



TAILWAGGER TIMES NEWSLETTER November 2009 Edition

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In just a few short days, most of us will once again be gathering to share good food and good times with family and friends. Most importantly, we will have an opportunity to give thanks for all of wonderful blessings we have received during this past year. Even though the economy wasn't what we would like it to be, we can all be thankful for our health, families and our canine friends, who love us unconditionally. As the season of thankfulness turns to the season of giving, we pause briefly to take stock in the wonderful facilities and good friends we all have in our Kennel Club. It is through the hard work of many that all enjoy the wonderful facilities, beautiful grounds and informative and fun classes offered. How very fortunate we all are! Take time to enjoy Thanksgiving with those you love. Give your special canine friend an extra tummy rub. Perhaps your idea of Thanksgiving is giving back by volunteering your services to help feed those less fortunate. Whatever Thanksgiving means to you, Izzy and I wish you a very blessed day!

DECEMBER MEETING REMINDER!

NEXT MEETING DATE The next general meeting will be on December 2nd at the club house on Albert Drive starting at 6:00 p.m. with a potluck dinner; bring a dish to pass. This will be followed by our annual meeting when elections will be held. Please plan on attending, as we need your election support.

MANITOWOC COUNTY KENNEL CLUB

MCKC Building, 40 Albert Drive, Manitowoc WI

Wednesday, November 4, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. 30 members and 1 guest signed the roster.

A motion was approved to accept the minutes of the October meeting available on the club website.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (June Ashford): Attendees were reminded that there will be a demonstration on the practice of Jin Shin Jyutsu following the general meeting.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Karleen Cole): No report

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Angela Chetcuti): Members were reminded to sign in and if they needed hours to complete their annual volunteer hour requirement and avoid paying for un-worked hours, to go to the website and locate where help is needed. If they were unsure they'd completed their annual volunteer hours, to please contact Greg very soon.

Angela asked all members who sponsored a membership application this year to call the new member to ensure they are aware of fulfilling their hours, as we don't want any 2009 members surprised if their 2010 renewal notice includes a bill for 2009 unworked hours.

Nominating Committee was formed: Steve Lubner, Chairperson, Carol Paplham, and Bob Klessig. Any nominations sent to the Nominating Committee must be accompanied by a written acceptance by the nominee. Nominations will be accepted at any time prior to the annual meeting provided the person so nominated accepts, preferably in writing. No nominee can be voted on in their absence unless said nominee has submitted written acceptance. Elections of officers will be held at our annual meeting on December 2nd.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Burl Cavanaugh): Burl reported the balances on the club accounts and confirmed that all bills received have been paid to date. A motion was carried to approve the monthly treasurer's report.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

MANITOWOC BUILDING/GROUNDS (Burl Cavanaugh): Burl reminded members to pick up after their dogs and instructors to remind those who come to class to use the fenced in area and the bags that are available for pick up. With the daylight savings change, the timer has now been changed.

FIELD REPORT (Chris Haese): The annual field dinner and field committee elections will be held on Tuesday, December 1 at Seven Lakes Golf Course, 1420 N. County Rd S (between Whitelaw and Cato). Cocktails at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m., with annual meeting to follow. The menu is family style chicken and ribs - \$15/person. RSVP attendance to Tim Lueck or Chris Haese ASAP as they need a count on how many are attending.

Valders' grounds REPORT (Jerry Running): No report

Hunter/Retriever class (Steve Lubner & Jerry Running): Next course in 2010

Licensed Hunt Test REPORT (Jerry Running): No report

HUNTING DOG EXPO REPORT (Mike Brookins): Next expo in 2010.

Sanctioned Field Trial (Jerry Claybrook & Tom Hendricks): Trial is set for Sunday, December 6. Event starts at 8 a.m., so volunteers would need to be there by 7:30 a.m. Non field members needing hours can also volunteer. Packer game is on Monday, so there's no conflict. Jerry needs at least 30 volunteer members to put the trial on. This is the last time this year to get work hours in as well, but Jerry needs help even if you have your hour requirements met. Please email or call him to let him know if you can help. You can run your own dog as well; just let Jerry know when you contact him.

LICENSED FIELD TRIAL (Jim Powers): The 2010 field trial will be held on August 13-15, 2010. Judges are being secured and the motel is confirmed (opposite the PGA at Whistling Straits). Everything is on schedule.

