

Wenatchee Kennel Club

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The Monthly Newsletter of the Wenatchee Kennel Club

The Wenatchee Kennel Club (WKC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Its purpose is to further the advancement of all breeds of purebred dogs and provide education for their responsible breeding; conduct events under the rules of the American Kennel Club and to hold other events as approved by the Wenatchee Kennel Club; and provide education, training, and information regarding the responsible ownership, care and exhibiting of all dogs. Those interested in becoming members are invited to contact WKC at (509) 886-DOGS (3647).

June 2023

President: Louise Day Vice-President: Marshall Brown Treasurer: Willard Fields Secretary: Erin Andersen

Directors: Chuck St. John, John Njus, Carla Duncan, Maggy

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Upcoming Events

Members Meeting
WKC Training Center
Sunday June 25 at 7 pm
Intro to Rally with Vicki
Hobbs

Potluck Picnic
Sunday July 30 at 6 pm
East Lawn of Training
Center
Bring: favorite summer
dish to share
plates/silverware/napkins
your own drinks
lawn chair and/or blanket
dog and dog crate
(Please let Carla Duncan
know if you can help
arrange.)

2023 Spring Scent Work Trial

By Jan Flatten, Trial Chair



Gail Roberts and Pakuk on an Exterior Search

It takes a (huge) village! The 2023 Scent Work trial was amazingly successful despite the hot weather. We hit 91 on Saturday (BTW the average high temperature in May in Cashmere is 64-72 degrees). It sure felt even hotter to me. Agility Gate was a definite win for this trial, and we'll be looking at some improvements for its use in the fall.

The trial committee, Carla Slabaugh, Diane Gallatin, Rich and Janet Evans, Pam Pettit and Tara Barrett, pulled off this big trial without any major hitches and my undying gratitude goes to them and everyone else who stepped forward to help. Special thanks go to Lori Day (great lunches!), Cassie Cook (volunteer cat herder!), Willard Field (literally everything!), Melissa Larson (great photo op!), and Carla's helpers Whitney Wilson and Laura Taylor. Another special thanks goes to all the people who helped load up at the club, set up at the fairgrounds, tear down Sunday evening and unload at the club Monday. It simply couldn't have been done without you.



Janet Evans and Cedar search



Our judges John Strassner, Vicky Lovejoy, Sandra Tung and Karen Allen were a joy to work with. I learned a lot from them, and I hope other competitors did also. They set fun and fair courses for our teams, imparting lots of wisdom along the way. Of the 944 runs, 507 were qualifying, a fantastic 54% Q rate. It was especially heartening seeing the success of our students, from those who just started their scent work journey to all our students who are competing at the Detective level. One of these days Aspen will earn one of those pretty ribbons!

The Day Family take a break in the shade

We are grateful to the Chelan County Expo center who allowed us to add a building free of charge on Friday which made searches more fun and lessened the need to reuse areas. Tracy Lloyd even brought her horse trailer, and we used it as a screen to allow for larger exterior HD search areas, but the judges were also thrilled to be able to use it for hides too. Tracy's already offered to bring it again for the fall and we'll make great use of it. If anyone else has novel items they'd like to bring over, be sure and contact me.



Astrid finds a hidden scent

Thanks everyone! We look forward to seeing everyone at the WKC Fall Scent Work Trial September 22-24. We will have the entire fairgrounds for the September trial so lots of new search areas. Our judges will be Patrice Dodd, Halle McMullen and Judith Guthrie and I think all of us hope for cooler weather!

Editor Note: And thank you to Katherine March for all the photos including those used here!





Louise's Corner

Our three-day scent work trial is in the books and I for one have already received some of my title certificates from AKC. Lots of volunteers were needed for this event and worked so hard to make it a success. Congratulations to Jan Flatten and Carla Slabaugh along with your committee for a wonderful time.

Remember that our flower beds need tending now. Contact Carla Duncan if you don't have one assigned. If you have one, it is time to start pulling again. If you don't want to sign up for a bed, feel free to reach down and pull a weed or two while waiting for class or a meeting. We have beautiful grounds so let's keep it that way.

There will be work parties soon to do work around our grounds. We have hired Chuck to work part time at the center. But it is part time and after lawn mowing and trimming and repairs it does not leave much time for projects. The additional shed has arrived and been put in place on the east side of the building. We will need to go through things and move stuff out of the training center and other shed and get both sheds organized. Chuck will call for members to come help in this project when he is ready for us.

Classes will be starting new sessions soon. Remember we now have added online registration as well as mail in. Hope you all are enjoying this new process. I found it easy to do and am excited to be able to register this way.

