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## Upcoming Events

**WKC Members Meeting**  
Sunday, August 27  
WKC Training Center

**WKC Scent Work Trial**  
September 22-24  
Chelan Country  
Fairgrounds

**WKC Agility Trial**  
October 13-15  
Confluence State Park

**WKC Dog Show**  
October 20-22  
Chelan County  
Fairgrounds

# 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  
2023**

## Introduction to Rally



The Membership Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 27th, at 7 pm at the Training Center.

Vicki Hobbs and the team will present "Introduction to Rally". Come find out what Rally is all about. It includes a demo and attendees can give it a try.

A business meeting will proceed after the demo.

## WKC AGILITY RAFFLE

Our WKC agility raffle will be held on Saturday, October 14, 2023 at Confluence State Park as a fun activity that raises money for our club during our agility show to be held October 13 - 15. 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 (if in good condition). 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 a couple of shelves on the left marked for donations. We would appreciate receiving these items prior to October 3.

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



## Louise's Corner

Wenatchee Kennel Club is coming up on some very busy months in September and October. You may think it is too early to be thinking about it but your show and trial committees are hard at work and need your help.

First up is the scent work trial - entries will be opening soon and it promises to be a great one again. Our trial is September 22-24. They have hired a fourth judge in order to shorten the days for the judges and exhibitors. Be sure to look up the premium on our web page right away. They will need timers, gate stewards, help in hospitality, set up, and take down.

Then comes the agility trial on October 13-15 which will be three days of fun. Many of our members and students have work hard all year for this event. Helpers will be needed in many areas: hospitality, raffle, gate, rings etc. Come out and watch our club shine!!

Then come the three-day Dog show the next week October 20-22. We will need people at the fairgrounds on Thursday to help set up all the buildings and venues. We have health clinics, FAST CAT Obedience, Rally, Conformation, Junior Showmanship, Beginner Puppy and Pee Wee for the little kids. We will need ring stewards and people to help in obedience and rally. We will also need members to sit at our club table to sell catalogs etc. We will not have the boy scouts and their parents this year to help as their troop has grown very small as the boys have grown and gone off to school.

At all these events there is a job for everyone. Please don't wait to volunteer - see the chairman and ask what you can do. Remember what I have been saying for several years. Volunteer to help at an event you don't participate in. If we each do that then the members competing can be more relaxed at the event.

*Louise*



## July Potluck Picnic

by Maggy Susman

The July 30th membership meeting held at WKC was So Much FUN! The meeting was a combination of Carla Duncan, Linda Harbury, Pam Jenkin's, Fideo and Stephanie Ko and many others' hard work. WKC provided fried chicken for the potluck, and our members brought more dishes of hot, cold and fresh food than could even be consumed. The club arranged



a cake and ice cream celebration for Jack Pheasant's birthday. Judy Johnson had a very cheerful birthday card she passed around for all of us to sign. We opened the overhead doors, shut down the a/c and gathered in the west field. Food was served in the kitchen.

Our ever-generous members showed up to help with set up and tear down, so that went quickly and easily. People brought pop-ups and their dogs and lots of yummy food. While everyone was busy chowing down, Pam Jenkins announced the winners of the AKC agility league. Some of our league people demonstrated how agility could look with a trained dog on a short course.

While people were munching down on delicious desserts Linda H. explained the obstacle course and everyone interested was able to take their dog through it. There were some cute prizes for the top six dogs, and lots of fun watching owners and dogs try to complete new and unusual challenges.

Jack Pheasant received the Happy Birthday song from the club members and happy birthday cake and ice cream was available. However, many of us had eaten a lot of potluck and had to pass on the cake.

We had many guests and prospective members enjoy the evening. Sara Elzey's dad was visiting from Sequim. Linda Hessel brought seven dog loving guests to share the joy of WKC. They were Ann and Doug Pelton who have completed both Beginner Dog and Basic Obedience with their standard poodle, Riley; Sydnee and her mom who are currently in Rally Advanced and their yellow labs Dana and Amal. And they brought 3 of their dog loving friends!

A lot of people stuck around to help break down the obstacle course and the agility course. It was a fun evening and I want to thank everybody for all of their assistance and hard work to put this together.

