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An AKC Member Club

*Next meeting: Sunday, May 18th
at the Total Wines in Bellevue, WA
7pm*

The May meeting for voting on bylaws is a notified meeting, so we can vote on the bylaws. We need a quorum and a 2/3 majority to pass.

Location: Total Wines in Bellevue
699 120th Ave NE,
Bellevue WA 98005

Nominations from the floor can be made at the May meeting. If you are nominating someone not present, you must have written confirmation of their acceptance.

VOTING AT MAY MEETING

We will be voting on judges for the 2015 spring obedience and rally trials at the May meeting. If there are judges you would like to see on the slate, please pass them on to Nancy Light. The list of judges to be voted on will be printed in the May Post.

UPCOMING JULY C MATCH!

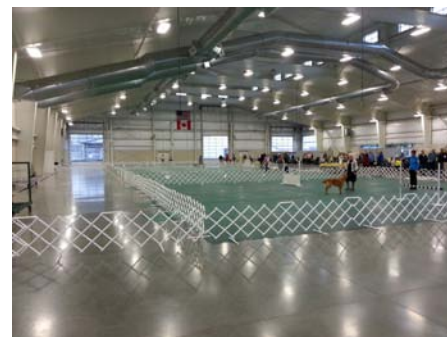
We are planning a C match, pending AKC approval for July 5, at Nancy's Light's training building. It will operate as a 10 minute ticker, one ring only. We can start taking entries when I find a secretary and AKC approves. Other help needed as well, contact Nancy Light (425) 354-3609 kylahgold@aol.com

UPCOMING MEETINGS

June meeting, Sunday, June 15 at the home of Ingrida Robinson
19803 – 31st Ave NE
Lake Forest Park,
WA 98155-1511
This is the annual meeting and election.

July meeting at Agility trials on Saturday 12 around noon at Arqus Ranch.

Rings at our 2014 Trial!



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Roster updates from the membership chair

Please note the following changes to your roster:

New member

Timbers, Shelley(Associate)
8309 Winona St SW
Lakewood, WA 98498-2427
(3-14) 253-589-0914
meinemow@aol.com
Bernese Mountain Dogs

*Change Terrie Sato from Associate to Full member

*email for Linda Shea:

lindashea@walp.us

*zip code for Mary Ellen Thien - 99352

*phone number for Don Rennick: 360-659-1418

*Mail for Glenn-Ellen Sickles should go to

C/O Johnson
116 Fairview Ave N
Seattle, WA 98109

CONNIE CLEVELAND SEMINAR IN JUNE!

As you know, WSOTC is hosting a Connie Cleveland seminar in June. Last I heard, there are about 10 workings spots left. Contact Terri Sato at wdsato@cablespeed.com for more information and registration. A flyer is available on our website and in previous newsletters.

Nominating Committee

Our nominating committee consists of Joan Fetty, Lee Bolter and Nova Berkshires, with Nova as Chair. They are currently meeting. Please say "yes" if they approach you to serve!

Nominating committee slate for Board and Officers for 2014-2015:

President Nancy Light; Vice-President Don Rennick; Treasurer Wanda Diemert; Secretary Janice Bergman. Board-Claudia Hegdahl, Lynn Brimmer, Marta Brock, Ingrida Robinson and Terri Sato. Delegate Jim Smith.

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WSOTC has a beautiful new website at www.wsotc.org. Check it out! Ane Brusendorff has done a super job building our new site. She still needs pictures! More info is in the president's report in this newsletter edition.

WSOTC has a Facebook page!

You'll find it by searching on Facebook using "Washington State Obedience Trial Club" or just click on this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/170565146404616/>

The page is an "open group," which means you can view all posts. As a club member, we'd love to have you join! Just email a facebook member to get an invite.

WSOTC Items for Sale!

The following are items that we are considering for sale from storage. Some of these may be given away. The Board would like membership input on the best way to hold a sale or suggestions on how to price. Please contact Nancy with your suggestions. We can discuss at the May meeting.

- 1.....Cargo trailer 2007 Load Runner Single Axle 3,500.00 pound capacity (Interior 4x8x5) rear ramp door
Large blue container on rollers 4'x3'x3'
- 2...18x3x5' shelves
- 2....18x3x6" shelves
- Sound system wireless & portable
- 3.....flat dollies 2'x3'
- 2.....Flat or upright dollies 3'
- 1...4x2' foot flat Aluminum dolly with handles
- 1.... Very large 2"metal pipe framed Canopy
- 21 rolled rubber mats 21 to 40 feet in length
- 30 orange cone 12"tall
- 1...electric water heater
- 1....Gaiter aid water jug
- 10 various brooms & dust mops
- 1 garbage can with poop scoops
- plastic & metal jumps –possibly one or two sets
- wood baby gates with uprights 2'x9' (not sure how many for sale)
- Rally supplies container
- 6....various size containers
- Box of baskets

Proposed bylaw changes are being sent via snail mail to those without Internet access. If you need a hard copy, contact Nancy Griffin (206) 329-3118. If you have Internet access, find the proposed bylaws in the members only section of the web site. For access codes, contact Nancy Light.