Agility (Burl Cavanaugh): trials are over for the year. The next trial will be held the second weekend of June 2010. Drop in agility classes are available on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. Check the website for the class schedule.

CONFORMATION (Sue Koehler): We need to get more people involved in handling and showing. Check the website for class times; 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month, and contact Sue as soon as possible if you can help.

Correction CLINICS (Gloria Helmer): Correction Clinic schedule is on the website calendar. Dates are: November 8th, December 6th, January 3rd, February 14th, March 21st, April 11th. If you would like to help out, email Gloria.

TRACKING CLASS (Laurie Sales): Information available on the website.

OBEDIENCE (Bonnie Liermann): Please check our website for more class information.

FALL SHOW (Kathy Myers): No report.

HOSPITALITY: (Mitzi Pilon): Mitzi needs name tags. If you have any to donate, please let her know. Also, contact Mitzi if you can help with hospitality.

NEWSLETTER (Julie Holschbach): Julie needs your brags and news by no later than the 15th of the month. Copies of the Tailwagger Times newsletter are available on line or at the club house. A suggestion was made to send Julie favorite dog treat or training treat recipes for her to publish in the newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP (Greg/Amanda Langman): Greg needs all chairpersons to submit hours from volunteers as soon as possible.

PUBLIC EDUCATION/CLEANING (Lori Maltby): If anyone is interested in helping out with a dog demo/pet therapy session please contact Gloria.

The 2010 cleaning schedule has been posted. If you have a specific month when you want to clean, contact Lori as early as possible so she can schedule you for the time slot you want. Lori is always looking for new volunteers to clean the building. Please contact her immediately if you are interested in doing this.

SUNSHINE (Debby Wronkowski): No report.

WEBSITE (Kim Van Drisse): Burl reminded everyone that Kim is now the contact person for anything you'd like put on the website. Kim is currently arranging to take down expired announcements and set up information for the upcoming sanctioned field trial.

LIBRARY/HISTORIAN (Kay Baum): Kay would like to see more people using the library. Now that winter is approaching, consider checking out the website to see if there's a book of interest to you, and contact Kay. Also, if you are a long time member of the club, winter is a great time to go through your closets and pass on any MCKC historical information you may have to Kay.

AWARDS DINNER (Kay Christel): The awards banquet will be held in place of the March general meeting at a location to be determined.

MEMBERSHIP NAME FOR 1st READING:

Tom & Letty Pelishek German Shepherd & Siberian Husky (A,O,P)

Family Membership sponsored by Sarah Gallenberger & Julie Holschbach

MEMBERSHIP NAME FOR 2nd READING AND VOTE:

Mary Graczyk withdrew her application

OLD BUSINESS: Debbie Cook needs to hear from members who can help build the float for the Manitowoc parade held the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. This year's theme is a Maritime Christmas. Debbie is happy to chair this event, but only if she can get lots of help. She will need plenty of volunteers to bring ideas and help as well as a place close to the parade to build the float. The event is coming up soon. Please contact Debbie as soon as possible.

NEW BUSINESS: A suggestion was made to invite the general public to attend the demonstrations/presentations that follow our monthly general meetings.

BRAGS: Congratulations to our members' most recent accomplishments. These will be reported in the next Tailwagger Times.

A motion was carried to allow the Treasurer to pay any outstanding bills. The 50/50 raffle was held and a motion was carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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The meeting was followed by a demonstration on the practice of Jin Shin Jyutsu by Gail Okrey, a physio philosophy certified practitioner and animal workshop instructor. Jin Shin Jyutsu is an oriental ancient art of harmonizing life energy within the body. Carol Paplham and Angela Chetcuti brought their older dogs on whom Gail demonstrated the benefits of applying minimal pressure to promote relaxation, reduce the effects of stress on the body, and restore balance. Jin Shin Jyutsu techniques work on animals and humans, and Gail defined the harmonizing of attitudes through fingers. For further information, members can contact Gail at 920-366-1896.

