



Timber Ridge Newsletter

January 2024 Issue

The Barking Bulletin

NEXT MEETING

Monday, January 8, 2024 at 6:30
Stevens Point Public Library in the
Prairie Room (downstairs).
Hospitality: Wendy & Laurie

Upcoming

Events

2024 Spring Obedience Trial:
(February 3-4)

2024 Spring Agility Trial:
(April 27-28 at OKC)

2024 Scent Work Trial:
(September 7-8)

2024 Fast CAT:
(September 14-15)

2024 Fall Obedience Trial:
(November 2-3)

2024 Fall Agility Trial
(November 9-10 at OKC)

Consider

Volunteering

Volunteers are always needed for all our events. It is a great way to meet people and learn how these events run.

Plus, what could be more enjoyable than a day spent with dog people?

As events are posted here in the newsletter, please consider helping the club. None of these activities can continue without your help!



**Mark these dates
on your calendar!**



2024 Timber Ridge Membership Meetings (second Monday of the month)

- January 8, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room
@ 6:30 pm
- February 12, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room
@ 6:30 pm
- March 11, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room
@ 6:30 pm
- April 8, 2024** Annual Awards Meeting - location TBD
@ 6:00 pm
- May 13, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room
@ 6:30 pm
- June 10, 2024** Iverson Park
@ 6:30 pm
- July 8, 2024** Iverson Park
@ 6:30 pm
- August 12, 2024** Summer Potluck - location TBD
@ 6:00 pm
- September 9, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room
@ 6:30 pm
- October 14, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room
@ 6:30 pm
- November 11, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room
@ 6:30 pm
- December 9, 2024** Holiday Party - TBD
@ 6:00 pm



Here is the slate of nominees from the Nominating Committee.
Per the by-laws, this list is provided to Membership two weeks prior to
the December 2023 meeting.

The slate of nominees from the nominating committee is:

President:	2 year term	Karyn Kopecko
Secretary:	2 year term	Chris Jarvis
Board Member:	2 year term	Jocelyn Reid
Board Member:	2 year term	Rose Gottung

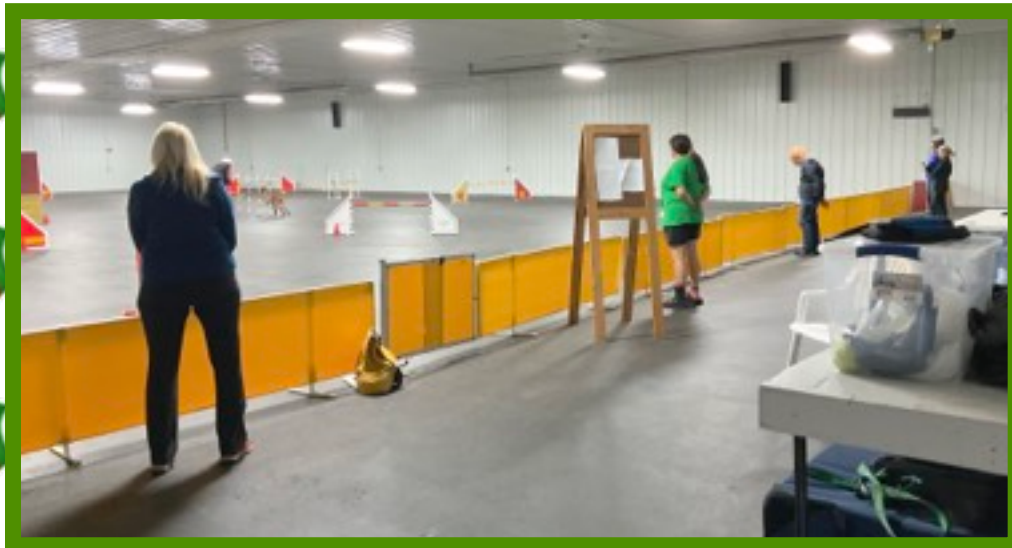
Board member Sherry Salzman-Scott is stepping down and outgoing
President Dana Nelson will take the open seat for a one-year term as
per our by-laws.

