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# THE PAWPRINT

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wenatchee Kennel Club

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**October  
2020**

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## WKC Scent Work Trial

It was that perfect October weather that we hope for: cool and cloudy in the mornings, blue skies and warm in the afternoons, with one short light sprinkle and even, on Saturday, rainbows setting off the Cashmere hills.



The scent work trial participants had the entire fairgrounds to ourselves, leaving lots of beautiful grass to set up dog crates and chairs and canopies, and ample space for our judges to lay out pristine areas for new Exterior runs each day.

This would have been the 4<sup>th</sup> year that WKC held a Scent Work trial as part of its Dog Show weekend, and although the Dog Show was cancelled due to COVID-19, the Scent Work Trial was able to go forward using the Phase 1.5 protocols. And it was great!!

# WKC Scent Work Trial

A human and canine perspective (by Tara and Otter)

With so many events cancelled this year, this was the first dog event Otter and I had been to since March.

*Otter: Been boring, boring, boring.*

I was hugely appreciative of the efforts made to keep participants safe. We started each morning by checking in at an outside table, with a temperature check and ample sanitizer and cleaning supplies available at each building. Masks were worn indoors (and outdoors by most participants), and the humans and most of the dogs (ahem, Otter) were good about social distancing.

*Otter: Gotta say hi to my friends!*



Thank you to Jan Flatten for photos!!

*Above: Sunrise at the check-in table*

A scent work search has time limits, ranging from 2 minutes for some of the simpler classes up to 9 minutes for some of the advanced classes. So doing a search, with fewer than 5 masked people in a good size building, felt much less risky than a typical trip to the grocery store.

*At right: Participants listen while Mike Barclay, Scent Work Trial Chair, starts the morning briefing. (Photo by Louise Day.)*



There were four different levels at the trial (Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters) with each level progressively harder. Otter and I both enjoy doing the searches, but the upper levels are proving challenging.

*Otter: Silly human ignores what I tell her.*

There are four different elements (Buried, Containers, Interior, and Exterior), and the WKC trial tested all four once each of the three days. Otter likes Interior, which is like looking for scents in a room in a house, and Exterior, which is like looking for scents in a backyard.

*Otter: Buried is boring.*



Above: The white tent in the background is the "blind" where each pair waits for their turn to do an exterior search.

In the Brags section of the newsletter, you'll see people refer to "Q"s or "Non-Qs". That means searches that either count toward getting a title (Q=Qualifying) or don't. To get a Q, you have to find all the scents within the time limit, and also not commit a major fault. I think this was the first year Otter and I didn't have any disqualifying faults.

*Otter: Can't climb on stupid shelves! Can't crush little boxes! Can't even pee on the grass!*

If you get 3 Qs in a level for any one of the elements, then you get an AKC title. They gave out ribbons for each Q, for 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> place (by time), and for new titles.

*Otter: Can't eat ribbons. Prefer snacks.*



*Shanna Davies, volunteer, is keeping things organized for the container classes.*

Occasionally searches will be off-leash, if it can be done safely, but most searches are done on-leash. I like it when runs are on-leash, although Otter has her own preferences.

*Otter: Can't chase the birds. Can't kiss the judges.*

The judges were very helpful in answering questions, and gave us a chance to see the courses with "walk-throughs" before each search. Dogs don't do the walk-through.

*Otter: Wanna do a run-through!*

This was the 4<sup>th</sup> year that WKC held the trial, and it ran really smoothly. A loudspeaker was used to make sure people knew when classes were starting, or when results had been posted. The club used a run order, so people knew when their turn would be, but everybody was also very flexible, so that all the participants were able to get to their searches even if they had multiple dogs.

*Otter: Peskie stayed home, 'cause she barks.*

Of all the dog activities we've tried, scent work is one of my favorites. And dogs that might not be able to do other activities because of injuries or getting older can still participate and have fun.

*Otter: Good for slow humans too.*

Huge kudos to all the volunteers, and to Mike and Jan Barclay, and to the judges!

*Otter: Good sniffing! Got petted! Got treats!*



*Above: WKC club member Sue Edick and her dog Cubby do an Exterior search while the judge watches. Orange cones are used to mark off the search area. Each Exterior search at each level requires a pristine search area for each day; fortunately, the Cashmere Fairgrounds was large enough to provide all 12 Exterior search areas needed for the trial.*

## You Are Making It Happen!



This view is of the west side of the property with Mission Ridge in the background. The sign says, "Please Keep Off Grass".

