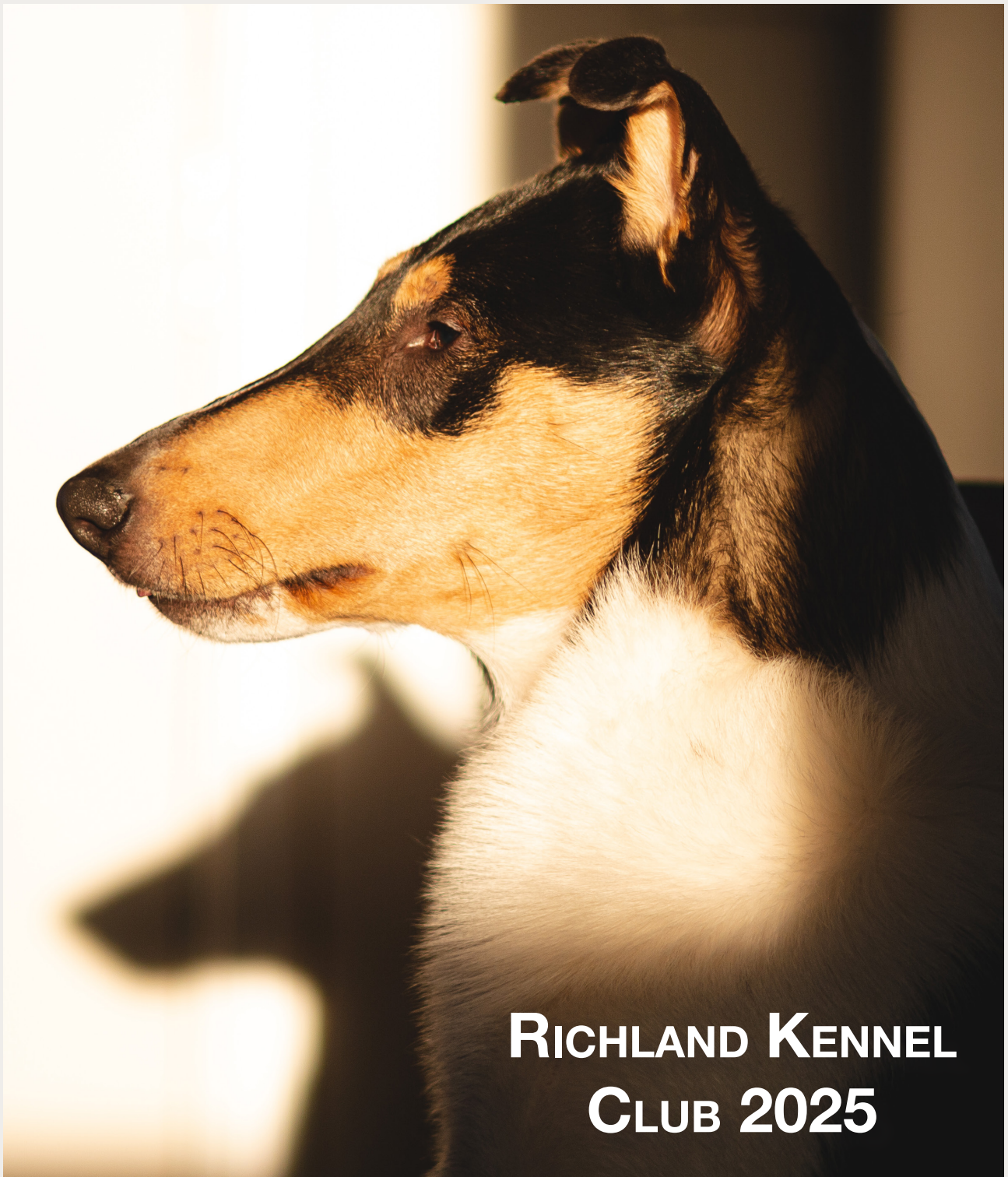


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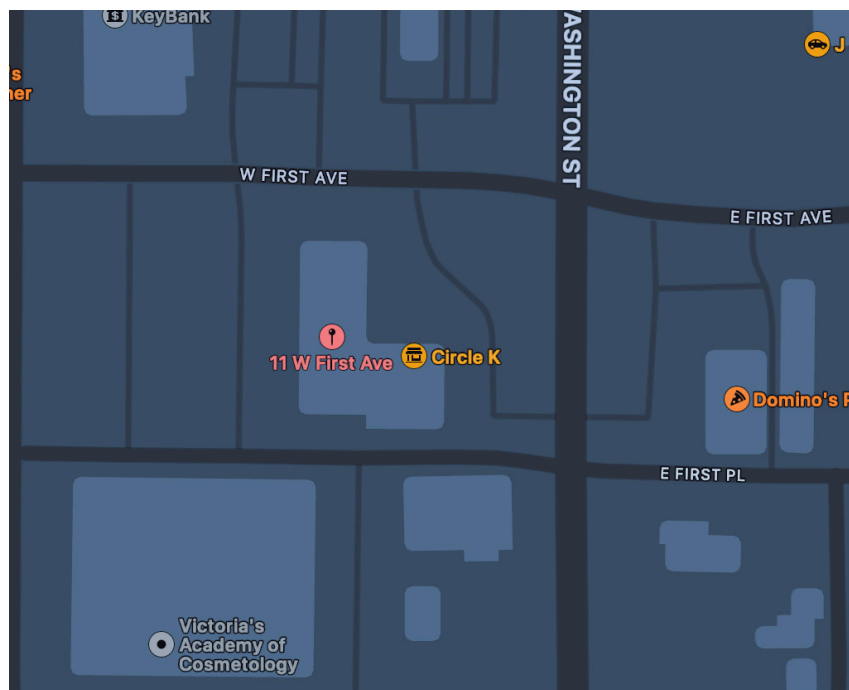
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**RICHLAND KENNEL
CLUB 2025**

Upcoming Events

General Meeting, Board of Directors Meeting, Handling Class, and any other upcoming RKC events.



GENERAL MEETING

January 2nd, 2025
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 Meetings:

February 6th, 2025
March 6th, 2025

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

January 23rd, 2025
7:00pm

Richland Public Library Conference Room A
955 Northgate Drive
Richland, WA 99352

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 Meeting:

February 20th, 2025
March 20th, 2025

HANDLING CLASS

Wednesdays at 7:15pm
Sit Means Sit
11 W 1st Ave.,
Kennewick, WA 99336

Happy New Year!

Richland Kennel Club is starting Handling Class back up on January 8th, 2025. We will be at Sit Means Sit. The Address is 11 W 1st Ave in Kennewick, Wa. Class starts at 7:15 pm. Please keep an eye on Facebook or contact me to see if class is canceled due to the weather.

With this New Dog Cold that is going around Please Keep Your Dogs Home. I am also going to follow the New Guideline From AKC Letter about this New Dog Cold.

Published Dec. 2023 Richland Kennel Club newsletter or you can read the letter on AKC.org webpage. Also, if you are not feeling well, please stay home too!

Please have your dog's shots up to date with Rabies, Canine Distemper, Parainfluenza, Adenovirus Types 1 and 2 and Parvo and Bordetella. Puppies can start class at 4 months of age; Please have ALL the SHOTS before coming to class. Please have your dogs NEAR show ready/clean.

- Laurie Weed

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from the December 2024 Special Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting.

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB
SPECIAL MEETING
PASCO GRANGE
DECEMBER 5, 2024**



Called to order: By President Cindi McInturf at 7:00 PM

Roll Call: 18 members, 4 guests

Membership: Motion to approve the membership application of Angela Salas Hernandez & Alan Hernandez Lopez by Chris Abraham. Second: Mark Glaman. Carried.

