brags were given. Brags were shared by: Linda Reidel and Mark & Nancy Eby.

Motion to accept minutes as published in the newsletter made by Mark Eby, Seconded by Jamie Harshfield, Motion passed

Report of the President

This was usually the night of our pizza feed, no pizza feed this year, no shows happened, thanked all the members that attended the meeting for coming to give us a quorum to do our business

Report of the Secretary

Bonnie had nothing to report

Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer, Michele Murray gave report

Membership committee, no new applications.

Report of the Show Chairman

Stacey gave a report on the Enumclaw show, everyone followed the rules, and wore masks on the site. Expenses were high. Bad weather, pouring rain and very wet. Stacey has to wait 4 days, and then she will submit the request to move the Walla Walla Show back to Kennewick for next year.

Report on Handling class:

Bonnie gave report. Last night for class was on September 30th. Classes will start up in January at 4Paws at 7:00

Judges Selection:

Linda Reidel will start this week.

Nominations:

Nominations submitted by the committee:

President:	Mark Eby
Vice President:	Mark Glaman
	Chris Abraham
Corresponding Secretary:	Bonnie Ames
Recording Secretary:	Candee Foss
Treasurer	Michele Murray
Board Members:	Lynn Reimer
	Bruce Glenn
	Valerie Brown
	Linda Reidel
	Erin Story

Nominations were opened from the floor for additional nominations. No additional nominations were made. Mark

Eby made the motion to close the nominations, Stacey Davis seconded the motion, motion passed.

Discussion on voting and how to handle voting, as we cannot have a November meeting where everyone could attend.

Chris Abraham made a motion to mail out hard copy ballots and copies need to be returned to the post office box to be received by November 5th. With an area for the ballot to be signed.

Jamie Harshfield seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Unfinished business:

Question was asked why shirts went to Enumclaw, since it wasn't for our show. Stacey explained.

New Business:

Question was raised how to handle the dues. Treasurer will mail out the dues notice to all with the request the be returned to the post office box.

It was requested that a separate line be added to the dues notice, in case anyone wants to donate to the trophy fund.

Bonnie made Motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mark Glaman, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

Meeting minutes submitted by Michele Murray.

**Richland Kennel Club
Board Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2020 7:03PM**

Board Meeting held via Zoom

Board members in attendance:

Bill Murray
Michele Murray
Mark Eby
Stacey Davis

Non board members in attendance:

Nancy Eby
Chris Abraham
Linda Reidel

Mark Eby made motion to accept the minutes of the last board meeting as published in the newsletter. Stacey Davis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Report of the Treasurer:

Treasurer, Michele Murray gave the report.

Report of the Committees:

Membership: nothing to report

Show Committee:

Per Stacey, everything is on track. Our show is September 30th – October 3rd this next year. Walla Walla voted to not have obedience at our show next year. They are going to try and set up a performance weekend sometime this year, and invite CBDTC and any other clubs who want to attend a performance weekend. No obedience at our show this year, it will be conformation and we will have the Fast Cat.

Judges Selection: Nothing has been done at this time, but Linda is getting aback to it.

Trophies: Right now all trophies are in hand for 2021, but want to start planning ahead for 2022. Would like to have a line added to the dues request that is sent out to start planning for 2022 and that donations would be accepted.

Specialties for our show:

Harrier National

Rat Terrier National

Plus the normal local specialties of:

Cardigans

German Shepherds

Great Danes

Stacey will continue to solicit any other specialties that want to join us.

Stacey questioned if we were going to double our scholarships for Juniors in 2021 since we had no show this year and Walla Walla is planning to double their awards for 2021 as they had no juniors this year.

Treasurer, Michele Murray answered the question, and said there were no plans to raise our juniors for 2021; however, with the 75th year in 2022 we were discussing raising the awards for the year.

Old Business:

No old business

New Business:

Mark brought up the subject of possibly having an AKC Delegate again, as it would cost the club not money since all of the delegate meetings are now ZOOM Meetings. Stacey Davis brought up that it would give us a further presence at AKC, now that we have a 4 day combined show and have specialties wanting to join us. Discussion was made of whose decision it was and that the board needs to further discuss this when all members are present.

