

**ORKC Membership Meeting (In-person & Zoom)**  
**May 2, 2024 @ 6:30 PM ET**

**Members in attendance, present or via zoom:** Kathy Ambrose, Julie Burns, Cindi Chilbert, Cheryl Chipoco, Becky Chittenden, Jessie Counts, Denise Davis, Ken Dudley, Joanne Ennis, Linda Hargis, Rachel Hawkins, Bonnie Hornfisher, Carol Kracht, Gregg Lonas, Becky Malivuk, Jennifer Manning-Paro, Ashley Miller, David Miller, Sandy Moris, Donna & Rick Post, Ashley Richardson, Gail Schroth, Judee Shuler, Mary Sonner, Catherine Talbert, Susan Varrasso, Richella & Robert Veatch, Sandra Viona, Gina Wauford and Curt Zeiger. Guests: McKinnely-Grace Earles, Maddyne Davis, and George Rhode.

Gurusahai, Julie Iphone, Diane Ipad, & Erin showed up on the computer zoom monitor but names are incomplete, sorry.

Our meeting began with a program put on by the Oak Ridge Fire Department, Inspector David explained a few different CPR courses offered. He also informed us of a “yellow dot packet”, when completed and kept in auto and home will assist first responders in providing aid in times of need.

Approval for the Minutes of the April meeting was tabled till the June meeting.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Susan gave a report current to April 30, 2024. Beginning balance was \$105,826.63 Deposits totaled \$28,253. Expenditures totaled \$18,665.62 Ending Balance was \$115,414.01 Total Savings, Cash and Vanguard comes to \$188,882.68 The last agility trial brought in about \$5000. Continuing We received a gift of \$350 from the estate of Marg Ellis plus a \$100 donation in her name. Report motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved.

**President’s Report:** Richella sent out information on becoming an AKC member club as we are currently a licensed club. She provided detailed info on the differences and benefits of being a member club. There was a fair amount of discussion. A motion was made and 2<sup>nd</sup> to apply to become an AKC member club. Approved. Richella will pursue it.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** No membership report.

**Facilities:** Talking about the lighting in the agility field and asking what the agility folks are hoping for. Barb Byrum has cost information from an electrician and the city is being contacted to take care of burned-out lights and to possibly upgrade their lighting. More lighting is planned for the parking lot area as well.

**Training Committee:** Bonnie reporting. Policy that has been put in place is that “when a membership is automatically terminated (a person does not renew membership) they are no longer able to use instructor credits

**Cluster report:** Richella reporting: We are still looking for help is several of the show committee positions. Some of the Chairs are Advertising-Jessie Counts, Obedience and Rally Chair-Michael Beasley, FastCat Chair-Michael Chilbert. Volunteer Scheduler-Christie Hardy-Atwell. We had a volunteer for the Safety Coordinator but had miss placed their name so please reach out to us for that.

**Cleaning Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Obedience and Rally Committee:** Susan reporting: Next show is November 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at Ultimutt. Seems that everything is on track. Susan continuing with a report on the Scent Work Trial which will be September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15, 2024. We will have some Sniff and Go events before to earn funds to

support the trial. The first is scheduled for Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup>. Hoping to have 1 or 2 more before the Trial.

It was asked if we could have a rally and/or obedience fun match before the Nov. trial. Discussion followed.

Ashley Miller is the Trophy Chair for the Cluster shows. She has forms for those sponsoring trophies. The forms must be in by May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please sponsor a trophy.

**Track test Committee:** Rachel Hawkins reporting: We will hold at Track Test TD/TDU at Roane State on October 27. We have our judges and we welcome volunteers.

**Agility:** No report

**Old Business:** Discussion on having camera surveillance on the grounds. Cheryl Chipoco who is very knowledgeable reporting. Several options, problems and systems were discussed. Cheryl had a recommendation, but discussion will continue.

The next BOD meeting is May 30<sup>th</sup> 6:30 et, zoom only. The next membership meeting will be June 6th, in person only at 6:30 pm eastern time and it will be a pot luck. Jamie Nye is chairing the food arrangement.

**Braggs:** Cindi Chilbert, Benjamin out for the first time at Clarksville went Best in Open Show! George & Richelle. Five of their six dogs at the National made the cut. There were other brags but they were not clear.

**Adjournment: Motioned and 2<sup>nd</sup> to adjourn at 8:02 pm.**

Respectfully submitted

Cindi Chilbert