

# OKC NEWSLETTER

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## AKC EVENTS

**AKC Fast CAT Tests**  
October 2-4, 2020

**AKC Obedience - Rally  
Trials**

September 12 & 13, 2020  
October 24 & 25, 2020  
December 12 & 13, 2020  
January 16 & 17, 2021  
May 22 & 23, 2021

**AKC Agility Trials**

October 16-18, 2020  
October 30 – November 1, 2020  
January 29-31, 2021  
April 9-11, 2021

**AKC Scent Work Trial**

November 14 – 15, 2020

**AKC All Breed  
Conformation Show**

November 28-29, 2020

**CGC & Trick Dog Testing**

December 19, 2020



## NEXT MEETING

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020  
Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
General Membership Meeting 7:00 p.m.

## MINUTES

Oshkosh Kennel Club Minutes of the 8/19/2020 Board Meeting:

Call to order – Karen called meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

Officers Present –

Karen Mason

Richard Angwin

Marian Fenlon

Anne Haberkorn

JoAnn Brewer

Cindy Bohnert

Jody Suess, Guest (Strategic Planning)

Marian made a motion to accept minutes from last meeting. Cindy B. second, motion passed.

**Corresponding Secretary Report** –Nothing to report.

### Treasurer Report

- Marian presented the bills that were paid and will be paid during the month of August.
  - The insurance payment information is now available for repairs to the building due to the crash and we are ready to proceed with repairs. (See restricted savings above.) Now waiting for Albright (contractor) to schedule time for these repairs. Pete P may be able to help with the communications moving forward with Albright. Cindy B will talk with Jill and Pete.
- Marian presented the current and future cash flow forecast.
  - Forecasts for expenses going out-includes all fixed monthly expenses as well as variable expenses. The majority of these expenses are fairly accurate, however these are estimates and will change.
    - We need to prepare before the mortgage rewrite. Marian and Cindy recommend making payments to the City of Oshkosh before this process begins in September.
    - Discussed WPS utility bill for ways to save on billings. We now set the thermostat in both rooms at 70 degrees. While we know the large room needs the thermostat set at 70 degrees, our little room may not need to be kept at that level. Cindy B to ask Cindy P. to verify based on her experience with the matting and the air conditioning if we need to air condition when not using the little room. Cindy B to advise once they have had a chance to talk.
  - Forecasts for income coming in are conservative. Since there are so many variables outside of OKC control, the income forecasts are less certain than the forecasted expenses. Our goal is to try to use cash instead of cashing out CD's to avoid fees if we possibly can.
    - Went through each event to determine level of certainty and any support needed.
    - Fast CATs are well supported moving into the future. October trial to be held at OKC.
    - Obedience Trial is on track for September with Rally offered outside the back of our building if the weather cooperates. We also have a trial scheduled for October, which is in process. If the weather cooperates, Rally may again be offered outside. Trial judge expenses are being kept as low as possible.
    - Agility Trials are less certain as the weather cools down. October's trial is in motion (without FAST and T2B), and opens on 8/28/2020. Crating will take place outside the building for exhibitors, physical distancing will take place during walk throughs and staging will be implemented for teams queuing up to run. November's trial is also in the works using the same running order as October and Covid guidelines. (Anne to work with Dana to help support moving forward based on last year's attendance.) Chairs are looking at January as a

smaller than normal trial (2 days from 3 days) to control for Covid by offering a Novice/Open trial since crating outside will likely be more difficult. April's trial will be reviewed once we hold October and November trials and can assess how processes worked and the evolving state of Covid.

