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# *The Canine Post* June 2015

## *An AKC Member Club*

### *Next Meetings*

General Meeting:  
Saturday, July 11 at Argus Ranch for Dogs at WSOTC agility trial.  
Time: about noon

**There was no quorum at the June meeting to vote in our 2015-2016 slate of officers, so we need more members present at our July meeting. Please attend!**

Directions below.



### *Nominating Committee's slate for Board of Directors - 2015-2016*

Election will be at our July meeting.

Reported by Lee Boelter

Officers -  
President - Nancy Light  
Vice President - Don Rennick  
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AKC Delegate - Jim Smith

### *Directions to meeting*

**35612 212th Way Southeast, Auburn, WA 98092**

From North or South End

Take I-5, I-405, SR-167 to Highway 18 eastbound. Exit onto Auburn-Black Diamond Road eastbound. Turn RIGHT onto SE Green Valley Road (just past Neely Mansion). Follow for about 7.5 miles. Turn RIGHT onto 212th Way SE. Take First LEFT into Argus Ranch and follow drive straight ahead to Arena and signed parking.

From SR 169 Southbound

Right onto Roberts Drive (in front of the Coal Car), go approximately four miles. Left onto 218th Street. At bottom of the hill is a stop sign. Go straight across over cement bridge (Whitney Bridge). Take First Left into Argus Ranch and follow drive straight ahead to Arena and signed parking.

*Club Committees and Chairs*

Agility- Wanda Diemert  
Audit/ budget- Don Rennick  
Awards- Wanda Diemert  
Hearts & Flowers - Gloria Newby  
Insurance- Sue Cox  
Laura Romanik seminar- Nancy Light  
Membership- Nancy Light  
Newsletter- Laura Burns  
Obedience Trials –Fall 2015- Kathy Lang  
AKC Sanctioned Match Chair-Sue Cox  
Obedience/Rally Trials- Spring 2016-Linda Shea  
Printing/Mailing-Nancy Griffin  
Programs-vacant  
Property/inventory- Don Rennick  
Tracking 2015- Nikki King  
Website-Ane Brusendorff

**AKC Delegate**  
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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

*WSOTC Fall Obedience Trial*

Reminder! Washington State Obedience Training Club's Fall Obedience Trials will be held on Sept. 5 and 6 at Family Dog in Kent, WA. Entries OPEN this Weds. June 17 at 6:00 am at our Trial Secretary's address in Seattle. Limited entry obedience-only trials with a TMT the Friday before. Judges: Carolyn Wray and Theresa Temple. Here's a link to the premium (paper entries only).

<http://www.wsotc.org/docpub/2015wsotclubordaypremium.pdf>

We will be having the potluck lunch and whiner's raffle again this year, along with a limited entry TMT on Friday before the trials.

Due to popular request, we will be offering NEW TITLE RIBBONS this year!

July 10/11/12  
WSOTC Agility Trial  
Argus Ranch, Auburn, WA

The premium is on [www.R2agilityonline.com](http://www.R2agilityonline.com). Wanda could use some volunteers to bring coolers for water, ice, and to provide hospitality for our judges, to make sure they have water, juice, and any snacks that they would like to have at the ring side tables. They don't have to bring the drinks, snacks just check in occasionally with them during the trials. Volunteers should contact Wanda at [wediemert@yahoo.com](mailto:wediemert@yahoo.com)

**AKC OBEDIENCE REGULATION CHANGES**

Here's a great link provided by John Cox to an illustrated guide to the new AKC obedience regulation changes:

[http://s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/americankennelclub/Obedience/ObPPWhatsNew12-2015.pdf?mkt\\_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRoivarOZKXonjHpfsX67u8pUKag38431UFwdcjKPmjr1YQHTMt0aPyQAgobGp5I5FENQ7YTaxmt6QLWQ%3D%3D](http://s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/americankennelclub/Obedience/ObPPWhatsNew12-2015.pdf?mkt_tok=3RkMMJWWfF9wsRoivarOZKXonjHpfsX67u8pUKag38431UFwdcjKPmjr1YQHTMt0aPyQAgobGp5I5FENQ7YTaxmt6QLWQ%3D%3D)

## ANNUAL AWARDS

From the President

WSOTC has a history of awarding members for various achievements. During a period when we were struggling to survive, that practice was suspended. Thanks to Wanda Diemert stepping forward, this year, we had a partial reinstatement of this tradition, by awarding plaques and bars to eligible members earning titles in obedience, rally, agility, and tracking, the four areas we hold events. These awards are, of course, retained by the members.

