

WESTERN WAUKESHA COUNTY DOG TRAINING CLUB

THE RECALL

FEBRUARY 2019

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019
7:00 PM
PROGRAM: HOW TO USE THE AED.

Last names A - L bring a sweet treat to share

General Membership Meeting Program

WWCDTC has had an AED for years. The presentation will be how to use the AED – automatic emergency defibrillator. It's important that we all know how to use these in case of emergency, so come and learn how. Bring a sweet treat – or a healthy one – to share!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

2/22 – 4 th Friday Run Thrus	3/26 – Conformation Run Thrus
2/26 – Conformation Run Thrus	3/31 – UKC Agility Playday
3/12 – Conformation Run Thrus	4/6 & 7 – Connie Cleveland Seminar
3/16 – Health Clinic	4/9 – Conformation Run Thrus
3/19-3/21 – NO CLASSES – MEETING	4/13 – 14 – BRDC UKC Agility Trials
3/19 – General Membership Meeting	
3/22 – 4 th Friday Run Thrus	

Member Dues Notices

Letters went out earlier this month. If you owe dues, please note that they are due by April 1, 2019. Even if you don't pay dues, please return the contact information form so you are included in the membership book. Please print clearly so we get your information correct! Any questions or if you did not receive a dues letter, please contact Lorene Schramm, membership director. Thank you!

Conformation Classes – Schedule Reminder

Conformation classes are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evening each month. You can check the calendars attached or the club website to check these classes. Open to the public.

Volunteer Opportunities

Each member is required to help at club events throughout the year. You are asked to work at least one trial and one 4th Friday Run Thru each year. This is a great way to get to know club members and to see other handlers working with their dogs. Our club works because we all pitch in – please do your part! See the dates above and the attached calendars and contact the person in charge to volunteer. Thank you!

Spring Class Sign-up is right around the corner!

You will find new member-only sign-up forms for Obedience and Rally classes held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday included in this issue of The Recall. Cathy Bender did a great job updating and clarifying these forms, so be sure to read them over carefully. Both member and Non-member forms are available at the club on the front wall if you want to pick one up and fill it out while you are at the club.

DIANE DANKERT'S SCENT ARTICLE

We are reprinting the article from the last newsletter on scent work written by Diane and Paul as it did not print properly in the last newsletter. Please enjoy.

Did you know? Our Club has Elves!!

We are lucky to have an elf who comes to clean our building every Friday. She also cleans when there are special events to prepare for. She is the only person who regularly empties the “poop stations.” We know her as Joy Flannery – a hard working and great lady. Thank you, Joy!

Joy is joined by 3 other elves when it comes time for floor washing and more through cleaning. These male elves are known to us as Jon Kimpel, Joe Kugel, and Russ Maki. These men understand that a club comprised entirely of volunteers is grateful that they keep us accustomed to the clean conditions they provide. Thank you, Jon, Joe and Russ!

We all need to acknowledge how thankful we are for their work and support. Let them know you appreciate their work when you see them around club.

SCENT WORK THANK YOU

WWCDTC's Scent Work Class held their first Scent Work Match on February 16, 2019. This was open basically to those attending the scent work classes held by Joe & Sue Kugel, Diane & Paul Dankert and Karla Neissing.

From all reports this event was very successful for the group learning to put together an AKC Licensed Scent Work Trial later this year.

Thank you to all those that helped put it together. This is a up and coming venue.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well, it is a good day to write my president's article. Again classes cancelled. This has been the most cancellations I can remember. Hopefully this will be the last. But you never know.

WWCDTC had a great Banquet the other week. Sixty five members got achievement certificates this year. I know there were more that had accomplished stuff in 2018. Congratulations to them also. Hopefully next year we will have more. Also, the food was great along with the presentation to the Sheriff's Department. They were totally surprised by this donation this year. Thanks to Claudia and her crew who put together an exceptional raffle as it was a record amount collected to be donated. I know it is several months off, but get your ideas together for 2019. Also the basket that Sheriff Milbrath brought was special collecting another \$280 for the department. They presented us with a beautiful plaque which will be hung shortly. Also thanks to Tara and her crew for the décor and planning the food, drinks, and little fun times.

