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# THE PAWPRINT

The Monthly Newsletter of the Wenatchee Kennel Club

*The Wenatchee Kennel Club (WKC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Its purpose is to further the advancement of all breeds of purebred dogs and provide education for their responsible breeding; conduct events under the rules of the American Kennel Club and to hold other events as approved by the Wenatchee Kennel Club; and provide education, training, and information regarding the responsible ownership, care and exhibiting of all dogs. Those interested in becoming members are invited to contact WKC at (509) 886-DOGS (3647).*

**April  
2021**

President: Louise Day  
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Secretary: Jan Barclay

Directors: Chuck St. John,  
Mike Barclay, John Njus,  
Carla Duncan

## Upcoming Events

**WKC Hunt Tests**  
May 8-9 in Almira, WA

**WKC Membership Meeting**  
May 23 @ 3 pm  
(Tentative)

## WKC Tracking Test

The Wenatchee Kennel Club had a fun and successful Tracking Test on March 21, 2021 at the KV Ranch in Palisades! We had 6 teams testing in this year's event with 3 teams earning titles!

We are so very proud of the passing TDX team, our very own Maggy Susman and Hermione! Maggy received wonderful compliments from the judges on her handling during their test, and they were amazing to watch!



*Maggy Susman and her lab Hermione earned their TDX (Tracking Dog Excellent) title!*

## WKC Tracking Test (continued)

Two TD teams also earned their title, Debbi Meinema from Davenport, WA with her German Shepherd and Jean Swanson from Otis Orchards, WA with her Golden Retriever!

As in all of our events it takes a village to make it happen. We had a fabulous group of volunteers! Our Chief Track Layers, John Njus and Marshall Brown did a great job of coordinating and transporting everyone to and from the fields in an efficient manner! Betsy Metcalf, Linda Harbury and Marshall Brown were our TDX track layers with Erin Anderson and Tara Barrett laying cross tracks. Our TD track layers were Katie Hamilton and Mike Barclay, doing a great job for their first time volunteering for this event! Pat Vetter, Tarrah Te Velde and Arieca Devery graciously provided trucks and transportation! Paige Brown offered and provided the use of her ATV, which was a tremendous help for navigating the narrow roads. Bev Jones provided delicious sack lunches on Saturday for the judges and all volunteers.

Thanks to all for a great event!

Pam Pettit  
Tracking Test Chair and Secretary



*Wanda Cottam*  
*WKC member and instructor.*

Dog instructor and animal lover, Wanda Cottam's compassion did not come to an end with her death. Wanda's pride was in her student's growth and the understanding of their canine companions. Wanda passed away April 10, 2021 after a courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by loved ones.

Wanda established Canine Capers and has been helping dogs train their owners since 1997. She was a devoted Kennel Club member

for numerous years and participated in multiple roles within the club, however her greatest passion was to help owners engage and connect with each other and broaden their understanding. Her knowledge and skills will be missed beyond measure and will forever hold a very special place in our hearts.

## Ag Dogs

Enjoying a brief respite amidst a cherry orchard in full bloom, participants, instructors, and advisory members of the Ag Dog pilot project anticipated their work ahead.

Called Ag Dogs, the agricultural detection dog/handler teams have been learning to discriminate between healthy cherry wood and infected cherry wood. The dogs are being trained specifically to detect Little Cherry Disease. The cherry wood comes from the Clean Plant Center Northwest at Prosser, WA and is routinely delivered to WKC by Teah Smith of Zirkle Fruit in Wenatchee.

Similar detection dog projects at Texas Tech University and Virginia Tech University are focused instead on insect vectors of plant diseases in grape vineyards. Through partnership with Hallie McMullen, a professional detection dog trainer in Idaho, the WKC Ag Dog pilot project is able to collaborate with these two USDA funded university projects.

Special thanks to instructors Mike and Jan Barclay for their considerable time and expertise in designing the incremental steps required for development and teaching of this pilot project. Ag Dog enthusiasm is evident as dog/handler teams hone scent work skills for this new task of detection work—distinguishing the difference between healthy and infected cherry wood.

--Lynda Pheasant, chair Ag Dog project



WKC members involved in the Ag Dog project gathered for a photo op in an East Wenatchee Cherry Orchard are (L-R) Darby and Linda Harbury, Otter and Tara Barrett, Linda McFarland and Angel, Ag Dog Advisory committee members: Erin Andersen, Pam and Alan Sage, Sue Edick and Cubby, Instructors Jan and Mike Barclay, Jan Flatten and Aspen, and Ag Dog Project coordinator Lynda Pheasant. (not pictured: Betsy Metcalf & Zenyatta, Marcia Greenwood, and John and Helen Njus)



## Louise's Corner



Again, I want to thank all the volunteers who helped with the Tracking tests and Scent Work trial. Both events were a success because of you.