- The first session of Fall classes is posted. We hope to post more classes related to agility during the first session. In addition, we are planning for launching a second Fall session in November. This will bring in additional revenue not included in the forecast.
- We are excited that new events are offered in the areas of Scent Work, Rally, and others. The associated income has been reviewed and supported.
- The board discussed the \$5.00 mat time and personal training fee. There are advantages and disadvantages at this level. We will continue to review this charge based on our cash flow to determine at some point in the future if it would need to change. For now it remains at \$5.00 per dog.
- The board concluded that we should be able to meet our cash needs if our forecasts are fairly accurate BUT we need to keep a close eye on Covid conditions and adjust income forecasts as necessary and revisit.
- Dick recommended preparing a contingency lock down plan as an alternative to manage income when/if we should need it. More discussion to take place in October. Some ideas included:
  - Offer land for Oshkosh Defense trucks?
  - Future identify and develop online delivery of educational offerings to include classes, seminars, and training?
  - Other ideas?

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- Code of Conduct
  - Let's thank our members! The board reviewed a long list of projects that were accomplished since the Covid virus emerged. OKC can be proud of this list and take pride in how the building/property looks as well as the efforts made to offer trials, mat time, training time, classes and new events. Good work, all!
  - The board agrees that it is not efficient to use each individual's preferred forms of communication when urgent matters need to be discussed. Instead a standardized approach is needed. We need to have all board members participate so we will discuss next month. Marian mentioned that we can't abandon email because we agreed to that when we signed our membership application.
  - We discussed how our internal teams work extremely well when we are in our functional groupings, like obedience, confirmation and agility. We have some opportunities when working across these functions. We can use the code of conduct to discuss these opportunities and challenges, by doing a little bit each month.
  - Anne to send out the proposed charters and ask for input from everyone. The board will review these comments in October.
- Key Card System
  - Effort to get the Key Card system working again is progressing. All hard keys except for Marian's should be turned into Karen. As of right now key holders should be able to use the 6-digit code to gain entry to the building. If there are problems, call Joanne Brewer. Pete P will be looking at the situation to see if we might regain swipe access in the future.

#### **New business**

- Reopening-See discussion regarding the \$5.00 mat fee above.
- Remind Key holders that guests must pay \$20 if entering to train with a key holder.

- Awards committee have questions about planning a December banquet due to Covid. They recommend no awards banquet this year. Details include title cut off is Sept 30, and the cost of goblets was about \$200. The board recommended that the committee collect the information from members this year, and recognize the members online. Then goblets for the Awards banquet in 2021 would include awards for 2020 and 2021. Marian to get back to them.
- Next meeting is Wednesday, September 9, 2020.

Motion to adjourn by Joann, Dick seconds, and motion passes.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Haberkorn





*Sam Bartz at OKC Fast CAT*

## OKC First Fast CAT Trials. August 21-23, 2020.

The week before the event, if you had asked me how many entries it would take to make me happy I would've said 500. As it turns out, we did 599 out of a possible 720. The weather was perfect, we had just the right number of volunteers, the campgrounds were beautiful and so were the dogs.

After setting up on Thursday, we held a \$5 fun run and almost 40 dogs gave it a try. This is a great way to learn about Fast CAT and to see if your dog would enjoy participating.

The Fast cat delegate, Don Adams, was pleased with every aspect of this event. The owner of the campground, Bob Gallenger, was so satisfied that he agreed to sign the contract for the October 2-4 event.

Reed a Greyhound from Petonica, IL had the three fastest runs under seven seconds. The event I sponsored called, Fastest Above Average, was won by an Akita named Emmett from Delafield, WI. Second place went to an English Cocker named Buttercup from Neenah. Third place to Scout a Portuguese Podengo from Omaha, NE.

Over the 3 days we awarded 20 BCAT, 4 DCAT, 4 FCAT, 3 FCAT2, and 1 FCAT3 Rosettes.

Anne and I would also like to personally thank our volunteers:

Shari Krause, JoAnn Brewer, Clover Bradley, Jody Hergert-Anderson, Barb Waltenberry, Tracie Galione, Mark Besaw, Jill Janz, Cindy Bohnert, Brenda Cirricione, Mary Anne Herwig, Cheryl Poliak, Mary Huntington, Dick Angwin, Eva Kaplan, Marion Fenlon, Mike and Karen Alvarez, Jim and Marianne Ronson, Pete and Cindy Pischke, Gabe Marquart, Julie Schaffer.

