



The Barker

President's Letter

Next General Meeting:

November 14, 2001, 7:30 p.m.

Totem Lake Fire Station—11210 NE 132nd, Kirkland, WA

Voting to change the standing rule on entering dogs in the club match on Fridays.

Thanks very much to Ron Critchfield for the interesting talk and meeting of his beautiful Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever. This new (to the U.S.) breed has been admitted to the Miscellaneous class at AKC shows, and we're lucky to have someone like Ron who is so committed to his breed and will teach all of us things about the trail to AKC recognition.

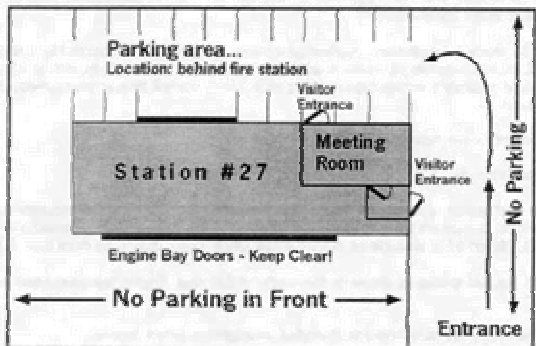
We have a very big show coming up fast. We will have a great Judges Dinner on Friday night, January 11 at the usual place - Best Western Park Plaza in Puyallup. Please plan on attending this Club event and get your reservations to Margaret Wageman ASAP. Also, if you are interested in ring stewarding or helping out in any way, please contact Kathi Fraser (for stewarding) or Ludell Beckwith.

I hope all of you have a safe Halloween. Wayne and I are going to visit relatives in VA and will be gone thru Sunday, November 4—so I guess we'll have to haunt all of you in your nightmares!

See you at the General Meeting. *Jan*

3-Month Calendar

November 6	SKC Board Meeting
November 14	SKC General Meeting
December 2	Holiday Party Jan Leikam's House
December 4	NO Board Meeting
December 12	NO General Meeting
January 1	NO Board Meeting
January 4	Puyallup Cluster
January 9	NO General Meeting



Directions to Kirkland Fire Station #27:

From I-405 Northbound:

Take Exit 20B to Totem Lake Blvd. Turn left onto Totem Lake Blvd. and go to NE 132nd St. Turn left, and drive approximately 4 blocks. Turn right at first driveway into Station 27 and continue to rear parking area.

From I-405 Southbound:

Take Exit 20 to NE 124th St. Turn right, then right again onto 116th Ave. NE. Continue to NE 132nd St. Turn left and drive approximately 4 blocks. Turn right at the first driveway into Station 27, and continue to rear parking area.



Minutes from the Last Meeting, 10-10-01

In attendance: Rusty Kingery, Pat Willaby (guest), Jan Leikam, Patty Hull, Ludell Beckwith, R.E. Beckwith, Phil Sallee, Ron Critchfield, Sara Goss, Dee Carlson, Ken Carlson, Michael Krowlewski, Vandra Huber, Deb Lewy

Jan Leikam called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

The minutes from the last meeting were published in the Barker. Patty makes the motion to approve the minutes as published. Ludell seconds. Motion passed.

President's Report

Jan has still not received anything from AKC regarding membership.

Secretary's Report. No Secretary's Report.

Treasurer's Report. Read and accepted. We are looking into a bookkeeper who will also do an audit.

Deb makes a motion and Ken seconds it accepting the Treasurer's Report as read. Motion passed.

Report of Committees.

Dee Carson—We will need to find a better way to reserve rooms at motels. Jan is looking into getting a credit card for the club.

We may also need to hire someone to transport judges at our shows.

Ludell Beckwith, January Show—We have had a letter from Terry Wissinger resigning from the club. Rusty is taking Terry's place on the committee. Karen was co-chair and she will be replaced by Kym Anton. Rich Anton will be grounds chairman.

Dinner has been arranged for Friday night on January 9. Saturday is the show. We need to make reservations with Margaret Wageman. Kathi is the January Chief Ring Steward.

Nominations for Officers: Jan presented the November nominations. Elections will be at the annual meeting.

2nd Reading of Membership Applications.

Jan did the second reading of Sara Goss and Ron Critchfield's membership applications. Sara has Fox Terriers and Ron has Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retrievers. Both were voted in as members.

1st Reading of Membership Application.

Jan read Pat Willaby's application. Pat has English Springer Spaniels.

New Business

We need to elect a show chair for the August 2002 show. Ludell nominates and Dee seconds Jan Leikam as show chair. Motion passed.

We need to elect a member-at-large for the January 2003 and August 2003 shows. The January 2003 show committee will consist of: Rusty, Dick, and Jan. The August 2003 show committee will consist of Jan, Dick, and Vandra. For the August 2003 show, the Western Regional for Golden Retrievers will be on Friday.

Dee Carlson proposed to vote to have the ability to enter our dogs in the club match on Fridays. Vandra seconds the motion. We have a standing rule that prohibits this. Phil read the rule. We will need a notified meeting and will vote on this at the next general meeting.

Rusty Kingery presented a West Nile Virus email that has circulated on her list. (See article on Page 3).

Ron reported on the slow response time of the Web site. Ron offered to program a revised site and will begin a mock-up.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Nominations for SKC Officers and Board, 2002

President—Jan Leikam
V.P.—Ludell Beckwith
Corresponding Secretary
 —Kathi Fraser
Recording Secretary—
 Deb Lewy
Treasurer—Patty Hull

Board:

Bo Gloster
 Rusty Kingery
 Dick Beckwith
 Dee Carlson

New Member Profiles!