To the members who are coming out to help with the landscaping at the Training Center **thank you!**

To those who have not helped yet, we need you to come and help. I know we are all busy and that the different dog events are starting back up, but we really need more volunteers to come out to these work parties. You have heard the expression 'if you build it, they will come'? Well, we are trying to build these outdoor areas so we can have outdoor practice areas and events. I know many of the work parties are called in short notice but when the weather is good, or the plants come in, we must work quickly.

We still have the following events coming up this year and need volunteers:

4 Hunt Tests in May 8-9 Almira – Louise Day  
Scent work trial in September at Fairgrounds – Jan and Mike Barclay  
1 Agility Trial in October – Suzanne and Betsy Metcalf  
3 Dog Shows and Obedience and Rally Trials in October, and we also do Fast Cat and Weight Pulling at the shows – Louise Day.

At the April Board meeting we agreed to purchase a riding lawn mower and to rent a large shed for one year. We are renting the shed to put the lawn mower and snow blower in. It was decided to rent so we can see where the best place is to put the shed, and the size and number of sheds we will need in the future.

The Wenatchee Kennel Club has been nominated and qualified to go into round two of the Wenatchee World's Best Dog Training Club. Please take the time to vote when it is time for round two. We also were nominated for best dog park. We have withdrawn from that as we are not a dog park.

If all the Covid-19 restrictions stay the same, we are going to try to have a membership meeting May 23 at 3 p.m.

*Louise*



JAX



## German Shepherd

Per Jax: "Hi every one! AND Oh my gosh - all of my bushes and trees are full of birds and our 2 backyard cats who don't like me. So I scared them out of the bushes so that the birds belong to me. Oh what fun it is to watch them get out of the bushes and run from me - never saw a cat jump up an 8 foot retaining wall so fast. My next adventure is the cabana with the refrigerator and my back yard. The refrigerator is currently empty and ready to be cleaned and turned on where sometimes the refrigerator door is not completely closed and I get to look around and select something I just know that I will like. And then on to my yard which is now mostly dirt and what a mess it is after it is watered. So Mom decided to close off half of my yard and re-seed it. And I can't get in the way she did it. AND my favorite bush is in that area so I can't keep track of MY birds - what a deal. No latest finds in the house - she has it all cleaned up.

Have a great day - until next time.

Carol, JAX's Mom

## MEMBERSHIP

### NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Carol Sunada, Membership Chairman (509) 665-9987

At the April Board of Directors meeting, the Board received and reviewed the following applications for membership: Amanda Wilsey, Ruth Carpenter, and Jennifer Frese. They had applied for membership under Option 2 of working at least a total of 8 hours at our WKC Scent Work Trials held on March 27 and 28, 2021. All applications were completed. Under these special circumstances of not being able to hold a general membership meeting for several months now, these 3 applications for membership were voted in by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on April 6, 2021.

### PLEASE WELCOME:

Amanda Wilsey - Australian Shepherd

Ruth Carpenter and her family members, Jenna and Blake Carpenter  
- Golden Retriever

Jennifer Frese - German Shepherd and Toy Poodle

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 further information.

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Your donations and hard work have helped the Wenatchee Kennel Club Training Center survive the COVID-19 pandemic. Phase I expenses continue as the landscaping, irrigation, storage for the snow blower and riding mower move forward. WKC is an amazing group of generous volunteers.

Please review the Donor Recognition list both just because you may find it interesting, and to check your listing so that any errors or omissions can be eliminated. Please contact Helen Njus (509-630-8530) or Chuck St. John (509-421-8585) with any suggestions or concerns.



### WKC Members' News and Brags

**Karen Haase:** After a smash and go start, **Bullet** got down to business at the club's recent scent work trail and earned his Novice Owner Discrim. Title. He then went on to complete his Novice Buried Title and earn 2 Q's toward his Advanced Container. His human is very proud of him.

Bullet also enjoyed his introduction to barn hunt (I think he's part Jack Russell Terrier ). He competed in his first trial 4/17. Bullet did an amazing job, but after some operator errors in his first two events. He went on to earn 3rd place in the 2nd trial of the day. After his human bought him some cookies and a new toy, he forgave her for messing up the am trial. 😊

**Ellie Russell:**

Great time at our Scentwork Trial in March. **Milly** finished her Advanced Buried title and Master Container title plus two! Spent an enjoyable weekend in Spokane at a UKC trial coming away with two more titles.

Thank you Mike and Jan Barclay for the teaching.



Wonderful Scent Work trials! Kudos to Jan & Mike Barclay, the very pleasant judge and all their helpers.



