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No July Board or Membership Meeting

Our next meeting will take place on August 3 at 7:00 pm (Board to meet at 6:00 pm)

Canine Influenza Precautions

ORKC will do our best to be proactive in our response to the recent outbreak of a new canine influenza in the southeastern United States. While we don't want to "overreact" we are asking members to exercise appropriate caution.

As has always been our policy, if your dog is sick, feeling "under the weather" or has any respiratory symptoms, they should NOT attend classes at the club. The same is true if you have sick or exposed dogs at home, even if they do not attend classes.

Most local veterinarians are now carrying the vaccine for the new flu and many have chosen to give these vaccines. If your dog is in a high risk category (old, frail, puppy, regularly mingles with other dogs), please talk to your veterinarian for his/her recommendation.

At classes, please do not allow your dogs to share water bowls or toys with other dogs and as we have always recommended, please do not allow your dogs to sniff noses with other dogs even if they are friendly and want to "visit". If you use a crate in one of the training buildings, please clean it out with provided supplies after use or bring your own crate to use.

If each of us uses common sense and exercises reasonable precautions we hope to do our best to minimize the risk to our own dogs and the dogs of others.

ORKC MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

FIRST THUR OF EVERY MONTH
7PM | East Building at Club
(unless otherwise announced)
Please bring your own chair.

ORKC TRAINING CENTER

Behind Girls, Inc. on the Turnpike.

1790 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge, TN 37830

Meeting Minutes for June

June 1, 2017

Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Called to Order at 6:05pm June 1, 2017

Officers and Members Present: Ashley Richardson, Karen Kressel, Ken Dudley, Mary Jo Steger and Tim Snow.

Mary Jo made motion to approve minutes from May meeting. Second by Ken, minutes approved.

No Secretary or Treasurer report, Joyce Cardwell out of town.

No Training Committee report. No Agility Committee report. No Cleaning Committee report.

Mary Jo Steger reported that the premium list for the tracking trial is up on AKC website.

ORKC's application for new show dates of October 6-7, 2018 has been APPROVED by AKC for conformation and obedience (two trials Saturday). Did not have record of rally application (separate department) so will resend. Can't apply for new rally classes till July 1, 2017. (Intermediate and Master).

Further discussion regarding the cancelling of classes till August due to the canine flu outbreak in the adjoining states. It was decided the best way to handle payments made was to return the checks. Calls will be made to those students to see if they would like their checks returned or if they can just be shredded.

Rosana Dropkin and Lorie Jolly have suspended their classes till June 12. At that time, the situation will be reviewed and a decision made as to whether they need to suspend classes longer or not.

Old Business

The fee for the October Rosana Dropkin Workshop was approved at $150 per day by e-vote. As requested, the club now has a Certificate of Insurance from Rosana naming the club as additional insured.

New Business

Karen Kressel acting as Secretary approved the Committee's list of new officers.

New officers: Ken Dudley, President; Pat Hartman, 1st VP; Francis Hart, 2nd VP; Karen Kressel, Secretary; Joyce Cardwell, Treasurer; Ashley Richardson, Training Director.

Board: Mary Jo Steger, Linda Sample, David Miller, Tim Snow, Kathy Frank

Karen Kressel made motion to adjourn, Tim Snow seconded, meeting adjourned.

Members Meeting, 7:00 pm

October show approval by AKC announced by Ashley Richardson.

Meeting was informal as few people attended. Further discussion regarding canine flu outbreak and what should be done.

Three visitors attended and were invited to join. Introductions were made and everyone had a pleasant time getting to know one another.

June 7, 2017

Board of Directors Meeting

Officers and Board of Directors met at ORKC at 12:15pm on June 7, 2017. Current members present were Ken Dudley, Tim Snow, Linda Sample, David Miller, Ashley Richardson and Karen Kressel. Former members were invited to attend and participate and were represented by Deb DiPietro.

Meeting called to order by President, Ken Dudley.

