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## RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER

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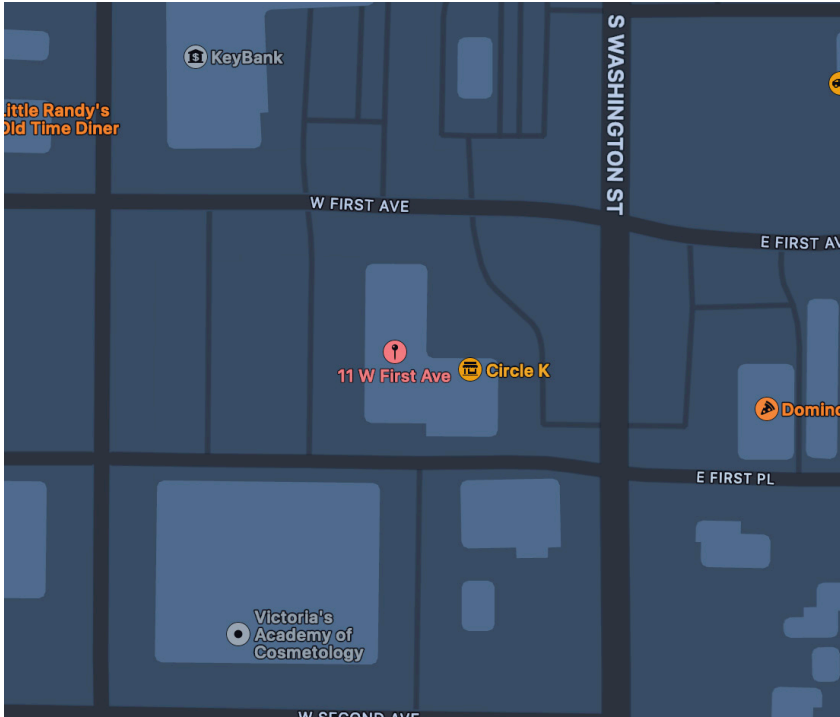
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Information about AKC's two new dog sports that offer multiple titles.

# Upcoming Events

General Meeting, Board of Directors Meeting, Fast CAT Committee meeting, Handling Class and any other upcoming RKC events.



## GENERAL MEETING

February 1st, 2024  
7:00pm  
Richland Community Center  
500 Amon Park Dr.,  
Richland, WA 99352

The General Meeting will be held at the Richland Community Center at 7:00pm. If you have any questions, please reach out to President Mark Eby at 509-851-2375.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

February 22nd, 2024  
7:00pm  
Richland Public Library  
Conference Room A  
955 Northgate Drive  
Richland, WA 99301

The Board of Directors Meeting will be held at the Richland Public Library in Conference Room A at 7:00pm. This meeting is open to all RKC members. If you

have any questions, please reach out to President Mark Eby at 509-851-2375.

## HANDLING CLASS

Sit Means Sit  
11 W 1st Ave  
Kennewick, WA 99336  
Happy New Year!

Richland Kennel Club is starting Handling Class back up! We will be at Sit Means Sit. The address is 11 W 1st Ave in Kennewick, WA. Class starts at 7pm. Please keep an eye on Facebook or contact me at [wildsageshelties@hotmail.com](mailto:wildsageshelties@hotmail.com) to see if class is canceled due to the weather

With the Dog Flu going around, please keep your dogs at home if they are displaying any symptoms. We will be following the guidelines from AKC for the Canine

Flu. Also, if you are not feeling well, please stay home too! Please have your dog's immunizations up to date. Puppies can start class at 4 months of age but must have ALL vaccines before starting class. Please have your dogs clean and NEAR show ready. - Laurie Weed

## FAST CAT COMMITTEE MEETING

February 20th, 2024  
7:00pm  
Zoom

The Committee Meeting will be held via Zoom at 7:00pm. If you are interested in joining this meeting, please reach out to Kelly Keophilavanh at [keophilavanh@gmail.com](mailto:keophilavanh@gmail.com).

## Club Officers & Committee Positions

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# Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from the January 2024 General Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting.