**Suzanne Metcalf:** **Astrid** did well at her very first Scentwork Trials:

- A Novice Containers Title with a 2nd & 4th placing
- A Novice Buried Title with 2 firsts and a second

**Cindy Tomlinson:** At the WKC Moses Lake Agility Trial, my male doberman **Bobby**, (Ch. Karlee Not For Heroes AD, CD, RE, MX, MXJ, XF, CAA, BCAT) finally got his last Ex. Standard Q for his MX, we have only been trying for 3 years to achieve this!,

My female doberman **Petra**, (Karlee's Stone's Throw Away OXJ, OX) got all of her last Open Q's to be able to compete in the Excellent class! I was so proud of her. Thanks Betsy for all of your help in the Agility 6 class with her! Well, enough said, it was a great weekend.

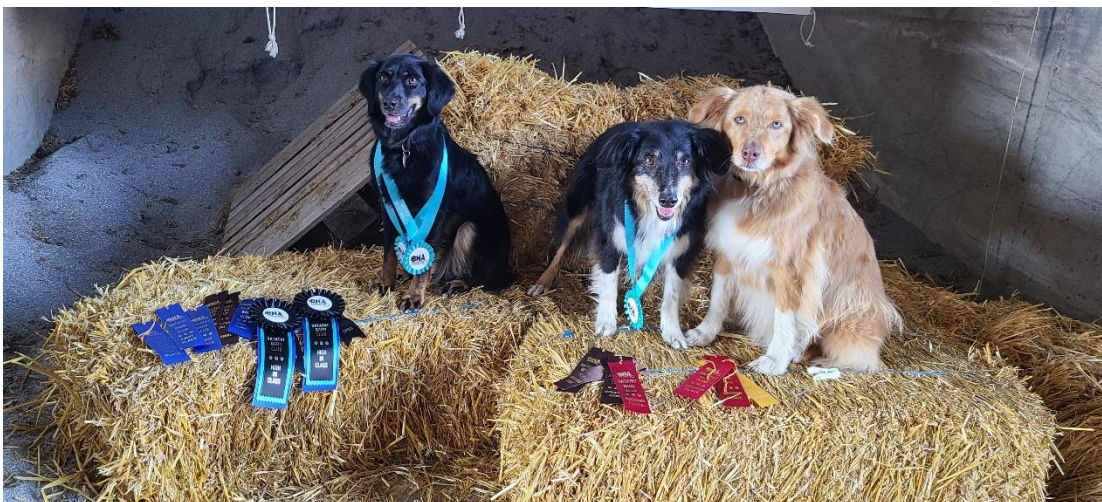


**Shanna Davies: Ethel Grace** (at left) earned her novice Handler Discrimination title on 3/26/21 and also earned her Novice Containers title on 3/27/21.

She got 2 placement ribbons for 3rd place in Novice Buried for the very first time.

**Jan Flatten: Ginger and Aspen** Flatten rocked the WKC scent work trial in March. Ginger earned both her Advanced Buried and Excellent Containers titles, with Ginger earning four Qs on Sunday under four different handlers, one of whom she had only seen around the training center (Marcia Greenwood, Excellent Containers) and one of whom she had never met (Barb Benner, Advanced Buried). Thanks to them and Pam Pettit for handling her and earning both of those titles on Sunday! Jan found herself in that position when Pam was able to get into the Sunday trial; although she handled Ginger in the morning, Aspen had moved up to Ginger's level containers by earning her Advanced Containers title Sunday morning. Lots of Qs and placements for these girlies! It takes a village!

All three Flatten dogs, Ginger, Brandi and Aspen went to two days of the Ratatat Barn Hunt in mid-April. Aspen earned her Novice Barn Hunt title AND her Open Barn Hunt title, all first places; two of her open Qs were even high in class! Brandi earned three Qs in her first ever barn hunt and her Novice Barn Hunt Title with first and second places. Ginger and Aspen earned Qs and points in Crazy 8s too (in two days Aspen racked up 250 Qs toward her C8s title, which requires 500 points)! Ginger also earned a Q in Senior B (she already has that title and is not ready for Masters). It was fun being with a lot of other WKC members at these trials and seeing the success everyone had!







GCH Ch Set-Point Dreaming In Chocolate SIN SCN SBN owned by **Norman and Louise Day** received two qualifying ribbons, one in Handler Discrimination and one in Containers at the Wenatchee Scent Work trial.



**Rusty** getting his qualifying ribbon in Containers. Rusty belongs to Louise's 92 year old mother Dolores Remsen and he is 15 years old.





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- **Current class schedules** and more info at [www.wenatcheekennelclub.com](http://www.wenatcheekennelclub.com).

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