



**Wenatchee  
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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).*

**August  
2021**

President: Louise Day  
Vice-President: Marshall Brown  
Treasurer: Willard Fields  
Secretary: Jan Barclay

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

## Upcoming Events

**WKC Members Meeting**  
Sunday, Aug 30 at 7 p.m.  
WKC Training Center

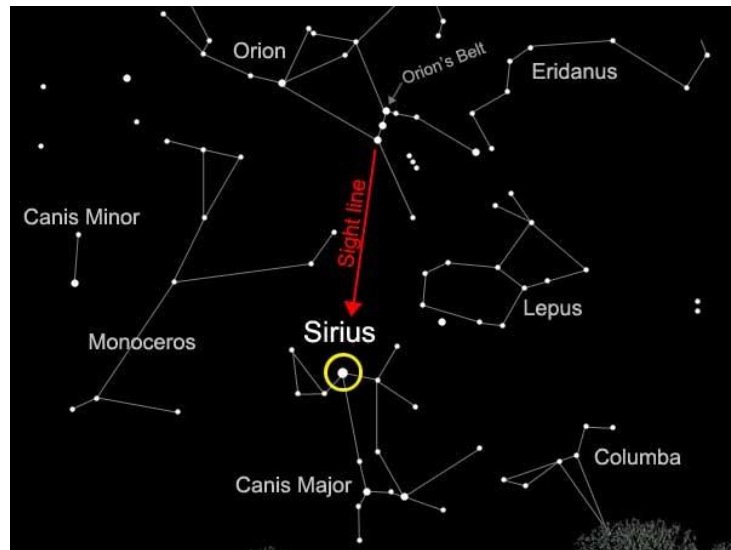
**Barn Hunt Clinic**  
August 28, 2021

**WKC Scent Work Trial**  
September 24-26, 2021

**WKC Agility Trial**  
October 16-17, 2021

**WKC All Breed Show**  
October 22-24, 2021  
Includes 3 days of Dog  
Shows along with  
Obedience, Rally, and  
Weight Pull  
Events  
Chelan County  
Fairgrounds

## Those Dog Days of Summer



Technically, the Dog Days of Summer are over. The term comes to us from the ancient Greeks, to refer to that period of summer when the Dog Star (Sirius), the brightest star in the sky, follows the same path as the sun in the sky - roughly from July 3 to August 11 this year. But the popular meaning of the word is for those super-hot oppressive days of summer - sometimes taken to mean weather "too hot for a dog." Here's hoping it's almost over - that we'll soon have seen the last of heat domes, record temperatures, and smoke so dense it turns the sunlight a strange orange-gray, at least for this year. And September will bring us not just cooler weather, but lots of fun dog activities. We have the WKC Scent Work Trial in September (registration opens next week!), followed by the WKC Agility Trial and Dog Show in October. So if the smoke and heat have been getting you down, don't despair - the "Dog Days of Autumn" are just around the corner!



## Louise's Corner

We have started having our meetings on the last Sunday of each month last month. Please join us as this is where you, the members, learn what is going on and can offer input and help on the events.

Our September and October classes will be open in the next couple of days. Be sure to get your class registration to Tami Woolsey so she can start on this big job early. Marshal and I are no longer doing that big job and Tami is the one to contact.

We will be having the Scent Work Trial in September. Be sure to call Jan or Mike Barclay to see where you can help. The trial will be at the Fairgrounds in Cashmere so all sections of competitions will be offered.

This is the time of year the club becomes terribly busy again and we need everyone to help. If you are competing in one event offer to help at another so you can be free to enjoy your event. As our club puts on more events every year it affords you the opportunities to compete with your dog in a wide variety of performance and conformation events. Come on out and enjoy your membership to the fullest and learn about your next fun thing to do with your dog.

I need anyone who would like to offer a breed prize or Rally or Obedience Prize for the dog show to please email me at [nfday@msn.com](mailto:nfday@msn.com) right away. I am working on the premium and need to get it finished up.

A reminder that the Board has also opened the training center indoors and out on west lawn for individual club members to train with their dogs. Please contact Linda Harbury for reservations. The center can only be booked 2 weeks out for these sessions. Do not just drop in the center without reserving it. Remember this is your club and treat it as you would your home and clean up after yourself and put things away. Remember also not to take agility equipment out unless you talk to Linda first. This equipment is expensive and needs to be put up and taken down a certain way.

I need to remind all of you to exercise your dog in the proper areas and keep them on leash unless you are in class. This is so our grass has a chance to establish itself fully. We are seeing people going onto this new grass. It costs the club thousands of dollars to put those two areas in and we want to be able to enjoy it in the years to come.  
Till next month,

Louise



### **WKC AGILITY RAFFLE**

Our WKC agility raffle will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2021 at Confluence State Park as a fun activity that raises money for our club during our agility show to be held October 15 - 17. We would appreciate any donations from our members for this great event. They can be dog related or other items you feel appropriate and either new or used. Please leave them in our crate room at our club facility with your name and phone number on the item(s). As you enter this room there are 3 shelves on the right marked for donations. We would appreciate receiving these items prior to October 1.

