



TAILWAGGER TIMES NEWSLETTER January 2009 Edition

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Happy New Year Everyone!

Well, the Christmas gifts have been opened. The cookies have been eaten, and the Carols have been sung. Christmas 2008 is now a memory. Hopefully, you had plenty of wonderful, warm and furry memories with your family and four legged friends.

2009 promises to be an exciting new year! This January edition of Tailwagger Times will be the first new newsletter to be posted on our **BRAND NEW WEBSITE!** Our new webmaster has been very busy putting together the new website. The new website will be launched very soon!!! Make sure you check it out! I want to thank everybody for their patience while this process has been completed. We have had some bumps in the road, but once this new site is launched, we will be back up and running with a new and improved and hopefully more user friendly website. Tailwagger Times will be added to the website in a much more timely manner, giving everyone better access to club information.

The newsletter will be found under the "Members" page.

2009 also promises to be a year filled with many fun filled activities for you and your canine friends. There will be no shortage of opportunities for classes, shows, and ways for members get involved and fill those volunteer hours. We all start out the year with a clean slate. Get those hours in early in the year, and you won't have to scramble to get them in at the end of the year. Whether it be teaching or helping with a class, working at a dog show, cleaning in the club house, baking for the shows or for the meetings, there is something for everybody. In the process you will be rewarded not only with completion of volunteer hours, you will be spending quality time with your pet, and meeting great people in the process!



Editor's reward

In an attempt to increase readership, Julie Holschbach, the editor of Tailwagger Times is offering a reward for the person (well, the pet gets the prize), who, after careful reading of this newsletter (cause dogs can't read), is the first one to notify her that they have found the hidden dog bone. It is hidden some place in this newsletter. The reward will actually be a treat for your pet. So, get reading, and dig up that bone! But remember, you need to be the **first one** to contact me! My email address is: izzyholsch@gmail.com or call me at 758-2979. Happy Hunting!

January General Meeting Minutes

MANITOWOC COUNTY KENNEL CLUB
MCKC Building, 40 Albert Drive, Manitowoc WI
Wednesday, January 7, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m. 32 members and 11 guests signed the roster.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the minutes of the previous meeting which are available on the club website.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (June Ashford): June welcomed everyone and wished them a Happy New Year. Ginny Orheim and Lori Maltby were introduced as the club's newest Life Time members. Both were thanked for their many contributions to MCKC.

This was Jerry Claybrook's last meeting as the Club's Vice President, an office he has held for many years. The President read a letter from Jim Van Engen thanking Jerry for his "leadership, his guidance, and his vision for the past 14 years as Field Committee President." June added her thanks, and expressed her gratitude for all his help and advice throughout the year. Other club members also expressed their thanks.

June reminded everyone of the elections at the end of the meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Angela Chetcuti): Members were reminded to sign in as attendance is considered one hour against their annual volunteer hours (a maximum of two hours per family membership). Members were reminded to ensure their volunteer hours were given to the appropriate chairperson.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Burl Cavanaugh): Motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the monthly treasurer's report.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

MANITOWOC BUILDING/GROUNDS (Burl Cavanaugh): Burl reminded everyone who uses the building to please shovel (if necessary) not only the front door area, but also the back door to meet the fire code. He also reminded all club members that they need to clean up after their dogs.

Burl reported the Library cabinet is near completion, except for the glass doors and the lock.

FIELD REPORT (Jerry Claybrook): The annual field dinner was held at Seven Lakes Supper Club on Tuesday, December 2. Minutes will be published in the newsletter.

VALDERS' GROUNDS (Jerry Claybrook): Frozen up.

HUNTER/RETRIEVER CLASS (Steve Lubner & Jerry Running): No report.

LICENSED HUNT TEST (Jerry Running): No report.

HUNTING DOG EXPO (Mike Brookins): No report.

SANCTIONED FIELD TRIAL (Jerry Claybrook): Jerry reported that they had a decent turn out for the December 6th field trial. They also had enough workers, and thanks to all those who helped.

LICENSED FIELD TRIAL (Jim Powers): No report.

