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WICHITA KENNEL CLUB, INC. NEWS FOR THE DOG FANCIER

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A Word from the President

Mike Williams

It's hard to believe that we are 4 days from the end of the year. We had a great year and ended it strongly with a very successful Scent Trial and I think might be the largest turn out at a Christmas Party this club has ever had.

Congratulations to Lori Hays on receiving the WKC Service Award and congratulations to Pam Gates on receiving the WKC Breeder of the year award.

We should all thank Patricia Swearingen for putting together a fine year end booklet that has all the title holders for the year, our roster of membership, and our by-laws in it among other things. Thank you Patricia for all your hard work. And it is in living color!!!!

Congratulations to all our members on the titles received this year. We worked hard and we played hard and we competed hard in the show rings and in the performance sports.

I promised Nikki I would keep this short. Sorry Nikki!!

I will end this by saying thank you to each and every one of you that came out and helped at the club this year, helped at our Fast Cat Trials, helped at our Scent Trials, helped at our Barn Hunt Practices, helped at handler's classes, helped at CGC classes, helped at our Christmas Party and other cook outs and providing food for our hard workers, and helped at our Scent Classes.

And thank each of you that stepped up and presented a program this past year. Our programs were strong and we all learned and educated ourselves from them. Nikki you did a great job lining up programs to help educate us in the sport.

We can't do all the things we do without you, our members, pitching in and helping at our events, our meetings, our outings, our work days, classes, and trials. Each of you helped us have a very successful year.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you,

Mike Williams
Wichita Kennel Club, Inc.
President



January 2024 General Membership Meeting

Wolf Gang Bakery & Grooming
CANCELED UNEXPECTEDLY!!!!!!

Date: January 8, 2024

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Wichita Kennel Club, Inc.
3448 N. Emporia St., Wichita, KS

KTDC will be furnishing the refreshments

Please note date and time!

**January General
Membership
Meeting**

**Monday
January 8th
7:00 PM**

SUNFLOWER CLUSTER MEETING

When: Saturday, February 24, 2024

Time: 1:30 PM

Where: Wichita Kennel Club Building, 3448 N. Emporia, Wichita

All associated clubs and their members are invited to participate.

Treva



LOOKING FOR NEW CHAMPIONS

Be sure to let Nikki Winzer know if you have any new brags for the newsletter. The deadline is the 28th of each month. The club would love to hear the success and accomplishments that each one of you are having with your fur-babies!

Email your brags at nikkiwinzer@gmail.com

WICHITA KENNEL CLUB INC. MEMBERSHIP DUES TIME!

Please see the membership form at the end of this newsletter.

Membership renewals are due by 1/1/2024

Please send your renewal and \$20 dues to:

**Wichita Kennel Club
c/o Pam Watkins Treasurer
3448 N. Emporia
Wichita, KS 67219**

The list of committees and/or positions available to members begins on Page 4.

WKC PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

Keelyn Hanlon, Carody Bryan, Dustin Baker, and Leah Rutherford are continuing to fulfill the requirements to becoming a new member of the Wichita Kennel Club.

Please be sure and welcome the new upcoming members into the club. We are happy to add them to the WKC Family!!

Wichita Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes December 10, 2023

Attending tonight's meeting were 23 members and 2 guests, Betty Ashenfelter and Bob Mortin.

Mike Williams, WKC President – We celebrated the end to a great year! Mike read through the Title Pages in the membership booklet Patricia Swearingen made. Lori Hays was presented with the Service Award and Pam Gates received the Breeder Award. Mike asked the board members if we needed to have a board meeting in December. The board agreed not to meet due to Christmas Vacation. The general meeting was adjourned and the Dirty Santa party began.

Nikki Winzer, Corresponding Secretary – Nothing to report.

Nikki Winzer, Recording Secretary – Nothing to report.

Pam Watkins, WKC Treasurer – There was nothing new to report at this point.