Angela Chetcuti Secretary

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Am.and Can. Champion Willaway's Cannonball River CD RN TC

I just returned from the German Shepherd National in Springfield, OH the week of October 12-17. My German Shepherd, DJ got a 196 in Novice B for second place in a large class. There were 188 shepherds entered in obedience and 196 1/2 took High in Trial so we just missed that by a half point. But the club awards Highest Scoring Champion of Record so we did get that award. He will be pictured in the club's magazine with a write-up sometime next year. The weather was rotten, it rained and was in the 40's everyday. We all expected obedience to be indoors but it wasn't, so nobody was dressed for the weather and I ended up coming home with pneumonia but I guess it was all worth it in the end. This was the first National I ever attended.

Lori Pearson

10/12 at a Clever K9 sponsored event at Bonnetyme Farm in Fremont WI, Ch Raconteur Mark of Zora [aka Tony, Cardigan Welsh Corgi] earned his HIC (Herding Instinct Certification). :-)

Here's a link to an interesting service dog article. Not sure, due to copyright that you can reprint the article, but you could share the link:

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[Good Dog, Smart Dog](#)

By SARAH KERSHAW

The increasingly complicated work of service dogs suggests there's more to the canine brain than a good nose and an instinct to please.

Karleen Cole

Holiday Parade

It is that time of year!!

We are #12 this year! Our line-up area is on Washington St, about half way between 12th and 13th Streets, on the South side. Plan on parking 2 or more blocks away.

I have to do this....the rules.....

Do not drive into or across the line-up area unless you are towing something for us (more about that later). Do not park in the line-up area.

Be at the line-up area by 6pm, not later the 6:15. Parade starts at 6:30 SHARP.

PLEASE bring bags and pick up after your dogs. If we do not do this we will not be allowed in the parade in the future. Remember, use the sidewalk to cross the bridge.

Do not distribute candy or anything else.

PARADE ROUTE: Starts at 12th and Washington, east to 8th St. North on 8th to Huron which is the finish point. We must go all the way to the finish point.

The theme this year is "A Maritime Christmas". Does anyone have any ideas that would fit this theme? The only thing I can come up with is a decorated boat on a trailer, towed by a truck, suv, what ever it may be. Can anyone help out with this. This would also give us a place to put our poop bucket.

I also need two people to carry the banner. This would be easier if you do not walk a dog. Not impossible, just easier. Or it may be possible to mount the banner on the front of the truck, suv, ect.

Please contact me if you can help out with the boat and/or if you are planning to attend.

Please come support our club!!

Remember, this does count toward the club hours!

Happy Holidays!
Debby Cook
920-683-9993
920-323-3687

MCKC Sanctioned Field Trial

Hi Field Members,

We are nearing the time for our annual field trial at the grounds. last year was a success as the weather finally cooperated. We want to hold the trial this year Sunday 6th. The Packer game is Monday the 7th so there is no conflict. We need at least 30 members to put this trial on. Please email, call, whatever works and let me know you can help. You can run your own dog as well so when you contact me and let me know if you have a preference which event to work. I will do my best to place you there but we can normally allow you to go to another

stake and run your dog sometime during the day. Event starts at 8:00 AM so you need to be there at least by 7:30 AM.

This is the last time this year to get work hours as well but we need help even if you have your hours requirement met. Manitowoc always puts on a good event as members have responded positively.

Let me know ASAP so we can complete planning.

Thanks

Jerry Claybrook
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Reedsville, WI. 54230
920-775-4820 home 920-860-1545 mobile

Election Candidate Biographies:

The following are the biographies written by the candidates running for this year's election:

Kay Christel

I have been a licensed practical nurse for many years and now operate a pet sitting service. I have been a member of MCKC for 20 years.

I have put agility, obedience and rally titles on my dogs. My first dog, a Cocker Spaniel, earned her CD, CDX, and one utility leg in obedience. My Melody, a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, earned a UKC Agility Championship, and AKC Agility Excellent and Rally Excellent titles and one leg towards her utility title in obedience. She also was a therapy dog for many years and brought smiles to so many faces!

My current Cavalier, Trixie, received her AKC Rally Novice title, her obedience Companion Dog and her obedience Companion Dog Excellent titles this past year. We are currently working on obedience utility with the elusive UD as our ultimate goal!

I have been actively involved in many events over the years at MCKC. I have been trophy chairperson for our agility trials, stewarded for countless shows, and have taught obedience puppy classes for the club for several years. I also was chairperson for the correction clinics at one time and continue to help at this event. For a couple years I was also obedience chair at our fall show.