Also special are the extra classes our club is now doing for their members. Also the members who volunteered to do these classes are special. Hopefully members will take advantage of these in the coming months. They are mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter so look for them coming up. To start thanks to Sandy Flaaten and Nancy Schmitt. We are working on getting some of these classes available also for the people training at night.

Hard to believe but it is 20 years again we made the plans for this facility. It is such a pleasure to be part of it as it has grown in leaps and bounds, and has accomplished many things over the years. We are proud of the support that our members give this club. We have an awesome board who really cares about the present and future of dog training and the socialization it creates.

Class sign up will be coming up too. Don't forget to fill out the form that Cathy Bender will be putting out for the class you train in and get it in by the deadline so she has a chance to get the information ready for classes to start.

Joan

Officers & Board Elected for the 2019-2020 Years

President - Joan Kaml (1/19)
262-781-8072

Karen Slack (1/20)
920-625-3831

Vice President - Mark Christiansen (1/19)
920-344-0001

Sandy Perkins (1/20)
262-470-8750

Secretary - Deb O'Brien (1/20)
414-302-1968

Harry Beggs (1/20)
920-342-7042

Treasurer - Barbara Drake (1/20)
262-784-1428

Nancy Schmitt (1/19)
414-412-0008

Tara Matusiewicz (1/19)
608-576-1309

Two Special Classes offered this spring

1. *Ring Ready Winners! (an Obedience Show Class)*
Wednesdays, 12:00 – 12:45 PM, beginning March 27, 2019

Let's build a partnership and keep your dog's attention in the obedience show ring. This class is for teams from Novice through advanced training. What can you do to keep your "team" together?

Instructor: Sandy Flaaten

Sandy has shown dogs in both obedience and agility as well as in the field. She has taken her dogs to OTCH and MACH. She is currently showing a Golden in Utility B and Open B while preparing for the National Obedience Invitational. She is also in the process of teaching another Golden the steps to Utility!

2. *Perch Work for Performance (Back by Popular Demand!)*
Wednesdays, 9:00 – 9:45 AM, beginning March 27, 2019

Teach your dog body awareness, stays, send aways, left turns, line up fronts, etc., utilizing the perch. Then learn how to move it to the floor and apply that to your competition training. This is for teams from Novice on up. It is fun and helpful for the dogs!

Instructor: Nancy Schmitt

Nancy has trained and shown dogs in obedience, conformation, agility and field for almost 30 years. She has taken her dogs to UDX, National Obedience Invitationals, multiple MACHs and National Agility Championship invites, #1 Obedience Dog and other #1 rankings in the country in my breed, Specialty wins, AKC Breeder of Merit, and many other top awards. She is "ring tested!"

BOTH OF THESE CLASSES ARE FOR WWCDTC MEMBERS ONLY. SIGN-UP SHEETS ARE TO BE GIVEN DIRECTLY TO SANDY AND NANCY. SIGN-UP FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CLUB IN SEPARATE FOLDERS FROM REGULAR CLASS SIGN-UP FORMS.

“ALERT” -- There’s A Fun New Dog Sport Known As Canine Scent Work

Scent Work (aka Nose Work) is a very popular, fun new activity for dogs and their people. Unlike obedience, dogs receive very few commands (basically just “search.”) Instead, nose work taps into a dog’s natural instinct to hunt and track scents. Although handlers may provide a little guidance, the dogs are allowed to “do their thing” and the person must rely on their dog to find the hides.

Searches are conducted in four elements: Containers, Interior, Exterior and Buried (in AKC) or Vehicles (in UKC, NACSW).

Dogs are trained on the “target” odors: Birch, Anise, and Clove (And, at higher levels, additional odors are used for AKC and UKC.) Dogs learn how to detect the target odors. They learn independent problem-solving skills needed to work the search area in order to find the source of the odor. They learn to “stay at source;” and communicate the location of the hides to *their* person. They learn foundational skills that help them to face new and greater challenges as they progress in the sport.

In Scent Work people have more to learn than their dog. They need to:

- properly handle and store the odor
- build confidence and motivation in their dogs while building scent detection skills,
- place good hides, based on environmental conditions, and their dog’s ability
- learn about air flow, converging odors, threshold hides, elevated hides and so on
- treat quickly and generously
- build their dog’s “stay at source” behavior so that their dog will not be distracted by toys, food, noise, people or other distractors.
- learn how to read their dog (recognizing when their dog’s in odor, and when he is at “source.”)
- use proper leash handling and stay out of their dog’s way.