We will be having our picnic at the training center this year instead of the park. Carla Duncan is looking for anyone who would like to help with different activities and food. By having it at the center if it is too hot for the dogs the whole thing can be moved indoors. So, plan on bringing your lawn chair and food and plan on having some fun.

Louise





Barn Hunt Practice Returns to WKC



Linda Harbury and Lyric search for rats

It's been a few years since the Wenatchee Kennel Club was able to offer any Barn Hunt lessons. But this past weekend Barn Hunt instructor Barb Krause traveled over the mountains to Wenatchee (with rats!) and put on a workshop for us. A cadre of volunteers met on Friday, June 16th, to build a large maze of hay bales in the Metcalf's barn. Over the weekend about 23 dog and handler teams took group lessons, offered at every level from Masters to Novice. Several of the dogs were trying Barn Hunt for the very first time, and it was fun to watch them figure out this brand-new sniffing activity.

For those who have never tried Barn Hunt: dogs search through a maze of hay bales to find rats hidden in protective tubes. At the easiest level, they only look for one rat, while at the highest level, there are an unknown number of rats (anywhere from 1 to 5). At all levels, the dogs must climb up on the hay bales and go through a tunnel: the novice level has a straight short easy tunnel, while the Master levels tunnels are long

with multiple turns. Rats are kept safe in protective tubes, have been trained to be accustomed to dogs, and there are many rules on temperature and handling to make sure rats stay safe.

Many thanks to Linda Harbury for organizing, Maggy Susman for instigating the workshop, Betsy and Suzanne Metcalf for providing space in their barn for the Barn Hunt ring, all of the rat wranglers including Judy Johnson, Katie Hamilton, and Ellie Russell, all of the volunteers who came out on Friday to help build the ring, and to our wonderful instructor Barb Krause (and her ratties)!



Maggy Susman, Barb Krause, and Linda Harbury





Membership Information

Brian Bourgeois, Membership Chair

Members to be voted on at June 25th membership meeting:

Kaylee Pearsons, Junior Handler - All American Dog (Poodle/Old English Sheepdog)

Kaylee did a trick dog presentation at our February membership meeting. Kaylee is in Agility 5 and her other interests are Scent Work and attending more classes.

Casey Hanson - Husky/Pit Mix and a Bulldog/Boxer Mix

Casey is an active volunteer in the community and recently adopted a second dog. Casey is interested in Agility and Obedience classes.

Do you have a friend or family member who is interested in joining the Wenatchee Kennel Club? Information is available at the membership tab on our web site: www.wenatcheekennelclub.com



Online registration will run again for the July/August sessions. The registration will open at 6pm on Monday, June 19th. The class schedule is posted on the web site. Review the classes, make your choices and be ready to register at 6pm. If you pay by credit card, your dog's name does not automatically go into the registrations received. Tami will do her best to get your dog's name on the registrations received page, ASAP. Please give her about 24 hours to get it updated. BE SURE YOU HIT SUBMIT! You should receive an email confirming our registration. If paying by check, you do NOT have to send in your registration with your check. You must postmark your check within 3 days of registering. We realize we may not get it for a week after you register. Please check your spam folder if you don't receive a confirmation email. Please email Tami if you have any questions: dogs4tam@gmail.com.



We need your help! On the following page is a letter that we are handing out to business and supporters for trophy donations for this year show. How about your Vet or favorite groomer? (Fire House Pet is already doing a Best in Show so please do not approach them for this.)

Please feel free to print off and take it to a business you think would like to support our show.

Tracy Lloyd or Louise Day can answer any questions.

TROPHY DONATION FORM WKC Dog Show 2023

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Best In Show- \$190.00				
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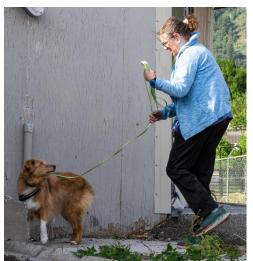
WKC Members News

Betsy Metcalf: Zenyatta Brags on a Detective Q at the WKC scentwork trial, and another Detective Q (#6) at the Collie Club Trial at Graham WA. The next 2 days Zenyatta got to do HER favorite competition— Lure coursing. She won her veterans runs both days and a Best of Breed (Rhodesian Ridgebacks) on Sunday.

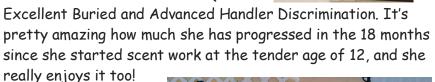
Karen Haase: Mr. Bullet (at right) had fun at the scent work trial 5/20 & 21 finally earning the 3rd Q in advanced buried for his title. He also earned Q's in buried excellent, advanced interior and handler discrimination. Finding his humans cotton ball in 8 seconds. His favorite thing though was the pool.

