

BRAINERD KENNEL CLUB NEWSLETTER
FALL 2017



FALL CLASSES

BKC's fall classes at Hunt's Point on MONDAY evenings beginning Sept. 18. This fall we are offering ;

Rally 6:30	Advanced Beginner 6:30
Puppy 7:45	Beginner 7:45

TENTATIVE WINTER SCHEDULE

Puppy, Beginner, Novice/Companion Dog & possibly one other class to be determined (times yet to be decided on)

*******ANNUAL MEETING*******

Don't forget to put the BKC annual meeting on your calendar for December. Time and place will be announced later. We will give out the Peter Petrikat Award for service to the club and acknowledge titles earned. The Club will send out the menu items so you can choose your preferences and let Peggy Wills know what they are.

EVENTS THIS SUMMER

Babinski Animal Shelter Open House – BKC operated a booth at the open house on August 12. Jeff McArthur, BKC board member, spent about three hours at the Babinski event. He said he was thoroughly impressed by everything. Hundreds of people attended in just the three hours he spent. At

one point the food vendor ran out of food. They found more somewhere, and resumed their operation. Jeff says that the facility was immaculate. He was very impressed with the layout and quality of the facility; however, its remoteness is an issue.

A number of people stopped at the BKC booth. Many were interested in puppy and obedience classes. Jeff met many friends from the community who thought BKC is a very good organization.

[EVENTS THIS FALL](#)



Minnesota Responsible Dog Ownership Day
And
Free AKC Sanctioned Match
September 9, 2017
Washington County Fairgrounds
Lake Elmo, MN
FREE PARKING FREE ADMISSION
Show Hours: 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.



Join 30+ All Breed, Group, Specialty and 4-H Clubs representing 95 breeds at this event.

- See Demonstrations from 10:00A.M. - Noon and Meet the breeds all day.
- Participate in conformation, rally, obedience, **tricks, Farm Dog Certification Training**, agility (4-H), weight pulls, and handling lessons.
- Get tips on grooming.
- Low cost AKC microchip clinic for \$25.00 including registration with \$5.00 from each chip donated to the 3-Day Breast Cancer Walk.
- Free CGC testing, Trick Evaluations & CGCA testing with signup day of event. Low cost TDI available by reservation at e-mail below.
- Food available on site, net proceeds to the Animal Inn Junior Scholarship Fund.
- Well behaved dogs on leash with proof of vaccinations are welcome.
- Match entries taken from 10:00A.M. until 11:30A.M. Match starts at Noon.

Additional details available at:

Website: <http://www.scvkc.com/rdod/>

Email: sugarbush-dogs@juno.com RDOD on subject line

Facebook: Find us at www.facebook.com/pages/Minnesota-Responsible-Dog-Ownership-Day/216783228473275?ref=hl



COMPETITION NEWS



*Mike and Carol Jensen's **Timber and Hudson** (German Shepherds) passed their **National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW™)** on Saturday, May 20th. On Saturday, Aug 19, Timber passed his level 1 single odor and received his title in the K9ABC Games venue. (*For further information on nosework, see article below.*)

*Sally Ihne's **Cash (C-Mar Monetary Value RN, CD, GN, CDX, GO, UD, UDX, OM2)** (Shetland Sheep Dog) placed first in Utility B Class and 4th in Open B for another Obedience UDX leg at the June Lochland Shetland Sheepdog Specialty Show.

*The team of Janet Hennes and **Dasher** recently competed at the Central Regional USDAA agility trial in Kansas City, MO. They are very proud to report that they made podium and placed second in the biathlon competition. This means that they had clean runs and fast times in BOTH Master Challenge Standard AND Master Challenge Jumpers. In the team competition, their team of three dogs jumping ten inches placed eighth out of forty-nine teams. A team with all small dogs is particularly challenging so they were very proud of their placement.

***Dash** also recently received his certificate for Standard Champion- Silver title. This level is completed once the dog has achieved 25 standard qualifying runs at the masters level. Dash is currently working on his Bronze level ATCH and will be competing at the national competition

Cynosports in Murfreesboro, TN in October.



*Mary Freeman's **Windwood Dark Force Rising (Jade) (Irish Setter)** finished her conformation championship at the St. Croix Valley Specialty in Lake Elmo. Jade earned 5 point majors Saturday & Sunday taking Winners Bitch on Sat. and Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed on Sun. About 60 Irish Setters competed. Jade is handled by Yvonne Norton.

*Pam Landers' **Leia (Ch Dble Helix Somewhere in Time OA NAJ CA UWP WSX) and Simi (Ch K-Way's Artemis UWP WSX) (Samoyeds)** earned their Samoyed Club of America Working Samoyed Excellent titles in carting, weight pull, and pack hiking.



Leia also took Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed at the Working Dog Specialty at the St. Croix shows in Lake Elmo Aug. 24, and Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed in the Working Samoyed Sweepstakes at the Samoyed Association Of Minneapolis – St. Paul Specialty on that same day. About 50 Samoyeds competed.