We also have in our storage some “perpetual” awards, or “Honor Plaques”, some of them quite old, in which members are recognized for achieving the higher titles available in each of those areas. The ones we have are the UD, OTCH, RAE, TDX and CT ones. We seem to be missing the UDX and MX/MXJ/MACH plaques. We suspect that the lost ones might be residing in the homes of past recipients, but have not found them. The recipients of the Honor Plaques keep them for the year and then return to the awards chair so that they can be awarded the next year. If two or more people earn the title it would be shared among them.

Another award we have historically given in the “Top Dog” award. This is won by the dog earning the highest three score average for the regular classes. In the past, the item to be given as the trophy was selected by the chair and was usually some item that could be engraved with the winning dog’s name, and which the member would keep. Things that have been given in the past include small silver plated dish, small photo album, and a suede binder.

Many members are aware of the Club Achievement Award, or Louis Prince Award, given to an individual demonstrating exemplary service to the Club, sportsmanship, and personal achievement. Members nominate someone, and the final selection is made by the Board. This is also a perpetual award which is passed on to the next recipient. Some of these awards can be seen in the accompanying pictures. The Board is supporting reinstating all of the awards in addition to the bar/plaque awards. What is needed if we are to do this and if there is interest from the membership, is someone who is willing to take this on. Wanda will continue doing the bar/plaque awards, but we need someone to do the others. What is involved is receiving and processing the applications, and taking the information to a trophy/engraving business to have the work done, and making the presentations at the Awards meeting in February.

As for the bars/plaques, there are eligibility requirements to receive these awards. They include: four (4) club participation points during the year, which are earned by either Club meeting attendance or service points, earned by volunteering for club events, committees, or serving on the Board. At least one meeting must be attended. So if you are in support of re-establishing awarding these or if you would be willing to take on the chair, please let a Board member know. We will also discuss at the June meeting.

Nancy Light



Honor  
Plaque



TDX Plaque



Honor Plaque



Louis  
Prince  
Plaque



OTCH  
Plaque

## Roster Changes

Please change your email address contact for Amy Reagan from [yachtlady@centurytel.net](mailto:yachtlady@centurytel.net) to [areagan@centurytel.net](mailto:areagan@centurytel.net).

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Tibetan Terrier

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Springer & Gordon Setter

### Add (late renewal)

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Seattle, WA 98117-3846  
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[pwtdtx3@gmail.com](mailto:pwtdtx3@gmail.com)  
Portuguese Water Dogs

## BRAGS!

At the Yakima Kennel Club trials, Golden Retriever Tiki completed the necessary points to earn her OTCH.

She now is:

OTCH UH HRCH URO3 U-CDX **ADIRONDAC'S KOURA TIKI**, UDX2 BN GN GO VER TDX MXB MJB OM3 XF  
RE MH WCX VCX CCA NAC NWI Can UD TDX WCX

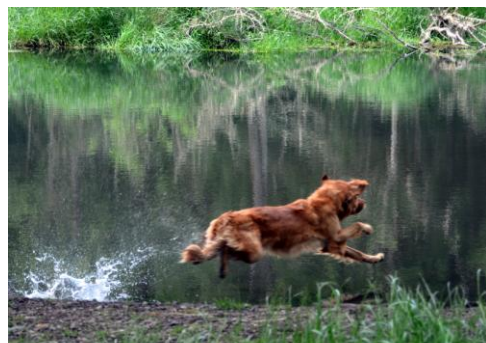
Her son Jury also added a title to his name, completing the requirements to his "Seasoned" title in UKC hunt test (similar to the Senior AKC title). He is now:

HR **SKYLIGHT'S THE JURY IS IN** BN RA JH NA NAJ OF WCX Can JH WC

Nancy Light



*Tiki taking  
the bar  
jump!*



*Jury at  
the  
water!*

## AKC TRACKING JUDGES' SEMINAR

WSOTC hosted an AKC Tracking Judges' Seminar on May 31, 2015. It was held in Kent, WA.

This type of seminar is quite rare with only a handful held in the country/year (most in East). This type of seminar is an AKC requirement for prospective judges and those wanting to judge at next level as well as those needing updates in new/current regulations and interpretations. Anyone interested in tracking and especially those clubs putting on tracking tests were also encouraged to attend.

WSOTC does not have any club members wanting to become judges at this time but we do have two active judges. The tracking committee felt this was a needed seminar and we hosted this so that those needing the accreditation could attend. We consider this as "pay-back" to the tracking community and a way of helping our more local judges.

It has been many years since this type of seminar has been held in the Pacific NW. We had a great turn out of about 40 but with several withdrawing just the week before. We had judges and prospective judges, exhibitors from Cal., PA., MT, OR, CAN and WA.