Mark and Stacey also brought up turning some of our meetings into ZOOM meetings or some such software, as it is now winter and no meetings can be held while the weather is bad, and no where can we rent to have a meeting indoors. President Bill Murray brought up that the Knights of Columbus are starting to have meetings in their building, and there might be an option to do that. Chris Abraham and Mark Eby took the action to investigate the differing formats for having virtual

meetings and reporting the cost and options back to the board. It would involve setting up an account for RKC and will cost a monthly fee.

Stacey Davis made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Mark Eby Seconded the motion, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:25

Meeting minutes submitted by Michele Murray.

CARING THOUGHTS

So very happy to report our club has not had any member reports of contracting COVID-19!!

In addition, members who had been undergoing surgeries and health issues last month are all on the mend. Continued wishes for the good health of all our members as we head into the colder months ahead.

Junior Showmanship Scholarship

Please stay on the lookout for the following items and help us build our inventory for raffle surprise bags. Funds go directly to the Junior Showmanship Scholarship. Contact: **Bonnie Ames (509) 588-6430.**

Poopoo Bags * Shower Gel * First Aid Kits

Travel Packs * Kleenex * Clorox Wipes *

Paper Towels * Dog Toys * Shampoo * Body

Wash * Granola Bars * Hand Sanitizer *

Conditioner * Body Spray * Dog Bowls *

Dog Beds * Lint Rollers * Dog Sweaters *

Microwave Popcorn * Dog Chews * Full

Size First Aid Kits * Small Appliances *

Hand Towels (1/2 cut with button on top)

Cold Weather Pet Tips

VetMed, Washington State
University

<https://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/outreach/Pet-Health-Topics/categories/miscellaneous-health-care-topics/cold-weather-pet-tips>

This information is not meant to be a substitute for veterinary care. Always follow the instructions provided by your veterinarian.

Unseasonably cold weather is on the way, which means it's time to give special attention to your pets and livestock, both inside and out.

Cold weather creates its own set of stress for all animals, but your pet needs your undivided attention now more than at almost any time of the year. Here are some winterizing tips for optimizing your animal's comfort and well-being.

When the temperatures reach sub-zero, it's time to give the outdoor cat and dog a break and invite them in, even if it's in the garage. This goes for Northern breeds like Siberian huskies or Malamutes as well as medium-coated German shepherds, golden retrievers, and others in our region where they may not be acclimated to such extremes.

By "inside," that doesn't mean letting dogs and cats in and out of a warm house from night to day. Creating an abrupt temperature contrast can increase the risk of some infectious diseases. Consider housing them in the shelter of a well-built doghouse or bringing them into a tool shed or garage.

When you take your inside pooch out for "bathroom break," stay out with them. If you're cold enough to go inside, it probably is too cold for the pet to stay out much longer as well.

When you bring a pet in, wipe its paws and underside, making certain there are no ice balls clinging between the toes or on the sole of the foot. They can cause frostbite to an animal that is left outside for a significant time in sub-zero temperatures.



If you opt not to bring the dog inside, make certain its shelter is clean, dry and well insulated with straw, wood shavings or a blanket. Animals drag a lot of moisture onto their bedding from every trip outside in snow. Plan on changing the bedding as frequently as necessary or simply placing it in the dryer for a warm-up. Equally critical, position the opening, which should have a door flap, away from the direction in which snow and wind usually comes.

Outdoor cats will seek warmth and sometimes this includes near or on a car engine. This means that if they don't move when you go out to start the engine the next time, they can be seriously injured or killed. Before starting the engine, rap on the hood a couple of times to chase them off from beneath the hood.

Pets that move about on sidewalks, driveways or streets run the risk of picking up rock salt, ice and other chemicals in their foot pads. Each time they are brought in, make certain to wipe all four feet thoroughly. There is a tendency for them to lick the salt off their feet, which can cause an inflammation of the digestive tract.

Be particularly careful when escorting elderly, arthritic pets outside. They will become stiff and tender quickly and may find it difficult to move about in the snow or ice. Keep them tethered tightly to your side if the route to the yard is icy. A bad slip can cause a ruptured disc, broken leg or other major injury.



For short-coated breeds like greyhounds, Boston terriers, and Chihuahuas, you might want to put them in a protective sweater before taking them outside. They will become chilled quickly after leaving a 72-degree house and walking onto single-digit-temperature turf. Also realize, sweaters are not a substitute for shelter. They can get wet and actually remove more heat from an animal than they conserve.

For a copy of this complete WSU VetMed article go to <https://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/outreach/Pet-Health-Topics/categories/miscellaneous-health-care-topics/cold-weather-pet-tips>