Special Thanks to OKC President, Karen Mason for working the entire event along with my daughter Piper Langkau.

Overall, we had many compliments and I am happy with how it turned out. I hope everyone can get just as excited for the October trials!

~Mike Langkau



*Mike and Halo Alvarez*



## Congratulations Booker T & Lysie



**Lysie Bernier, CPDT-KA**

On June 21st 2020 I traveled to Muncie Indiana in the middle of a global pandemic to compete in an AKC Scent Work trial in hopes to finish my dog Booker T's AKC Scent Work Master title with one final Exterior Master Qualifying search. We did not qualify in trial one, but got that final Q in trial 2!!!! I heard back from AKC on July 29th, 2020 and my sweet Booker T is officially the **first** and **only** Boston Terrier to have earned the AKC Scent Work Master overall title!

**And Booker T Makes Three CD BN RE AX OAJ AJP SWM CGCA CGCU TKA- NW2 Retired ATD Therapy Dog**

What a journey it has been playing scent work with my best friend! We started in NACSW as he was winding down from doing agility, Rally and Obedience and he earned many element titles and his NW2, then we started in UKC and AKC and decided our final and focused goal in his senior years would be to work up to SWM( Scent Work Master) in AKC. To earn Scent Work Master you must complete all levels Novice, Advanced Excellent and Master in all 4 Elements: Interiors, Exteriors, Containers and Buried. I wasn't sure we'd get there because he was struggling with illness, but with the amazing care from his Internal Medicine team at FVARC was diagnosed and has been doing well enough to keep competing. With accomplishing this goal Booker T is now officially retired from all dog sports and enjoys long days at home sleeping and snuggling, an

occasional sniff and stroll walk and treats....lots of treats! Thank you to everyone who helped us along the way. Especially my students at Ideal DOG who always happily let Booker T search during our classes whether to be the dog in white or to search during class so we could practice with the distractions of a crowd. A special thanks to friends who trained with us on days off, set up blind hides for us, coached us, cheered us and supported us. Love to all! ~Lysie Bernier

## Prepare for the September and October Rally Trials!

Rally Run-Thrus

Sunday, September 6, 2020 from 10:00 am to 1:30pm

Inside the Oshkosh Kennel Club - Master & Excellent Courses

Outside (behind) the Oshkosh Kennel Club - Novice/Intermediate Nested Course

In the event of inclement weather, the Novice/Intermediate course will be moved indoors.

Walk thrus will take place at the beginning of the time slot.

Each dog will receive a minimum of 10 minutes of practice time. Remainder of the time is divided between the number of dogs registered for that time slot.

To register visit [www.wejoinin.com/anne\\_haberkorn@new.rr.com](http://www.wejoinin.com/anne_haberkorn@new.rr.com)

Members \$5.00 per dog per ring. Non-Members \$10.00 per dog per ring

Pay cash or check upon check in on 9/6/2020.

Questions? Contact Anne at [OKCTrain@gmail.com](mailto:OKCTrain@gmail.com)

## CLASSES

Classes at OKC building(All 6-week courses):

- Pet Manners, Starts Monday Sept. 14 6pm, Gabe M Instructor
- Basic (Novice) Obedience, Starts Monday Sept 14 7pm, Bob P Instructor
- Basic Puppy Manners, Starts Tuesday Sept 15 6pm, Karen M Instructor
- AKC STAR Puppy, Starts Wednesday Sept 16 9am, Anne H Instructor & AKC Evaluator



Online Options:

- Trick Dog Novice, Starts Friday Sept 18, Julie R Instructor
- Trick Dog Evaluation Only is open enrollment into 2021, Karen M, AKC Evaluator

Your safety is our main concern. OKC offers a clean building, and small class sizes, with a limit of 6 students to control the number of people in the building at one time.