Unfortunately while playing at home he ruptured his cruciate ligament and is scheduled for surgery. Please send him positive thoughts for a successful surgery and a speedy recovery.

Judy Lindahl: Kit and I attended our first Scent Work trials in May. She just turned a year old the next week. On Friday she got Novice Exterior and Container Q's. On Sunday she got an Interior Q. Three out of six for the weekend. Thanks to all who helped put the trials on.



Jan Flatten: The Flatten girls did their mom, Jan, proud at the WKC Scent Work trial in May. Brandi was our star earning her Advanced Container element title (and 2 Qs in Excellent Containers) and her Advanced Exterior element title for her overall title in Scent Work Advanced. She also earned 2 Qs in



Ginger earned only one Q all weekend but it was in Elite Containers for her Elite Containers element title! She came close on a couple of her Master Interior runs. Aspen earned a Master Buried Q (I so wanted to earn her overall Master title at WKC but we'll try again at the Coeur d'Alene trial in a couple weeks. She just needs one more Q in Master Buried), a Q in Master Containers toward her Elite title and a Q in Master Handler Discrimination. Aspen also earned a Q in Master HD at the Collie trial a



couple weeks after our trial, earning her Master HD title. So proud of all of them!



Shanna Davies: Ethel Grace got her virtual home manners title in May! Our boy Scrappy got his advanced interior title and novice exterior scent work titles. He also got 2 Q's for novice buried. He would have gotten another Q if his momma had let him look longer in the search area. We placed 8th & 6th in novice buried which I think is good for this older guy. For novice exterior we got 8th, 4th, 7th, and for advanced interior we got 9th.

I would like to give a big shout out to Cassie Paxton for running our boy Scrappy in the advanced interior. She did a great job with him and I can't thank her enough for doing his run. We have never done this before with our dogs and we have always run our dogs ourselves. Thank you again Cassie.

Ethel Grace did not do so well this weekend because of the hot weather. We just got 1 Q for

excellent containers. On Sunday we placed 11th on her run. I am proud of her for trying her best even though she did not want to search because of being hot. I also should have given her more time to find the hides as well.

Riley did so good at his first scent work trial and he did a great job at helping with volunteering. I wanted to say thank you to everyone who offered to watch Riley while I was running our dogs in their trials. It was a big help to me and I appreciate it so much. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped out this weekend. My family and I appreciate all your hard work you did for us.





Tara Barrett: The WKC spring scent work trial. It was a trial of firsts. The first trial I couldn't kennel in the car (too hot). The first trial where I pulled Otter out of runs due to weather (3 runs on Friday afternoon – too hot). The first scent work trial for Iskie – until this year I thought her reactivity/fear issues meant she would never be able to handle a trial environment. And the first trial where I was trying to run two dogs. For my fellow WKC'ers who regularly trial multiple dogs: (1) I greatly admire your organizational skill and your outstanding level of competence and dog training, and (2) I suspect you may be just a little bit insane.

Otter earned her Master's Interior and Excellent Handler Discrimination titles. Fearful little Iskie Q'd in 10 of 12 runs and earned her Novice Interior and Novice Containers titles. Biggest brags? Otter staying quiet in the crating building. And Otter staying quiet during the last of Iskie's runs, thanks to the kindness of Tracy Lloyd who kept Otter company while Isk and I ran.



Norm and Louise Day:



Left: CH Set'r Ridge's Set-Point Eternal Desire JH Shown with Norman Day finished her Junior Hunter title at the Ellensburg Hunt Tests.

Right: Sprint GCHB CH Stagedoor Set'r Ridge's Walk In The Word JH Finishing her Novice



Container, Novice Buried, and over all Novice Title then on to earning her Advance Interior and qualifying twice in Advice Container and Buried. She also Qualified twice for Handler Discrimination Novice and one Exterior Advanced.



Left: GCH CH
Bull Mtns Set'r
Ridge's Eternity
JH CGC TKN
TDN (Tabitha)
Shown finishing
her Scent Work
Container
Novice,
Exterior Novice
And Quals in
Interior.



Above right: RBIS BISS GCHB CH Set'r ridge's Benelli of Set-Point JH BCAT (Tessa) shown going Group 1 at the Coeur d Alene show under judge Joyce Vanek.

Owned by Louise and Norman Day. Shown by Christy Marley- Johnson.

At right: Tessa going on to win Reserve Best In Show at the Coeur d Alene under Dr. Vanda Huber.
Tessa is currently number 7 English Setter All Systems and Number Two Bitch.





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CALENDAR

- **June Members Meeting** 7 pm June 25 at the Training Center
- July WKC Potluck Picnic 6 pm July 30 at the Training Center
- Current class schedules and more info at www.wenatcheekennelclub.com.

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