Members discussed the sample rental agreements and what should be done to modify them to a simpler, straight forward agreement. Task passed to Karen Kressel to try and combine the best of both sample agreements and return to members for changes and comments.

Basic fee to start at $150.00 per day with exceptions to be made on a case by case basis. If only one building requested $75.00 per day.

Deposit to be refundable if renter responsible to terms of agreement.

Ken Dudley to get board bid on fixing leaks in windows in west building.

Discussion about need for handicap accessible restroom. David Miller pointed out that the storage area behind the restroom has a wider door and the club was advised by city officials that it should be converted to a handicap restroom. It was discovered that we have a toilet and sink there and Ken Dudley is going to get a bid from a plumber to convert this space to a handicap restroom.

Additional discussion on how long to keep the facility closed because of the canine flu outbreak. It was decided that we would let both Lorie Jolly and Rosana Dropkin use their best judgement in beginning classes next week. They are to be advised that any of their students that have been to any of the shows where the flu has been identified should not come to the club for a period of at least 30 days.

Practice groups can begin again next week using the same set of cautions.

Motion to adjourn by David Miller, seconded by Ashley Richardson, Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by: Karen Kressel, Secretary

New Officers and Board!

Meet your newly elected Officers and Board for 2017-2018 and please welcome new or returning members Pat Hartman, David Miller and Kathy Frank.

Officers
President, Ken Dudley-Bulldogs
Vice-President, Pat Hartman-Shiba Inu
2nd Vice-President, Frances Hart -Dobermans, Bull Terrier
Secretary, Karen Kressel -English Shepherd, Border Collies, Australian Shepherd
Treasurer, Joyce Cardwell -Shetland Sheepdogs
Training Director, Ashley Richardson- Flat Coated Retriever, Irish Water Spaniel

Board
Tim Snow -Shetland Sheepdogs
David Miller- Cavalier King Charles Spaniels
Kathy Frank- Golden Retrievers
Mary Jo Steger – Havanese and Bearded Collies
Linda Sample – Dobermans and Shetland Sheepdogs

Please express your thanks to retiring officers / board members: Deb DiPietro and Linda Hurst. We are truly grateful for their dedication and service to Oak Ridge Kennel Club.

May/June class refunds.

If you were enrolled in one of the classes in the May /June session that were cancelled in response to the canine influenza outbreak in the southeast and have not yet responded to emails regarding your refund, your check has not been deposited and will be shredded. If you have any questions about refunds for cancelled classes, please contact Ashley Richardson at mbrahr@comcast.net

FOR SALE

Soft Crate
Good shape, 24" long X 18" wide X 20" high
Includes 1/2 pint Water Bucket
$20.00

30" braided leather leash
$10

NEW 4' Nylon leash
$10

NEW 3' leather leash
$15

NEW 3' braided leather leash
$20

New 6' soft leather leash
$10

Any questions? Call Bonnie – 865-414-3367

ORKC Featured Article:

The "Tail" of Graham Cracker

A blessing came into our lives in July of 2012 that filled a place in our hearts that we didn't know needed filling. We were visiting some friends for a long weekend at the 'Tail of the Dragon' on Hwy. 129 in Robbinsville, NC. Our beloved Sheltie, Hannah, had passed away the month before at age 15 and we were adjusting to our 'new normal'. It felt strange and empty, our dynamics changed.

We got there late. The sun was low and the light was dim when I walked our remaining dog, Indy, for his first potty break there. We encountered a neighbor's charging, barking Golden Retriever. I clapped my hands loudly and yelled 'get back', which she gladly did after remembering that she was a Golden. Upon her retreat, the tiny creature that had been standing between her front legs was left standing in place. Ears up, he wagged, seeming to say 'Hi'! Keeping his distance but moving nearer, he was quite curious about our arrival.