WKCers came forward when it was learned that grass was required for the Permanent Occupancy Permit to be issued. The estimate for the beautiful sod in the photo and irrigation lines with sprinklers was \$25,000. Donations and pledges totaling over \$20,000 were made within days and Rodriguez Landscaping made the miracle happen. The east side will be seeded until funds are available to install sod for a second training ring.

Normal operating expenses continue as we need more dirt, earthwork, additional landscaping, dog waste stations, amenities, etc. Your continued support through the pandemic pause in income is reassuring.

Designate your gift: *Building Fund*.

### TRAINING CENTER PHASE I DONORS

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\$10,000 Plus	6	\$710,028
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3	\$20,840
\$2,500 to \$4,999	4	\$12,494
\$1,000 to \$2,499	24	\$31,679
\$250 to \$999	21	\$8,815
\$5 to \$249	115	\$8,110
<b>Totals</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>\$791,966</b>

## Louise's Corner

Hello from sunny California? I have not seen the sun through the smoke since we got here a week ago. This has been a busy time for me with all the fires. This is my fifth fire this year. A special thank you to Chuck St. John and Judy Paris for getting the dog show venues cancelled. There are many groups that work with us to make this event happen.

I am thrilled about the sod being laid on one side of our building. I have only seen pictures but it looks beautiful. I can already feel our park-like setting starting to take shape. Thank you to the two families who donated to make that happen.

The contractor that did such a great job is willing to do the other side including the back for \$25,000 this fall if we can raise the money. So, if anyone would like to donate and make this happen please call Willard or go on line. It is because of our generous members that we have gotten so far on the building. A thank you also to all the weed pullers - wow, that was a lot of weeds pulled. Not a fun job but one that needed to be done.

I was thrilled that AKC again recognized our outstanding club. I have read the article numerous times and marvel at all we do. Chuck St. John is right we take our can-do attitude for granted. I hope we never lose sight of what our mission is and where we are going. We are an important part in our area and I hope we will be for many years to come.

Hope to see you all soon

*Louise*



### Membership (by Carol Sunada)

Jax: "Hi every one! Oh, what weather we are having and I don't like it. I am not feeling that good right now - had to get up at 5AM this morning because my stomach hurt and I needed to go. Mom let me right out and what a relief it was. Unfortunately it has stayed with me all day. Mom says that if it does not get better by tomorrow, I get to go and visit my friends at the vet's office. AND THEN IT IS NOT JUST THE RAIN, BUT THE HIGH WINDS AND STORMS. Storms with the thunder and lightning don't go well with me either. At least Mom understands and keeps me with her and coaches me through it with her soft hands rubbing all over my body - and I really like that. My birds love this cooler weather and are back for me to patrol and protect. When I came in they all fly onto the fence line and let me know that they are Ok. Until next time!



## Membership (continued)

### NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Carol Sunada, Membership Chairman (509) 665-9987

Several people have expressed an interest in joining our club, and we have received just a couple of applications. I am working with them to do some volunteer work with us so that they can join under Option B (working two 4 hour shifts at events scheduled by our Club). They both worked at the Scent Work Trials and perhaps you had a chance to meet them. As you know, we love new members. If you have a friend or family member who is interested in joining or learning more about our Club, please call Carol at (509) 665-9987 for more information.



### **WKC Members' News and Brags**



Diane Gallatin: Miska (at left) earned her overall Novice Scent Work Title this weekend!

Tami Woolsey: Tolli got her ACT1 title! She had previously earned her scentwork title in NOVICE containers. She has one Q towards her Interior Novice and is working on her Advanced title in containers.

Tara Barrett: Otter got three new titles at the WKC Scent Work trial: Advanced Containers, Excellent Interior, and Excellent Exterior. After the Excellent titles, we tried three Master's level searches, and did not Q in them but enjoyed the challenge. Buried is our nemesis.

Gail Roberts: Pakuk with his bling from the weekend's WKC Scent Work Trial! He qualified in 8 of 12 entries, earned a 4th place in Novice Exteriors yesterday (24 seconds), earned 2 new titles (Novice Exteriors, Novice Containers), and had a lot of fun learning "how to do a dog show". He was relaxed, interested in everything, and well behaved and quiet. We don't do a lot of this, in fact this was our only event this entire year! I've very proud of him! He's getting a chunk of hamburger in his dinner tonight, and has had more than his share of treats today, but he deserves it all!



