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RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER

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MAY 2024



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EARNED
HER TRICK
DOG NOVICE
TITLE -
KELLY K**

**"AT THE ASCA SHOW IN PULLMAN,
LIMELITE'S MASTER KEY, KEYKEY, TOOK
WINNERS BITCH AND BEST OF WINNERS
FOR TWO 3PT MAJORS NS NOQ HAS A
TOTAL OF 11 POINTS IN ASCA AND IS
ALMOST FINISHED" - ALYSSA PAXTON**

**LINDA RIEDEL
TOOK HER LAST
BREED EXAM AND
IS NOW A 5 GROUP**

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TRI-CITIES CLUSTER & VOLUNTEER ROLES

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Upcoming Events

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



GENERAL MEETING

May 2nd, 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.

Next General Meeting:
June 6th, 2024

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 23rd, 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.

Next Board Meetings:

June 20th, 2024
July 18th, 2024

HANDLING CLASS

Wednesdays at 7:00pm
Howard Amon Park
500 Amon Park Dr.,
Richland, WA 99352

We are now at Howard Amon Park right behind the Richland Community Center. We will be there till end of Sept. Oct 2, 2024 class will be moved indoors.

Note: Be on your toes if there is a thunderstorm or high wind (over 20mph) around class time. Class can be canceled on short notice. Please keep an eye on our Facebook page. No class if temperatures are 90 and above at the time class starts.

NO CLASS on July 24 due to traffic coming in

for Boat Race Weekend and Art in the Park. More info will be coming as we get closer to September.

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

May 28th, 2024
7:00pm

Richland Public Library
Conference Room A

The Committee Meeting will be held via Zoom at 7:00pm. If interested in joining this meeting, please reach out to Kelly Keophilavanh.

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from the April 2024 General Meeting, Special Board Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting.

RKC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

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



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

Roll Call: 16 members, 3 guests

Brags: Please send to Kelly for inclusion in Newsletter.

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes as published by Stacey Davis Second: Denise Bostrom. Carried.

President Report: RKC had a Fetch and FIT dog fun day last Sunday. Three dogs qualified for Fetch. Thank you Stacey and Chris for allowing RKC to use your backyard for Fetch.

Secretary Report: No secretary report; secretary is out.

Treasurer Report: Debbie reported on accounts.

Committee Reports

Handling Class: Laurie Weed reported that we are now at Howard Amon. There was a discussion about leash laws and loose dogs at the park. Linda Kennedy offered her barn for handling classes in the future.

Show: Everything is on track for the 2024 show. Stacey shared the show ribbon for all group winners. NOHS ribbons will be equal to match all group ribbons. Jamie Eggleston will be making the ribbons. Leftover ribbons will be reused/repurposed for cost savings.

Membership: Second reading of applications for Carol & Colin Levi and Brenda Knight. Motion to accept both applications by Denise Bostrom, Second: Debbie Brower.

Picnic: Cindi reports that August 8th has been secured for the picnic. Board meeting gave a budget for prizes for best puppy, best junior, and toys for second and third place. Chicken will be ordered from Winco; bring a side and a lawn chair. Gazebo #4 at Columbia Point Marina has been reserved from 5:00pm-9:00pm. Valeriw would like to do a FIT dog walk during this time.

New Business:

Cindi brought up discussion on securing a spot at some sort of festivity for the club. Art in The Park is currently not an option, as pets are not allowed. There was discussion about other events and options.

Cindi brought up possibly getting business cards made for board members to hand out to vendors. Stacey states that she can get business cards made and Teresa recommends that we get a generic business card with the RKC website, email, logo, and Facebook page info on it.

Debbie reports that Roseanne Davis is now back home after her surgery.

Stacey reports that Jamie Harshfield is very ill and to keep her in our thoughts.

Teresa reports that Royal Canin reached out through the site and wants to come to the show in 2024 to have a booth. She is also a LVT and can give a seminar on giving first aid to dogs and can host buffet lunches to get people to come.

Cindi brought up discussion on committees and trying to get more members involved in the dog show.

Motion to adjourn at 8PM by Cindi McInturf. Second: Alyssa Paxton. Carried.

Cindi gave a presentation on rules and regulations on the pet limit per city, county, and state in Washington.

If anyone would like to do a presentation, please let Mark Eby know.

**Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Keophilavanh**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 18, 2024
RICHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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

Present: Mark Eby, Cindi McInturf, Denise Bostrom, Stacey Davis, Teresa Carlon, Debbie Brower. Guests: Kelly Keophilavanh, Linda Riedel, Laurie Weed, Colin Levi.

