

# Richland Kennel Club



**WAGG'N TAIL**

**Newsletter**

**August, 2022**

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**Mark Your Calendar**

## RKC ANNUAL PICNIC !!!

**August 4 @ 6:00PM**

**Columbia Point Marina Park, Gazebo #3**

Directions: North on George Washington Way, then turn Right on Columbia Point Drive (Winco intersection). Go past Anthony's Restaurant & the park is located to the right of the boat launch.



### Bring a side dish/desert!

Chicken, paper products, & water will be provided.  
If you need ideas for a dish to bring contact Stacy Davis/Mark Eby.

**Please Note: Fast Cat/Fun Run is cancelled due to the heat.**

### Board of Directors Meeting

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**August 18  
7PM**

Mark Eby's home

### Handling Class

AUGUST

**3 Rose Davis  
10 Laurie Weed  
17 Mark Eby  
24 Linda Riedel  
31 Stacy Davis**

7pm at Howard Amon Park right behind Richland Community Center, until the end of September. 500 Amon Park Dr., Richland.

Class cancels when temperatures are 90 or higher or other negative conditions (i.e., strong wind, dust storms and/or thunderstorms). Please keep an eye on our Facebook page (Richland Kennel Club) for updates. ~Laurie Weed

### Tri-City Cluster Dog Shows

**September 29 -  
October 2, 2022**



### Contact

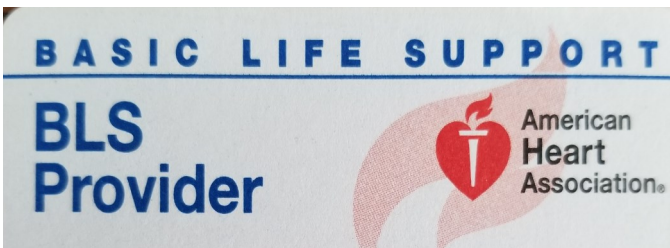
Stacy Davis  
obailee@aol.com  
(509) 546-0455 to schedule your volunteer post!



## EDITOR'S CORNER

Well so much for being retired. This last month I returned to my former post at the occupational medicine clinic and went through the Hanford onboarding process. For those of you who have gone through it - you know what I'm talking about. Despite some adjustment, it's good to be back working with colleagues and supporting the health and wellness of employees on the site.

Onboarding also required getting re-certified in Basic Life Support. The instructor did a great job and because I was the only student we were able to side bar on how to adapt BLS to resuscitating our dogs.



This topic is near and dear because some years ago my Yorkie decided that the leather button on my cap would be a great chew toy. Not good. Before I knew it she was gasping in the kitchen with her back arched, eyes bulging, and unable to breath. I totally panicked. Grabbed her, put her on the counter, opened her mouth, and started doing a blind finger sweep into her throat. I could feel the leather button off the tip of my finger but was unable to hook it. As a result, I pushed the button further down her throat. I was certain her life was over while I stood there helpless.

By the grace of God, my error obstructed her throat even more reducing the small amount of air that had been escaping around the button. So with her next big back hunch and gasp, she built up a load of pressure and popped it. The button shot out and flew across the kitchen like a cork out of a champagne bottle. I held her and cried for over an hour.

So what is the correct action if your dog is choking? Be sure to check out the Canine Health section to find out!

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT NEW CLUB BUSINESS MARK EBY

This Thursday, August 4, at 6PM is our **RKC ANNUAL PICNIC**. The forecast is looking good with temperatures in the mid 80's and the venue at Columbia Point Marina Park should also be a bit cooler next to the river. So grab

a side dish and come join the fun. The club is providing the chicken and we look forward to making another memorable club event!

Nancy and I look forward to seeing you all there.