Committee Reports:

No reports at this time.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Nikki Winzer
Wichita Kennel Club, Inc.
Recording & Corresponding Secretary

Here is the list of committees and/or positions available to members:

AWARDS DINNER: Plan annual Awards Dinner. The awards go to members who have bred or own a dog that has completed a championship or an AKC performance title. Committee duties include arrangements (menu, entertainment, program, etc.) & maintaining an adequate number of club medallions. Two (2) sub-committees (made up of past honorees) determine winners of the Breeder & Service Awards.
(Budget: Printing, postage, program, flowers, meals, plaques, etc.)

BUDGET: Meets at least once during the year & examines past income & expenditures. Considers budget needs for the coming year and presents proposed budget to the WKC Board of Directors in January of each year for approval. Researches & makes recommendations to the Board as to investing club funds. Normally chaired by the Treasurer.
(Budget: Copy work and postage)

BUILDING MANAGEMENT: Includes sub-committees that oversee Building & Grounds; Landscaping & Improvements; Lending Library; Security; Kitchen Management & Finance

CONFORMATION CLASSES: Organizes classes, conformation training and / or socialization, to teach ring procedures, etc. Duties include setting fees, printing & mailing registration forms, advertising.
(Budget: Self funding)

EYE CLINICS: Responsible for the annual Eye Clinic. Duties include securing building, arranging for the certified Ophthalmologist, setting fees, scheduling workers.
(Budget: Self-funding)

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE: Look into ways of raising funds.

HISTORIAN: Responsible for organizing all WKC records including minutes, show catalogs, photographs, news articles & other information of historical note.
(No Budget)

JUDGES SELECTION: Responsible for hiring judges for our annual dog show. Responsibilities include soliciting suggestions from members, researching judge availability, correspondence, assigning judges, completing & mailing judges' contracts. (Budget: Phone, postage, printing.)

LENDING LIBRARY: Responsible for cataloging & maintaining the collection of books & video tapes owned by the WKC, distribution & record keeping of items checked out or loaned to members. (Budget: acquisition of new materials)

LEGISLATIVE: Made up of representatives to monitor and report to AKC any local legislative initiatives that may affect the interest of our members. Works with Newsletter editor to keep membership informed. (Budget: Phone, postage, copy work, travel to legislative hearings & meetings, where appropriate & approved by the WKC Board)

MATCHES (SANCTIONED): Responsible for setting dates, arranging for sites, securing approval from AKC, hiring judges, printing & mailing entry forms, arranging equipment & overseeing WKC's matches, accepting entries, setting up rings & management of matches. (Budget: Self-funding)

MEMBERSHIP: Greets visitors to WKC meetings, maintains monthly meeting roster, presents new membership applications to the board, & interfaces with Newsletter editor on potential new member's publication. Corresponds and cooperates with Treasurer regarding flowers for illness or memorials in the event of the death of a member or a death in a member's immediate family.
(Budget: Postage, copy work, flowers or memorials)

NEWSLETTER: Compiling & publishing monthly newsletter. Duties include soliciting information, printing, e-mailing, and mailing. Newsletter is used as monthly Membership meeting notice, and should reach members five days prior to meeting date. (Budget: Postage & Printing.)

NOMINATING: This committee, appointed by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors, meets to select a slate of officers & Board as prescribed by the By-laws.
(No Budget)

PROGRAM: After interfacing with the President and/or the Board (who have set the calendar for the year), arranges for all programs presented at the monthly membership meeting. Duties include selecting topics, finding speakers or films, scheduling programs & informing the Newsletter Editor of upcoming program subjects. (Also follows up in the next newsletter with report on program if not covered as a news item by the Newsletter Editor.) (Budget: Phone, postage, approved program costs, equipment rental.)