The following day, and whenever we were outside, this small creature kept pal-ing around! When he was near me, he would move in a slow, calculated way, not sure of me, but was too curious to stay away. I knew that he was a Chihuahua of some sort, but I can't say that I was equally as curious about him. Still, he was kinda cute. He stayed aware of our comings and goings and was always there. The first day, when sitting on a walkway, he'd lay against my leg as if to say, 'you can pet me on my back, if you want to.' The second day, he rolled onto his back, knees and elbows tucked in, but seeming to say, 'you can pet my belly, if you want to.' Well, he'd charmed me by this point and I began to temperament test him for my entertainment. Much to my surprise, he passed all of the tests I could think of. He was food motivated, followed me to unfamiliar areas, listened carefully, and wanted more. He liked men and women. Then, the ultimate test - a bath! I just knew he'd turn into the well-known Chi devil then! But, no, he just didn't want to be wet. That's when I mentioned to our friends how cute their neighbor's dog was. They said that the neighbor lady did not want him. He had originally been dumped along the road. He lived on his own in an old shack right beside Hwy. 129 for 2 months before the neighbor finally gave in and stared putting out kibble for him. He still lived outside, crossing the busy highway too many times to count. This neighborhood had been 'dumped' on for years, and no one in the area just could take in another. It was clear after an easy discussion with my husband, Wes, that he was worthy of a caring home and we could get him vetted and placed easily. So with the approval of the neighbor who fed him, he came to Tennessee.

Now we found ourselves with an unneutered, untrained, unhousetrained little varmint who needed someone to love. He only weighed 5 pounds at the time and wasn't healthy enough to be neutered for a couple of months. At the time, I was sick and laid around a lot, which led me to realize the first of his many talents - awesome therapy/comfort pup! After that, it was clear he had already found his forever home! With some patience, he housetrained well and learned all the house rules. His next talents to emerge- loves children; adores babies; loves to dance!

He competed in his first agility trial in December of that same year, qualifying and taking first place each day. A sweep to his first title! The following June, he starred as Indy's sidekick in the feature film, "Bandit and the Saints of Dogwood". Since then, he has competed a number of times in agility, has his CGC, Master Jumpers, and Advance Trick Dog (his favorite) titles! Now he is Graham Cracker NA MXJ CGC TKA. He is a joy every day of our lives! A landmark dog that someone threw away like trash. It hurts me to know that he suffered, but maybe he ended up where he was supposed to go! WE LOVE OUR GC !!! There are lessons to be learned here for someone being a 'fancy pants' dog owner and a 'rescue' owner. Both have great value!

Graham's latest talent is Eastern Box Turtle finding! He points them out to me and will carry them, if he can lift them! Because of this, I am keeping track of the turtles on our property. He loves to travel wherever we go, near or far! Graham weighs in at 6.5 pounds now and that seems to suit him just fine. He's happy as long as he can keep his Mohawk standing!

~Lesley Harden~

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Dear members,
If you currently are using the club's practice privileges, work with practice groups, or teach classes at ORKC this pertains to you. Attached is a review flyer of the gate locking procedure for those who may have more recently gained facility access privileges and may not have received this information. When locking the gate, the club's combination lock MUST pass through the red fire department lock on one end and a chain link on the other. By bypassing the red fire department lock and linking directly to the chain on both ends, facility access by the fire department in an emergency is prevented. In addition, the gate chain should be **pulled tight** so that access by pushing the gates apart is prevented. Please review the photos and information on the attached flyer.
Respectfully, Ashley Richardson

OAK RIDGE KENNEL CLUB
GATE LOCKING PROCEDURE

We are **required** to keep the red fire department lock and the city key lock on the gate in such a way that the fire department and city have access to the club property in case of an emergency. The ORKC combination lock must not bypass these locks but must be hooked through the fire department lock on one end and the chain on the other. The chain must be pulled snug so that access is not possible by pushing the gates apart on a loose chain.

Correct configuration of the locks with ORKC lock through the fire department lock and chain pulled snug so that gate cannot be pushed partway open.