The presenter was Diane Schultz, AKC Senior Field Representative from NC. She had a great agenda and was well organized and presented the information very well. Quite a number of attendees were saying "best AKC seminar ever attended." The seminar was geared toward judges, club and exhibitor requirements. She did emphasize club procedures in handling misconduct at tests. One of the most lively discussions was on "guiding" and the need for exhibitors and judges to be aware of what constitutes "guiding". "Guiding" is when a handler "thinks" he knows where the track goes and assists the dog in going in that direction. She iterated that way too much guiding is happening and encouraged judges to not ignore but to call it and fail the team.

WSOTC tracking committee consists of Marta Brock, Sil Sanders and Nikki King. Sil handled the electronic equipment for Diane, and Marta had a food spread that was just spectacular..no one went away hungry! Nikki helped out w/the secretarial duties as well as some hospitality assistance.

*PICTURES FROM THE TRACKING JUDGE SEMINAR!*

(thanks to Nikki King for these photos)



## WSOTC May Board Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2015 7:00 pm

Call to Order: -. Meeting called to order at 6:43 pm by President Nancy Light at Haggen Foods, Woodinville

WA on May 18, 2015. Present: Nancy Light, Don Rennick, Janice Bergman, Wanda Diemert, Ingrida

Review of Minutes: April minutes approved as printed in the April Post

Report of President: We will continue to discuss the Standing Rules.

Report of the Secretary: From AKC- reminder of upcoming elections. Selection of Lifetime Achievement Award. Request for sponsorship- From Gabi Loesch and her dog Ruby. She has been invited to represent the USA, along with seven other dogs, to compete in the European Open Junior World Agility Championship in  
Report of the Treasurer: Balance can be found in the Members only Section. Wanda has been working with Ingrida on turning over the treasury information. This will make for a smooth transition from one Treasurer to

Agility Trial2015 (Wanda) : On track

Audit/Budget: Will be appointing a committee soon

Hearts and Flowers: Ruth Little has passed away

Membership: (Nancy) Sarah Kahn has renewed bringing membership to 30 Full members, 43 Associate.

Obedience Seminar: Laura Romanik, September 26/27. Need to contact seminar participants to plan for privates. Deb has sent Wanda checks

Obedience Trial Fall 2015: Preliminary financial report, just waiting final check from AKC

Obedience Spring 2016 Now that we have confirmed date and location, we have decided on judges and Don

Printing/Mailing: Post should be mailed out tomorrow(Tuesday)

Programs/meetings: - May 24th at Laurie's Canine College. Program will have judges for discussion of new regulations. Meeting 6:00, discussion 6:30. June- Laurie has offered CC for June, Maybe June 21(Sunday evening for annual meeting. July no meeting, August at Obedience Trial?

TD/TDX Tracking Judges' Seminar. About 20 people have signed up should have no problem filling

Website: Ane has updated with current information

a. Proposed Standing Rule changes discussion continued

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary

## WSOTC General Meeting Minutes May 2015

1. Call to Order; Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Vice President Don Rennick on May 24,2015, at Canine College, Redmond WA

2. Minutes: Minutes from the March general meeting were Approved as printed in the April post.

3. Report of the President-Thank you to Laurie for allowing us to use her building for tonight's meeting. Thank you to the judges who will be sharing information tonight on the new regulations. Tonight is nominations from the floor for the election next month. Ruth Little has passed.

4. Report of the Board- Board is continuing to work on the Standing Rules. One area of indecision is what to do about awards .Board would like membership input on this and other SR matters, so we hope to have a brief survey in the June Post.

5. Report of the Secretary: From AKC; reminder of upcoming elections

selection of Lifetime Achievement Award

Request for sponsorship from Gabi Loesch and her dog Ruby, they have been invited to represent the USA in the European Open Junior World Agility Championships in the Czech Republic

6.Report of the Treasurer: Can be found on the members only section of the website

7. Committee Reports

C match/Sanction match- Sue Cox reported she hasn't started yet

Membership: 30 full members, 44 associate Quorum is 6. Remember you will need three meeting/one service to the Club to retain full membership

Nominating Committee- Lee Boelter chair; Proposed slate President- Nancy Light, Vice President Don Rennick , Secretary Janice Bergman, Treasurer Ingrida Robinson, Directors Debbie Addicoat and Terri Sato. AKC Delegate Jim Smith. Nominations from the floor tonight and elections in June.

Newsletter: You should have received digital version a few day ago. Hardcopies mailed.

Obedience Seminar-Laura Romanik, September 26-27, Still have some auditing spots. Will be contacting seminar participants soon to sign up for privates with Laura

Obedience Trial Spring 2014; Still awaiting one final number- return from AKC. Loss is larger than anticipated but hope to bring down due to change in location.