## RKC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING  
JANUARY 4, 2024  
RICHLAND COMMUNITY CENTER**



**Called to order:** by President Mark Eby at 7:00pm.

**Roll Call:** 20 members

**Brags:** Please send to Kelly for inclusion in Newsletter.

**Minutes:** Motion to approve as published by Rose Davis  
Second: Denise Bostrom. Carried.

**President Report:** Thanks to all who put on the Christmas Party.

**Secretary Report:** Dues are coming in.

**Treasurer Report:** Debbie reported on accounts. She will move \$45,000 from checking to savings. Collecting dues & renewal forms.

### Committee Reports

**Membership:** Motion to accept Macadia Nay election to membership by Cindi McInturf. Second: Mark Glaman. Carried.

**Handling Class:** Laurie Weed reported that instructors will no longer be published. There was a discussion about safe practices in a dark parking lot.

**New Business:** Valerie reported on AKC FIT DOG & FETCH. There was a discussion & a consensus that the club sponsor both events, with a group walk & test, this spring. Cindi will research a date & site.

**Motion to adjourn** by Cindi McInturf at 7:50PM Second: Tiffany Garner. Carried.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Valerie Brown**

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

**RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
JANUARY 18, 2024  
ZOOM**

**Called to order:** by President Mark Eby at 7:00pm.

**Present:** Mark Eby, Valerie Brown, Teresa Carlon, Stacey Davis, Cindi McInturf, Debbie Brower, Denise Bostrom

**Guest:** Kelly Keophilavanh

**Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes as published by Stacey, Second: Debbie. Carried.

**Secretary Report:** Dues & correspondence from Mueller's Pet Crematory. Will send to Nancy for sponsorship request. Treasurer's Report : Report on accounts. Transfer of funds from checking to savings completed.

**Show Chairman's Report :** Stacey reported that she has contacted Purina about sponsoring our shows in 2025. She will continue to work with them. Will meet with Kennewick Parks & Rec. on Jan.24 to make final payment for our May event & deposit for our Sept events. The Cardigan Corgis have moved to another show , but we are continuing to solicit other specialty clubs. The judging panel is complete.

**Handling Class:** Laurie needs volunteers for February.

### Old Business:

Fetch & FIT Dog Fun Day March 24 at Stacey & Chris's property. Will schedule Fetch Fun Test at 9AM followed by picnic lunch (RKC provided). FIT Dog group walk will commence after lunch. Denise will write a memo to members in the newsletter asking members for their input of Visions & Goals for RKC. Discussed topics for Meeting Presentations. The AKC Show Chairman webinar will be on Feb 15, 6-9PM.



**New Business:** Valerie proposed that RKC needs to appoint a Membership Chairman. Will discuss further at the next meeting.

**Motion to adjourn** at 7:30 PM. By Stacey. Second: Teresa. Carried.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Valerie Brown**

# AKC 101 Show Chair Seminar - Guy H. Fisher

Presented by Guy H. Fisher, the manager of AKC Club Development. Sponsored by the Olympic Kennel Club.



**A** Seminar for aspiring Show Chairs or anyone wanting to know what a Show Chair does while planning and putting on a show. Topics covered include the following:

- Understanding AKC Event Applications
- Superintendent or Show Secretary
- Premium Lists
- Judging Schedules
- Show Manual
- Offering Multiple Events on a weekend
- Club Membership
- Club Legislation
- How to maximize AKC to your club's benefit

