

Richland Kennel Club



WAGG'N TAIL
Newsletter
June, 2022

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Mark Your Calendar

All Member General Meeting

 Howard Amon Park
 Bring a chair!
June 2 @ 6:30PM
 PIZZA PARTY!!!

In celebration of FAST CAT and a special THANK YOU to all our club members!

BYOBeverage



Board of Directors Meeting

June 16
7PM
 Mark Eby's home

Handling Class

Wednesday 7:00 PM

Howard Amon Park

Located behind Richland Community Center, at 500 Amon Park Dr, Richland, - south end of the park next to Hampton Inn.

July maybe a question mark for holding class as temperatures of 90+, strong wind, dust storms and/or thunderstorms are all causes for a cancellation.

Be sure to check the RKC Facebook page for potential class closures or contact Laurie Weed at **wildsageshelties@hotmail.com**.

June 1 Rose Davis
 June 8 Mark Eby
 June 15 Cindi McInturf
 June 22 Laurie Weed
 June 29 Stacy Davis



EDITOR'S CORNER

Happy Father's Day to all the wonderful dads in our club as well as to the fathers we have loved, lost, and continue to hold in loving memory. I am so very blessed to have an incredible dog dad husband and the memory of a wonderful father whose love, devotion, and strength was the backbone of our family.



My Dad

© Michael Macdonald

He wasn't faster than a speeding bullet,
but he was quick to come to my defense.
Unable to leap tall buildings,
but could lift my spirits when life didn't make sense.

He did not have the strength of a locomotive,
but the size of his heart could crush any man.
He faced all that the world could throw at him
and always told us it was God's glorious plan.

He didn't wear a cape, a mask,
or have any super powers,
But ask any of his friends,
he was there in their darkest hour.

So now he has gone to heaven,
and in God's arms he will be.
But this loving father of eight
was a superman to me.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT NEW CLUB BUSINESS

I want to personally wish all of our Richland Kennel Club fathers a very special Father's Day on Sunday, June 19th! Whether you are a dog dad, people dad, or both, be sure to take some time out to celebrate and recognize all that you do for the ones you love.

- Mark



CARING THOUGHTS

The Richland Kennel Club extends its deepest sympathies to Board Member, Linda Riedel, for the loss of her husband, Ernest Fred William Riedel on May 16. Fred was a physicist and lived in the Tri Cities for 48 years. You can donate in Fred's memory to **Take The Lead** or **Nancy Martin's dog food bank in Portland, OR.**

WELCOME

New RKC members **Sharon & Calvin Dykes** and **Stacia Gunderson.**

THANK YOU RKC!

April 12, 2022

Dear Richland Kennel Club,

Thank you for your generosity in supplying the Richland Kennel Club Scholarship for veterinary students. I am currently a third-year veterinary student and I hope to pursue a career in small animal medicine and surgery. I am so thankful that I received your scholarship as it will significantly help me financially to afford the wonderful education that I am receiving here at Washington State University. I completed my first two years of veterinary school at Utah State University through the regional WIMU DVM program and moved to Pullman this summer to complete my last two years here in Washington. The opportunities and experiences I have received through both universities so far regarding my pursuit of a career in veterinary medicine have been truly amazing and I sincerely thank you for your contribution to my education.

I received my bachelor's degree from the United States Coast Guard Academy and prior to attending veterinary school I was an active-duty member in the United States Coast Guard for 8 years where I served as a search and rescue helicopter pilot. As a result of my time in the military and my search and rescue training, disaster relief and caring for law enforcement canines/services dogs has become something that I am very passionate about. As a veterinarian I would love to utilize my training and emergency response experience to work in this field and become a member of the National Veterinary Response Team.

Since moving to Pullman this summer I have truly enjoyed discovering all the wonderful things Washington state has to offer. I grew up in Connecticut, but have fallen in love with the west coast and my husband and I are planning to make Washington our home following graduation. I am excited to spend this summer exploring the state more with my husband and camping with our three dogs.

Again, I cannot thank you enough for contributing to my education and the education of many past and future veterinarians. The pursuit of a career in veterinary medicine can be financially difficult and scholarships are a key component in making this goal for many students a reality. It is through the support of scholarships like the one that you generously provide that allow students like me to pursue our dreams.

Thank you,

Sarah Bradley



CONGRATULATIONS JUNIOR WINNERS!!

THANK YOU RKC & WALLA WALLA KC FAST CAT & MEET THE BREEDS EVENT COORDINATORS & VOLUNTEERS!