## Summer Agility League

by Sarah Elzey, Team Captain

The summer season of AKC's Agility League wrapped up August 6<sup>th</sup>. The two teams from WKC had some great competition runs and finished well in the final season rankings. Agility League scoring is a bit different than regular agility trials. Dogs are timed, but they also lose points for faults – like knocking jump bars or wrong courses. The time and fault points are fed into a formula that accounts for the different jump heights and course yardages to come up with a numbered score. A lower score number is better than a higher score. This allows dogs to compete against each other all over the nation. For this season the Q Seekers team stayed in the top 20 teams in the very competitive senior level. Rugged Runners team finished 7<sup>th</sup> for the season in the sophomore level. Four dogs earned a Clean Sweep Award, meaning they had no faults for all six rounds – Brandi, Aspen, Riley and Sunry! And a big congratulations to Riley, Austin, Pepper, Luna and Brandi for finishing in the top 5 for the individual rankings! Way to go! See the complete season results in the chart below.

For the summer season, the Q Seekers, senior level team, was made up of six dogs and 4 handlers. The Rugged Runners sophomore level team was made up of 7 dogs and 7 handlers. The senior level is for dogs with excellent or master titles, and the sophomore level is for dogs with novice or open titles. However, this season we had several dogs run UP a level to balance out the teams and because we did not have a freshman level team (for dogs without titles). Both teams ran in the Limited Division which refers to the size of the courses. Limited are within a 70x70 maximum. This made for some tight and twisty courses! Both dogs and handlers got a good workout in managing speed and timing each week. We had a different AKCW judge designing the courses this season, so the two teams ran completely different courses. This made for the occasional challenge for the course builders! Lol. But each week we had fun and dogs and handlers grew in skill level and teamwork, and most importantly – had a lot of fun! The fall season starts up September 26<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Jan Flatten for more information.

AKC Agility Summer Season 2023 - Limited Division					Results:						
Dog	Handler	Team	Level	Height	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Season
<b>TEAM RESULTS:</b>		<i>Q Seekers</i>	<i>senior</i>		<b>16</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>
Sunry**	Sara Elzey	Q Seekers	senior	16P	6	19	10	10	11	9	11
Abby	Sara Elzey	Q Seekers	senior	16P	12	28	8	13	7	5	13
Astrid	Betsy Metcalf	Q Seekers	senior	16P	19	22	n/a	n/a	20	19	20
Aspen**	Jan Flatten	Q Seekers	senior	12P	15	19	14	21	19	18	19
Brandi**	Jan Flatten	Q Seekers	senior	8V	1	4	2	2	3	2	3
Miley Rae	Becky Smith	Q Seekers	senior	12V	n/a	n/a	28	7	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>TEAM RESULTS:</b>		<i>Rugged Runners</i>	<i>sophomore</i>		<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>
Austin	Pam Pettit	Rugged Runners	sophomore	16P	3	22	2	3	1	14	5
Riley**	Beth Blair	Rugged Runners	sophomore	8R	5	6	3	3	2	4	4
Dixie	Cassie Paxton	Rugged Runners	sophomore	16P	19	19	10	13	n/a	13	16
Pepper	Kris Marohl	Rugged Runners	sophomore	8P	1	n/a	2	1	1	1	2
Mayday	Kelly Wagman	Rugged Runners	sophomore	16P	22	13	7	17	16	20	18
Luna	Paula Martinez	Rugged Runners	sophomore	20P	11	3	5	n/a	1	3	3
Elly Mae	Becky Smith	Rugged Runners	sophomore	16P	n/a	n/a	21	20	n/a	n/a	n/a

\*\*earned a Clean Sweep Award for the season



## Testing the Waters...

*by Tammie Variana of SOS-SRF.org, used with permission*

As the heat of the summer makes days a lot warmer, people start taking to the water and they take their dogs too. Please be informed about what could be in that water besides frogs & fish!

People need to be aware that there are Harmful Algae Blooms (HAB also known as Cyanobacteria) floating around in many bodies of water where you may not be aware. It presents itself as scum or changing water colors, like streaks across the surface or can have a foamy look.

If you see this or aren't sure, you are better safe than sorry. Steer clear and stay dry. Blue-green algae can get people sick, if ingested, but it is extremely harmful and potentially deadly to dogs. These algae blooms produce one of nature's most harmful poisons. A dog can ingest water by drinking the water directly, ingesting while splashing around, or even from licking the water off their coat after a swim or retrieving a "fetch" item from the lake that picks up particles. All it takes are a few drops of infected algae to be ingested by your furry friend and very quickly your dog's life can go from happy and healthy to critically ill.

Several people whose pets have become infected report their pets have become sick quickly with severe vomiting and/or diarrhea, some including blood. Some other symptoms of blue-green algae poisoning can include breathing difficulty, ataxia, elevated heart rate, confusion, shock and weakness, to name a few. Fatal liver failure can occur quickly, so if you suspect or are not sure, take your dog to the vet immediately.