Scene from our 2014 Trial!



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BRAGS!

Brag from Kathy Lang and Tory

At the Collie Club Trials at Argus on February 22, Tory (Belgian Sheepdog) finished his UD title in the morning and earned his first UDX leg with a 197.5 from Open B in the afternoon. He is now officially known as: **U-CD Kaylan's Torrid Affair UD VCD2 BN GN GO VER RA PT NFP CGC**. Then, at the Peninsula DFA trials in March he earned two more UDX legs, some class placements and a 1st in Utility B. We did not earn any more UDX legs at the WSOTC trials, but managed to qualify in Open B and pick up more OM points, bringing our OM point total to 42. -- Kathy Lang



THANK-YOU'S FROM THE WSOTC TRIAL!

Hi Kathy;

Thanks so much for such a great weekend. The goodie bag was wonderful and my dog loved the treats! It was fun going through them to see what we got.

All the workers/members/staff and judges were sooo very nice. It was a wonderful experience for me to bring my 'newbie' friend, Deb, who got her first US CD on her dog. She had a great time, met some fun exhibitors and left a very good impression on her for US Obedience and Rally trials!

Please pass along our thanks to all the members of your club, all your donors to the goody bags as well as you too! You made the weekend a great experience and we will for sure watch for your next trials in hopes we'll be ready to trial in Open! We'll be telling all our Obedience friends in Canada to make sure they attend your trials.

Thanks again.
Carol & Nikon

We had a nice time, too, on Saturday. Even though we did not qualify, we enjoyed visiting. The goody bags were a real treat. Thank you for all the effort that went into putting things together.

Best, Kathy and Gracie
Kathy Teufel

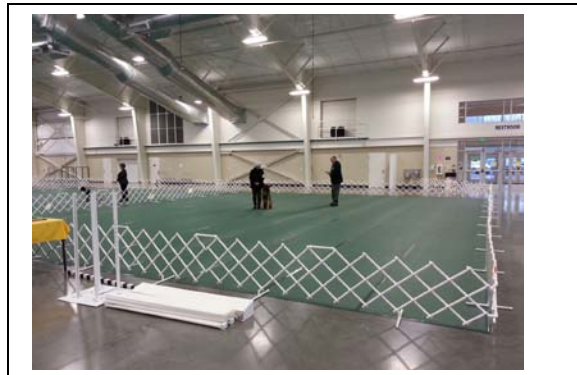
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TRIAL REPORT

From the Trial Chair

I am pleased to report that the 2014 Spring Trials have been completed very successfully with many compliments. As you can see, several exhibitors were kind enough to put their thoughts into writing and their messages have been printed in the Post. As you may recall, I agreed to chair the trial, if I could feel confident that I would have a strong committee behind me, taking care of details, so that I would be comfortable showing my own dog, and that indeed proved to be the case. The obedience entries were the highest we've seen in at least 14 years, although they didn't approach the entries we had in the 80's. AKC's online records on obedience stopped in 2000, so I couldn't check for the 1990's, but I have some old catalogs from the 1980's. The Rally entries were the highest since 2008, which is about the time they started dropping in other parts of the country as well. The entry income won't be enough to put us in the black, but I do think we will reduce the loss from the budgeted plan. There are still a few bills to pay and deposits to be made, so if you need to be reimbursed, please get me your receipts and check request forms as soon as possible.

Don Rennick was a key helper, taking care of judges' hospitality, handling all of the communications with the judges, pitching in with set up, making sure that the stewards' boxes and other items were brought to the trial. John Heinrich as usual took charge of judges transportation making sure the judges were transported to and from the airport and to and from the show and dinner. Linda Shea stepped in to handle the big job of Chief Ring Steward and indeed, all of the rings were fully staffed with members and non-members alike. Claudia Hegdahl was Trophy Chair, securing some wonderful, personalized, and creative prizes for HIT and HC and the first – fourth place tug toys. She also handled the vendors, which I think we had more than ever and which exhibitors also enjoyed. To make up for the lack of the many trophies we have usually had, Kathy Lang came forward to offer gift bags for all the exhibitors, working very hard to collect items that were placed in all the bags as well as special gifts just placed in some at random, such as valuable gift certificates and entries to WSOTC events. After the building was set up, we had an assembly line which efficiently placed all those items in the colorful shopping bags with WSOTC logo that Kathy donated. David Jackson was in charge of set up, which also happened very efficiently with more people participating in that than I have seen in recent years. Several Club members helped with the judge's and steward's lunch—Marta Brock, Terrie Sato, Suzanne Bolwell and brand new member Shelley Timbers cooked, went shopping, and set up the hospitality table—and produced a far tastier and filling lunch than the Fairgrounds was ever able to provide. Thank goodness they allowed us to bring our own food this year. Joan Fetty provided (and donated) the lovely judges' gift—folding rulers personalized with their names on a brass plate. Lynn Brimmer arranged for the 4-H kids who helped clean up on Sunday afternoon. Marilyn Ashby, as always, did a great job with the ribbons and rosettes. Mary Schurr continued in her position as decorations chair with lovely plants and cute dog bowls for candies at the ring tables.