Obedience Trial Fall 2015; Everything on track .Will have New Title ribbons, a Whiners raffle and will be a Potluck. Will be Limited entry, Premium is out and Judges are Carolyn Wray and Theresa Temple. An envelope for donations was put out. Contact Jill Peterson or Kathy Lang if you can help at the trial

Obedience Trial Spring 2016- We have the site \_Fun Fur Paws- and Don has contacted and hear back from some of the judges. Contact Linda Shea if you can help.

Tracking Seminar- Almost full

Website- Ane has completed several updates

8. Upcoming meetings June- June 20 Canine College, annual meeting and election of Board. Aug TBA

10. New Business

Nominations from the floor- There were no nominations from the floor

11. Good of the order



Sue Cox talked about the AKC ReUntie Disaster Trailer Project

Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman Club Secretary

## **WSOTC June 2015 Board Meeting Minutes**

June 8, 2015 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm by President Nancy Light on

June 8, 2015, via teleconference

Present- Nancy Light, Don Rennick, Janice Bergman, Wanda Diemert and Ingrida

2. Review and approval of Minutes: Minutes of the May Board Meeting as sent. Approved

3. Report of the President: We will continue to discuss the Standing Rules. Need to discuss issue from tracking seminar. See under Tracking Judge's seminar. Need to appoint audit/budget

4. Report of the Secretary: No correspondence. Ballots for elections at the June general

5. Report of the Treasurer: Amounts in Members section. Board discussed changing banks. No

Agility Trial 2015: Everything is on track. We will put a reminder notice in the Post.

Audit/Budget: Need to appoint an audit/budget committee. See under New Business

Hearts and Flowers: Gloria sent a card to Sue Cox for recuperation from knee surgery

Match-C/Sanctioned- Nancy has talked to Sue Cox about the sanctioned match and she has some Membership- 30 Full members, 43 Associate. Quorum is 6

Newsletter- Hope to be out week of the 15th. Question was raised on if there is a deadline for newsletter. Nancy will talk to Laura Burns about it.

Obedience Seminar-Laura Romanik- September 26/27. Nancy is contacting participants for

Obedience Trials Fall 2015: Everything is OK. Discussion on "New Title" ribbons, should they order for the Fall trial (added expense) or use the ones from the Spring trial? Board decided to let the Fall Trial use the leftover New Title ribbons from the Spring Trial. And further, New Title ribbons will be paid for from the general club budget. The cost will not be charged to any particular trial. Premium list is on AKC website and there is a link on our website. Limited entry, opens June 17th and closes August 19th

Obedience Trial Spring 2015: All expenses and income now in. Report sent to Board members. Nancy will send to Ane for the members only section.

Obedience Trial Spring 2016: Don has three Judges and has sent out a request for another one.

Nancy will talk with Fun Fur Paws for contract. We will have to get a new contract from Baray since several items are different, including not needing the mats.

Programs/Meetings June 21(Sunday evening) at 7:00 at Canine College for annual meeting. Maybe can open at 6:00 for people to train. July no meeting, August Maybe no meeting, September at fall trial? We do need a meeting so the Club budget can be approved.

Tracking Judges Seminar: Sounds like it went well, don't have final numbers or money. There was an issue with Kathy Lang's staff, Board discussed and has handled issue. Board will contact Fall TD/TDX 2015: Don will call Nikki to find out dates and other information.

Website: Nancy will send up-dates to Ane

a. Proposed Standing Rule changes—Discussion continued. Much progress has been made, but we will not complete by end of Club year, so will continue into the next year.

a. Appoint audit/budget committee—MOTION: To appoint Betty Winthers, Don Rennick, and Ingrida Robinson to audit/budget committee. APPROVED. Wanda Diemert will attend as

b. Board discussed Perpetual Trophies. Don reported which ones we have in storage. Nancy has the OTCH plaque and will contact Sil to see if he has the Tracking plaques. The Board was in support of reinstating awarding them if we could find a volunteer to collect the information and arrange the engraving. Nancy will write an article for the Post to see if there is membership support and if we can find a volunteer.(Wanda will continue to do the plaques and bars for titles)

11.Adjourn- Meeting was adjourned are 8:59 pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary

## **WSOTC June General Meeting Minutes June 21, 2015, A Canine College, Redmond, WA**

**1. Call to order:** Meeting called to order by President Nancy Light at 7:00 pm on June 21,2015, at Canine College, Redmond WA

Quorum was not present--3 Full and 2 Associate members attending- Club business could not be conducted

**2. Report of the President:** Thanks to Laurie Weaver for use of her building.

**3. Discussion:** Attending members discussed if we wanted to revive the Perpetual Awards. Response was positive.

**4. Meetings:** July meeting at the Agility Trial July 11, at Argus Ranch.

**5. Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm

Submitted by Janice Bergman, Club Secretary