People are often surprised to learn that you can interact with and treat your dog during the trial. In fact, you are **encouraged** to treat your dog when she correctly indicates the hide. Most interesting of all, is that if your dog doesn’t find the hide, the judge will tell you where the hide was. This is done so that you can take him to the hide and reward. The goal is always (even in trials) to build confidence and make your dog feel successful.

Nose work is a great activity whether you want to earn titles, or just have fun. It is for anyone that wants to increase their bond with their dog. It’s great for all types of dogs—young and old, shy and hyperactive, reactive, retired and even injured dogs. And, it’s good for people of all ages and physical abilities.

Nose work can help build confidence in dogs. It can help distracted dogs stay on task. By focusing on finding the source of odor: fearful dogs can become more comfortable in a variety of environments, and reactive dogs can become more tolerant of the presence of other dogs. As dogs work through scent puzzles in their searches, they use a lot of mental and physical energy.

And, it doesn’t require a lot of equipment to train your dog and conduct practice searches. To get started, you just need Q-Tips scented with an official Scent work essential oil (available for as little as \$3/bottle from nose work suppliers) and a couple of hide containers and *really good* treats. You can practice Nose work almost anywhere that you can take your dog.

And the best thing about Nose work is that you can develop a stronger bond, as you learn to observe, understand and depend on your dog.

“FINISH”

(Written by Diane Dankert)

WESTERN WAUKESHA COUNTY DOG TRAINING CLUB CALENDAR

◀ Feb 2019		March 2019					Apr 2019 ▶	
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
					1 RENTAL – ELKHOUND SET UP	2 RENTAL – NOR. ELKHOUND SPECIALTY		
3 RENTAL – NOR ELKHOUND SPECIALTY	4 WK – 8 PUPPY/MANNERS CLASSES	5 WK 9 – AM – RALLY/SCENT/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE	6 WK 9 – AM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY PM – AGILITY	7 WK 9 – AM – AGILITY PM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCENT/TRICK	8	9		
10	11	12 WK 10 – AM – RALLY/SCENT/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE CONFORMATION	13 WK 10 – A.M. – OBEDIENCE/RALLY PM – AGILITY	14 WK 10 – AM – AGILITY PM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCENT/TRICK	15	16 WW – HEALTH CLINIC		
17 RENTAL – WESSA MATCH	18 ORIENTATION PUPPY/MANNER CLASSES	19 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING	20 NO CLASSES	21 NO CLASSES	22 4TH FRIDAY RUN THURS	23		
24	25 WK 1 – PUPPY/MANNER CLASSES	26 WK 1 – AM – SCENT/RALLY/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE CONFORMATION	27 WK 1 – AM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY PM – AGILITY	28 WK 1 – AM – AGILITY PM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCENT/TRICK	29	30 RENTAL – BERNESE MTN DOGS		
31 UKC AGILLITY PLAYDAY								

WESTERN WAUKESHA COUNTY DOG TRAINING CLUB CALENDAR

April 2019						
◀ Mar 2019						May 2019 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 WK 2 – PUPPY/MANNERS CLASSES	2 WK 2 – AM – SCENT/RALLY/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE	3 WK 2 – AM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY PM – AGILITY	4 WK 2 – AM – AGILITY PM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCENT/TRICK	5	6 CONNIE CLEVELAND
7 CONNIE CLEVELAND	8 WK 3 – PUPPY/MANNERS CLASSES	9 WK 3 – AM – SCENT/RALLY/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE CONFORMATION	10 WK 3 – AM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY PM – AGILITY	11 WK 3 – AM – AGILITY PM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCENT/TRICK	12	13 BARK RIVER DOG CLUB UKC AGILITY TRIALS
14 BARK RIVER DOG CLUB UKC AGILITY TRIALS	15 WK 4 – PUPPY/MANNERS CLASSES	16 WK 4 – AM – SCENT/RALLY/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE	17 WK 4 – AM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY PM – AGILITY	18 WK 4 – AM – AGILITY PM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCENT/TRICK	19	20
21 Easter	22 Wk 5 – PUPPY/MANNERS CLASSES	23 WK 5 – AM – SCENT/RALLY/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE CONFORMATION	24 WK 5 – AM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY PM – AGILITY	25 WK 5 – AM – AGILITY PM – OBEDIENCE/RALLY SCENT/TRICK	26 4 th Friday Run thrus	27 RENTAL – FT ATKINSON MATCH
28	29 WK 6 – PUPPY/MANNERS CLASSES	30 WK 6 – AM – SCENT/RALLY/TRICK PM – OBEDIENCE				