FUN THINGS TO DO WITH YOUR DOG

Nosework (condensed from Wikipedia)

Nosework is a canine sport created to mimic professional [detection dog](#) tasks. One dog and one handler form a team. The dogs must find a hidden target [odor](#), often ignoring distractors (such as food or toys), and alert the handler. After the dog finds the odor they are rewarded with food or a toy. Nosework is a fast growing sport in part because it accommodates canines with disabilities or behavior problems.

Benefits

Some of the positives offered by this program include natural physical & mental exercise, limited resources needed, confidence building for timid or shy dogs, redirection for rough and high energy dogs, focus building for unfocused and aroused dogs.

Canines with a fear of humans can work and be rewarded in an environment with people around, but the dogs are not forced to interact with them. In nosework dogs are worked one at a time, so canines with dog aggression are able to have fun without other dogs in close proximity.^[10]

Usually owners spend more time with their dogs while participating in nosework. Research has shown that even a slight increase in time spent interacting with your dog will decrease the dog's separation anxiety, improve obedience and help form a stronger human-canine bond.^[11]

Carol Jensen, BKC club member, says “Nosework is a very rewarding activity mainly because the dogs LOVE doing what comes so naturally! Any age dog and even disabled dogs can compete! Really

fun!”

The National Association of Canine Scent Work allows dogs in rescues or shelters to compete in NACSW events free of charge.^[7]

Governing Bodies

Three associations administer nosework tests: they are the

National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW), and the United Kennel Club (UKC), both headquartered in the United States, and the Sport Detection Dog Association (SDDA) headquartered in Canada.

Each sanctions trials and awards titles.

Levels

Each organization awards several levels of titles, increasing in complexity. NACSW awards NW1, 2 and 3 titles, as well as some more specialized titles.

SDDA awards Sporting Detection Started, Advanced, and Excellent.

Odors

Dogs are trained to seek specific scents. All odors used in nosework are legal to carry and own. Each governing body sets its selection of odors. The odor is often dripped on a cotton swab, which is then hidden in a search area. Examples of odors used are birch, anise, Clovebud Oil, Myrrh Oil, and Wintergreen.

Does this sound interesting? You might want to give it a try!

FROM THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

Dear Club Members,

I would like to inform you of efforts being made on behalf of the American Kennel Club and our affiliates to provide assistance in the wake of Hurricane Harvey.

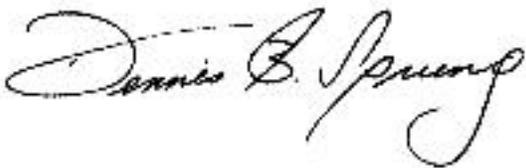
- 1 AKC.org now features a donate bar across the entire site.
- 2 AKC Reunite Trailers have been deployed to the mega-shelter at the Kay Bailey Hutchinson Convention Center in Dallas and in Fort Worth to provide shelter and care to pets in need, with an additional trailer on standby in New Orleans for assistance in the Lake Charles area.
- 3 Two media alerts went out Monday and Tuesday to the Houston, Austin, and Dallas

areas about the trailers and their locations. Updates and information have been posted on the AKC's social media platforms including Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

- 4 A press release with additional information on the location of the trailers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area was emailed to media outlets.
- 5 The Communications and Public Relations department is contacting shelters which have received dogs from Houston to offer aid.
- 6 Government Relations is distributing information on the PETS Act which allows pet owners to travel on public transportation with their pets during a disaster.
- 7 Information on disaster preparedness provided by AKC Canine Health Foundation, news stories written by Marketing's digital content team, and opportunities to donate to relief efforts have been posted on our website and across all social media channels.
- 8 AVMA's Disaster Preparedness Guide for Veterinarians, provided by AKC Canine Health Foundation, has been shared with veterinarians enrolled in VetNet.
- 9 A press release announcing a Challenge Grant from Barbara and Bob Amen (Delegate, Greater St. Louis Training Club) which will match donations to AKC Reunite's Pet Disaster Relief Fund up to \$10,000 was sent to media outlets Wednesday.
- 10 AKC Shop is running a promotion to donate all profits from the [Texas Tough collection](#) to AKC Reunite Disaster Relief Fund.
- 11 The AKC Humane Fund has pledged \$10,000 to the Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund established by Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner to assist victims and their pets.
- 12 The AKC Humane Fund has created a special award to be given to one hero from Hurricane Harvey that has helped animals reach safety.

If you or your loved ones have been affected by this tragedy, consider sharing your story and photos with AKC to bring further awareness to the cause. Should you know of a shelter accepting animals displaced by the storm that could use assistance, please contact us at communications@akc.org. The AKC is diligently working to find opportunities to provide help to those in need; please join us in this effort by donating to [AKC Reunite's Disaster Relief Fund](#).

Sincerely,



WANT TO HELP BKC?

REPLY FORM

Please let me know what opportunities are available for me to be active with the Brainerd Kennel Club.

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____ Phone _____

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OR Barb Schilling barb@northcountryplumbing.com 218-820-0555.