

# The Pooches' Post

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### **October Meetings:**

Board Meeting: Oct. 8, 7:00 PM via Zoom

General Meeting: Oct. 28, 7:00 PM via Zoom



# Some Halloween safety tips for our pets—adapted from Pet MD

- 1. Trick-or-treat candies are not for pets
- 2. Don't leave pets unattended in the yard on Halloween
- 3. Keep pets confined or away from the door
- 4. Keep pets away from glow sticks
- 5. Keep Halloween plants like corn and pumpkins out of reach
- 6. Don't keep lit pumpkins around pets
- 7. Keep pets safe from electric or battery-powered Halloween decorations
- 8. Desensitize pets to costumes well before the holiday.
- 9. Don't forget pet IDs!

## Dog Classes in Cheyenne

Barb Sahl/ The Elemental Dog, LLC Certified Nose Work Instructor (CNWI) (307) 421-5514 the.elemental.dog@gmail.com www.theelementaldog.com

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The Cheyenne Kennel Club works to promote a family-friendly environment at club functions



# 2021 SHOW COMMITTEES

Show Chairman

Chair: Cathy Anderson Asst Chair: Chandra Flaim

Judges

Chair: Robin Casey

Obedience/Rally
Chair: Judy Wrysinski

Chief Ring Steward (Conformation)

Chair:

Chief Ring Steward (Obedience/Rally)

Chair:

Trophy

Co-Chairs: Barb Patterson and Jo-Lynn Hefferman

**Food Vendors** Chair: Stacy Woita

Hospitality

Chair: Kathy and Gary Spahr

Reserved & Free Grooming

Chair: **Grounds** Chair:

Raffle Committee:

Chair:

**Catalog Sales** 

Chair: Cindy Germain

Clean-up Crew

Chair:

Vendor Committee

Chair: Jo-Lynn Hefferman

#### **CKC Board Meeting**

September 9, 2021 - Zoom

Meeting called to order: 7:00 PM

Present: Bonnie, Jo-Lynn, Kay, Judy, Barb P, and Stacy.

Minutes: June and August Board Minutes - Approved

**Treasurer's Report**: Will send out after show expenses are processed.

**Corresponding Sec:**. Nothing to report.

**Special Committee Reports:** 

Website – Bonnie will update with the newest pooches post

Newsletter – Barb said she is going to try and get the next Pooches Post by the beginning of October.

Events – Bonnie talked with Hannah about their 4H handling classes on Monday nights at Archer in conjunction with 4H.

Old Business:

Farm dog certification ribbons were ordered. They will be here the week before the

One of our Farm Dog Judges backed out from the event. Chandra is working to replace the judge.

**New Business:** 

Monica has stepped down from the Recording Secretary position. Bonnie will send out an email to the membership asking if anyone would be interested in the recording secretary position.

Bring a new application for the general meeting.

**Show Business:** 

Rally and Obedience judges complimented the setup for the rings - loved the drop in curtains.

Next year to push getting the general public out to the show.

Paypal is ready to transfer all the money out of the account to the bank account.

Finishing up treasurer's expenses for 2021 shows.

Talked about washtub ideas

CSU sale for potential mini-fridges for the show grounds.

Complaints about the food vendor tickets from a judge who had to wait. One food vendor was harassing the other food vendor. Potential food truck rally for Saturday.

Need a new trophy and rosettes chair for 2022 - Bonnie has volunteers.

Need a new Chief Ring Steward for 2022.

Maybe check with the Red Cross to see if they would offer a CPR class for the club members. CSU occasionally has CPR classes as well.

If anyone has any show expenses, please get to Barb P ASAP.

Next meeting: October 14th at 7PM on Zoom.

Meeting adjourned: 7:44 PM

Signed: Bonnie Spiece, President

#### **Cheyenne Kennel Club General Membership Meeting**

#### September 23, 2021 Via Zoom

Meeting called to order: 7:02 p.m.

**Present:** Kay Allen, Cathy Anderson, Sandy Belg, Robin Casey, Janet Daly, Chandra Flaim, Frances Flaim, Vanessa Forselius, JoLynn Hefferman, Marisa Johnson, Kodie Lester, Annalisa Linch, Cyndy Park, Barb Patterson, Bonnie Spiece, Monica Turner, Stacy Woita, Judy Wrysinski

Minutes: August General meeting minutes were approved as published

**Treasurer's Report:** work on show report preparation is in process – several outstanding expenses have yet to be presented for payment. Hope to have final show report completed by Sept 30 along with the Sept monthly report. These will be emailed out as usual when complete.

**Corresponding Secretary:** thank you notes from 2 judges were received. In addition, Show Chair Cathy also received a thank you email from another judge.