## EVENT INFORMATION



**Location:** Teams Meeting

**Date:** February 15, 2024

**Time:** 6:00 - 9:00pm

**Contact Info:** Guy H. Fisher  
919-816-3705  
[ghf@akc.org](mailto:ghf@akc.org)

## MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING INFORMATION

Join on your Computer, Mobile App, or Room Device

**[CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING](#)**

**Meeting ID:** 270 466 127 780

**Passcode:** FBND58

**Download Teams:** <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/download-app>

**Join on the Web:** <https://www.microsoft.com/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting>

**Join with a video conferencing device:**  
[64489717@T.PLCM.VC](https://teams.microsoft.com/join/64489717@T.PLCM.VC)

**Video Conference ID:** 112 657 528 3

**Alternative VTC instructions -** <https://dialin.plcm.vc/teams/?key=64489717&conf=1126575283>

**Call in (Video ONLY):** +1 872-242-8851

**Conference ID:** 556 160 704#

**FIND A LOCAL NUMBER -** <https://dialin.teams.microsoft.com/a5a17396-0456-442e-8d5e-e63974be097d?id=556160704>

# AKC FIT DOG & Fetch

Learn about the two new AKC dog sports that offer multiple titles!



## MEMO TO MEMBERS

As we look forward to 2024, AKC has two new dog sports that RKC members can participate in: FIT Dog and Fetch! Both are noncompetitive and offer multiple titles.

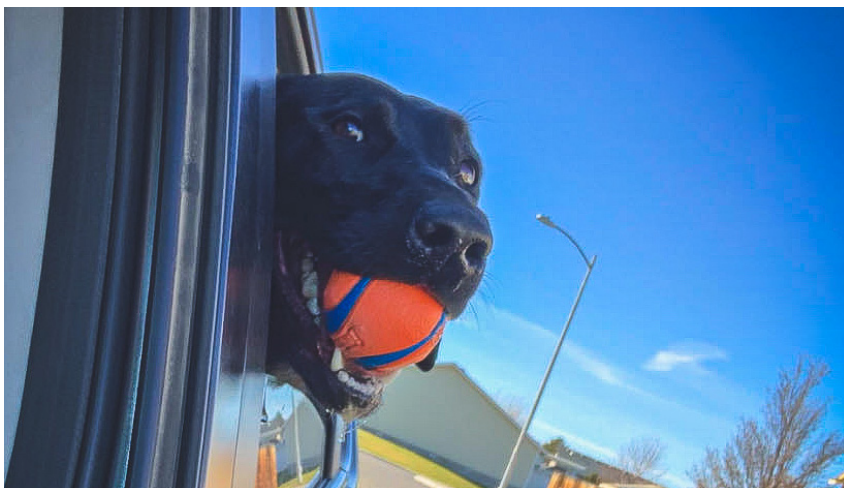
FIT DOG is based on daily walks with your dog(s). There are other categories of activities that you can choose from. This includes a group walk/run that RKC can sponsor. Go to AKC FIT DOG titles for more information and forms: <https://www.akc.org/sports/akc-family-dog-program/akc-fit-dog/>.

AKC Fetch is a new retrieving test for all breeds and offers four titles. Each title has more distractions involved for your dog. Fetch materials are available now at AKC Fetch, with tests starting January 2024.

Website: <https://www.akc.org/fetch/>

Please take a look at these new activities and let me know of your interest in them. Any group activity or organized test will need volunteers to help with the event. - **Valerie Brown**

Valerie can be reached at [essentiadogs@gmail.com](mailto:essentiadogs@gmail.com).



## AKC FIT DOG TITLES

There are 3 levels of AKC fitness titles - Bronze (FITB), Silver (FITS), and Gold (FITG). Each title requires a specific number of activity points to be completed, which varies based on title level.

- **Bronze - 5 Points**
- **Silver - 10 Points**
- **Gold - 20 Points**

Within each level, there are 6 categories of activities to choose from to earn your points. Detail for each category appear in the [Participant Guide](#).

### AKC Fitness Title Categories:

1. AKC FIT DOG Course
2. Runs (community runs such as a Turkey Trot, Spring Scurry, etc.)
3. Walks and hikes (independent or group)
4. Unique to you and your dog (e.g., swimming, parkour)
5. AKC title that is fitness related (e.g., Fast CAT, agility)
6. AKC Parent Club Performance Titles (e.g., pack dog, sledding)

For each of the 3 levels of titles, a minimum number of points must be earned in at least two categories for the title to be awarded.

AKC FIT DOG titles are noncompetitive, and dog owners may choose different activities to earn titles.

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