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To the Membership:

With the Tennessee Valley Cluster fast approaching we are making some changes to the regular meeting schedule.

Our regular monthly membership meeting is moving to the 2nd week in September and will be held at the club house and via Zoom on **September 11th** at the regular 7 pm time.

This change allows the club to host a joint **Cluster meeting on September 4th** and the time will be 6:30 pm.

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club members are invited to this meeting on the 4th which will be chaired by the Cluster Chairman, Walter Sommerfelt.

All volunteers and possible volunteers are encouraged to attend but it is not mandatory.

There will be premium lists for the Cluster available in the lobby of the east building at our grounds by August 24th..

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Cindi Chilbert
Board Member and
ORKC Show Chair
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Club News

The Steward's Training Seminar for Rally and Obedience was well attended on Wednesday evening August 27th. The Seminar presented by our training director and Akc Obedience and Rally judge, Bonnie Hornfisher had over 20 participants.



Bonnie had help from husband Russ and other club members.

David Leveque, shared his experiences being a Rally steward for club shows since 2022. Focusing on the do's and don'ts of those working the Rally table.

Russ playing judge, did run through demo's for the group on how Obedience Stewards are to handle article dumbbells in the Utility classes. Sleepy demo dogs were Anglea Snow's, Christa and Deanna Leveque's, Gidget.

Bonnie went over lots of information, which can be a little overwhelming for newbie's. I know because I did the seminar several years ago. Stewarding is fun, it is important, it's a way to get involved, give back or pass forward. Just come help out, you will find it rewarding.

Mike Beasley is looking for volunteers to Steward for the upcoming cluster. mbeasley@flash.net Even if you didn't make it to the seminar, reach out and get those volunteer hours soon, or just come to have fun.

The larger goal is to continue to improve our sponsored shows and trials. To create well run events that attract more entries and higher levels of competition.

Club News

Hello Instructors and Obedience/Rally Students,

Several individuals have offered to donate an award/trophy for the ORKC obedience/rally trials that are held as stand alone events at UltiMutt.

As a result, Sue Hall has offered to be the trophy chairperson and manage any donated items. As many of you know Sue makes and donates the highly popular crochet dog balls. If you wish to donate something, please contact Sue via email, text, or phone call. She will **need the information 10 days prior to the trials, for November 2025 trials that date is October 29, 2025.** Her contact information is rottidox.hall@gmail.com 586-531-0554.

You may donate class and placement specific and/or breed specific. Examples: Highest Scoring Border Collie, Highest Scoring Border Collie in Open B, First place Novice A, First Place Rally Excellent, High Combined Rally, High Combined Obedience. The opportunities are pretty endless. Please be aware that awards will require a qualifying score. When an individual non qualifies the score is an NQ, there is no numeric value attached.

In the premium these awards/trophies will be noted: "A complete list of awards and prizes will be available at the Secretary's table". The complete list may provide your name/kennel name/in memory etc as the donor, if you choose.

To avoid any confusion Sue is not taking on any responsibility with ribbons. The ribbons have been well managed and the team that has contributed to the current organization and distribution of ribbons will remain in place. Many thanks to that team.

Happy Training
Bonnie

Up Coming Events

Great Smoky Mountain Cluster

When: Sep 25, 2025 8:00 am

Where:

Chilhowee Park

Knoxville, TN

4 Days of All Breed Conformation Shows, NOHS, 4-6 Month Puppy, Rally, Obedience, and Pee Wee.

TVKC – Sept 25 -28, 2025

Obedience and Rally Trial

When: Nov 8, 2025 8:00 am

Where:

Ultimutt Knoxville

11225 Threadstone Ln

Knoxville, TN

Trial runs November 8 – 9, 2025.

2 Rally trials and 1 Obedience trial on both Saturday and Sunday.

Premium to come.

Tracking – VST

When: Nov 16, 2025 7:00 am

Where:

Oak Ridge Schools

304 New York Ave

Oak Ridge, TN

Premium to come.



New Classified Section

Our board of directors has approved this classified section for our members with the following conditions. Items must be dog related goods, no live animals, and limit of \$500 per item.

Send your sale, wanted or give away listings to
4woofernews@gmail.com

Buy, Sell, Trade, or Give Away

Free Collars & Leashes: Pick up in the foyer of the East building.
Items in two bins on the table. Help yourself to what you'd like.
-Linda

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Harrison earned his AKC Scentwork Master Title and Scentwork Buried Master Elite title in Muncie, Indiana, at the Muncie Obedience Training Club Trial on June 22nd. He's now Moonridge Captain Dynamite SBME SWM FCAT8 RATO CGC TKA FITS. Harrison is owned and loved by Tom and Karen Orr.

I am very proud of NIKKI and her dad, Jeff. While I was out of action for 5 months Jeff stepped up to the plate and took NIKKI to several FastCAT trials. They did a great job together and NIKKI finished her DCAT and is currently the #3 bullmastiff in AKC FastCAT.

CH Bastion's Busy Being Fabulous
NAP NJP NFP DCAT RATO CGCA
CGCU FDC TKI VHMA FITB



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The red girls (Nikki and Xena) came home with a 75% Q rate at their first trial in 6 months. NIKKI finished her NJP and earned a couple of Open legs and XENA earned 3 Open legs at Queen City Dog Training Club. Good girls!

NIKKI - CH Bastion's Busy Being Fabulous NAP NJP NFP DCAT RATO CGCA CGCU FDC TKI VHMA FITB

XENA - GCHS CH First Watch No Time to Die RN NAP NJP NFP RATO TKN CGCA VHMP

Owned, loved and trained by Tracy Jones

The Woofers:

Please send those show brags, volunteer opportunities, upcoming events and other items of interest to share, to me, Deanna, at 4woofernews@gmail.com by **October 10th for the next newsletter.**

New Members

Please introduce yourself and your dog(s) here on the Woofers.

Send me a short bio and photo so that club members can welcome you, and get to know a little about you.

send to me Deanna Leveque, at 4woofernews@gmail.com along with your brags.