Incorrect configuration of the locks. ORKC lock has bypassed the fire department lock and is hooked directly to the chain on both ends.

Incorrect locking procedure. Lock is hooked to last link of chain allowing gates to be pushed apart wide enough to make unauthorized access possible.

Performance Scent Dogs Trial

Hosted by Sunshine K9s

Saturday & Sunday,

Sept 16 & 17, 2017

8:00am - ?

at Oak Ridge Kennel Club

1790 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN

Come join us for two days of Performance Scent Dog trials.

Trial opens for Registration on June 16th!

Entries close for Registration on September 1st.

We will be offering the following:

TOTs (Target Odor Tests):

Birch, Anise and Clove

CLASSES:

Containers, Exteriors, Buildings, Speed & Distance

All Classes will be in the Novice Level. There will be 1 Birch hide per class except for Speed where there will be 3 Birch hides.

ENTERING REQUIREMENTS:

To compete in this trial, you will need to register your dog with PSD.

Register your dog here: https://performancescentdogs.com/

Your dog will need to pass PSD's TOT in Birch.

You can take the test at the trial and compete the same day!

If your dog has passed an odor test in another scent work organization, you do not have to take the TOT.

PREMIUM and TRIAL INFO:

For more information- rules and regulations, please download the premium by clicking on the link below.

https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/74fd6f_8e545fb9848f4afba4e8dabc0e5085cd.pdf

ORKC August/September, 2017 Class Schedule

Please read class descriptions and prerequisites on the website before registering for a class.

Instructor registration begins: July 3,
Member registration begins: July 10,
Non-member registration begins: July 17
Registration closes: July 31,
Payments must be postmarked: August 2

PLEASE NOTE NEW REGISTRATION EMAIL FOR THIS SESSION ONLY
front2finish@gmail.com

MONDAY EVENINGS: August 14, 21, 28, September 4, 11, 18
(Instructor decision whether to teach Labor Day or skip it and have classes August 25)

WEST
6:00 Rally Advanced / Excellent -Debbie Echols
7:30 Novice Obedience – Kathy Ambrose
EAST
6:00 Puppy (4 week class)- Mary Jo Steger, Jean Burdick
7:00 Beginner Obedience -Joyce Cardwell

TUESDAY MORNINGS: August 15, 22, 29, September 5, 12, 19

WEST
10:00 Advanced Beginner / Novice (4 week class) -Frances Hart
11:30 Rally Master -Ashley Richardson, Karen Kressel

EAST
2:00 Trick Dog 1 -Ashley Richardson, Karen Kressel and Karen Orr

TUESDAY EVENINGS: August 15, 22, 29, September 5, 12, 19

WEST
6:00 Advanced/STAR puppy – Bonnie Herrell, Linda Hargis, assitants
7:00 Run-throughs: Novice, Beginner Novice, Preferred Novice- Student led
8:00 Super Puppy – Sarah Sears, Ashley Richardson

EAST
6:00 Canine Good Citizen- Kathy Frank, Laura Wolfe
7:00 Open-Jeanne Ringe
8:00 Utility-Team taught

AGILITY FIELD
6:30 – 8:00 Novice Agility -Tim Snow, Angela Snow, Janet Hopson

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS: August 16, 23, 30, September 6, 13, 20

EAST
10:00 a.m. Conformation Drop-In : Sandra Voina

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS: August 16, 23, 30, September 6, 13, 20

EAST
5:30 Rally Novice
7:00 Conformation Practice – Ken Dudley/David Miller

PLEASE NOTE:

ORKC Class Registration procedure will change for the August/September, 2017 session only. Please send registration information to Ashley Richardson at the following email address: front2finish@gmail.com

When registration in your class is confirmed, you will receive an email with the mailing address for payment.

Thank you!

RAT-A-TAT-TAT!

Serious Ratters! Serious Q's!!!