#### **Special Committee Reports:**

Website: latest Pooches Post & conformation practice info will be added as appropriate

Newsletter: scheduled for asap after Oct 1; brags are requested

Events: nothing new on partnering with 4-H club for conformation practice during the winter at Archer M&K building

Guests: Vanessa Forselius has submitted an application for membership

#### Membership:

- Marissa Johnson 3<sup>rd</sup> reading membership application approved
- \* Anastasia Eastridge 2<sup>nd</sup> reading
- Vanessa Forselius 1<sup>st</sup> reading
- \* Robert & Debi Cline 1st reading

#### **Old Business:**

- \* Conformation practice may be held at Lions Park in October, depending on weather & shows. Schedule will be noted on the club website.
- \* Farm Dog test on Oct 2 is a go AKC, ribbons, helpers are all set. Flyer will be posted on Colorado Dog Events on Facebook

#### **New Business:**

- \* JoLynn mentioned that Tom Power has a sculpture done by Pepper (Ann) Power that he would like to donate to the club as a special raffle item at the 2022 show.
- \* President Bonnie Spiece set up the nominating committee, consisting of Robin Casey/Chair, Stacy Woita, and Janet Daly. Per the By-Laws, the committee is charged with having their first meeting on or before Sept 30 and the list of nominations must be presented to the club at least 30 days prior to the election, which will be on Tuesday, Nov. 23.
- \* Monica Turner expressed displeasure with club actions at this year's shows and moved that the club request the Board to draft a statement ensuring a family friendly environment at club activities and that such statement be published in the next Pooches Post. Motion seconded and discussion ensued.
- \* Barb P pointed out that we (the club) can't ensure (i.e., guarantee/certify) a specific environment but that the club can work on promoting a friendly environment. She moved the original motion be amended to say "promoting" rather than "ensuring". Seconded, discussed, and passed.
- \* Question was called on the amended original motion: "The club requests the Board to draft a statement promoting a family friendly environment at club activities and that such statement be published in the nest Pooches Post". Motion passed.

#### Show:

- Many compliments were received about the show, re: site, trophies, and ring setup (especially the Obedience & Rally ring setup).
- \* Show Chair Cathy was notified that 2 Rally "winners" were actually not qualified, so will be returning their ribbons & trophies.
- \* Chandra Flaim has volunteered to be the 2022 Show Chair.

Next General meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned: 7:53 p.m.

Signed: Barb Patterson, Treasurer

## Leptospirosis

Adapted from the website of the American Veterinary Medical Association https://www.avma.org/resources/pet-owners/petcare/leptospirosis

Leptospirosis is a disease caused by infection with Leptospira bacteria. These bacteria can be found worldwide in soil and water. There are many strains of Leptospira bacteria that can cause disease. Leptospirosis is a zoonotic disease, which means it can be spread from animals to people. Infection in people can cause flu-like symptoms and can cause liver or kidney disease.

Leptospirosis is more common in areas with warm climates and high annual rainfall but it can occur anywhere.

#### Risk factors for leptospirosis

Dogs are most commonly affected. Common risk factors for leptospirosis in dogs residing in the United States include exposure to or drinking from rivers, lakes or streams; roaming on rural properties (because of exposure to potentially infected wildlife, farm animals, or water sources); exposure to wild animal or farm animal species, even if in the backyard; and contact with rodents or other dogs.

Dogs can become infected and develop leptospirosis if their mucous membranes (or skin with any wound, such as a cut or scrape) come into contact with infected urine, urine-contaminated soil, water, food or bedding; through a bite from an infected animal; by eating infected tissues or carcasses; and rarely, through breeding. It can also be passed through the placenta from the mother dog to the puppies.

#### Signs of leptospirosis

The signs of leptospirosis in dogs vary. Some infected dogs do not show any signs of illness, some have a mild and transient illness and recover spontaneously, while others develop severe illness and death.

Signs of leptospirosis may include fever, shivering, muscle tenderness, reluctance to move, increased thirst, changes in the frequency or amount of urination, dehydration, vomiting, diarrhea, loss of appetite, lethargy, jaundice, or painful inflammation within the eyes. The disease can cause kidney failure with or without liver failure. Dogs may occasionally develop severe lung disease and have difficulty breathing. Leptospirosis can cause bleeding disorders. Affected dogs can also develop swollen legs (from fluid accumulation) or accumulate excess fluid in their chest or abdomen.

Leptospirosis may be suspected based on the exposure history and signs shown by the dog, but many of these signs can also be seen with other diseases. In addition to a physical examination, your veterinarian may recommend a number of other tests.

#### Treatment and prevention

Leptospirosis is generally treated with antibiotics and supportive care. When treated early and aggressively, the chances for recovery are good but there is still a risk of permanent residual kidney or liver damage.

Currently available vaccines effectively prevent leptospirosis and protect dogs for at least 12 months. Annual vaccination is recommended for at-risk dogs.



