

Richland Kennel Club



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Newsletter

May, 2022

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Mark Your Calendar

<p>All Member General Meeting</p> <p>****</p> <p>May 5 @ 7PM</p> <p>Howard Amon Park</p> <p>Bring a chair!</p> <p>June 2 @ 6:30PM</p> <p>PIZZA!!!</p> <p>In celebration of FAST CAT and a special THANK YOU to all our club members!</p> <p>BYOBeverage</p>	<p>Board of Directors Meeting</p> <p>*****</p> <p>May 19</p> <p>7PM</p> <p>Mark Eby's home</p>	<p>Handling Class</p> <p>Wednesday 7:00 PM</p> <p>Howard Amon Park</p> <p>Located behind Richland Community Center, at 500 Amon Park Dr, Richland, - south end of the park next to Hampton Inn.</p> <p>Be sure to check the RKC Facebook page for potential class closures when temps exceed 90 degrees or contact Laurie Weed at wildsageshelties@hotmail.com.</p> <p>May 4 LaNae Sharp</p> <p>May 11 Cindi McInturf</p> <p>May 18 Alyssa Paxton</p> <p>May 25 Laurie Weed</p>	<p>May 7</p> <p>Meet the Breeds</p> <p>@ Columbia Park</p> <p>For more information on this event, including ways you can support it, or participate, please contact Rose Marie Davis, Event Coordinator. msrosemarie1369@gmail.com</p> <p>(See page 3 for more info)</p>	<p>May 7th & 8th, 2022</p> <p>Richland Kennel Club & Walla Walla Kennel Club</p> <p>Fast Cat® Trials & Sanctioned B Match with Junior Handling</p> <p>@ Columbia Park</p> <p>For more information on this event, including ways you can support it, or participate, please contact Cindi McInturf, Event Coordinator. knock_knock_31@yahoo.com</p> <p>(See page 2 & 3 for more info)</p>
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EDITOR'S CORNER

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So very happy and blessed to be celebrating Mother's Day with my 94 year old mom in Minnesota this year! For her and all the wonderful moms in our club and in this world—

Happy Mother's Day!

Yours truly has been writing the RKC Newsletter for three years so it's time for fresh ideas and new writing to cover our club's events!

Please contact jkusich2014@gmail.com if you are interested in this very rewarding volunteer opportunity. It's a great way to make new friends, develop publishing skills, and most important make an important contribution to our club!

A Co-Editor position is also available. Please contact Jan Kusch for more information!

Her Hands

© Maggie Pittman

Her hands held me gently from the day I took my first breath.
Her hands helped to guide me as I took my first step.
Her hands held me close when the tears would start to fall.
Her hands were quick to show me that she would take care of it all.

Her hands were there to brush my hair, or straighten a wayward bow.
Her hands were often there to comfort the hurts that didn't always show.
Her hands helped hold the stars in place, and encouraged me to reach.
Her hands would clap and cheer and praise when I captured them at length.

Her hands would also push me, though not down or in harm's way.
Her hands would punctuate the words, just do what I say.
Her hands sometimes had to discipline, to help bend this young tree.
Her hands would shape and mold me into all she knew I could be.

Her hands are now twisting with age and years of work,
Her hand now needs my gentle touch to rub away the hurt.
Her hands are more beautiful than anything can be.
Her hands are the reason I am me.

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FUN RUN & FAST CAT EVENT

You can still enter FAST CAT the day of the event. Also, there will be a FUN RUN where you can test to see if your dog is an athlete and ready to run! The FUN RUN is only a \$10 entry.

Be sure to invite your friends, family, and neighbors to participate in these exciting new RKC events!!!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT NEW CLUB BUSINESS

I want to personally wish all of our Richland Kennel Club mothers a very special Mother's Day on May 8th! And what better way to celebrate mom this year than packing up family and friends and heading to our first RKC and Walla Walla FAST CAT event with FUN RUN and Meet the Breeds Event!! Looking forward to seeing you all there.

- Mark

Richland Kennel Club & Walla Walla Kennel Club

Fast CAT® TRIALS AND
SANCTIONED B MATCH
WITH JUNIOR HANDLING

Sanctioned B Match with Junior Handling (8-16 years offered) will be on Saturday with entries from 9:00am – 11:00am, Match will start at noon.

May 7 & 8, 2022
at Columbia Park

In addition, there will be
• fun run Fast CAT® • meet the breeds • rent-a-ring

Saturday, May 7
2 trials – Walla Walla Kennel Club
Sunday, May 8
1 trial – Richland Kennel Club

Superintended by N.W. Rhodesian Ridgeback Club.
Entry and premium information at <https://www.nwrrc.net/events>. For questions contact RichlandKC386@gmail.com or call 509.531.6402.