The board needs to approve the selection of Stacey as Show Chairman. Motion to approve Stacey as Show Chairman by Cindi McInturf, Second: Denise Bostrom. Carried.

Motion to adjourn at 7:02pm by Cindi McInturf. Second: Teresa Carlon. Carried.

Meeting Minutes Cont. May FIT Dog Walk

Meeting minutes from the March 2024 Board of Directors Meeting and event information on the May Meander FIT DOG Walk.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES CONT.

**RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
APRIL 18, 2024
RICHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**



Called to order: by President Mark Eby at 7:02pm.

Present: Mark Eby, Cindi McInturf, Denise Bostrom, Stacey Davis, Teresa Carlon, Debbie Brower. Guests: Kelly Keophilavanh, Linda Riedel, Laurie Weed, Colin & Carol Levi, Chris Abraham.

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from March as published by Cindi, Second: Denise. Carried.

Secretary Report: Received membership renewal for dues and \$25 trophy donation. Copies to be sent to Debbie.

Treasurer's Report: No significant changes in bank statements.

Committee Reports

Show Committee: Stacey reported that the show prep is on schedule. Debbie brought up discussion about committees for the show. Per Stacey, Nancy Eby is in charge of the Trophy Committee, Stacey and Linda are in charge of Hospitality, Valerie is in charge of membership, and Colin will be part of Grounds. Vendors have been contacted.

At the general meeting, it was stated that ribbons were being made by Jamie Eggleston. There will need to be a correction to the February minutes due to BaRay being referenced for ribbons. Move to amend the February Board Meeting minutes to eliminate mention of BaRay in referene to ribbons. Second: Stacey. Carried.

Rules Committee: Consists of Mark Eby, Valerie and Bob Brown. Mark will send out a copy of the current rules to the general membership. The general membership will have an opportunity to discuss and vote inchanges that they would

like to see in the rules.

Membership Committee: working on making a packet for new members.

New Business:

Cindi would like to look into a new resource for more modern t-shirts for volunteers.

Stacey will be stepping down as the RKC show chair. Linda Riedel will be stepping down as the judging committee chair and will be on the judging committee for WWKC. 2024 will be both Stacey and Linda's last show with RKC. If interested in being the RKC Show Chair or RKC Judges Selection Chair, please reach out to Mark Eby.

Business cards for RKC will be worked on.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 PM. By Stacey. Second: Teresa. Carried.

**Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Keophilavanh**

MAY MEANDER FIT DOG WALK

**RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB
MAY 4, 2024
COLUMBIA PARK**



Richland Kennel Club will sponsor a FIT Dog Community Walk on Saturday, May 4, 2024, in Columbia Park.

We will have three walks at 9:00am, 10:00am, and 11:00am. Limit of 20 per walk. This walk will qualify as a Category B Run.



We will set up our registration table at the end of the parking lot driveway entrance road. Looks for the FIT Dog signs.

It's a log of fun, so bring your neighbors! All dogs that love a walk are eligible!

Spring Fast CAT 2024

RKC & WWKC Fast CAT Committee will be holding events this Spring!



RKC & WWKC May Fast CAT

Richland Kennel Club and Walla Kennel Club will be holding their annual Spring Fast CAT event. We will be holding three events total: two tests on Saturday and one test on Sunday. There will be a limit of 75 dogs per test. Entries open March 6 at 8:00am and close May 1 at 6:00pm. Online entries are \$26 per entry. Day of entries will be available if test the entry limits are not reached and will be \$30 an entry, cash or check only.

The premium is available now on AKC's website. The very talented photographer, Whisker Tango Foxtrot, will be back for this event to take photos. The photo above was taken by Whisker Tango Foxtrot at our Fall Fast CAT event last year.

We still need volunteers! Lunch will be provided for workers. If interested or if you have any questions, please reach out to Kelly Keophilavanh or Lucinda Bersano.

Location: Columbia Park (River Front East) - 5111 SE Columbia Drive, Kennewick, WA. It is located close to the Playground of Dreams.