Thank you Corianne Ulrich for these wonderful photos of the adorable junior winners from our RKC & Walla Walla Sanctioned B Match with Junior Handling held on May 7th. Thank you Rylee Carlson for judging and Cindi McInturf for coordinating this wonderful event!

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
Supervised by R.W. Robinson, Richland Kennel Club
 Entry and permit information at <http://www.rkcwallawalla.com>. For questions contact RKC@RKCWallawalla.com or call 509.533.4462.

Congratulations to all the FAST CAT winners and a special thank you to Cindi McInturf for all her work in coordinating another successful event!

A special thank you to Rosemarie Davis for her coordination of the Meet The Breeds event and the RKC & Walla Walla volunteers who brought their beautiful dogs to represent and share information about their breed.

Professional photographer, Laurie Gregory, captured these beautiful action shots at this year's FAST CAT providing a glimmer of just how fun the event was. Your RKC Editor received permission to use the following two copyrighted images in this month's RKC Newsletter edition via phone conversation, 5/26/2022, 12:58PM. Further reproduction is not granted so be sure to go to <https://www.jumoke.com> to see and or purchase of all of Laurie's beautiful work. **Jumoke Photography.**

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



CALLING ALL JUNIORS!

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

Judge: Rylee Carlson

MAY 7th

Entries Open 10-11 am
 Match begins at noon

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

Fast CATs at Kennewick

Posted on [May 9, 2022](#) by [Laurie](#)

Graph all the fun dogs that came out to the Kennewick to run at the **Fast CATs** hosted by

been posted on my [WEBSITE HERE.](#)



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Richland Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes

THE BRAG BOX



Richland Kennel Club

General Meeting by Zoom May 5, 2022

Called to order: By Pres. Mark Eby at 7:00 PM

Roll Call: 17 members 4 guests

Brag: Please send to Jan for inclusion in Newsletter

Minutes: Motion to approve as read by Stacey Davis Second: Cindi McInturf. Carried

Delegate Report: Planning to go to the September Meeting.

President Report : Nothing to report.

Secretary Report: Thank you note from WSU Vet School scholarship recipient. Stacey asked that this be posted in the Newsletter & she be invited to our show.

Treasurer Report: Nothing to report

Committee Reports:

Show: AKC paperwork is done. Fast Cat is still pending

Judges Selection: Linda is working on 2023 panel

Match: Activities will start at 8 AM both days. Need volunteers. Canopies will be picked up Fri afternoon.

Handling Class: Need volunteers to teach June classes.

Membership: First reading of membership applications for Becky England & Jamie Eggleston. Motion to elect Sharon & Calvin Dykes & Stacia Gunderson as members by Stacey Davis Second: Roseanne Davis. Carried.

Unfinished Business: Teresa Carlon reported on the website. She & Mark are having accessibility issues. Roster is complete. Bob Brown reported on the Adopt A K9 Cop progress.

New Business: 75th Anniversary T Shirts are for sale. Jamie thanked the club for the sympathy card. Next meeting will be a Pizza Party at 6:30 PM at Amon Park.



Congratulations Susan Purcell and Sassy on the birth of a beautiful singleton puppy (girl) weighing 10.8 oz.

She is a beauty!

A hearty thank you to Judges Mrs. Pat Putman and Mr. John F. Booth who recognized our boy, GCHB White Diamonds Dungeness Little Dipper, with OH Reserve BIS for an exceptional two day win at the Yakima Valley Kennel Club! "Nosi" is owned and exclusively handled by Janice M. Kusch.



Richland Kennel Club Board Meeting Minutes



Richland Kennel Club

Board of Directors Meeting May 19, 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,

Guests: Cindi McInturf, Nancy Eby,

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

Secretary Report: Read Thank you note with a donation from EWGSDC. Will send out Get Well & Sympathy cards

Treasurer's Report : Report on accounts .Paid out reimbursement for Fast CAT supplies.

Show Chairman's Report: Fast Cat was successful. We covered our expenses and had some reserve funds. We are approved for 5 Fast CAT runs at our fall shows. The PL is almost done. Waiting for Catalog Ads, Parking & Health Clinics forms.

Judges Selection: Nothing to report.

Membership: Applications for Becky England & Jamie Eggleston were read. Motion to send the applications to the membership By Stacey Davis Second: Teresa Carlon. Carried.

Unfinished Business: WWKC proposed sharing the Fast CAT equipment cost with RKC. Will bring this proposal to the membership.

New Business:

Teresa reported on the status of the website. We will have to start anew. Discussed the hosting & domain costs. Concurrence that they are reasonable.