Attention all Juniors!!👁👁

AKC Sanctioned B Match

Richland Kennel Club & Walla Walla Kennel Club

Sanctioned B Match with Junior Handling

Columbia Park- Near Playground of Dreams
Kennewick, WA

MAY 7th

**Entries Open 10-11 am
Match begins at noon**

For More Information:
Contact Cindi McInturf
(509) 308-4957

CALLING ALL JUNIORS!

-Join us for Juniors at our Fun Match
-Awards for Best and Reserve Junior Handler

Judge: Rylee Carlon

You must be a member of either the Richland Kennel Club or the Walla Walla Kennel Club to participate. Please do not ask nonmembers to participate, they will be asked to remove their dogs. If there are several people with the same breed, please get together and select one time slot. Bring your friendly, clean dog ready to shine and represent their breed!

11:00 am – 11:45 am

1 Boston Terrier

2 Australian Shepherd

3 Havanese

4 Dachshunds

5

12:00 pm – 12:45 pm

1 Doberman

2 Papillon

3 Portuguese Water Dog / Lowchen

4 Whippets

5

1:00 pm – 1:45 pm

1 German Shepherd Dogs

2 Xoloitcuintli

3 Brittany

4 Pug

5 Bearded Collie

MEET THE BREEDS EVENT

Meet the Breeds – May 7th

The Richland Kennel Club and Walla Walla Kennel Club will be hosting Meet the Breeds on Saturday, May 7th. I am scheduling breeds. If the time slots fill up, and there are more that would like to participate, we will add tables. Each breed will have a table and easy-up. It is up to the individuals participating to decorate their table. Each time slot will run for 45 minutes, giving 15 minutes before the start of the next for clearing off the tables and allowing the next breed to set up.

Meet the Breeds will also be located at Columbia Park - Near the Playground of Dreams, Kennewick, WA. For more information, contact Rosemarie Davis, Event Coordinator, at:

msrosemarie1369@gmail.com



THE BRAG BOX



New York, NY – The American Kennel Club (AKC®), the world’s largest dog registry and leading industry authority and advocate for dogs, is pleased to announce that ten exceptional students from nine states have been awarded the American Kennel Club Junior Scholarship for 2022. The scholarships are offered to high school and college students, this year ranging from \$3,500 – \$1,500.

“These young adults are dedicated not only to the sport of purebred dogs, but to their academics as well,” said Mari-Beth O’Neill, VP Sport Services. “It gives us great pleasure to reward these students with our AKC Junior Scholarships. We wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors in their studies and involvement with dogs and The American Kennel Club.”

Applicants are evaluated based on academic performance and involvement in AKC events. They are required to submit documentation that they are members of a club and have volunteered to work. This year’s applicants were asked to share how they maintained their involvement with their dogs and AKC events as a result of COVID.

This years’ recipients are a diverse representation of the fancy. They have accomplished a great deal in the dog world and participate in many sports, including conformation, agility, hunt tests, obedience, and more. These young adults plan to continue in the sport, as well as judge and continue their families’ breeding programs.

2022 Junior Scholarship Recipients

First Name	Last Name	State
Jessica	Braatz	FL
Rylee	Carlton	WA
Matelyn	Cobban	MO
Kathryn	Markey	CT
Olivia	Persinger	VA
Makenna	Ramsay	NY
Amanda	Swanson	NC
Annessa	Towell	OK
Bevin	Towell	OK
Alison	Yoho	MN



We did it! I is now a genuine STAR Puppy! Mommy & I had to pass 20 items OMG. I did fine but Mommy gets Stage Fright! I said “Mommy there’s no stage, just a ring we been at for weeks!” Next we’re goin’ to Canine Good Citizen class. I think it’s gonna be fun. Just hope Mommy’s up for it. Signin’ off, **Derby Brown**



Congratulations Rylee Carlton! Accepted into the Department of Dental Hygiene at Eastern Washington University and also one of 10 students in the U.S. to receive a very competitive AKC Junior Scholarship for 2022. You are on your way!!!

RKC 75TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW & TROPHY DONATIONS

As you know this year is our 75th Anniversary show and we hope to make a splash!! The Richland Kennel Club show is Saturday, October 1, 2022 and there are opportunities still available for making a **trophy donation for your breed**. Trophies for individual breeds will be at your discretion. If you wish, we will have the Tri-Cities cluster coffee mugs available for \$20 each. Anyone who wants to donate a trophy for their breed please contact Nancy Eby (509) 851-2403, nancyleby@gmail.com



Or contact Jamie Harshfield @ Icondanes@gmail.com.

Please help us make our Anniversary year a very special event!

Richland Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes April 7, 2022 (via Zoom)

The April General Meeting minutes will be read and approved at the May 5th General Meeting.