Despite the many compliments we received on the show site, it is unlikely we will be continuing in that venue. It is just too expensive, with the cost of matting amounting to over \$2,000 for the weekend. If all goes as planned we will be moving to the new Canine Sports Center in Monroe, which is supposed to be breaking ground this month. Even allowing for some problems, it should be up well in time for our trial. That will be on a newer type of surface called Geo Tex, which can be rolled to provide a firmer surface than what will be used for agility—expected to be the most common use of the building. It is larger than the Event Center, which will give us room to have a warm up ring. Other plans for next year include a possible match the night before the trials, assuming we can get enough help to staff it. I have again agreed to chair this trial, but this time I will have the help of an assistant chair, Linda Shea, who has also agreed to take on the chair position for 2016. I expect that with the growing strength of WSOTC, we will again be able to count on Club members to support this trial and it is never too early to call me with your offer of help. I will keep you apprised of progress on the building and the trials. If you have any suggestions, I am eager to hear them. And don't forget we have a second set of trials in August. Stay tuned for more details on those.

Nancy Light

WSOTC General Meeting Minutes March 29 2014

Call to order; Meeting was called to order on March 29, 2014 by President Nancy Light at 12:10pm at the Evergreen Event Center Evergreen Fairgrounds, Monroe WA

Minutes: Motion: for the February 2014 Meeting Minutes to be approved, as printed, in the Canine Post. APPROVED

Report of the President Thanks to all the stewards and other workers who made this trial possible. Thanks to Kathy Lang and Family Dog for putting the gift bags together.

Report of the Board: See the Board minutes in the Post

Report of Secretary From AKC, notice of receipt of application for the trial on 8/30 & 8/31/2014

Treasurer- See Member's Only page on website

Announcements/ Committee Reports

- a. *Membership:* We have a few hard copies of the roster here; updated version is on the website. We will be voting on Shelly Timbers under Election of New Members
- b. *Obedience Trial-August 2014:* The August Trial is up on the AKC website. Please say yes if Kathy or Jill asks you for help.
- c. *Connie Cleveland Seminar:* Everything is on track. We still have a few spaces open.
- d. *Website:* Ane asked if we would be interested in a member's accomplishment page on the website. (Members indicated they would). She also said that people using FireFox for browser need to do an upgrade to open PDF files, (including the newsletter). She said it's not hard to do but can be a little confusing. Contact her with any questions; she walked Nancy thru it and Nancy said it wasn't that hard.

Upcoming meetings/events

There will be no general meeting in April, May meeting will be at Total Wine in Bellevue on Sunday May 18, at 7:00pm; details will be in the Post. We will be voting on the bylaw changes, which were accepted by AKC staff. The bylaw changes are on the website but we will mail copies to anyone with out internet access. We do need a quorum so all full members please make an effort to attend. June annual meeting and elections TBD.

Election of New Members- We have a new member, Shelly Timbers.

Meeting adjourned: Meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm
Submitted by Janice Bergman, Secretary

WSOTC April Board Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2014

Call to order: Meeting called to order on April 7, 2014 by President Nancy Light at 7:04pm, per teleconference

Present: Nancy Light, Janice Bergman, Wanda Diemert, Don Rennick, Marta Brock, Lynn Brimmer and Claudia Hegdahl

Minutes: Minutes of March Board Meeting as printed in the March Post APPROVED

Report of the President: As President and Trial Chair I am happy to report that the Spring Obedience Trial was very successful both in entry and in running smoothly. The trial report will be in the Post with many thanks to all who helped. We already have someone who volunteered to assist with the 2015 Spring Trial with the commitment to chair in 2016. Many thanks to John and Don for moving all the stuff from Tukwila storage to Don's place and to Don for storing it--saving us a LOT of money. Now we need to decide what to keep, sell and throw away.