Meeting adjourned by Cindi McInturf at 7:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Paxton

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

**RICHLAND KENNEL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
RICHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
DECEMBER 19, 2024**

Called to order: By Pres. Cindi McInturf at 7:00 PM

Present: Cindi McInturf, Denise Bostrom, Linda Riedel, Mark Eby, Debbie Brower, Alyssa Paxton, Rosemarie Davis. Guests: Laurie Weed, Kelly Keophilavanh

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes as published by Mark Eby. Second: Denise Bostrom. Carried.

Secretary Report: Report on correspondence. PO Box renewal notice was received. Given to Debbie to be paid.

Treasurer Report: Report on account balances.

Committee Reports

Show Chairman's Report: Cindi appointed Laurie Weed as show chair. Motion to accept Laurie Weed as show chair was made by Mark. Second: Linda. Carried. Cindi gave a report of judges selection for Linda Kennedy. We are only waiting for one judge to send their signed contract back, then all judges are hired for the 2025 show.

Handling Class: No class for the month of December. Class will start up again on January 8th, 2025. Class start time is 7:15pm at Sit Means Sit in Kennewick.

Unfinished Business: Motion to move \$30,000 from checking into a 6-month CD with Gesa Credit Union made by Mark. Second: Denise. Carried.

Club jackets that were not available at the Christmas party have been finished and deliver to the club members they belong to.

Cindi updated the board about the clubs Fit Dog status. RKC is officially a Fit Dog club. The requirements to be a Fit Dog club include hosting 4 group walks a year. The club hosted a walk in November and Cindi is looking at organizing another one in conjunction with the May Fast Cat trial. There is also a class regarding how to encourage dog health and fitness that Cindi is still looking into and will update after the holidays.

Club roster was updated and Cindi will submit the roster to the AKC.