My thanks to our wonderful Wenatchee Kennel Club and Mike and Jan Mike Barclay who spearheaded this trial and who provide SW lessons. I credit them (and Betsy Metcalf) for much of our success, especially for the Exteriors title! We learned so much in last spring's online class, and I know those lessons paid off. This event was so well done...socially distanced, masks inside and when not socially distanced, great volunteers. Everyone so cheerful and helpful and supportive. We have such a great club. It was so fun to get to Do Something With Our Dogs and Visit With Friends again!



Norm and Louise Day: GCH CH Set-Point Dreaming In Chocolate Finished his Interior Novice this weekend. Hayden (at left) is owned by Norm and Louise Day. He also Q'd in Exterior.



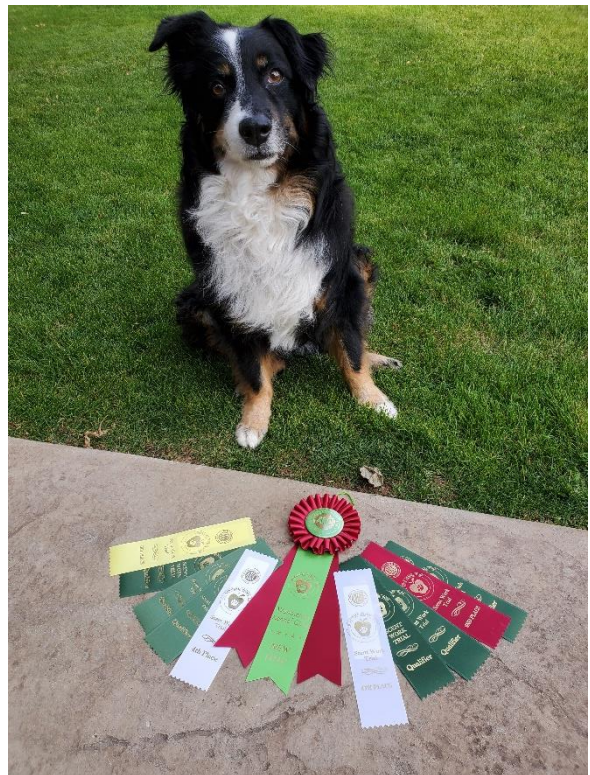


Emily Harbury: Olive (on left) has earned her novice AND intermediate rally titles! 97, 87, 90.

Q (on right) has earned her novice rally title: 85, 90, 97. She is also competently doing 6 weave poles. Not bad for a 10 month old puppy!

Pam Petit: Riley (at left below) and I enjoyed our first agility trial this year earning 4 qualifying scores out of 5 runs! He also received 3 first place ribbons and two new titles, his title in Open JWW and Excellent Standard. All of that and he turned 10 years old that weekend!

Dakota (at right below) had so much fun at our WKC Scent Work Trial! He earned 6 qualifying scores and a two new element titles, Excellent Interior and Advanced Exterior. Thank you WKC and Mike and Jan Barclay for a wonderful trial!





Jan Flatten: Aspen and Ginger Flatten (Australian Shepherds) had quite the weekend at the Wenatchee Kennel Club's scent work trial. Aspen (*above*) qualified each of the three days in Novice Interiors and Exteriors, and two days in Novice Buried, earning titles in all of those (plus placements) and her overall title in Novice Scent Work (she already had a title in Containers from her first trail in August). She added an Advanced Containers run to that, with a first place! Ginger (*below*) completed her overall Novice title with nice Interior and Exterior runs (Pam Pettit ran her in Exterior since Jan couldn't run two dogs at the same level). She also added legs in Excellent Interiors (with a 4th place) and Advanced Exteriors. Jan is headed for a hot bath.



Carole Parsons, SierraBlu Kennels:

- "Stryker" Abenaki's Stryker the Trail CGC, TKN, WTD earned his Trick Dog Novice title at 13 years and 3 months old
- "Skye" TruNorth's The Skye's the Limit RN, TKN, WWPD, Working Dog, earned her Trick Dog Intermediate title
- "Fiona" Gryphon's Northern Moonflower CD, CGCS, RA, WTD, SEN, SBN, BHN, Earned her Trick Dog Intermediate title

Fiona also earned her SCN title and SIN title to finish her all-around novice (SWN: Scentwork Novice) title in all novice elements and is now in Advanced. She earned the new scent work titles at the Wenatchee Kennel Club Scent work trial this weekend.



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