Beneficial algae, as well as additional harmful varieties, can also be present in fresh and salt water sources across the country. Please be an educated pet parent and prepare your outings accordingly. Don't let a family day out at the lake end up as an urgent and critical visit to the emergency room.

Get more information from the CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/habs/index.html>



## The 2023 AKC Trick Dog National Competition

You could win Best Trick Dog for your breed!

All AKC Trick Dogs who have earned the Elite Performer title can enter the competition. As long as their dogs have a Trick Dog title, Juniors may enter the competition at any level. Because the competition is virtual (the judging will be done via video), trick dogs everywhere can participate.

Entries opened August 1 and the deadline for entries will be Monday, October 2. See

<https://www.akc.org/sports/trick-dog/announce-virtual-trick-dog-competition/>



Just a reminder: Dogs must be kept on leash while at the Wenatchee Kennel Club Training Center, including both indoor areas and in the parking lot. The only exception to this is during classes where the instructor has specifically designated an activity as off-leash.

Thank you!



## Membership Information

Do you have a friend or family member who is interested in joining the Wenatchee Kennel Club? Information is available at the membership tab on our web site: [www.wenatcheekennelclub.com](http://www.wenatcheekennelclub.com)



## WKC Members News

Melissa Larson: Ruby (at right) got mail, so it's official. She completed her Masters Scent Work title. Thank You to all the instructors at WKC for your help and support in training Scent Work.



Betsy Metcalf: Zenyatta (at left) is on a roll! She earned 2 Qs at Salem, Oregon trial in Scentwork Detective. These are her #8 and #9 Detective Qs, with a 1st (we were the only dog to pass that day) and a 2nd place.



Aspen (Australian Shepherd) and her mom, Jan Flatten, traveled to a Scent Work trial in Salem, OR a couple of weeks ago. Aspen just needed one more Q in Master Buried to earn her overall Master title in Scent Work, and she pulled off not just one, but two Qs in that class. She also qualified in Master Container and twice in Master Exterior. No joy in Detective but we are hopeful for our trial in September! From a Texas stray to Aussie Rescue's

Aspenglow RN OAP AJP NFP ACT2 ACT2J SWM SHDM RATS CZ8B TKI, most of it while fighting cancer. She does agility because she wants to be with me and it's my passion, but train the dog in front of you - she loves this sport!

Norm and Louise Day: Tessa had a Great month of Dog Shows. We are very proud of this young girl who is becoming a wonderful show dog.

RBIS BISS GCHB CH Set'r Ridge's Benelli of Set-Point JH BCAT (Tessa) Shown (at right) going Sporting group one at the Tacoma Kennel Club Show. She also took Best of Breed at all three of those shows that weekend. Shown by Christy Marley Johnson owned by Louise



and Norman Day. Tessa also took Best of Opposite at the Puget Sound English Setter Speciality.

At left: Tessa at Sammamish Kennel Club Sporting Group 4 under Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine and Best of Breed judge Sue Goldberg.



Norm and Louise day, continued:  
Tessa at Sammamish Kennel Club  
Sporting Group one and Best Of Breed  
under Chris Levy.

Tessa has now achieved her Silver Grand  
Championship.

Tessa also received a Select and 3 Best  
of Breeds and two Best Opposite at the  
Enumclaw week of shows.



Tessa and Christy a wonderful team:



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And to close this month's newsletter, a riddle for you, courtesy of Willard:

Four brothers--Andy, Bob, Carl, and Dan--each enter two dogs at a Scent Work Trial, and each has named his dogs after two of his brothers. Consequently, there are two dogs named Andy, two named Bob, two named Carl, and two named Dan.

Of the eight dogs, three are Australian Shepherds, three are Papillons, and two are Poodles. None of the four brothers owns two dogs of the same breed. No two dogs of the same breed have the same name. Neither of Andy's dogs is named Dan and neither of Carl's dogs is named Andy. No Australian Shepherd is named Andy and no Papillon is named Dan. Bob does not own a Papillon.

Who are the owners of the Poodles and what are the Poodles' names?

Answer will be in the September Pawprint.





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- **WKC Agility Trial** Oct. 13-15, Confluence State Park
- **WKC Dog Show and Associated Events** Oct. 20-22, Chelan Cty Fairgrounds
- **Current class schedules** and more info at [www.wenatcheekennelclub.com](http://www.wenatcheekennelclub.com).



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