## Kids' Corner-This one's for Barb S.!!

Review content of the books/ suggested activities to determine appropriateness.

<u>Super Sniffers: Dog Detectives on the Job.</u> By: Dorothy Hinshaw Patent, 2014 (available online)

\*This particular book has a more difficult reading level (grades 5-7). It can be modified for varying ages by having older siblings read to younger siblings. (**Tips:** parents should supervise/take over reading when needed. Content of pictures should be discussed in detail to allow younger children easy access to facts. The book doesn't have to be read in order, you may pick areas of interest)

Activity One: Enroll your dog in a nose-work class!

Activity Two: (Family Puzzle Activity) This activity takes several days. First set up an area to put together an age appropriate puzzle. (I found a good selection at both Barnes and Noble and Jax) Next a page is read from the book and the pictures discussed. All participants (including parents) tell one fact they learned. If the fact is correct he or she may add a piece to the puzzle, each player much give a different fact! Pages are read out loud and pieces are placed until interest ebbs. Before the reading begins on the second day each participant is given a chance to tell a fact from the day before. (Remember no duplicate facts). He or She may place a piece if fact is correct. The activity with the oral reading/puzzle pieces then continues with different parts of the book. The goal, of course, is to complete the puzzle!

#### Related Nature Activities:

<u>Eww! Critter Litter Southwest.</u> By: Stan Tekiela, 2016. (Yes this is an easy and somewhat gross children's book about wild animal scat, leavings, and Tracks) Available at Clothes Pony in Ft. Collins.

Animal Tracks Activity Book. By: Brett Ortler, 2015. (Available at Sportsman's Warehouse)

**Just for fun Halloween!** The Hallo-wiener. By: Dav Pilkey, 1995. (Available online) An easy read about Halloween. It does a nice job of addressing the issues of kindness and importance of not bullying.

Activity: Of course, dress your dog up for Halloween (Maybe you'll both get more treats). Folkmanis Puppets (available online) has just the puppet for this book!



#### **2021 CLUB POSITIONS**

#### **Animal Shelter Liaison:**

Robin Casey

#### Specialty Club Liaison:

Cathy Anderson

#### **Events Committee:**

## Awards Banquet & Annual Awards:

Chandra Flaim—banquet arrangments
Awards-?????

#### Membership Committee:

# Finance & Audit Committee

Barb Patterson

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

- Call to Order
- Approval of Minutes
- Treasurer's Report
- Corresponding Secretary Report
- Guest Introductions
- Member Applications
- Committee Reports
- Old Business
- New Business
- Adjournment
- Brags

#### PENDING APPLICATIONS

Toni Oliva



Chandra and Frances' Qualteri Collies have been busy and successful!

- \* "Jacurso" CH Qualteri A Pirate's Life For Me PT FDC BCAT CGC TKN finished his Championship at the Cheyenne Kennel Club show on Saturday, Sept 4th and went BOV and got a NOHS Group 3rd on Monday Sept 6th.
- \* He also won BOV and got a NOHS Group 4th at the Roaring Fork Kennel Club show on Friday, Sept 17th "Emilia" Nightwind Qualteri Barefoot Blue Jean Night went BOV over Specials for a 3 point major at the Evergreen Kennel Club show on Saturday, Sept 11th
- \* "Gigi" Qualteri Primadonna went BOV over Specials for a 4 point major at the Evergreen Kennel Club show on Sunday, Sept 12th
- \* "Palermo" Colebrae Qualteri It Must Have Been Love has done well in the 4-6 month puppy competitions. He got a Puppy Group 3rd at the Cheyenne show, and a Puppy Group 2nd and 4th at the Roarking Fork shows.

Vivian's Aussies have also been very busy!

- \* GCH Nebesniy Aljans Anyway Anyhow Anywhere JHD CGC NA RE TKI SWN SIA SHDA (Lara) finished her Scent Work Advanced Interior, Advanced Handler Discrimination and Rally Excellent titles in the last couple of months.
- \* HHK Heartz On Fire (Cary) has been on fire! Cary has finished titles in Rally Novice, Rally Intermediate, BCAT (FastCat), Scent Work Novice Containers, Novice Exteriors and Novice Interiors. She been a busy girl, just the way she likes it!

Echo has been getting out and around as well!

- \* Oct 2, Echo earned her Farm Dog Certification at the CKC Farm Dog Test at Vivian's home.
- Oct 9, Echo earned both LTC and LTE titles in NACSW K9 Nose Work.

She is officially CH Travler's Echo on the Wind CGC, FDC, TKA, NW3-C, NW3-E, NW2, NW1, LII, LIC, LIE, ORT, DDCN, NC, ATD, BFD1

Send your Brags to Barb S for the next Pooches' Post!



Jacurso





Lara, Buried Scent Work Cary at Rally

