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## *From the Editor:*

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## *A Word from the President*

*Mike Williams*

Well at this month's general meeting we learned about AKC's new FETCH from Lori Hays. It looks like fun but it also looks challenging. Of course, if it was easy everyone would be doing it. We will take a hard look at this activity but as with other activities it takes someone willing to chair the event and it takes workers and logistics. You have to have a pretty good amount of area to do it. Our board will discuss it.

Our Fast Cat trial is rapidly approaching on October 4th, 5th, and 6th. There will be a workday to put up the cloth up (see our newsletter) and a practice session (to be announced). I don't have anything else right now. I promised to keep these notes short and short they are. We have been enjoying unseasonably cooler weather and that is a blessing.

I want to thank our instructors and our assistant instructors for their hard work and dedication putting on our classes. Our board appointed Pam Watkins as our new Event Coordinator. The purpose of having an event coordinator is to keep instructors from scheduling classes on top of some other instructor's classes. We have so many classes going on we felt an event coordinator was necessary.

I could not attend the Nuts and Bolts information meeting about Barn Hunts as I was sick but I heard it was very informative. I think Charlotte was the principal instructor and if there were others I want to thank them as well.

You all have a wonderful day, and we will see you at our next meeting and our Fast Cat work day.

Take care,

Mike Williams  
Wichita Kennel Club, Inc.  
President

## **General Membership Meeting**

September 9 @ 5:30pm

Mike Williams Farm, 7277 N. Hillside

WKC will be having an "open air" meeting following our Fast Cat workday to prep the lane! There will be a short talk on volunteer opportunities at the upcoming Oct. Fast Cat and Nov. Scentwork trial!  
**SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED!**



## Fast CAT Trial

OCTOBER 4th-6th  
William's Farm  
7277 N. Hillside  
Valley Center, Ks

\*\*\*\*\***Now accepting entries**\*\*\*\*\*

## Scentwork Trial

NOVEMBER 8th-10th

S & P SPORTS COMPLEX  
3601 N. St. Francis  
Wichita, Ks

\*\*\*\*\***Now accepting entries**\*\*\*\*\*



Scentwork \$5 Fun Day & Potluck September 2<sup>nd</sup>  
8:30AM @ Simone Klein's Farm  
6533 12<sup>th</sup> Rd Douglass, Ks

Cost \$5 per dog per ring. Total of 8 rings. Run as many or as few as you like.  
Please bring cash or check. PayPal will incur a convenience fee.

Fun Rings are non-standard scentwork searches.

Request RSVP to Charlotte Norris @ [Charlotte.norrisnot64@gmail.com](mailto:Charlotte.norrisnot64@gmail.com)

Visit the [Wichitakennelclub.com](http://Wichitakennelclub.com)

## THE BRAG BOARD



### Mercy

Mercy wins Best Puppy in Match at Hutchinson Kennel Club!

A huge thank you to HKC for hosting the match as well as to our WKC friends for all their support. Mercy was well prepared for the match after taking the recent WKC Conformation class.

Mercy is Cove's End Quora At SS, owned and handled by Stephanie Sexton.

By Stephanie Sexton

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### Indy & Tyche

Indy earned his RATCHX4 with 2 High In Class wins that were REMX runs on Thursday, Aug 22 at the Topeka show. Tyche was 3rd place in Master B, behind Indy and Ziva. Indy also had an 80 pt Crazy8 run, and Tyche had a 70 pt CZ8 run. On Friday, Ziva carried the day (High in Class) while Indy was 2nd, but he had another REMX run and was High In Class in Master B, Trial 2 (and was pretty disgracefully wild in Crazy 8, scoring only 40 pts) while Tyche shone with a 90 Pt CZ8 run and had a nice 5 rat Master B run for 3rd place in trial 2. We missed Sat, but were back on Sunday. Their handler was definitely handicapped, but Tyche was First place in Trial 1 Master B, had another 70 pt rat run, while Indy refused to tunnel again, and dropped a respectable CZ8 run to only 50 pts.

A LOT of WKC members and people that come to our rat practices did extremely well, and our group made a strong showing! I will let them post their own individual brags!



by Charlotte Norris



# NEWS FOR THE DOG FANCIER



## TOTAL DOG DEMO September 11, 2024

Kansas State Fairgrounds - Expo Barn

For more information, contact Pam Watkins  
[pam25172@gmail.com](mailto:pam25172@gmail.com) for Wichita, Meet the Breeds  
Call Melissa Cisneros [Melcis6826@gmail.com](mailto:Melcis6826@gmail.com) for  
Hutchinson, Agility & Obedience



### Meet the Breeds

Barn - 12 pm



### Obedience Games

4:30 - 5:00



### Agility Practice

12:30 - 2:30 pm



### Agility Practice

5:00 - 7:00 pm



### Obedience Skills Demonstration

3:00 - 4:00 pm



Fee Entry to the Fair

Dogs only allowed in Expo Barn and designated potty areas

# **WKC Training Classes**

Pre-Enrollment WKC Website  
<https://www.wichitakennelclub.com/classes.html>

## **Conformation**

Instructor Lisa Smith, Assistant Nikki Winzer

**Novice** September 17, 24, and October 1, 8, 15, 22 @ 6:30pm  
**Advanced** September 17, 24, and October 1, 15, 8, 22 @ 7:30pm