If you have any questions, please call Lynne Benton at (509) 630-2945 or email me at [randyandlynne@msn.com](mailto:randyandlynne@msn.com)

### **AGRICULTURAL DETECTION DOG PILOT PROJECT**

On August 5<sup>th</sup> the WKC Agricultural Detection Dogs showed off their skills for evaluation by Dr. Nathan Hall, Director of the Canine Olfaction Laboratory at Texas Tech University. In a double-blind study, each dog ran through a sequence of five practice runs followed by ten test runs to identify the positive sample of cherry wood with Little Cherry Disease. The dogs gave strong performances in correctly identifying the diseased cherry wood samples. And on a control run one dog clearly indicated to its handler, "Mom, there isn't any disease here!"

Following Dr. Hall's evaluation of Hallie McMullen's counterpart program in Idaho this weekend, we look forward to receiving an official report on the performance of the two groups. The report will provide credibility to the WKC Ag Dog pilot project, allowing us to seek funding grants to further the project.

The next giant step will be to transition these agricultural detection skills from classroom to nursery tree and cherry orchard settings.

--Lynda Pheasant, Coordinator

### **DIET-RELATED CANINE HEART DISEASE**

In 2018, the Food and Drug Administration started to investigate reports of canine dilated cardiomyopathy (DCM) in dogs eating grain-free and specialty diets. A new study ([www.nature.com/articles/s41598-021-94464-2](http://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-021-94464-2)) published this month reports that peas were the ingredient most associated with DCM. An AKC article on the topic (<https://www.akc.org/expert-advice/news/peas-linked-dcm-canine-heart-disease>) suggests that if you are feeding a "grain-free" food that has peas as a primary ingredient (top 10), you should consult with your veterinarian to determine if you need to make a change to your dog's diet.

# JAX



## German Shepherd

Per Jax:

"Hi every one! AND Oh my gash - the heat of this summer is still here with us. Hope all of you are surviving - I know I am thankful to all the attention my Mom is giving me. However, when it hit 115-117 for 3 days in a row it made me very sick. So I am getting a lot of rest right now and doing better. The other day it was nice and cool in the evening and we got to go out and play some ball for just a little while. I keep checking all of my bushes and trees and there are no birds to be found = guess they are doing OK.

Oh yes, forgot to mention that Mom has included me in her garden weeding. We do this very early in the morning and about an hour before dark. Those weeds have taken over so we get to dig them and pull them out - that is just so much fun - try it.

Have a great day - until next time.

JAX's Mom, Carol

### NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Carol Sunada, Membership Chairman (509) 665-9987

Please welcome our new members to the Club who were voted in at the General Membership meeting on July 25, 2021.

Melissa Larson - Standard Poodle

Maria Kominak - Does not own a dog herself, but works with her grandmother's dog, a Standard Poodle, "Ruby"

The following applications for membership have been received and reviewed by the Board of Directors:

Meghan Grochala - Australian Shepherd/Husky mix

Tim and Shari Campbell - Golden Retriever

Troy and Sonya Peterson - Amstaff

At the next general membership meeting, their applications will be presented for final vote. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Membership Chairman, Carol at (509) 665-9987. Don't hesitate to leave a message and I will call you back.

We love new members! If you have a friend or family member who is interested in joining or learning more about our Club, please ask them to attend the next General Membership Meeting, or please call Carol at (509) 665-9987 and leave a message and I will call you back.





## WKC Members' News and Brags

Carla Duncan: Belgian Tervuren "Zulu" earned his AKC Temperament Test title (ATT) at the Puyallup Valley Dog Fanciers, July 7, 2021. His first passing score was earned at the Snake River Canyon KC of Idaho back in October 2020. He is now AM/Can CH Sky Acres Time To Fly SCN SBN RATN CGC ATT

Michelle Tevelde: In June, at the first PNW Greyhound Specialty, Boone (below) was awarded Select Dog and National Owner Handler, and then went on and won Best Opposite at the Clackamas County Kennel Club on Saturday and Sunday.







Jan Flatten: After years of setbacks in agility, scaredy dog Brandi (Australian Shepherd, above) earned her Masters Agility (preferred) title at the end of July racking up her 9th and 10th Qs at the tender age of 12. She also Q'd in T2B and Jumps with Weaves. Brandi came to us as a totally shut down rescue at 9 months of age. Agility helped her overcome her general fears and AKC's change in the 4 paw rule several years ago helped get us past her teeter fears. She is definitely slowing down so the WKC trial in October will likely be her last. Brandi Belle Flatten MXP MJP2, MJPB, OFP, T2BP, RATN, TKI. Her sister Aspen earned her Novice FAST title at the same trial at Fun Fur Paws. Aspen (at right) got a pink unicorn that she loves out of the deal!



Adventures with Sunry - Continued! By Sara Elzey

Sunry & I traveled close to 1500 miles, visited 2 new places & one well known, stayed in an Air B&B with a friend & 2 other dogs, stayed with Grandma & Grandpa at the assisted-living complex, and stayed at a Super 8 hotel. We experienced sweltering heat, howling wind (all the tents were blowing away), cold enough temps to need a blanket in the crate, and spitting rain! All this so we could compete in 3 agility trials! We must be nuts right!?!? Lol. But it was worth it! We had so much fun! And once again, Sunry was a total pro! She handled it all with her "chill" attitude, yet she was ready to play at a moment's notice. We had several awful runs (all caught perfectly on film! And not all handler error!) but had some really great ones too! We earned the last Q for our Novice Jumpers Title & Novice Fast Title; 3 more T2B Q's and 21 points and earned our Open Jumpers & Standard Titles! I am so very proud of my girl! She is a joy to work & live with!







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