AGILITY (Burl Cavanaugh): Plans for the June Agility Trial are progressing. The drop-in informal Agility class each Wednesday 6-7 p.m. continues. The class is free to members and \$5/hour to non-members.

CONFORMATION (Sue Koehler): Classes continue to be held at the club every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

CORRECTION CLINICS (Gloria Helmer): The next correction clinic will be held on January 18. Gloria has them scheduled through April.

A discussion followed concerning the large mirror in the building. Gloria feels it needs to be covered for safety reasons. A donation of bamboo blinds might solve the problem.

OBEDIENCE (Bonnie Liermann): New classes begin the week of January 12.

FALL SHOW (Kathy Myers): The application for our Fall show is ready to go and will be sent out shortly. All judges for 2010 have been hired. Anyone interested in donating a Group Placement needs to get that information to the committee by May 15th.

HOSPITALITY: (Mitzi Pilon): Please contact Mitzi if you can help 920-553-4321.

NEWSLETTER (Julie Holschbach): Julie reported that we are still having issues with the website. She has had the newsletter ready, but it did not get posted. There are hard copies available at the club. If you have any articles of interest to share, be sure to contact her.

DIANA SHELEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY (Kay Baum): No report.

MEMBERSHIP (Greg/Amanda Langman): Renewals will be mailed out shortly. Please check with your chairperson if there is a problem with volunteer hours.

PUBLIC EDUCATION/CLEANING (Lori Maltby): The cleaning schedule has been posted. Please sign up early especially if you have a date preference when you can clean.

SUNSHINE (Debbie Wronkowski): Please contact Debbie if you know of anyone who needs a “little sunshine.”

WEBSITE (Bonnie Liermann): No report, but we are still having issues that will hopefully be resolved soon. Please contact Bonnie if you are having problems.

AWARDS DINNER (Kay Christel): The dinner will be held on March 4th at Nibby’s at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$12/person and dinner will be served family style. There will also be a raffle and door prizes. Please send all your information about awards to Kay no later than January 31. Ginny Orheim and Chris Thomas will email the information to all members.

MEMBERSHIP NAMES FOR 1st READING:

Shannon Baumann & Gary Nellist, Manitowoc, WI
Labrador & Amstaf Terrier (O,Th,F,P)
Sponsored by Denise Baumann & Roger Cronk

Mary Brigham, Two Rivers, WI. Beagle, Cockapoo, Lab (A,O,R,Tr)
Sponsored by Carol Paplham & Mary Lueck

Joann Budnik, Manitowoc, WI. Golden Retriever (A,O,Th)
Sponsored by Donna Hauachek & Valarie Gengler

Shelly Parizek, Two Rivers, WI. Goldens, Cocker Spaniel, Lab mix (A,B,C,O,Th,P,Tr)
Sponsored by June Ashford & Ginny Orheim

Erin Rosinsky & Reed Gauthier, Manitowoc, WI
Siberian Husky & Alaskan Malamute mix (A,P)
Sponsored by Donna Hauachek & Vicki Wetenkamp

Kim Van DRISDE, Two Rivers, WI
English Springer, Australian Shepherd, Beagle/Blue Heeler mix (C,O)
Sponsored by Brian & Debbie Cavanaugh & Susan Koehler

Ann Vander Bloomen, Manitowoc, WI. Cockapoo (P)
Sponsored by Charlotte Guile & Sarah Gallenberger

Lisa Wettstein, Two Rivers, WI. Golden Retriever (A,O,P)
Sponsored by June Ashford & Carol Paplham

Abigail Zahorik, Reedsville, WI. Bull terrier & English Cocker (A,B,C,O)
Sponsored by Valarie Gengler & Lucy Cigler

MEMBERSHIP NAMES FOR 2nd READING AND VOTE:

Richard Bastian, Wrightstown, WI. Retriever (F)
Sponsored by Steve Raehl & Michelle Chalupka

Stacie Dufek, Manitowoc, WI. Long coat Chihuahuas (A,O)
Sponsored by Ginny Orheim & June Ashford

Mary Larson, Manitowoc, WI. Airedales & Border Terriers (O,Th,P)
Sponsored by Laurale Stern and Jennifer Tollefson

Gregg Ublacker, Freedom, WI. Labrador Retriever (F,O,P)
Sponsored by Steve Lubner & Jerry Running
Gregg did not attend the January General Meeting. Therefore only Richard, Stacie, and Mary were voted in. Congratulations and welcome!