I have put a year in on the board and find it to be very interesting, to say the least. I have "gotten my feet wet" and would like to continue on for the three year term, as I feel I can contribute common sense and different ideas to the issues presented and continue to grow as a board member.

James Powers

I have been a continuous member of the Manitowoc County Kennel Club since 1977 and on the Board of Directors since the early 80's. During that time, I have served as President of the club for two years and field trial chairman continuously

since the middle 80's. In addition, I have served the club by working at the sanctioned field trial, Hunting Dog Expo and on various board committees. My wife Judy and I have owned, trained and handled 8 Field Champions/Amateur Field Champions beginning with FC/AFC Candlewoods Magnum Force. Candlewoods Sporting Chance, Candlewoods Lighting Logan, Candlewoods Absolute Power, 2 time National Amateur Field Champion Candlewoods Ramblin Man, Brookdales Sugar and Spice and Badger State Ram Kicker and AFC Jet Black Bustin through the Brush MH. I would like to continue my membership on the Board of Directors and assist in the decision making process as MCKC moves ahead with important decisions that will affect its future.

Jim Van Engen:

I have been an active member of the MCKC since 1978 and a life member for the past few years. I have been on the board directors for the past six years and would like to be nominated for another term. Other club interests are, Field board member, Sanction Trial organizer, Expo raffle organizer, Licensed Field Trial board member and helper, help at the Hunt Test as needed and years ago was the grounds maintenance person. I have been a Professional Retriever trainer since 1990 and I feel that my knowledge of the dogs and my professional contacts can be of great help to the club.

The Grapes of Wrath

Dr. Nancy Kay DVM

Spot Speaks

What a gorgeous time of year it is where I live, in the heart of northern California's wine country. The leaves of the grapevines are luminescent shades of orange, yellow, and magenta. The vintners are smiling because the weather has provided them with a bumper crop. Their grapes have been harvested and the "crush" is on.

As much as I enjoy this season, the grapes always create some anxiety for me. What most people don't realize is that grapes (and raisins) can be terribly toxic for dogs. Fortunately, not all dogs become sick after eating grapes or raisins, but nothing clearly predicts which ones are susceptible. For those who are, ingestion of even a small amount (as little as 0.35 ounces of grapes per pound of the dog's body weight and 0.05 ounces of raisins per pound of the dog's body weight) has the potential to cause kidney failure that may be irreversible. The toxic component within grapes and raisins hasn't been identified, but it is thought to be contained within the flesh of the grape (not within the seeds).

In susceptible dogs, symptoms of kidney failure develop within 24 hours following ingestion of the grapes or raisins. They include: lethargy, loss of appetite,

vomiting, and diarrhea. Partially digested grapes or raisins might be seen in the bowel movement or vomited material. What should you do if you discover that your dog has eaten grapes or raisins? Seek out veterinary care as soon as possible- the earlier treatment is started, the better the prognosis. If it has been less than a few hours, your veterinarian will induce vomiting to try to remove the toxin before it is absorbed into your dog's bloodstream. If several hours have lapsed, hospitalization for treatment to prevent kidney failure will be recommended. Once kidney failure develops, the prognosis is guarded. One study documented only a 53 percent survival rate even with aggressive treatment.

So, here is the lesson of the season- dogs and grapes (or raisins) are a potentially lethal combination. Cats are thought to be susceptible to this toxicity as well. Fortunately, cats who fancy fruit are few and far between! Please share this information with all of your dog-loving friends and relatives and ask them to do the same. You just might save a life in the process

YUM for your pooch too!

This special treat is from Everyday with Rachel Ray's November issue. Best of all, it is a great way to use up some of those holiday leftovers and give your four legged friends a yummy and healthy treat!

“Who You Calling Turkey?” Patty

1 Cup shredded roasted turkey meat

¼ cup breadcrumbs

1 large egg, beaten

½ sweet potato – baked, skin discarded and potato coarsely chopped

2 tablespoons vegetable oil

2 tablespoons cranberry sauce

1. In a medium bowl, combine the turkey and breadcrumbs. Mix gently with your hands, then mix in the egg and sweet potato. Shape into 2 ½ inch patties.
2. In a medium skillet, heat the oil over medium heat. Add the patties and cook, turning once, until golden brown, about 5 minutes. Transfer to paper towel-lined plate to drain. Top with the cranberry sauce and let your canine enjoy!