Report of the Secretary: From AKC Approval for date and location for the August trial 8/30-31 2014

Report of the Treasurer: See Members Only section of website for current balances as well as third quarter report. It appears from these figures than WSOTC will likely be in the black instead of the red as had been anticipated from the loss of class income.

Committee Reports

Agility Trials 2014: Wanda said it is on the AKC website

Awards: MOTION: To reinstate the title plaques and title bars APPROVED.

MOTION: to appoint Wanda Diemert as Awards Chair. APPROVED

Membership: Current membership is 27 Full, 50 Associate, including Shelley Timbers, just voted in at March meeting.

Match; Nancy has volunteered her building for a C Match. Date to be announced

Nominating Committee: The following slate of officers has been nominated: President Nancy Light; Vice-President Don Rennick; Treasurer Wanda Diemert; Secretary Janice Bergman. Board-Claudia Hegdahl, Lynn Brimmer, Marta Brock, Ingrida Robinson and Terri Sato. Delegate Jim Smith.

Newsletter Nancy – Newsletter should be out following submission of minutes from this meeting.

Obedience Trial Spring 2014: Still awaiting some checks and bill but appears that the loss will not be as high as last year. We have not had this high an entry in all of the 2000's in obedience and since 2008 in Rally.

Obedience Trial 2014-August- Trial approved and up on AKC website

Obedience Trial Spring 2015: Ground should be broken this month for the new facility in Monroe. Nancy is willing to chair one more time as Linda Shea has agreed to be her assistant and to take on the chairmanship for 2016.

Printing/Mailing – Nancy will send bylaws updates to Copymart and Nancy Griffin will mail to members with no Internet access

Programs/Meetings: May meeting-Sunday May 18 at 7:00 pm at Total Wines in Bellevue-699 120th Ave NE, Bellevue WA 98005. June meeting: June 15th Location TBA. July meeting at Agility trials on Saturday 12 around noon.

*Property/Inventory-*See under new business

Seminar: June 21-22 Connie Cleveland at Dogworks in Monroe. Still have openings, Will take second dog for working if not filled with first dogs, maybe after June 1.

Tracking Committee: Had a phone meeting and have a possible date (Dec 7) for Fall TDX at Fort Lewis. Board has given tentative approval pending further details

Website: Ane has been quick to add updates and has added pictures from the Trial. She will add updates on meetings, trial events for 2014, roster changes, etc.

Unfinished Business

1. Bylaws accepted by AKC staff. Will vote on in May, meeting will be notified

New Business

1. Discussion held on what to do with the property now at Don's. A list was provided by Don and the Board discussed what to keep and what not to keep. Discussed how to sell and at what price to ask, how to get it to buyers. Nancy will get input from membership and will get back to the Board.

Good of the Order

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Secretary.

More thank-you's from the WSOTC Trial!

Hi Kathy / Everyone -

This will be short because I'm on my phone and it's more difficult to type, but wanted to let you all know I had a great time at the show this past weekend.

Handing out the exhibitor gift bags on Saturday gave me the opportunity to meet lots of people and dogs - both those I've seen at other shows and those I've never seen before. There were even a couple of "very first time" exhibitors I was able to help with their questions about how to check in, get their armbands, etc.

Sunday was my first time as a "real" steward and I could not have asked for a better experience. Not only were fellow-stewards Cheryl and Larry wonderful to work with, but Judge Eggers was a joy. Despite the long day she stayed upbeat. It was extremely interesting to watch all the great dogs and to be close enough to the action to be able to hear some of the judge's comments to the handlers. It gave me a new perspective on showing my own dog - in a very good way :)

-- Shireen Stout

Hi Kathy,

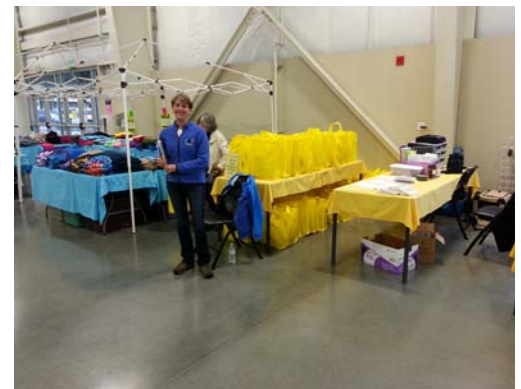
I emailed Sharon and she said you took up the donations for the gift bags and helped to fill them.

I thought the bags were great. It was like Christmas to pick thru them. The tote bag is cool. :-). Great idea.

Please let me know if you do bags next year. I could donate some stuff and maybe help to put them together.

I am so late to thank you for hosting the recent mental management seminar. I really was inspired and learned a lot.

Jasmine



Shireen helping out at the gift bag table!