OLD BUSINESS: Nominating Committee presented the following slate for voting:

President	June Ashford
Vice President:	Karleen Cole
Treasurer	Burl Cavanaugh
Secretary	Angela Chetcuti

Board (3 openings)

Bob Klessig
Bonnie Liermann
Lori Maltby
Ginny Orheim
Kay Christel

The President called for nominations for each position from the floor and a motion was made, seconded and carried to close nominations for each position.

Following the election, the new officers are:

President	June Ashford
Vice President	Karleen Cole
Treasurer	Burl Cavanaugh
Secretary	Angela Chetcuti

Board

Bob Klessig, Bonnie Liermann, and Ginny Orheim

NEW BUSINESS:

Sandy Vogel brought up the idea of a club rummage sale as a possible fundraiser. Donna Dhein and Jane Lohmeyer volunteered to brain storm with her and they will present their plans at the February 4th general meeting.

A motion was carried to allow the Treasurer to pay any bills.

A motion was carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

The next meeting of the MCKC will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4, 2009 at the MCKC club house on Albert Drive, Manitowoc.

Angela Chetcuti, Secretary

Annual Field Meeting December 2, 2008

Secretaries report: Chris Thomas
Minutes read from 2007 annual meeting

Treasurers report: Steve Lubner,
- 5year lease with Island View, paid in full.
- The Professional Trainers Association has promised a generous grant which is expected soon.
- Finished the new road. John Lukas helped the club by donating the use of his heavy equipment for the road. It saved the club a lot in time and cost. A big thanks to John.
- We have placed smaller gravel on top of the larger gravel on the old roads.
- Be careful on the new road. The gravel should be settled by the time the frost leaves the ground. The ground is frozen solid and the new road should be OK to drive on at this time.

Hunt Test judges seminar: Tom Hendricks,
Tom has organized the seminar three times for the club. We sponsor a seminar every three years.
- It was held last February.
- We had 19 participants.
- Participation is slightly down. Probably due to the new AKC requirement for experienced judges to take a test rather than a seminar. After passing the test, experienced judges no longer have to take the seminar.
- The seminar is vital to develop new judges and for Hunt Test participants understanding of the sport. Despite declining numbers, plans are for our club to continue sponsoring seminars in the future.
- Our club encourages and helps our members to step up to the plate and become a Hunt Test Judge. We have many experienced judges as members. If interested, please contact any of our members involved with the Hunt Test program.

Retriever Training Class: Steve Lubner and Jerry Running Co-Chair the class.
- It was held last March.
- 20 dogs participated.

Licensed Hunt Test: Jerry Running, Chair.
Great Success
Good Help made it possible
Double Master, Double Junior, started Friday
Some stakes were judged by club members.
- Our club and Hunt Test program always seeks to encourage new judges.
- 208 dogs were entered
This year's Hunt Test was one of the largest, most successful and profitable Hunt tests we Hunt Tests we have ever held.

Field Trial: Jim Powers, Chair.

- Very successful.
- 197 dogs ran.
- We receive compliments every year about our help and our grounds.

Expo: Mike Brookins, Chair.

A big thanks to Jeff Mueller, Jim Powers, Jim VanEngen and Steve Lubner for all of their help.

- Participation in events was down this year.
- Continues to be very profitable for the club. Profits come 50/50 from Expo events and the Raffle.

Sanctioned Trial: Jerry Claybrook and Tom Hendricks Co-Chair

- The last two Sanctioned Trials have been cancelled due to weather.
- Claybrook reports this years event was very successful and comparable to previous years
- 78 dogs entered

Special thanks to Steve Lubner and Jim VanEngen for donating pigeons

Thanks to all of our club members who helped.