CH. Antitiem's Stetson BN CD RAE CAX JE RATM CGC ThD
(Gino)
Int'l CH. Fyrewyre Whatcha Watchin? CAA JE RATO CGC
(Verbena)

Gino earned a 3rd place ribbon and RATCH "Q" at our National Breed Specialty in Wilmington, OH in Barn hunt.

Then on to Earth Dog and Gino earned his first Senior ED "Q" at the Dayton, OH Earth Dog Trials.

Verbena also trialed in ED and finished her Junior ED title with a big Q and left behind several nearly destroyed dowels that were protecting those rats from a very serious hunter!!

Verbena and Gino are wrangled by Rebecca Malivuk

RATS and More RATS! another 10- Q's for the big RATCH4!!!

Antitiem Vincendo d'oro JE CAA NF OA OAJ AXJ RATCHX4
(Neumann)

Neumann earned his RATCH4!!! He said he isn't done hunting yet! with his owner Sue Kendall.

Co-owned by Rebecca Malivuk

Team KNOX wins the GSMD National Club's Specialty Show in CT!

KNOX returned to his home state of CT and wasted no time earning his 2nd BISS win in the last few months.

The Mid Atlantic Greater Swiss Specialty win in PA and The Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America's Specialty win in CT were two of the crown jewels in just a few GSMD Specialty Shows offered this year.

KNOX competed in 6 Specialty Shows since he was a pup. Earning 6 ribbons: Back to Back BISS wins, BOSS, BOSS, SELECT, AOM. 100% OWNER HANDLED all the way.

~Randy Kitts~

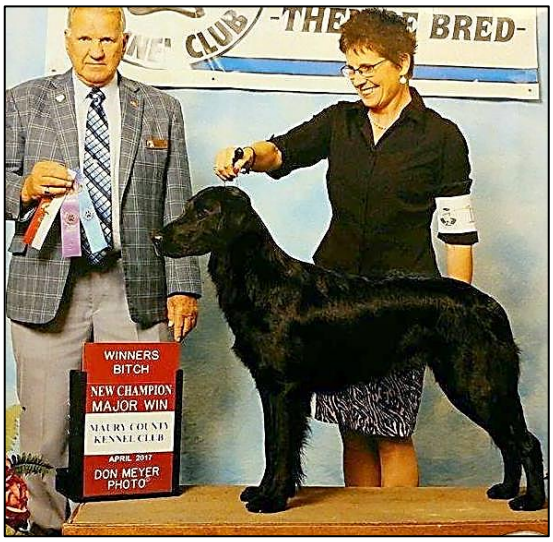
One Handsome Crew

Photo L to R - Fendi, Kimber, Dora, in front

CH Solo-K's Over the Legal Limit BN RN TD CA TKI TDI CGCA "KIMBER" and **CH Solo-K N T-Boldt's Indecent Proposal** BN TKN TDI CGCA "FENDI" are my pretty working girls and have been busy.. Kimber got her Trick Dog Intermediate and Fendi her Trick Dog Novice. Kimber put up some FastCAT runs in Kingsport that made her the fastest bullmastiff per the AKC Breed 20 rankings and one run short of her BCAT title. We traveled to Caseyville, IL for their 2nd agility trial and Kimber achieved her NAP/NJP titles and sister, Fendi got her NJP. It was then on to the Rhineland Kennel Club shows at Purina Farms. Kimber was Select Bitch, Best of Opposite, Owner Handled Best of Breed and took a Group 2 Owner Handled and Fendi got a Select Bitch. Since finishing her championship Kimber has been out 5 times and has been Select/BOS every time with one exception.. when her sister FENDI defeated her. They are just 16 months old. And then on June 10 both girls passed their TDI and CGCA exams the same day their baby 'brother', **T-Boldt Northern 4CE Knatchbull** "RECON" passed his CGC test at 4 1/2 months old and **CH Bastion's Dream Along with Me** CD RN OAP NJP THD CGC "DORA" certified again with my husband, Jeff as her handler for therapy work. So proud of them all and their great temperaments and work ethic. .

