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A Word from the President

Jackie Storrer

I was going to write to you-all about Love since this is the month we celebrate it as no other.

Then came this awesome snow like we haven't seen for some time.

So I'll write about both.

When we think of love, we always direct it to someone or thing that is very important to us, like our canine partners. I say partners because that is what they are, and they need all the love we can give them as they check out this beautiful snow, with the temp in the single digits.

I'm sure you all know to limit their "outside" time, as they don't seem to know how to do that.

As we think of the love month, let us show our love for one other in doing whatever we can to help out if needed.

It is getting close to the Cluster Meeting in Salina, Leanne will fill you all in on Page 2.

Let's all work as hard as we can to make this year's show one of the best we have had by picking up the load if necessary to help someone out.

Jackie



February 2022 Membership Meeting



Speaker: Debbie Snider

Topic: Picking a Sport for Your Dog

Time: 7:00 PM

When: Monday, February 14



March General Meeting

**Monday, March 14
To Be Announced**



FINAL NOTICE FOR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL!

Membership renewals were due last month!!!

Please send your renewal to:

**Wichita Kennel Club
3448 N. Emporia
Wichita, KS 67219**

Or pay instantly using Paypal to wichitakennelclub@aol.com

SUNFLOWER CLUSTER MEETING

When: Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 2:00 PM

Where: Salina Kennel Club at 540 Idlewilde Place, Salina, KS 67401.

All members are invited. This meeting is a great chance to hear what is being planned for this event and to get to meet dog lovers from other clubs. Contact Mike Williams (md7williams@cox.net) about carpooling.

If you have any suggestions for agenda items, please contact Treva Faires (trevafaires@gmail.com) or phone 316-644-5568.

The Judges' Selection Committee will meet at 1:00 PM same place and day.

RING STEWARD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Treva Faires, Chief Ring Steward, needs volunteers to be conformation ring stewards on Thursday, June 9th, and WKC's day, Sunday, June 12th.

Lunch is free for working at least 1/2 day!

Training: Not sure you know how to ring steward? The Hutchinson Kennel Club will hold classes Saturday, April 30, 2022, at the Hutchinson Kennel Club building. There will be a pizza lunch. Ruth Lloyd is teaching. Ring stewarding is fun and educational.