New business:

June Ashford reminded everybody about the general club meeting scheduled the next evening. She said it was an important meeting that we should plan to attend.

2008 Awards

Seasoned title - UKC

Bernell Redeker - Nick Of Time Charlie, Charlie - Seasoned title

Junior dogs:

June Ashford- Beulahlands Basket Case JH, "Moses"

Tom Zoellner- "Renloz Lil'Man" JH

Rick Rosenberg- Silvervonhaus Shoot The Moon JH (JH)

Mary and Tim Lueck - Double T&C Biofuel Tanker JH

Tank received his Junior Hunter He was sidelined much of the summer with a tramatic injury that required 3 surgeries

Bernell Redeker- Nick Of Time Charlie JH

Senior dogs

Rick Rosenberg - CH Bluemoon Indypendence Day SH (SH)

Bernell Redeker - Firesides Talking Suzie SH,

Nick Of Time CharlieSH

Master dogs

Don Saringer - Timber "Too" MH

Red Allen Memorial Trophy

Rory Horneck- Candlewood's R. Kade MH, 3rd place in MCKC Amateur 1 point.
Few MCKC dogs have won points as an amateur trained and handled dog.

MCKC High Point Trophy

Judy and Jim Powers- FC, AFC Badger State Ram Kicker- 19.5 points. Amongst their many wins and placements Judy handled Kicker and was a finalist at the 2008 National Amateur

New projects:

Ten possible new projects were suggested by the membership.

After two sets of votes the membership decided to work on two new projects.

- New Mower, approximate cost \$4,000.00 - \$5,000.00
- New propane powered generator, fixed site, approximate cost \$4,500.00

Amongst the many new projects suggested, many would like to see a club house on our new property. That remains a wish and a dream for our future.

The vote for officers of the Field committee:

Two year terms:

Vice president becomes president; president becomes president emeritus.

President - Chris Haese

Vice President - Steve Lubner has been voted to vice president.

President Emeritus - Jerry Claybrook

One year terms:

Treasurer - Diane Fox

Field Secretary - Chris Thomas

At Large - Keith Kiesow and Jim VanEngen

Chairs of field events continue to sit on the Field Committee:

Licensed Field Trial - Jim Powers

Licensed Hunt Test - Jerry Running

Expo - Mike Brookins

Sanctioned Trial - Jerry Claybrook and Tom Hendricks

Chris Haese thanked Jerry Claybrook for his 14 years of service to the club as president of the Field Committee. Jerry has been president since the inception of the Field Committee back in 1994.

Chris Haese speech at the dinner:

....I would like to take just a minute to recognize Jerry and all that he has done for the club as the founding president of the Field Committee –

The Field Committee was formed somewhere around 1994 or about 14 years ago. Jerry has held the position of Field Committee President all of those years.

Based on my discussion with some of the long-time members of the Club, it appears the field part of the Kennel Club found its rebirth about that same time. Certainly there have been a number of current members that have been instrumental in that rebirth including Kurt & Gail Mueller, Jim & Judy Powers, Jerry Running, Chris Thomas and Steve Lubner to name a few. Jerry has certainly been a big part of the rebirth, particularly in his role as the Field Committee's only President.

I have often referred to Jerry as an aristocrat ... not because I knew what it meant but because I thought it sounded cool. Well, I thought I better look the word up so that I knew what I actually was calling him. Webster defines aristocrat as "someone who behaves like a nobleman". So for once, I was correct, as Jerry truly is an aristocrat.

Jerry has also been referred to as a diplomat 🦴 someone who is skilled in diplomacy. I trust those that sit on the field committee would agree, that unlike most of us, Jerry is one person who has always acted as an aristocrat and a diplomat when conducting field committee business. And trust me, given the very opinionated, strong willed personalities that exist on this committee, a diplomat is a rare find in deed

Jerry has bent over backwards for this Club, or literally, flipped over back words... under the weight of a four-ton tractor no less... sitting squarely on his leg. So not only has Jerry flipped over for the Club, but he's broken bones for it too! Few of us can say that ... and lets keep it that way please.