Date: May 4 & May 5, 2024

Time: 8:00am - 12:00pm (Test #1 and #3), 1:00pm until complete (Test #2)

Contact Info: Kelly Keophilavanh, keophilavanh@gmail.com & Lucinda Bersano, lucinda.bersano@gmail.com



AKC FAST CAT

Fast CAT® – which stands for Coursing Ability Test – is a timed 100-yard dash where dogs run one at a time, chasing a lure. If your dog is really fast, you might earn bragging rights if their name makes onto our list of top 20 fastest dogs by breed! All dogs can participate in Fast CAT, whether purebred or mixed breed.

Although it is a relatively new sport, its popularity has spread like wildfire. No wonder. According to one AKC official, “The Fast CAT® provides a terrific opportunity to introduce new participants to the world of AKC sports as one of the few events where all that is needed to compete is a dog’s natural instincts.”

Eligibility

To participate in FAST CAT®, your dog must be:

- At least 12 months of age.
- Have an AKC number via one of the following:
 - AKC Registration
 - AKC Canine Partners
 - Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL) program
 - Foundation Stock Service®(FSS)

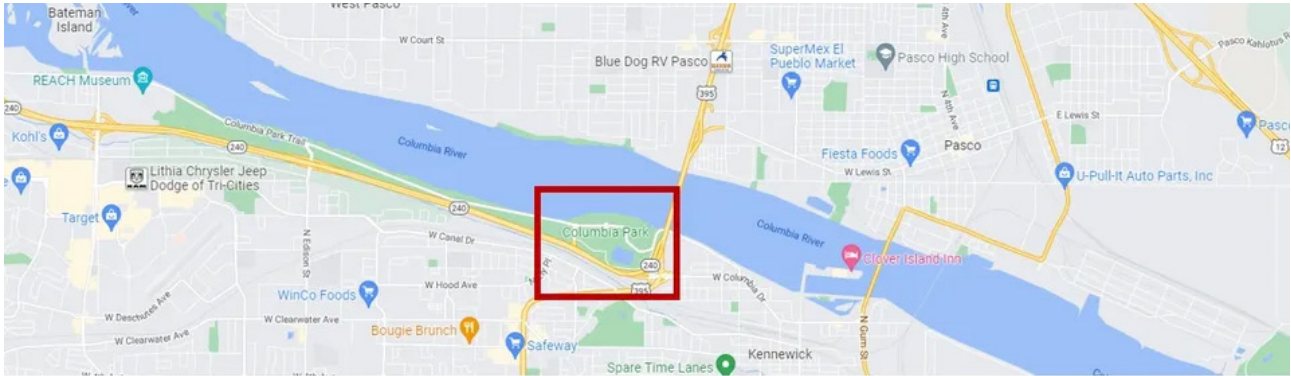
In addition:

- Spayed and neutered dogs are eligible to compete in these events and are welcome.
- Females in season are not eligible to participate.
- An inspection committee will also inspect each dog for lameness and fitness to compete.

Reposted from AKC

Tri-Cities Cluster Dog Show & Volunteer Roles

Future dates for the Tri-Cities Cluster dog show and information on the different volunteer roles and duties.



Show Site Location: 1903 Columbia Park Trail, Richland WA 99352

FUTURE DATES FOR TRI-CITIES CLUSTER

THURSDAY THRU SUNDAY

2024: September 26-29

2025: September 25-28, *85th year of Walla Walla Kennel Club*

2026: September 24-27

2027: September 30, October 1-3, *80th year of Richland Kennel Club*

2028: September 28-30, October 1

VOLUNTEER ROLES & DUTIES

Chief Ring Steward

- Hire stewards
- Pay stewards
- Ensure stewards have breaks or get relieved as needed

Hospitality

- Get a list of hotels for premium
- Work on contracts with hotels for judges
- Pick up judges from the airport and transport to hotel
- Arrange transportation for judges between hotel and show
- Figure out how many lunches are needed and arrange for lunches each day
- Keep hospitality area clean
- Ensure judges and stewards have coffee or water

Parking

- Determine cost for RV spots
- Hire company or arrange workers to manage parking
- Hire security
- Determine outdoor signs needed to direct RVs
- Coordinate RV spots
- Obtain golf carts

Specialty Coordinator

- Determine fees/offerings
- Recruit specialties
- Notify show chair and premium list person
- Get clubs' certificate of insurance
- Assure clubs have requested tables for trophies

Vendors

- Make up contracts
- Recruit vendors
- Get contracts signed for all vendors
- Give list of vendors to webmaster

Grounds

- Arrange for dog bathing station
- Figure out what kind of signs are needed and the quantity
- Print small signs
- Arrange for AEDs
- Work on location contract
- Order tables, chairs, and porta-potties