A Word from the President

Mike Williams

If you have not paid your dues yet, please pay them today by sending them to Bev Benjes at 2704 Tyler Street, Hutchinson, KS 67502. Dues are $20.00 per person.

At our March Meeting on the 12th of March we will be having Steward Training. Leanne Chase has graciously volunteered to teach this class. This will be in lieu of a program that we normally have. We have new and old members that have asked for this training. There will be handouts.

We still need volunteers for our Sunflower Cluster of Dog Shows. If there is a particular area you would like to work, please let me know. I will direct you to the appropriate committee chair.

If you would like to place an ad in our show catalog, please send me your ad by the 10th of March. You can’t beat the price. Members receive ½ price. Nothing to advertise? Then perhaps a thank you to the Cluster for all the hard work being done and appreciation for having a dog show in hour home town.

We will have an eye clinic at the Cluster Show. It will be held on Saturday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

Reserve crating reservations and RV reservations are being received daily. Having our Premium out early is a very good and positive thing.

Two things in summary that are important: Dog Show help and Steward Training at the General Meeting on March 12th.

Mike

March 2018 Membership Meeting

Topic: Ring Steward Training
Time: 7:00 PM
When: Monday, March 12, 2018
Where: Wichita Kennel Club, 3448 North Emporia

If you would like to volunteer at the Sunflower Cluster and would like to know how to ring steward, please plan to attend. We’ll go over both inside and outside ring stewarding. No previous experience necessary!
HUTCHINSON KENNEL CLUB OPEN HOUSE

Please join the Hutchinson Kennel Club at the Open House for our new building. Saturday, April 14, 2018, 2:00-4:00 pm, 131 S. Washington, SOUTH Hutchinson KS. Gift bags for the first 100 guests, demos (scent work, obedience, rally & agility), door prizes, people treats and information booths. Please no dogs at this event, we will be having dog friendly events coming up. Check out our new website: Hutchinsonkennelclub.com

◆◆◆ Member Volunteer Opportunities ◆◆◆

RING STEWARD VOLUNTEERS
If you are able to inside or outside ring steward at least ½ day for Conformation Thursday through Sunday, April 5-8, at the Sunflower Cluster, lunch is FREE!

Chief Ring Steward Treva Faires needs both inside and outside stewards for full-day or half-day. Please give Treva a call at 316-644-5568 or e-mail her at trevafaires@gmail.com, if you would like to help out.

PENDANT MATCH VOLUNTEERS
The PUPPY MATCH is Saturday, April 7, and needs volunteers. The match starts ½ hour after BIS. If you would like to help take entries on Friday afternoon or ring steward or judge a puppy group, please contact Leanne Chase at 316-650-8463.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in judging, please contact me at blackmagicbrt@aol.com
CERF EYE CLINIC

Saturday April 7, 2018
Where: Convention Hall
Cost: $35/dog
NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY
CERF Application forms will be available.
Must have dog’s name, AKC #, whelping date & sex.

For More Information Contact: Treva Faires
Phone: (316) 644-5568
e-mail: trevafaires@gmail.com

Best of luck to all Sunflower Cluster exhibitors!

WELCOME NEW WKC MEMBER APPLICANT

One new application for WKC membership was presented to the Board of Directors in November. The Board voted to accept her application. The prospective member is:

Charlotte Norris, Augusta – Belgian Malinois

Please make Charlotte welcome. She taught our nose work class.

SILENT AUCTION AT THE SUNFLOWER CLUSTER

Jackie Storrer is the contact person for the Silent Auction at the Sunflower Cluster.

It will start at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 7, and go until 2:00 P.M. It will be held in Convention Hall of Century II.

Contact Joann to volunteer to watch the booth or donate any new or gently used items. Her e-mail is: jstorrer@cox.net
Study Shows Dogs Hold Grudges Against People Who Diss Owners

“Love me, love my dog,” is a time-honored saying, but a Japanese study suggests that the inverse—“Love me, love my human”—may be just as valid. That’s the case even when it came to that one offer dogs almost never refuse—food. Canine companions would turn down treats from people who were mean to their owners, said scientists from Kyoto University.

More than 50 dogs and owners participated in the experiment, in which dogs saw their people ask strangers for help opening a box. The strangers either refused the request or agreed to help. Dogs were less likely to accept food from a person who refused to help the owner, the scientists found, preferring to take goodies from the people who helped or who were neutral. Lead researcher Kazo Fujita told The Japan Times that this experiment is the first scientific evidence “that dogs make social and emotional evaluations of people regardless of their direct interest.”

He added that the ability to take sides is “one of the key factors in building a highly collaborative society, and this study shows that dogs share that ability with humans.” The study will be published in the journal Animal Behavior.

The American Kennel Club Registered Handlers Program

In Conjunction with Wichita Kennel Club and the Sunflower Cluster Dog Shows Present:

“Handling Clinic with the Professionals”

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Saturday, April 7, 2018
Wichita, Kansas

To be held around lunchtime. Sign up at the Catalog Table.
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WICHITA KENNEL CLUB, INC.
SANCTIONED B MATCH
Saturday, April 7, 2018

MATCH TIME 1/2 Hour after Best in Show
ENTRY FEES $8.00 Pre-Entry, $10.00 on Site
PRE-ENTRIES CLOSE Sunday, March 31, 2018
ON-SITE ENTRIES 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm
CONFORMATION CLASSES 3-6 mos., 6-9 mos., 9-12 mos.
Open, Misc., FSS, Junior Showmanship

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO Wichita Kennel Club, Inc.
SEND PRE-ENTRIES TO Leanne Chase
12626 SW 160th St.
Rose Hill, KS 67133

INFORMATION Leanne Chase
(316) 650-8463

NOTE: JUDGES WILL JUDGE ALL BREEDS WITHIN A GROUP, THEN THAT GROUP.
RIBBONS FOR BIM ADULT, BIM PUPPY AND TOP JUNIOR HANDLER ONLY.

PRE-ENTRY

BREED______________________CLASS________________________SEX________
DATE OF BIRTH_____________________REG #__________________________
NAME OF DOG______________________________________________
NAME OF OWNER____________________________________________
OWNER’S ADDRESS___________________________________________
CITY_______________________STATE_______________________ZIP________
PHONE #____________________E-MAIL________________________

I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs.
Signature____________________________________________________
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