PUBLIC EDUCATION COORDINATOR: Arranges with local organizations (schools, hospitals, nursing homes, etc.) to conduct dog-oriented programs. Receives AKC PEC information for club. Duties include selecting members/dogs for visits and organizing the demonstrations and other public events. (Budget: As approved by the Board)

PUBLICITY: Responsible for acquiring publicity for all WKC events, such as matches, special programs, classes, etc. and works with local media to promote WKC. (Show publicity may be handled separately) (Budget: As approved by the Board)

BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE: Maintains a printed list of reputable breeders in the immediate & Midwestern areas covering as many AKC breeds as possible. Also maintains a list of national breed clubs & other organizations, addresses & phone numbers which may be helpful to the phone volunteers in serving the public. This committee deals directly with the public & members. Person **MUST** be knowledgeable of various breeds, AKC rules, registration matters, etc. Committee members (on assigned weeks) access the WKC phone recorder & return calls to the public. (Budget: phone bills, copy work, postage.)

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REFRESHMENTS: Responsible for providing (at WKC expense) refreshments for all regular meetings. (Budget: Cost of food, soft drinks, coffee & paper supplies)

SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENT: This committee is responsible for buying, maintaining & the inventory of office & show equipment owned by the WKC and/or Sunflower Cluster & stored in the WKC building or in the Sunflower Cluster cargo trailer or items occasionally stored in individual members homes. This committee also has the responsibility of making recommendations to the Board or Cluster for further purchase of needed equipment & the ordering of same. (Budget: As approved by the Board)

WDTC REPRESENTATIVE: Upon appointment & presentation of letter from the WKC Board stating that such person has been asked to attend the board meetings of the Wichita Dog Training Club. This individual attends WDTC board meetings and reports back to the WKC board at their monthly meetings or by verbal reports to the WKC President. (This is an effort to maximize communications between the two clubs.) (Budget: None)

WORTHY PROJECTS: This committee reviews & researches dog-related organizations/projects which might qualify as recipients of WKC funds so as to further the charter of our organization. The committee makes recommendations to the Board of Directors. (Budget: Yearly sum plus special gifts approved by the Board)

WEBSITE: Updates website on a regular basis. Maintains website with current information and activities of the club. Visits other websites in order to keep the club website current and up to speed. Insures that the website is submitted to all major internet search engines.

SHOW COMMITTEE:

April Show - Sunflower Cluster Chairman is appointed by the President with Board approval. This committee is in charge of the Annual Spring show, including applying for the AKC approval of show dates & judges, ring stewards, trophies, working with the Cluster Coordinator and the other cluster

SHOW COMMITTEE Continued:

clubs. This committee involves a great deal of work before the show dates as well as on the show weekend. They will compile the premium list information, arrange for trophy purchase and donations, local catalog advertising sales, local publicity, etc. This committee is comprised of several smaller sub-committees that deal only with the Wichita show, i.e. ring stewards, trophies, local advertising & publicity, house & grounds, crating, catalog ads, catalog sales, hospitality, security, telephone, speakers stand, etc. (Budget: Self-Funding)

SUNFLOWER CLUSTER COORDINATOR: The Coordinator is appointed by the President with the Board approval.

The coordinator is responsible for the things that affect all four (4) clubs in the Sunflower Cluster, maintaining a good working relationship with the KS Pavilions staff, being sure our dates are reserved well in advance & that all the building arrangements have been made. Is responsible for the appointment of the committees chosen from all four clubs. The list of committees should be presented at the summer Cluster meeting for approval by the Cluster clubs. The committees include but are not limited to: Judges' Liaison, General Facilities (Building, Grounds & Sanitation), Trophies, Reserved Crating, Free Crating, Security & Parking, National Advertising, National Publicity, Hospitality, Agility, Obedience, Other Performance Events, Ring Stewarding, Vendor Booths and Breed Seminars. The Cluster coordinator interfaces with the Art Show at the Dog Show Chairperson, Show Veterinarian, Show Photographer, etc., sets the dates for the Cluster meeting and distributes the agendas for the cluster meetings to the appropriate persons. Submits the portion of the Premium list that deals with Cluster activities and its special events. Submits Cluster committee information as required to the Superintendent in a timely fashion accordingly to our deadlines. (Budget: copy work, postage, supplies for cluster as needed.)

Please see attached membership renewal form. Place an X on the line of the committee you wish to join and/or chair and initial.