Treva needs both inside and outside stewards for full-day or half-day. Please give her a call at (316) 644-5568 or e-mail her at trevafaires@gmail.com, if you would like to help out.

~~~~~ Wichita Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes ~~~~~  
January 10, 2022

There were 15 members present at tonight's meeting. There was one guest: Nikki Winzer's son Kyle.

**Jackie Storrer – President:** Jackie began the meeting at 7:50 PM. She asked if everyone had seen a copy of the previous meetings minutes. All said they had and a motion was made by Stevie Sullivan to accept the minutes of the last general meeting. His motion was seconded by Leanne Chase. The motion passed unanimously.

**Mike Williams – Corresponding Secretary** – Absent.

**Mike Williams – Recording Secretary** – Absent.

**Tom Chase, Treasurer** – Tom said there was not much change since last month's report. He said the taxes and insurance were coming up pretty soon and would have to be paid. Tom reminded all that it is time to pay your annual dues. Dues are \$20.00 per member, and if you have not paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible.

**Committee Reports:**

Jackie Storrer indicated that Stevie Sullivan will chair our Breeders Referral Committee.

**Unfinished Business** - Jackie Storrer reported that our board of directors is looking to possibly offering AKC Fast Cat. Fast Cat stands for Coursing Ability Test. It is a timed 100 yard dash where dogs run one at a time, chasing a lure. It's over before you know it. Your dog must be at least 12 months of age. AKC registration as one of the AKC's recognized breeds. Your dog can be registered as an AKC Canine Partner and it can also be registered as a Purebred Alternative Listing, (PAL) and it can be registered as a Foundation Stock Service Breed (FSS). Spayed and neutered dogs are eligible to compete. Dogs with limited or Conditional Registration are eligible to compete. **Females in season are not eligible to compete. An inspection committee will also inspect each dog for lameness and fitness to compete.** Fast Cat does require dog friendly people to do the work.

Mike Williams has said he has a tract of ground the Wichita Kennel Club can use and a golf cart to use to move exhibitors if needed. Mike said he feels he has plenty of parking. Mike has one rest room in his barn so it might be necessary to rent a portable potty. Charlotte Norris said that Kym Burch has the equipment and the expertise to help our club host a FAST CAT event. Charlotte will provide dates to do a 2 day trial.

Our Sniff N Go Scent event is planned for the 15<sup>th</sup> of Jan this month with the 22<sup>nd</sup> planned as an alternative date in case of inclement weather. Charlotte gave pricing of \$15.00 and said novice will run first.

**New Business** – Jackie reported that Tom and Leanne Chase have donated two (2) Ryobi fans for the raffle this June at the Cluster.

Jackie asked if there was any further business to come before the membership and there being none she asked for a motion to adjourn. Stevie Sullivan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Charlotte Norris seconded the motion, and the motion to adjourn passed unanimously. The meeting ended at approximately 8:20 PM.

Thanks to Elizabeth Luna for taking the minutes for Mike Williams.

Respectfully submitted by  
Mike Williams  
Recording/Corresponding Secretary

## Picking a Sport for your dog!

By Debbie Snider

Have you ever wanted to find just the right sport for your dog?

Be sure and come to the WKC Meeting  
February 14th at 7:00 PM



Great Presentation  
Fellowship with friends



## **CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TEST AND TITLE**

The program for last Monday's meeting was a presentation on CGC by Lori and Kevin Hays. They explained what was required to pass a CGC test and the importance of holding a CGC. CGC stands for Canine Good Citizen and is an AKC title. It is a certification program that evaluates dogs in simulated everyday situations in a relaxed noncompetitive atmosphere. Each CGC test is \$20. In addition, the AKC will charge \$20 to process your test form and provide a final certificate. There are 10 tests included in passing a CGC test:

They are as follows:

1. Accepting a friendly stranger.
2. Sitting politely for petting.
3. Appearance and grooming.
4. Out for a walk. (walking on a loose lead)
5. Walking through a crowd.
6. Sit and down on command and Staying in place.
7. Coming when called.
8. Reaction to another dog.
9. Reaction to distraction.
10. Supervised separation.

Kevin and Lori explained how to train your dog for a CGC test. You are allowed to speak to your dog during the complete test, so use this to your advantage to keep your dog focused and on task. No training tools like treats or training collars can be used on the exam so your dog will need to be able to walk in a regular harness or collar.

## Winter Safety Tips for Dog Owners

### Avoid Thin Ice

Too often we hear stories of dogs that had to be rescued from icy waters (and those are the lucky ones). It might look like fun to slide across that frozen pond, but ice can easily crack, and your dog — and you — could fall in. Slipping on ice can also lead to muscle strains and other injuries.

### Protect Your Dog's Paws

Look at the Iditarod sled-dog teams, and you'll notice that their paws are covered by booties. Mushers know that the race may be lost because of injuries and abrasions from running on ice. Even if your dog isn't dashing through 1,000 miles of frozen Alaskan wilderness, winter conditions can still do damage. Various retailers offer dog boots or paw protectors that work well to keep your pup's feet safe.

### Clean Your Dog's Feet

City streets are coated with deicing substances, such as sodium chloride (rock salt) and calcium chloride, which make sidewalks safe for pedestrians but can damage paw pads. Make sure you wash off your dog's feet. Some people keep a bucket next to the door to rinse their dog's feet as soon as they come in from the cold. Use warm water and make sure to reach spots between the toes and pads. Some dogs will also need a moisturizer for dry skin.

## Sunflower Cluster Catalog Advertising

It's that time of the year again. I would like to encourage all members to advertise in the catalog this year. It's an extremely effective and inexpensive way to let the general population know of your breeding program or your business. Many people come to the shows to find a new dog for their family, and they buy a catalog hoping to find a breeder they can contact. Other people buy the catalog to find area dog businesses. Whether you are a breeder, trainer, groomer, pet specialist or have your own pet business, this is a good opportunity to get your name seen. It's amazing how a few bucks and an ad in the catalog can reach such a wide range of people.

I would suggest that all clubs have a full page ad in the catalog this year. This is your opportunity as a club to let people know that you exist, what you offer, how to contact you, and how they can get involved in your club.

We are one of the top dog shows in the nation. Many will pay attention to the advertising in the catalog. As a WKC member you have the privilege of receiving a discount on the ad rates. The current rates for members are: Full page: \$50.00, half page: \$30.00

(Please use the Onofrio guidelines for advertising.)

Rough draft ads must be discussed with me by April 25. Prepared ads must be provided to me no later than May 1st. Checks must be made out to the Sunflower Cluster Dog Shows.

Please pass this along to other clubs' members.

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## Wichita Kennel Club Officers and Board

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[www.wichitakennelclub.com](http://www.wichitakennelclub.com)

## NOSE WORK NOTES

Continued from January: AKC's rules for Scent Work judges -- Search Designs by Class Level.

([http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/AKC\\_Scent\\_Work\\_Judges\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/AKC_Scent_Work_Judges_Guidelines.pdf))

To ensure continuity of difficulty by level, the following guidelines must be followed when designing searches:

### ADVANCED

- Goal: A basic search with two relatively simple hides. The increased challenge at the Advanced level is that the dog is presented with odor from two different locations. This level is intended to test the dog on simple multiple hides. Converging odor should be minimized. Airflow puzzles should be fairly simple, as the challenge of multiple hides increases the difficulty of the search naturally. Scent puzzles should be fairly straightforward.
- Competitors should NOT encounter complicated converging odor.

Next week, I'll publish these guidelines for Excellent.



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