Seriously, Jerry has led the Field group through some monumental projects, many of which we take for granted.

Bunny Pond Construction – 1997

Front Pond Reconstruction – 1999

T-Pond Reconstruction – 2001

New Pond and Road – 2007

The purchase of the new property in 2003 – which required much discussion with the full board of the Kennel Club, the implementation of required work hours, the start of the grounds usage fee. These tasks required many discussions and persuasion of many, many individuals. I'm not sure that anyone other than Jerry could have gotten those tasks done. The respect that Jerry has rightfully earned from the Board and other key individuals of this Club is the primary reason this property acquisition happened.

So in closing, I would like to present to you Jerry this gift as a token of the field groups "thank you" for of your leadership; your guidance; and your vision these past 14 years.

Member's remedy

What do you do if your puppy (or mischievous older dog) gets into your holiday decorations and eats some of the glass ornaments?

This potentially lethal mishap can darken even the brightest holiday season.

THE PROCEDURE

BEFORE the holiday go to a pharmacy and buy a box of cotton balls. Be sure to get COTTON balls, not cosmetic puffs that are made from man-made fibers.

Also buy a quart of half-and-half coffee cream and put it in the freezer.

Should your dog eat glass ornaments. Defrost the half-and-half and pour some in a bowl. Dip cotton balls into the cream and feed them to your dog.

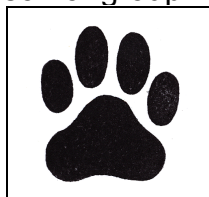
Dogs under 10 lbs. should eat 2 balls, which you have first torn into smaller pieces. Dogs 10-50 lbs. should eat 3-5 balls and larger dogs should eat 5-7.

You may feed larger dogs an entire cotton ball at once. (Dogs seem to really like these strange treats and eat them readily.) As the cotton works its way through the digestive tract it will find all the glass pieces and wrap itself around them.

Even the teeniest shards of glass will be caught and wrapped in the cotton fibers and the cotton will protect the intestines from damage by the glass. Your dog's stools will be really weird for a few days and you will have to be careful to check for fresh blood or a tarry appearance to the stool. If either of the latter symptoms appears, you should rush your dog to the vet for a checkup. In most cases, the dogs will be just fine.

An actual experience, I can personally vouch for the cotton ball treatment. While I was at the vet waiting for him to return from lunch a terrified woman ran in with a litter of puppies who had demolished a wooden crate along with large open staples. The young vet had taken x-rays, which did show each of the puppies had swallowed several open staples. He was preparing them for surgery when my wonderful vet came in and said no surgery. I watched him wet several cotton balls, squeeze out the water and pop them down their throats. Within 24 hours, every staple was accounted for. This was a lesson I learned in the 1960's and have had to use several times on my brats. I wet the cotton balls and smear on some liverwurst and they bolt it down and ask for more. The cotton always comes out with the object safely embedded.

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Obedience Update
Bonnie Liermann

Session 1 classes began January 12. Classes are going well and we have a great group of students and dogs. Instructors and assistants for this session are; Carol Paphlam, Jenni Tollefson, Laurle Stern, Bonnie Liermann, Ginny Orheim, Sarah Gallenberger, Ann Waak, Keith Hutterer, Amy Ragsdale, Pat Brooke and Charlotte Guile. **Thank you for donating your time to teach our classes!!** If members are interested in assisting in the classes, please let me know.



Sunshine

Did you know that Deb Wronkowski is the person in charge of **Sunshine**? What is **Sunshine** you ask? **Sunshine** is good wishes or thoughts for people who might be feeling down due to losses in the family, illness or the passing of a beloved pet. If you know a member who needs a little bit of **sunshine**, contact Deb. Her e-mail is: woodlandsr1@CHARTER.net

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There are no canine “Braggs” this month! I think though we should all take a moment to “**BRAGG**” about the **AWESOME** kennel club that we have right here in our home town of Manitowoc! How fortunate we are for the great instructors and for all the members who donate hours of their time to better our beloved pooches. When our dogs behave better, we have better quality time with them! Bragg up your club to others! The more the merrier!