Please register by visiting [www.oshkoshkennelclub.com](http://www.oshkoshkennelclub.com) and click on [classes](#).

## FLOOR TIME



We are open for members to participate in Agility & Obedience.

Sign up each week for a spot to train. Agility is on Monday evenings and Friday mornings. Obedience is on Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings. Only \$5 per dog. Click [here](#) to sign up for your time to train.

Be safe and have fun!

## SCENT WORK SNIFF & GO

Oshkosh Kennel Club is hosting ACK Scent Work Sniff & Go **September 5, 2020** from 9:30 - 1:30.

- 4 searches, \$30 per dog/handler team.
- Containers - Buried - Interiors - Exteriors
- All 4 odors will be used, various level searches- Fun for all levels with option to search blind or known hides.



## OBEDIENCE-RALLY TRIAL



Oshkosh Kennel Club is hosting an Obedience and Rally Trial on **September 12 and 13, 2020** at our club building. We will be doing all we can to follow local, state, and national regulations due to Covid-19. Please read through the premium list to be sure you will be comfortable at our facility. We will be having our Rally classes outside on the grass, weather permitting. We are hoping to do this to relieve congestion by the rings. Click [here](#) for a premium.

## RUN THRUS

Obedience Run-Thrus : **September 11**, and **October 23** at 4 pm

Rally Run-Thrus: **September 6**, **September 27**, and **December 6** at 9 am

Agility Run-Thrus: **September 18 & 25**, **October 9 & 30**, **November 6 & 20**, & **December 4 & 18** at 6 pm



## CLEANING



As you may know, we no longer have cleaning people for the building, so under direction of the board of directors, we are going to schedule a we join in cleaning volunteer schedule. Of course, kennel points will be awarded for your efforts. I have heard from many of you that building maintenance is important and I could not agree more. Thanks to the efforts of many this month, we have our building looking good. So with a little effort before and after our upcoming trials, we can keep it that way.

Our first cleaning will be right after the OKC meeting on September 9th. It should only take about 1 hour with the help of three people. Then we need another three to clean after the obedience/rally trial on Sunday September 13th.

Please go to <https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/fnoku> to sign up to help our club!

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at [cima@charter.net](mailto:cima@charter.net) I will be sending out another schedule for our October Agility trial, November Scent Work trial, December Obedience/Rally trial and our rental for the Dobe Agility Trial at the end of December.

Cindy Pischke - Building Committee



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

- 🐾 Volunteers needed for Scent Work Sniff & Go Friday, September 4 from 1:30 – 3:30 and Saturday, September 5 from 8:00am to 3:00 pm. Contact Lysie Bernier at [lysie@idealdogtrainer.com](mailto:lysie@idealdogtrainer.com)
- 🐾 Volunteers needed for the September 12-13 Obedience & Rally Trial. Earn your kennel points by helping table steward, organizing exhibitors, and cleaning the building. Contact Candy Janke at [sleepycreekkennel@yahoo.com](mailto:sleepycreekkennel@yahoo.com)
- 🐾 Volunteers needed for the October 16-18 Agility Trial. Please contact Kandi Bever at [kandilaraeb@gmail.com](mailto:kandilaraeb@gmail.com)

Submit requests for volunteers to [okcnewseditor@gmail.com](mailto:okcnewseditor@gmail.com)

## NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Chairpeople – Please send complete information on your event to Alissa Eichman  
[aeichman@new.rr.com](mailto:aeichman@new.rr.com)  
(website & calendar)

Kennel Points Policy has been updated. Click [here](#) to view policy.



October Newsletter Deadline:  
September 25, 2020  
Please submit articles or information to  
[okcnewseditor@gmail.com](mailto:okcnewseditor@gmail.com)

Check out the [Oshkosh Kennel Club Google Calendar](#) for the most up to date information on classes and events.



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Need to contact a committee chair? Click [here](#) for the complete list.

**CLASSES at OKC**



Click [here](#) to view current classes available at Oshkosh Kennel Club