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From the President's Desk

We are entering a very strange summer to say the least! No classes are scheduled until September (especially Puppy classes, which often require “hands on” help for the puppy and sometimes the handler). At this time, we are fortunate that our training area is outdoor with fresh air always available.

People are starting to gather on weekend mornings to train (staying socially distant, of course). It's nice to see dogs working again.

Our AKC Obedience and Rally trials are scheduled for 11/21 and 11/22, at K-9, with Deb Nufeld and Bob Withers judging.

We will be holding Virtual AKC Rally Novice runs on weekends during the summer which can earn a Novice title for your dog. (Email me for information – ruskusi5030@att.net) Ring set-up will only be by appointment only, meaning I do NOT want to set up a Rally course unless people show up! This will be a relatively easy and inexpensive way to earn a Rally Novice Title. Don't miss it!

Deb Gilman has re-framed and hung the photos of K9 OTCh recipients and the wall looks lovely!
Thanks, Deb.

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Meetings

Board Meeting – 6/11/20

Member Meeting – 6/18/20

New Members



Life Member

Andi Bower

Provisional Members

Lizzie Adams
Susan, Mike and Shannon
Carlin
Ashley Escobar
Sarah Skinner
Judith Solano
Kimberly Wichlan
Jamie Bush
Joy Kealey

President's Message – continued

Steel work has been done to rectify some rusted and corroded footings of our pavilion, thanks to **Alison Nelson**.

Our grass at K-9 was dying and I had sprinklers and an automatic timer set up, but we've finally been blessed with rain.

We have a new slate of officers to take effect in July. To all of you who have served and will serve during 2020-2021, you are in the company of all those who know "sportsmanship," means more than just shaking the winners' hands. It means giving back to the sport you love. We are deeply grateful.

- Ginny

Proposed Slate of Officers - 2019/2020

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Board Member – Judy Fortner

It's Hot Outside

We know it's hot, but over the past few weeks we've found the fans on early in the morning (meaning they were running all night and part of the day before). In one instance, they had blown a circuit.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE! If you go out to K-9 to train PLEASE TURN THE FANS OFF BEFORE YOU LEAVE!

Thanks!

Agility Field Closed

Notice flags on the Agility Field? Please don't move them! Holes have been flagged so that we can get an estimate on getting them filled in preparation for some potential agility classes.

AKC Rally Novice Virtual Pilot Program

K-9 Obedience Club of Jacksonville will be offering AKC Rally Novice Virtual Pilot Program approved Rally courses at our grounds *beginning May 30*. K-9 will provide the course and be open for dog and handlers teams to film their run and submit it for judging approval to earn a leg. (To earn the Rally Novice title a team must provide film of 3 qualifying runs using 3 different courses.) The fee will be \$5.00 per run for members and \$10.00 per run for non-members.

You should plan to bring your own videographer and camera.

The courses will be provided through RSVP/appointment only. Please email Ginny at ruskuski5030@att.net if you are interested. She will provide you with a copy of the course, day and time.

Congratulations!



Cindy Torre and Chewie

NW3 Vehicles 2nd Place and
L1 Exteriors Title Sorrento, FL

Melissa Hess and Adam

In 2019, Adam earned his Preferred Open title (PCDX) and one leg towards his Preferred Utility title (PUDT). Recently he earned his Senior Hunter title (SH) for pointing breeds at the Timucuan Weimaraner Club of Florida hunt test in Umatilla, Florida. Adam has also earned a Versatility Certificate from the the Vizsla Club of America which is awarded to dogs which have been judged to meet the AKC conformation standards for the breed, have a regular class obedience title and an advanced hunting title.



Karen Childers and Sailor

NACSW Trial Spartanburg,
SC January 18 NW1 Title, 2nd
Place Vehicle Search

NACSW Trial MacClenny,
FL February 16 NW2 Title

Congratulations!

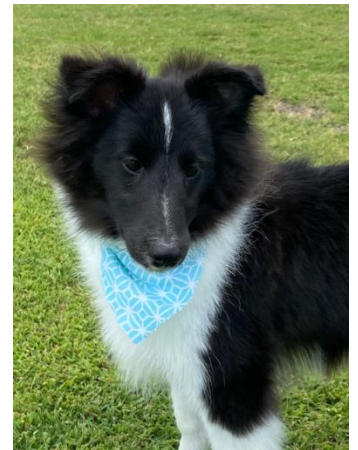


Gary Wells and Gunnar

Gary & Gunnar received their NW3 Vehicle title on 2/15/2020 at K9's NW3 trial.

Victoria Ford and Mimir

CH Spiva's Pop A Top Again. Aka Mimir earned his AKC Championship in 3 weekends.



Terri Reel and Mica

I'd like to introduce "Mica" my bi black sheltie pup. He's 18 weeks old. Register name Himark's Set In Stone TKN!(we did his novice trick dog title when he was 16 weeks old.) He's smart, sweet, And has whole lot of energy! Made my stay at home order much sweeter!!!

Personal Notes

Phyllis Vandeveld, who was a Life member, died Sept 20, 2019.

Notes from the Editor

It's been my pleasure to be the newsletter editor for the past 5 years. I've thoroughly enjoyed seeing all the brags and pictures and letting everyone know what's going on at K-9. Now it's time for me to pass the newsletter on.

Bob and Christy Reifsneider have graciously agreed to take on the newsletter. Please continue to send in your brags, pictures of your new family members and other news you'd like to share.

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