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## **Scent Work**

Instructor Nikki Winzer, Assistant Pam Watkins

**Excellent Level** September 12, 19, 26, and October 10, 17, 24 @ 7:00pm

Instructor Stephanie Sexton, Assistant Andrea English/Pam Watkins

**Novice Level**, All Elements – October 12, 19, 26 & November 2 @ 1:00pm

**Advanced Level**, All Elements – October 12, 19, 26 & November 2 @ 2:45pm

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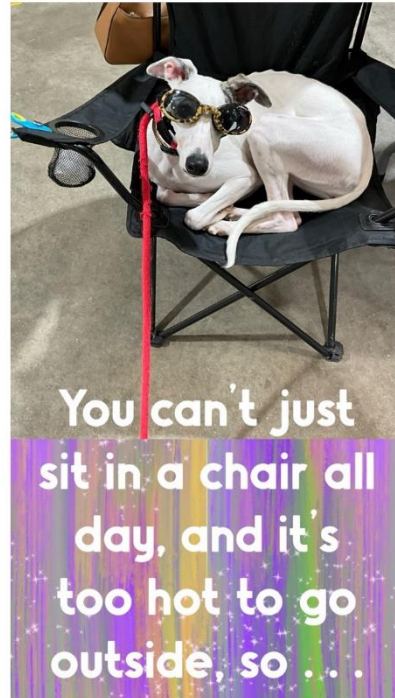
## **Sunflower Cluster Meeting**

September 8

2:00pm @ The Hutchinson Kennel Club

There will be many important topics covered for the upcoming cluster in 2025. A few are the Juniors at the Cluster and the judges' drivers to and from the cluster show site. Come and participate in the meeting and support the WKC.

## Wichita Kennel Club MEMBER'S NIGHT!



**why not come to the Wichita Kennel Club to practice a bit of obedience or rally or conformation or maybe trick dog. The building will be open from 3:30 until 5:00, on Sunday, September 8th.**

### ***WICHITA KENNEL CLUB PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS!***

Pending Member applicants: Lynn & William Bertrand, Mike Arensberg, Diana Lane, and Rose Frame.

### **Congratulations!!**

Adara Van Ravenswaay and Anna Lenhart Murray are our newest members to WKC and were voted in at the July 8, 2024, General Meeting. Be sure and welcome them.

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## Wichita Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes August 12, 2024

Attending tonight's meeting were 17 members and 4 guests: Lynn & William Bertrand, Diana Lane, and Doug Bishop

**MEETING START TIME:** 7:43pm

### **MINUTES FROM THE LAST GENERAL MEETING**

Mike Williams asked if everyone had seen the minutes. Everyone said they had. Mike entertained a motion to accept the minutes. Tom Street moved to approve the minutes and Kim Matzen-Kutilek seconded it. All approved!

**Mike Williams – Report of the President** – Mike discussed the information in the WKC Newsletter. August 24<sup>th</sup> Love on the Leash will be using the building. Fast Cat trial will be October 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> at the William's Farm. The September 9th meeting may be at Mike's Farm on the Fast Cat workday. There will be food provided. The scent trial is at the school on November 8-10. Set up for the scent trial will be November 7<sup>th</sup>. The Scent trial opens August 31<sup>st</sup>. We are starting to put the highlights of the Board meeting minutes in the newsletter. The general club minutes are in the newsletter. The board has approved vouchers for teachers and for exceptional people that help at the club. The juniors join the kennel club for free and can get classes for 50% off.

**Nikki Winzer, Report of the Corresponding Secretary** – Nothing to report currently.

**Nikki Winzer, Report of the Recording Secretary** – Nothing to report currently.

**Pam Watkins, Report of the Treasurer** – No changes at this time.

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE**

Cluster meeting is September the 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm at the Hutchinson Kennel Club. If you have anything you want to add to the agenda, send it to Treva Faires. This is Treva's last time as a cluster coordinator. Laura Stevenson is taking that job over.

### **UNFINISHED AND NEW BUSINESS**

A black lock box has been placed in the office at the club for depositing money or class rosters that need to go to the treasurer.

Mike Williams asked if there was any more unfinished or new business to come before the meeting. There being none, Mike entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Street so moved, and Hallie Stoffal seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

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

## WKC Board at a Glance!

July 31, 2024, Meeting

In the July board meeting, there was discussion about what the cost of CGC testing and Trick Dog would be at the cluster next year.

Mike Williams also decided we needed update our standing policies for the club. They are long overdue.

We talked about our new prospective member which is Rose Frame and are looking forward to getting to know her and adding her into the club.

The WKC Board is open to any member who would like to attend. The meetings are held the last Wednesday of every month at 6:30pm.



### Building Maintenance

Maintenance made easy, one job at a time.  
Your WKC property's best friend - Jerry Watkins!



# NEWS FOR THE DOG FANCIER

## 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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Committees Continued...

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. Ensures 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.

## LOOKING FOR NEW CHAMPIONS

Be sure to let Nikki Winzer know if you have any new brags for the newsletter. The deadline is the 28<sup>th</sup> 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 to [wkcnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:wkcnewsletter@gmail.com)

## Wichita Kennel Club Officers and Board

Mike Williams,  
President

Jackie Storer,  
Vice President

Pam Watkins,  
Treasurer

Nikki Winzer,  
Recording Secretary  
&  
Corresponding  
Secretary

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Simone Klein  
Rachel Hawpe  
Pat Deshler

We're on the Web!

See us at:

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

# Monday September 9<sup>th</sup> at Mike & Susan's Farm

We will be setting up the Fast Cat Lane at 5:30pm. Many hands make light work. After the meeting there will be a short talk about the opportunities to serve your club in the Fast Cat Trial and the Scentwork Trial coming up this fall. You don't want to miss out. Plenty of food and drink will be provided!