We are resuming an outdoor meeting venue on the backside of the Richland Community Center, 500 Amon Park Drive. (Facing the Columbia River) Be sure to bring a chair!



Richland Kennel Club Board Meeting Minutes April 21, 2022 (Eby home)



Richland Kennel Club

Board of Directors Meeting April 21, 2022 at Mark Eby's

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Pres. Mark Eby

Present: Mark Eby, Valerie Brown, Teresa Carlon, Stacey Davis, Jan Kusch.

Guests: Cindi McInturf, Nancy Eby, Bob Brown.

Minutes approved as published. Moved Stacey Davis, Second: Teresa Carlon

Secretary Report: Teresa has compiled a membership roster for 2022.

Treasurer's Report : Paid deposit to Pasco Rentals, Paid dump fee.

Show Chairman's Report: Cricket RV will be sponsoring all 4 shows.

We will set up 8 Specialty rings with our equipment.

Judges Selection: Nothing to report.

Handling Class: Now in Howard Amon Park at 7:00 PM on Wednesdays.

Membership: Applications for Stacia Gunderson, Sharon & Calvin Dykes were read. Motion to send the applications to the membership By Stacey Davis Second: Teresa Carlon. Carried.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: The timing system for the Fast CAT equipment is not AKC compliant. There was a discussion about acquiring a proper sensor & RKC, WWKC & OKC sharing the cost & the sensor. Motion to bring the proposed purchase to the membership by Stacey Davis Second: Teresa Carlon. Carried.

Bob Brown gave a report on the AKC Adopt A K9 Cop program. There was a discussion about how we could participate in the program. Bob will do more exploratory research regarding the need.

Teresa reported that the Members Only FaceBook page is ready to launch.

Next General Meetings are in Howard Amon Park at 7:00PM.

General Meeting May 5, Board Meeting May 19

CANINE HEALTH CARE

Kennel Cough May Be On The Rise!

Article Review by Janice Kusch

Resource:



<https://www.kennelcoughhelp.com/articles/signs-of-kennel-cough/?msclkid=4fbaa0b0c68311eca7623625d63f1f8e>

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It is fair to surmise that Kennel Cough may be a larger threat this year given that many dog show exhibitors have not been showing as much as usual due to the last several years of COVID and also the recent increase in costs associated with travel. As a result, dogs are not able to build a slow immunity to Kennel Cough and this also may be compounded by the cooler and damper temperatures we have experienced so far this year. Anecdotal evidence supports this theory with a local Tri-Cities vet reporting an increased volume of Kennel Cough cases in their practice for 2022. So if this is true, we will need to be extra vigilant with immunization, awareness of early signs and symptoms, and knowing what the best treatment options are.

I highly recommend checking out the kennelcough-help.com website identified above as this article does an excellent job of not only reviewing the symptoms of Kennel Cough but provides information on its similarity/differences to Canine Influenza. It also provides a link for more information on Canine Pneumonia and differentiating it as well.

Of note, Kennel Cough is very common and contagious and your dog and can easily transfer it to other pets such as cats, birds, and bunnies. In addition, there are 6 common signs of kennel cough in dogs that you should be aware of:

1. A strong and persistent cough that sounds more like a “honking” sound than a cough.
2. A runny nose, clear and non-odorous.

3. Sneezing
4. Possible lethargy
5. Possible lack of hunger
6. Possible fever

Dogs can contract Kennel Cough anytime they have close contact with other dogs. This can include kennels, dog parks, training classes, and obviously dog shows!

Moreover, the Bordetella vaccination may not fully protect your dog. There are numerous types of bacteria and viruses that can cause Kennel Cough and there is no vaccine that works against all of the various types of infections. As a result, your dog may get exposed to a combination of organisms that they do not have adequate immunization or antibodies to fend off.



The good news is that Kennel Cough is not considered a serious infection in healthy adult dogs. Their immune system can often overcome the infection within 2-3 weeks, however, during this time, your dog will need to be isolated to not contaminate other animals in your home and community.

Antibiotics may be a better choice particularly, if your dog has contact with puppies. Kennel Cough can progress into pneumonia and puppies are particularly more susceptible for developing pneumonia from Kennel Cough. Less than 5% of Kennel Cough cases result in pneumonia but puppies make up a significant percentage of this statistic.

Treating Kennel Cough also includes keeping your infected dog quarantined until the course of antibiotics have been completed. The bacteria and viruses that cause the disease remain in the body for some time even after symptoms have disappeared. Continued quarantine is recommended for one full week after symptoms have resolved.

Use of a humidifier or vaporizer can help ease your dog’s symptoms and increase their comfort. Maintaining a smoke-free environment with a relatively warm temperature also aids in their healing process as does bed rest, plenty of clean water, and good nutrition. Just like us when we have the flu!

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