Teresa proposed having programs at the General Meetings. Will need to have a program director.

Discussed the proposed organization of the WWKC & RKC Fast CAT.

Motion to adjourn at 8:39 PM by Stacey Davis Second: Teresa Carlon

Respectfully Submitted,

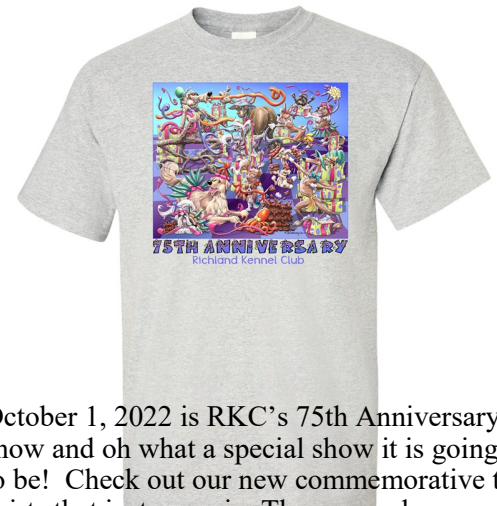
Valerie Brown



RKC 75TH ANNIVERSARY



75TH ANNIVERSARY
Richland Kennel Club



October 1, 2022 is RKC's 75th Anniversary

show and oh what a special show it is going to be! Check out our new commemorative t-shirts that just came in. They are only \$15.00 and Stacy Davis will have them for sale at the Pizza Feed /General Meeting on June 2. Get yours now and start promoting our anniversary show!

The new Tri City logo shirts have been ordered but will not be here in time for the General Meeting so recommend reserving your shirt in advance by emailing Stacy at obailee@aol.com.

T-shirts \$15.00

Long Sleeved shirts \$25.00

Sweat Shirts \$30.00

Opportunities are 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 @ Icon-danes@gmail.com.

CANINE HEALTH CARE

The Emotional Intelligence of Dogs

Article Review by Janice Kusch

Resource: The Kindness of Canines by Emily Joshu. Page 33 in PawPrint, Special Edition, A Dog's Brain: How Canines Think, Feel, and Learn. Meredith Premium Publishing, 2021, NY.

Current trends in dog lover language has increasingly identified dog owners as dog parents, dog moms, and dog dads. This transition from pet owner to dog parent connotes a higher level of relationship—potentially similar to the way we relate to our children in the amount of love we feel, the quality of our communication, complexity of interactions, and overall care we provide.

But are dogs actually able to relate back to us in an intellectual manner that reflects the sophistication of how we think we are interacting with them? Some scientists in the past have poo-pood the idea that dogs are intellectually advanced and that their master ability was specific to exceptional reading of body language, facial expression, and physical cues.

In “*The Kindness of Canines*” Emily Joshu reviews the work of several researchers including Carl Safina, Ph.D. an endowed professor at Stony Brook University. Dr. Safina reports that in recent years researchers have, in fact, learned that dogs are not only kind but actually **empathetic**. “Empathy is the ability of a mind to match the mood of another mind.” Empathy is not an independent feeling, it is on a continuum anchored by sympathy and compassion with compassion being the most proactive. Interestingly, empathy has been considered a feeling/ability exclusive to humans only. Modern research, however, has uncovered that dog’s capacity for empathic behavior is actually very strong and is the reason they can be so responsive to human emotions.

Numerous well controlled research studies have examined large samples of everyday house dogs and found significant evidence of their ability to empathize with their owner. Taking this idea closer to home, most of us have personally experienced our dog coming to sit next to us quietly and laying by our side when he have experienced great sadness or tears. We also know the work of therapy dogs and their incredible ability to connect with sick children and the elderly in nursing homes.

According to Stanley Coren, a professor emeritus at Stanford University, “**the average dog has a mind equivalent to the human mind at age 2 – 2.5 years old, and**

superdogs have a mind equivalent to the human mind at age 2– 3 years old. Even more astonishing, while dogs are able to empathize, human children only begin developing the capacity for empathy at approximately the age of 4.

This finding was supported in a landmark study in 2018 called “Timmy’s in the Well: Empathy and Prosocial Helping in Dogs” where owners stayed behind a clear door where their dogs could see and hear them. Then owners were asked to either hum or cry and the researchers found that when the owner cried, their dog pushed through the door to emotionally rescue and support them three times faster than when they hummed.

Guess I really am a dog mom!



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Please contact jkusch2014@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!

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