~Mark



## TRI-CITY CLUSTER UPDATES 2022

**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!! Our 75th Anniversary and biggest show ever, needs ALL HANDS ON DECK!**

September 29 - October 2



Volunteers will be meeting and organizing starting on **Tuesday, Sept 27, at noon** and there are volunteer posts needing to be filled throughout the event from set up to take down. Please be sure to contact one of our following volunteer coordinators:

**Chris & Debby Brower** (Fast Cat Committee - [jdbrower@owt.com](mailto:jdbrower@owt.com))

**Lucinda Bersano** - [Lucinda.Bersano@gmail.com](mailto:Lucinda.Bersano@gmail.com)  
or **Stacy Davis** - [obailee@aol.com](mailto:obailee@aol.com)

We are particularly in need of Ring Stewards and volunteers for the FAST CAT. Please note: **You can run your dog in FAST CAT and still easily volunteer for this event.**

**The FAST CAT premium list is found at NWRRC.Net -- August 10 events entry.** Each of the 5 events are limited (2-Friday, 2-Saturday, & 1-Sunday) so be sure to enter soon!

If you have never volunteered for a dog show this is the time to do it!! What better way to have a whole lot of fun and fulfill your club membership commitment to support club activities. If you are unfamiliar with dog show volunteer positions, information and training will be provided.



## THE BRAG BOX



More great news from Valerie as Derby achieved his CGC title in just 9 months!  
**Way to go Derby!!**



**CONGRATULATIONS VALERIE BROWN** on your new US citizenship!! What an honor to have you represent our nation's red, white, and blue!



“Nosi” finished the 4 day Puyallup dog shows on a crescendo sweeping BOB for 19 breed points, and shining in the OH groups taking placements for **Reserve BIS**, and **Best In Show!!**  
GCHB CH White Diamonds Dungeness Little Dipper.  
Owners: Janice Kusch & Dan Mitchell.

**Way to go Nosi!!**



## NEWSLETTER EDITOR



**The RKC Newsletter Editor position will be vacant January 1, 2023. Let's keep our newsletter going!**

Please contact Mark Eby, RKC President, at markebykc@gmail.com or Janice Kusch, Newsletter Editor, at jkusch2014@gmail.com if you are interested in this very rewarding opportunity.

Creating and writing the RKC Newsletter is a great way to make new friends, develop writing and publishing skills, and fulfill your membership commitment to support the club!



## RKC 75TH ANNIVERSARY GEAR

**Don't forget to purchase your commemorative Richland Kennel Club 75th Anniversary t-shirt!!!!**



Email Stacey Davis at [obailee@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:nancyleby@gmail.com)

## Richland Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes

### Richland Kennel Club

### General Meeting July 7, 2022

**Called to order:** By Pres. Mark Eby at 6:30 PM

**Roll Call:** 17 members

**Brags:** Please send to Jan for inclusion in Newsletter

**Minutes:** Motion to approve as published by Stacy Davis Second: Roseanne Davis. Carried

**President Report :** We need volunteers for all aspects of our Dog Shows.

**Secretary Report:** Received an invoice for RKC's insurance & new ODJ roster.

**Treasurer Report:** Report of accounts.

### Committee Reports:

**Show:** Judges' Hospitality letters will be sent next month. Jane Beyer has gotten \$1000.00 from local companies for catalog ads. Thank You! Volunteers are needed for set up , starting Tues. noon. Will have Panera lunch order form for workers at Sept. meeting. Teresa & Stacey will work on show information content on Facebook page & website.

**Membership:** Motion to elect Terry Caicedo & Kat Worley as members by Linda Riedel Second: Lucinda Bersano Carried.

**Unfinished Business:** Fast CAT equipment has been ordered. Fencing is backordered until 7/31 & Timing equipment will ship next week.

**New Business:** Club picnic will be Aug. 4 at Columbia Point Park at 6 PM. Club will provide fried chicken & members bring a dish to pass. Bring chairs & drinks. Volunteers are needed for the Nominating Committee by July BoD meeting. Handling Class instructors were assigned for Aug. Merchandise for RKC 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (mugs & shirts) are available.

**Motion to adjourn** by Stacey Davis at 7:13PM Second: Linda Riedel. Carried.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Valerie Brown**

# Richland Kennel Club Board Meeting Minutes July 21, 2022, at Mark Eby's



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

Present: Mark Eby, Linda Riedel, Janice Kusch, Stacy Davis.

Guests: Chris Abraham (AKC Delegate), and Kevin Davis (Tri-City Cluster Grounds Chairman).