More Calendars from WinCalendar: [May 2019](#), [Jun 2019](#), [Jul 2019](#)

**WESTERN WAUKESHA COUNTY DOG TRAINING CLUB – GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING –
FEBRUARY 2, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Joan Kaml, the President. Joan thanked Tara Matusiewicz for the evening and all those that helped decorate and set up

PRESENTATION OF CHECK TO JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF – Check in the amount of \$2100 and \$ 283

from the evening raffle of the Jefferson County Sheriff's basket.

Sheriff presented WWCDTC with a Plaque and mentioned that the K9 officers are very excited about our program and that WWCDTC is one of their biggest and most consistent donors to the K9 program.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – The minutes were approved as printed in the Newsletter.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – No report

TREASURER'S REPORT – Treasurer's report was approved as read.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT –

Thanked all of the members for their help throughout the year

We are entering our 20th year of being in our building. Would like to plan something for the ground breaking anniversary

TRAINING COMMITTEE –

DIRECTOR OF TRAINING REPORT - Mark Christiansen

Mark thanked Kathy Bender for taking over the class registrations

New classes – Scent work and trick class, also a Ring Ready Winners class

Monday Night - Thank you to everyone that helps with the Monday night classes. It has been very successful, the program has come a long way and we have waiting lists

Agility – No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

Meetings/Programs –

March Meeting – Tues. 3/19. We are still looking for a program

Health Clinic – 3/16. Tara is looking for helpers

Connie Cleveland Seminar – Nancy Schmidt The dates are April 6 & 7

All of the working spots are full, there are plenty of auditing spots open

WWCDTC Instructors receive a \$50 stipend for seminars

Grounds/Building/Housekeeping – **Mark Christiansen**

Members asked to shovel out the doors if you come, there is pet friendly ice melter by the doors, doesn't take but a few minutes to help keep the entrances clear.

Reminder – that if anything is wrong, please contact Joe Kugel or Mark Christiansen

Thank you to the cleaning crew

Projects completed in 2018 – flooring and inside lights.

Thank you to Wayne for putting a wheel on the gate to the dog yard.

Projects for 2019 – Mark would like to replace all of the outside building lights with LED lights like the back door.

Membership – Lorene Schramm

Dues notices will be available on class nights this week. Mark mentioned that the sooner you get the dues notices to Lorene, the sooner we will get the membership books out.

1st Reading – Wayne Racinowski & Denine Ackerbauer

2nd Reading – Christin Davie & June Brus – welcomed as new members

Trials – AKC

January Obedience/Rally – The trial went well. Elmer Willems announced that he will retire the end of 2019

June – is the next trial

Trials – UKC

January Agility – thanked everyone for the help

February 8th Agility – this is a one day trial connected with the Dodge County dog show on Sat. & Sun. Total Dog competition.

April Agility

February Obedience/Rally – Claudia asked on behalf of other club members, what happened with the February trial. Had very few entries in October and with the possibility of bad weather, the Board made the decision to cancel the trial for this year. Will be holding the October trial – Ann Millane has the judges

Newsletter – Lorene thanked members for sending articles and pictures. Would like to send the newsletter

electronically to members than can receive email, to cut down on the mailings.

Website – Koenraad DeRoo mentioned we are going to get a Pay Pal account. Will do a trial run with the

Monday Night classes to see how it works out with registration

Nominating Committee –

Joan thanked the nominating committee – The following officers have been voted in for another 2 year term:

Treasurer – Barbara Drake

Secretary – Debbie O'Brien

Board – Nancy Schmidt

Board – Sandy Perkins

Board – Harry Beggs

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS – Scent Work Match in 2 weeks, Feb.16

Claudia Sonnenberg is going to extend the making of trophies for Utility A classes

NEXT MEETING DATE – March 19

ADJOURNMENT – Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted, Debbie O'Brien, Secretary