Cindi and Denise went over the accounts and bookkeeping with Debbie last weekend. All looked good, nothing further to report.

It was brought up again about scammers using Mark's name to try and get access through email to the club's accounts. An Alert will be placed in the newsletter to make members aware of these scams.

New Business: Stacey Davis has rented the park for Fast Cat in May 2025. Discussion on renting the park for the September show and September Fast Cat.

Motion to adjourn at 7:21 PM. by Mark Second: Rosemarie. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

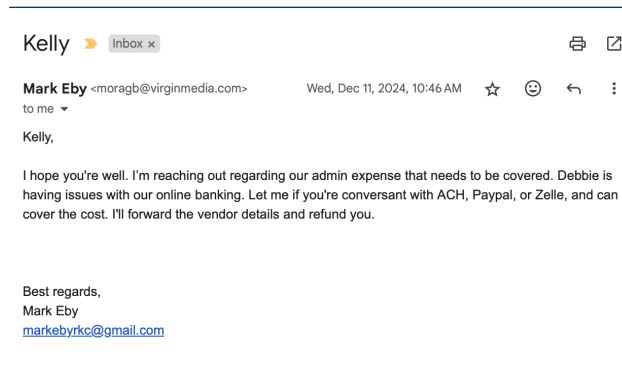
Alyssa Paxton

Phishing Scams & Dues

Information about a phishing scam targeting RKC members and how to pay for RKC membership dues.

BEWARE OF PHISHING SCAM!

There have been Phishing emails being sent to RKC members claiming to be Mark Eby. The email states that he is having issues with our online banking and ask that you cover costs via Paypal or Zelle. **IGNORE THESE EMAILS AND REPORT AS SPAM OR JUNK.** Mark would never send an email to RKC members asking to cover costs. If you unsure if it was sent from Mark or any other RKC member, call the person in question to verify. Additionally, check to see who the actual sender of the email is by checking who it is "from". Below is an example of a phishing email targeting RKC members.



More information below about what "Phishing" is, shared by Stacey Davis & the American Whippet Club:

"Phishing" scams, emails impersonating a trusted source, such as a board member, are on the increase.

A "phishing" scam, often targeting people associated with non-profits and charitable organizations, is a fraudulent email or message that appears to be from a legitimate source, like an organization's member, board officer, or even the organization itself, designed to trick people into clicking malicious links, send money, download harmful files, or reveal sensitive information like login credentials or bank details, ultimately aiming to steal money.

Signs You're Being Targeted by a Phishing Attempt

The email:

1. Comes from a suspicious email address. Occasionally, an attacker will gain access to the email credentials of the person they plan to impersonate, enabling them to send phishing emails from the victim's real account. However more often, **phishing emails come from an address that does not belong to the purported sender. Be sure to check the sender's email address — not just the display name — by either clicking "Show details" (Gmail), hovering over the sender's name (Outlook), or clicking the sender's name (Apple Mail).**

2. Demands a sense of urgency in completing the request (e.g. today, in the next hour, by end of day, "I'm in meetings all day, please respond"). If the requestor is pushy and insistent in tone, it's a clear indicator they're a threat actor.

3. Asks for money, gift cards, login credentials, or other sensitive information to be submitted to the requester or a third-party recipient or filled in on a web form. When money is requested, the message may claim the funder will be reimbursed at a later time.

4. If the message purports to be from someone you know (e.g. a board member or officer) but seems out of keeping with their usual voice or the types of requests they would typically make, stop and question whether the message may be fraudulent.



2024 RKC MEMBERSHIP DUES

Please submit your dues by January 31st using the renewal form. The renewal form can be downloaded and printed from RKC's website:

<https://richlandkennelclub.org/forms>

\$25 for Family Membership

\$15 for Single Membership

Dues can be sent to:

Mail:

Richland Kennel Club
P.O. Box 386
Richland, WA 99352

PayPal:

richlandKC386@gmail.com

(additional handling charge of \$2.50)

Or in-person at the next General Meeting. Checks should be made payable to Richland Kennel Club.

2024 Christmas Party

Photos from the 2024 RKC Annual Christmas Party taken by Cindi.



Service Dog Training Club

Information about Service Dog Training Club. Reach out to servicedogtrainingclub@gmail.com or Corrie Sue Harris for more info.



SERVICE DOG TRAINING CLUB

At the Service Dog Training Club, we're all about building a welcoming space where service dog teams can come together, learn, and grow.

Our mission is simple: create a community where members support each other, share knowledge, and help each other succeed. We provide access to valuable resources, community events, and free or low-cost training opportunities, so every team has what they need to thrive.

We meet up monthly to share tips, brainstorm solutions, go on fun training outings. Whether you're training your first service dog or polishing the skills of an experienced partner, we're here to be part of your journey and celebrate your progress.

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