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July 2019 Newsletter



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From the President's Desk

I want to give a heartfelt thank you to everybody who came to the clean-up day at K-9! Usually we just have a few volunteers that give their time, and little gets done because there's so much to do, but this time we had a huge turn-out and it made such a difference!

Thank you to Alison Nelson who organized the morning, got everybody going and kept her eye on the list of chores.

Rings and CRATES were blown out, equipment was cleaned, bushes were trimmed, the island around our oak tree was weeded and trimmed, the vines over the fence were removed, bathrooms and clubhouse were cleaned and even the poop container was wiped down. We started at 7:30 and, as Alison promised, were on our way home at 10:30. I cannot thank you all enough!

We also had a nice group at the June General Meeting, along with a delicious pot-luck dinner and our Achievement and Sportsmanship Awards were presented.

Thanks to all who attended!

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Meetings

Board Meeting – July 11, 7:00 pm

General Meeting – July 18, 7:30 pm



No training will be allowed on the grounds during the General Meeting

New Members



New Full Members
Juli Wilkison

New Provisional
Member
Spencer Cole with Hank, an
American Staffordshire
Terrier

President's Message - continued

Our October trials and June, 2020 trials are listed on the AKC website. The premium for Oct. will be available August 1st. We will also be offering Random Reward Beginner Novice, not listed on the AKC website.

We're in the middle of the summer doldrums. It's hot out there so stay hydrated, keep your dog(s) well supplied with water and be careful of walking them on hot pavement. Cooler weather will be here in a few months.

Ginny

Upcoming Events

July

07/11 - CCI Puppy Training - 6:30 pm

07/11 - Board Meeting - 7:00 pm

07/14 - Rally/Obedience Practice Group -

8:00 am

07/17 - Conformation 7:30 pm

07/18 - General Meeting - 7:30 pm

07/24 - Conformation 7:30 pm

07/25 - CCI Puppy Training - 6:30 pm

07/28 - Rally/Obedience Practice Group -

8:00 am

07/31 - Conformation 7:30 pm

August

08/07 - Conformation 7:30 pm

08/08 – Board Meeting – 7:00 pm

08/14 - Conformation 7:30 pm

08/15 - CCI Puppy Training - 6:30 pm

08/15 – General Meeting – 7:30 pm

08/21 - Conformation 7:30 pm

08/29 - CCI Puppy Training - 6:30 pm

September

09/12 - CCI Puppy Training - 6:30 pm

09/12 - Board Meeting - 7:00 pm

09/19 - General Meeting - 7:30 pm

09/26 - CCI Puppy Training - 6:30 pm

"Bud" Kramer

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of Charles "Bud" Kramer at the age of 91. Born in Kansas, Bud served in the Army during the Korean War. He was a professor of biology at Kansas State University for 40 years. Bud became involved in dog training in 1963 and was a member of the Manhattan Kennel Club for over 50 years, where he served as training director and instructor. He showed six different breeds in obedience and conformation.

In 1984 Bud wrote a series of articles on dog agility. In 1987 he then wrote a book describing his concept of the sport, which won the Dog Writers Association of America award. In 1988 Bud established the first organized dog agility program in the US - the NCDA. Eight years later UKC started an Agility program, then AKC followed suit.

Bud Kramer presented the concept of Rally obedience in 2000, which he offered to the AKC. Rally became a non regular class with obedience in 2003, and a titling event in 2005.

Charles "Bud" Kramer is considered the father of both Agility and Rally, and we are all poorer for his loss.



2019 Sportsmanship Award

Sportsmanship can be defined as the fair and generous behavior or treatment of others. I feel that this individual embodies this. She is often at K9 training her dogs. She also has made sure that many electrical outlets were replaced, light bulbs get replaced, cracked concrete was rectified. In addition she gets the Show and Go's going only after the campus cleanup is done. My guess is that most of you know who this year's recipient is. So it is with pleasure that the Sportsmanship award goes to Alison Nelson. Thanks and congratulations, Alison.

2019 Achievement Award



This year's recipient of the K-9 Outstanding Achievement Award joined us just a few years ago and immediately jumped in. She is currently showing in Obedience and actively pursuing an Obedience Trial Championship with her Sheltie, Saxon, as well as starting her younger Sheltie, Carson. At a recent Obedience trial she received a perfect 200! She has served on the Board, taught classes, served as 2nd Vice President (AKC Trial Chairperson), been a member of the DOCOF team, and ALWAYS offered help to any Obedience hopeful who needs expert advice. To sum it up, she will do anything to support K-9 and the sport of Obedience.

Her most recent – and most significant achievement, however, was, after 40 plus years of holding trials in April, talking the Board *and* the American Kennel Club into holding our "spring, 2020" trials in June. This will be during a dry period in Obedience and we hope we will see a much more successful entry. We gratefully give the Outstanding Achievement Award to Dianne Strickland.

Thanks Volunteers!





Thanks to all the volunteers who came out for the Clean up day! Marla Holliday, Ginny and John Ruskuski, Colleen Whalen, Bob Reifsneider, Betsy Raiford, Melissa Hess, Alicia Ziesmer, Robin Wallen, Catherine McDonald, Ann Ouchterloney, Jean Coker, Mark Easterday and Patrice Kapcio (CCI)





Congratulations!





Sheila Garbecki and Dannica

Dannica came home with another 1st place medal in her lap division, senior class dock diving event last weekend. She has also received her invitation for Nationals in Orlando in December.



Andi Bower and Ali

USDAA Southeast Regional Tournament in Perry, GA
Thursday June 6, 2019:
Performance Grand Prix—1st place—BYE

Performance Grand Prix—1st place—BYE Performance Speed Jumping—1st Place

Friday June 7, 2019: Team Event: Partners Val Rutledge and Tide 8th overall

Team Standard-1st Place; Team Snooker-5th Place; Team Jumpers-1st Place; Team Gamblers-2nd Place; Team Relay-2nd Place

Saturday June 8, 2019: Performance Grand Prix Round 1-1st Place

Performance Grand Prix Round 1-1st Place Performance Speed Jumping Round 1-1st Place

Sunday June 9, 2019:
Performance Speed Jumpir

Performance Speed Jumping Finals—3rd Place-BYE straight to semifinals at Cynosports World Games in October

Performance Grand Prix Finals-1st Place-BYE straight to semifinals at Cynosports World Games in October

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