Minutes approved as published. Moved Stacy Davis, Second: Linda Riedel.

**Secretary Report:** Nothing to report.

**Treasurer's Report:** Linda reported the club was receiving quite a few donations. Jane Byers has gotten local businesses to support the TC Cluster Dog Show with catalog advertising and banners. Valerie Brown is writing thank you notes to the donors.

**Show Chairman's Report:** Stacy gave a very positive report that everything is on track and going forward on schedule.

Kevin Davis, Grounds Chairman, provided details with the Board for organization of the show set-up. Thank you Kevin!

FAST CAT Committee Report by Chris Abraham and Mark Eby reported on the new equipment that the club purchased including the fencing. Stacy noted there are special instructions for how to remove and re-store the fencing that all club members need to be aware of, otherwise, it could result in damage. She will be sending a link to an instructional video that will be published in the next RKC Newsletter.

Stacy also noted that a major donor paid for the FAST CAT land and that the FAST CAT event is ready to go. Chris and Debby Brower are the FAST CAT committee chairs and will be needing volunteers to help with this event.

**Judges Selection:** Nothing to report.

**Membership:** Nothing to report.

**Handling Class:** Mark Eby reported that Laurie Weed is going forward in scheduling classes for August, however, high heat temperatures may result in cancellations.

**Unfinished Business:** A motion was made by Linda Riedel that the club split the cost of the show grounds reader board with the Walla Walla club. Motion was seconded by Mark Eby.

Mark Eby reviewed minor recommendations to the RKC constitution and bi-laws and will be presenting these to the general membership via email for review and comments.

**New Business:** Mark Eby nominated Chris Abraham, Janice Kusch, and Rose Anne Davis to the Nominating Committee for identifying 2023 Board Members. The nominations were accepted and Chris Abraham accepted the Chair role. The Nominating Committee will meet in August and present nominees at the upcoming General Meetings with final election at the November General Meeting. All board positions will be for a one year term.

Motion to adjourn at 7:55PM by Stacy Davis; seconded by Linda Riedel.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janice Kusch

## CANINE & OWNER HEALTH CARE

### How To Help A Choking Dog

Article review by Janice Kusch

When your dog is choking is not the time to go online and try to find accurate information for how to perform a canine Heimlich maneuver and/or CPR on your dog.

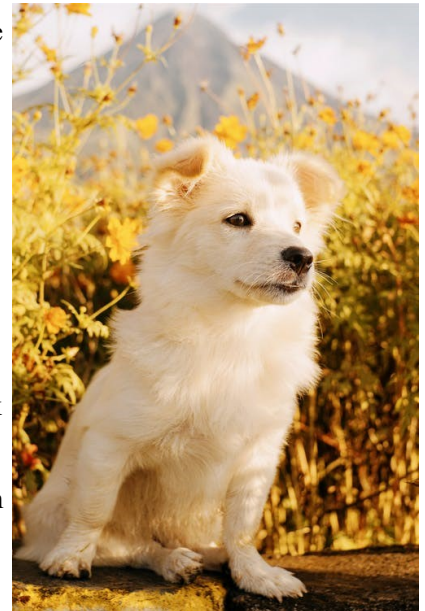
If you have not researched this topic or practiced it - today is the day!

The following is a link to a short you-tube video produced by the University of Southern Idaho Vet Tech College which "appears" to be a solid resource for how to perform the Heimlich maneuver on your dog.

By familiarizing yourself with this technique you could save your dog's life BUT this author highly CAUTIONS and recommends CONSULTATION with your veterinarian to discuss, review, and practice the correct rescue intervention for your dog!

Breed and size differences likely require different intervention approaches and ONLY your veterinarian can give you the best and most appropriate advice for how to expel a lodged foreign body from your dog's throat.

(If you have difficulty getting this web address entered just search "College of Southern Idaho what to do if your dog is choking" on YouTube videos.)



## CANINE & OWNER HEALTH CARE

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=what+to+do+if+your+dog+is+choking+University+of+idaho+video&docid=608037111763567791&mid=0C777AD15FCD01731ADB0C777AD15FCD01731ADB&view=detail&FORM>



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