NAME: Sara Goss
 E-MAIL: splashfox@yahoo.com
 OCCUPATION: Mom
 LENGTH OF TIME IN PUREBRED DOG ACTIVITIES? 16 years
 ACTIVE IN: Breeding, Conformation, FIFPS Board
 PAST AND PRESENT BREEDS OWNED: Smooth & Wire Fox Terriers, Pointer, Borzoi, Whippets
 DOG CLUB AFFILIATIONS: Fox Terrier Fanatics of Puget Sound, Smooth Fox Terrier Club of America, Western Washington Whippet Association

Welcome, Sara!

NAME: Ron Critchfield
 OCCUPATION: Director of Development
 LENGTH OF TIME IN PUREBRED DOG ACTIVITIES? 4 years
 ACTIVE IN: Conformation, Field Trials
 DOG CLUB AFFILIATIONS: Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA)

Welcome, Ron!

First Case of WNV in Dogs Found in Georgia

Submitted by Rusty Kingery

The focus to date on West Nile Virus (WNV) has been on birds, horses, and humans, but now dogs are added to the list. A veterinarian, Dr. David Bryan of Bryan and Hight Veterinary Clinic, received results that a blood sample of a dog he treated earlier in the month that had come back positive for the mosquito-borne West Nile Virus. The virus is spread by migrating birds, which are in turn bitten by mosquitoes, and those in turn transmit the virus to horses, humans, and other animals such as dogs.

A seminar on WNV by the Serology Department at the UGA diagnostic lab at Tifton represented a list of 8 clinical signs of WNV in horses. The dog he treated showed 6 of the 8. Dr. Bryan said the dog was an otherwise healthy two and one-half year old male Labrador. At presentation, the dog was drooling, "morbid," had partial anorexia, facial tics in the muzzle-area muscles, and his left ear was drawn up toward the top of his head. His vision appeared to be impaired and he had a slight temperature. Overall, Bryan said, he showed signs of a central nervous system problem.

In-house lab work was reasonably unremarkable, so blood samples were sent to Tifton for screening, including Eastern and Western equine encephalitis and West Nile virus. The

encephalitis screenings were negative, but the WNV was positive. Dr. Bryan said veterinarians had thought that dogs would not be affected by WNV.

Bryan had begun treating the dog with chloramphenicol since it will cross the blood-brain barrier and might have some anti-viral properties as well. The human version, chloromycetin, had been off the market for some time. The dog was well enough to go home in 3 or 4 days and reached full recovery about 5 days after that. While there are WNV vaccines for horses, there are none yet for dogs.

Pet owners should not panic. As ProMED posted in 1999: Pets: No [clinical] causes of encephalitis linked to WNV have been documented in pets in this [1999] outbreak, nor does it appear from other WNV outbreaks overseas that this will be likely. However, CDC has found 3 positive sera from healthy dogs in a preliminary screen of 84 dog serum samples from New York City. Pets will probably be similar to most species of mammals and birds in that they are susceptible to a transient WNV infection if bitten by an infected mosquito, but are unlikely to become chronically ill.



Get Ready for the January Judge's Dinner

Submitted by Margaret Wageman

As Hospitality Chairman, I would like to know who is attending the "Judge's Dinner" on January 11, 2002. The dinner will be held at the Best Western Park Plaza and Holiday Inn Express on Puyallup's South Hill. The theme is a "traditional Northwest buffet presented with a touch of nautical flair."

Please understand that if you reserve for the dinner and do not show, you will be billed. Also, there cannot be any last-minute drop-ins.

The deadline for letting Margaret know whether or not you will attend is December 15, 2001. Call Margaret at 253-630-5412.



Margaret's new address is: 19525 SE Covington Sawyer Rd., Kent, WA 98042

JUDGE'S DINNER MENU

Tri-colored Pasta Salad
Tossed Green Salad
Caesar Salad
Assorted Sliced Fresh Fruit Tray
Pacific NW Salmon
Sliced London Broil
Grilled Teriyaki Chicken
Oven-Roasted Baby New Red Potatoes
Rice Pilaf
Seasonal Vegetables
Assorted Dinner Rolls with Butter
Dessert: Blackberry Cobbler with Whipped Cream

\$27.27 per person IF you do not show up! Otherwise, this is one of the many benefits of being a Sammamish Kennel Club member!



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Member Wags n' Brags

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Margaret Wageman

From the Beckwiths:

New champion! American Can. Ehren Int. Ch. Beckwith's Christmas Star. Breeder: Ludell Beckwith and Lynn Anderson. Owners: Lynn Anderson & Dave Vart. Star has had an exciting year, finishing her Canadian Championship and on to her American (AKC) Championship, finishing with several BW and BOF wins. ▼

From Vandra Huber:



McVan's Alakazam, owned by Nancy Warfield, finished its Canadian Championship and got a 1st AOM at the Canadian Nationals in August—and just had a litter of 5 boys!

From Jan Leikam:

My CH Adrienne Blue & Sentimental (Borzoi) is #1 breed points per AKC for the Orlando Classic. Also, Laureate Adrienne Luminary went Reserve at the Longview-Kelso show on October 14. My CH. Adrienne Blue & Sentimental took Breed that same day.

From the Camicias:

Heartbreak Harry, an OES, was BIS at the Longview show and took the Herding Group on Sunday. Harry also took Breed and a Group 2 at the McKenzie Cascade Dog Fancier's Show on September 6, and Breed plus a Group 3 at the Eugene Kennel Club on September 8. Harry took Breed at the Eugene show on September 9.

From Jessica Wilcock:

At the Doberman Nationals, my puppy Carly took third in the 6-9 puppy bitch black class at the host club out of 27 bitches. A litter-mate of hers took second in the futurity, another made the cut. Momma Brigit won the Novice A obedience class and got her second CD leg. Carly passed her CGC.

Congratulations to all our members!!!