FASTCat Trial

Where: Mike and Susan William's Farm
7277 N. Hillside, Valley Center, Ks 67147

When: April 12-14, 2024

Lure Operator: Kym Ryan-Burch

Chair: Charlotte Norris

Look for more information as we get closer to the event!

Wichita Kennel Club Officers and Board

Mike Williams,
President

Jackie Storer,
Vice President

Pam Watkins,
Treasurer

Nikki Winzer,
Recording Secretary
&
Corresponding
Secretary

Treva Faires, AKC
Delegate

Charlotte Norris,
Scent Work Chair

Lori Hays
Membership Chair
Events Organizer

Patricia Swearingen
Membership Chair

Pat Deshler

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.wichitakennelclub.com

10 Fun Facts About Chihuahuas

- Chihuahuas Stay Small. ...
- Chihuahuas Have Long Lifespans. ...
- Chihuahuas are Loyal. ...
- Chihuahuas Have Fun, Playful Personalities. ...
- Chihuahuas are Smart & Easy to Train. ...
- Chihuahuas Generally Don't Mind Playing Along. ...
- Chihuahuas are Great Guard Dogs. ...
- Chihuahuas are Affordable to Feed.



Nikki Winzer, Editor
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WICHITA KENNEL CLUB, INC.

2024 DUES NOTICE AND COMMITTEE SIGN UP SHEET

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY & STATE _____ ZIP _____ e-mail _____

PHONE (HOME) _____ (WORK) _____ (FAX) _____

BREED(S) OF DOGS OWNED _____

Wichita Kennel Club dues are payable by January 1, 2024 **Dues are \$20.00 per member.**

Note: All members (unless they live outside Kansas) are expected to **ACTIVELY SERVE** on at least one Standing Committee and **TO WORK IN SOME CAPACITY** in the Spring All Breed Dog Show.

I would like to volunteer to work on the following:

<u>COMMITTEES AND PROJECTS</u>	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	<u>MEMBER(S)</u>	_____	_____
Awards Dinner	Lori Hays		_____	_____
Budget and Finance	Pam Watkins		_____	_____
Building Management	Jerry Watkins		_____	_____
Building & Grounds	Mike Williams		_____	_____
Furnaces & A/C			_____	_____
Landscaping & Improvements	Mike Williams		_____	_____
Lending Library	Pat Behrns		_____	_____
Security	_____		_____	_____
Kitchen (Organization & Maintenance)	_____		_____	_____
Finance (Budget, Bill Payment)	Pam Watkins		_____	_____
Fund Raising	Nikki Winzer		_____	_____
Conformation Classes	Karen Clausing		_____	_____
Eye Clinic	Treva Faires		_____	_____
Historian	Pat Behrns		_____	_____
Judges' Selection	Treva Faires		_____	_____
Juniors' Project	Alyssa Mosley, Pat Deshler, Tiffany Hiebsch, Mike Williams		_____	_____
Legislative Committees	_____		_____	_____
Matches (Sanctioned)			_____	_____
Membership	Lori Hays, Patricia Swearingen		_____	_____
Microchip Clinics			_____	_____
Newsletter	Nikki Winzer		_____	_____
Nominating Committee	Mike Williams, Stevie Sullivan		_____	_____
Program Committee	Nikki Winzer		_____	_____
Public Education Coordinator	Kat Farres		_____	_____
Publicity	_____		_____	_____
Refreshments (Meetings)	General Membership Sign up		_____	_____
Supplies and Equipment	Mike Williams		_____	_____
Trophies, Spring Show	_____		_____	_____
WDTA Representative	Mike Williams		_____	_____
Website	Stephanie Sexton		_____	_____
WKC Facebook	Nikki Winzer		_____	_____
2024 Sunflower Cluster Coordinator	Treva Faires		_____	_____
2024 Spring Show Secretary	Mike Williams		_____	_____

A brief description of committee duties is included with this form

Please mail this form and your dues check made payable to the Wichita Kennel Club, Inc.

Mail to: Wichita Kennel Club, Inc., C/O Pam Watkins, Treasurer, 3448 N. Emporia, Wichita, KS 67219