~Dora Jones~

Rainy Weather Ahead



"Rainy"

Congratulations to Flat Coated Retriever, CH Rivermist Three O'Clock Blues BN RA CGC (Rainy) for finishing her Championship at the Maury County show, handled by Nancy Burke Johnson. Rainy is owned and loved by Sandy Sutton and co-owned by Ashley Richardson. She is a daughter of GCH Cahaba Night Prowler CD BN RAE RATN CGC TKA (Tobe) and Rivermist Trooper Riley Ann BN (Riley).

10 Titles & Only 20 Months Old!

My baby dog, Vienna, is on a roll. At 20 months of age she just earned her 10th title in four different dog sports. She has one obedience title, two rally titles, two trick titles, four agility titles, and just got her CGC. She is now officially Spotlight Vienna Tri Symphony PH, BN, RN, NA, NF, TKN, TKI, CGC, RNX, RS-N, JS-N. She is smart, energetic and also super sweet. I'm so thrilled with this girl.

Vienna is owned and adored by Melanie Harriman.

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Canine Influenza

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is Canine Influenza?

Sometimes referred to as "dog flu," Canine Influenza is a highly contagious virus causing respiratory disease in dogs. The current outbreak involves a strain that originated in China known as H3N2. It was first diagnosed in the United States in 2015. Another strain of Canine Influenza, H3N8 has been in the United States since 1999.

What are the symptoms?

Disease is usually mild, with cough, nasal discharge, and lethargy. Most dogs will have a fever which may manifest as depression and listlessness; affected dogs may not eat.

How do I distinguish influenza from kennel cough?

The two diseases can manifest in very similar ways. Diagnostic testing is the only sure way to identify the influenza virus.

When should I contact my veterinarian?

If your dog has recently been commingled with other dogs, such as at a boarding facility, groomer, dog show, or other venue, and begins coughing, contact your veterinarian for specific recommendations. It is especially important if your dog is listless, depressed and has quit eating.

How do I protect my dog?

If you plan to board or groom your dog routinely, attend shows or competitions, or otherwise bring your dog into contact with other dogs often, you may want to consider vaccinating your dog. Your veterinarian is the best person to gauge your animal's risk for exposure. Bear in mind that the initial series of vaccines takes several weeks to complete, so plan accordingly.

If your dog has other medical conditions (cancer, chronic disease, etc.), is very young, or is elderly, minimize contact with other dogs. These dogs are also candidates for vaccination.

What is the treatment for a dog infected with Canine Influenza?

There is no specific treatment for canine influenza. Supportive care is important, which may include fluids, and antibiotics for secondary bacterial infection. Oxygen administration may be required if disease is severe.

How is the virus spread?

This virus is spread via aerosol as well as direct (nose to nose) and indirect (contaminated objects like bowls and crates) contact. Luckily, the virus is very easy to inactivate – any soap or detergent will kill influenza. If you contact other dogs, wash your hands before touching your own dog.

If you take your coughing dog to a veterinarian's office, let them know in advance so they can take appropriate measures to minimize contact with other dogs.

Can my other pets contract influenza from my dog?

While it has not been proven with this strain of influenza, it is advisable for pet owners to isolate any affected animal. This includes from other pets in your household, such as other dogs, cats, and even ferrets.

Can I get influenza from my dog?

Human spread of this virus has not been documented to occur. However, it is best to limit close contact with any species that has any influenza virus.

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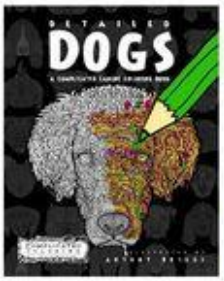

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ORKC Summer 2017 Calendar

July 6	No meetings!
July 10	Member Class Registration Opens
Aug. 3	Board and Membership Meeting
Aug. 14	Training Classes Begin
Sept 16-17	Performance Scent Dog Trial