Nominations may be taken from the floor at the December meeting.
Election will be held at the January 8, 2024 monthly membership
meeting held at the Stevens Point Public Library.

Thank you, Karen Kopecko for
organizing the Timber Ridge Obedience
Club Agility Run Throughs!

Sunday December 10th

Everyone had so much fun!



Final Run Through for 2023 – Run Throughs resume February 2024



That's my dog!

Wags & Brags

NEW TITLES FOR BRAMBLE!

Bramble finished his second and third novice obedience legs and received his Companion Dog title at the Marshfield Area Kennel Club obedience and rally trials earlier in December. He also received his Advanced Rally title after finishing his third leg at the same event. We're looking forward to continuing our training and competing in open obedience and excellent rally in the future!

He Was Born a Bramblin' Man BN CD RA CGC TKA



Submitted by Asa Plonsky

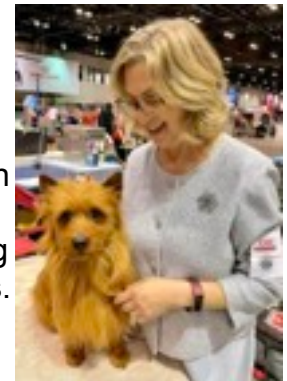
CHIP-CHIP Hooray!

Chip and I went to Florida a few weeks ago. The Orange County Event Center is BIG, it holds dock-diving, 10 obedience rings, several agility rings and over 30 breed rings. Not to mention vendors galore and tons of grooming areas. I never had a chance to get OUTSIDE the venue to watch FastCAT! It is a wonderful venue and experience. I am thankful to all who have followed us on our journey in 2023 to qualify for these shows! We ran into MANY people from our area and it was exciting to cheer them (and their dogs) on in their sports.

The week kicked off with pre-shows, which are AKC shows, but we call them pre-shows because it is all before the big week-end event for the National Championships. Chip took a Group 4 NOHS under Judge Ann Bolus from a HUGE terrier group at the Space Coast Kennel Club show on December 12 in Orlando. Wednesday, December 13 we completed in Rally Novice and received our second leg toward our title. For some reason this handler keeps over-thinking the signs and making handler errors which keep us out of the ribbons. We will work on this in 2024.



The NOHS finals were Friday and it was a beautiful group of Australian Terriers, sadly the judge didn't point to us this day. NOHS has been so much fun and I am happy to have been a part of this; I have met so many wonderful owner handlers who have become dear friends. It also set me on my addiction to St. John's suits (thanks mostly to Cherilyn!), lucky for me they don't go out of style and I can save them for a future pup. Chip is going to retire from the conformation ring in May, so this was our last NOHS finals.



Saturday and Sunday was the AKC Obedience Classic. This was the 10 year anniversary. I was honored to attend the first one with Dancer and equally honored to qualify with my little red dog who brings a lot of joy into my life! Chip missed the retrieve over the high on the first day which took us out of the running for a decent placement; but he did redeem himself on the second day with decent scores and was awarded the Top Scoring Australian Terrier (and yes, there were other Australian Terriers competing!).



Dancer with Dana Nelson
Chip with Dana Nelson





Reese Acts Up! ACT1 Standard Title!



Reese (Reese De Hemert) participated in the Agility Course Test (ACT) 1 hosted by A to Z Canine Academy at Clever K9's in December. Although she Q'd in Jumpers, she did not pass Standard when she tried last July. Time for redemption!

Submitted by Sarah Krueger

Reese Is Tricky!



Reese earned her Intermediate and Advanced Trick Dog titles by performing a variety of tricks from lists provided by AKC.



Reese walks on her hind legs and goes under with my help.

Routine Stunts?



Reese earned her Novice and Open Stunt Dog titles by performing routines from Do More With Your Dog. She also got her Triple Crown title by earning the Novice Stunt, Trick, and Canine Conditioning titles.



As part of her routine, Reese goes to the mark from a distance of 10 feet and stays for 10 seconds.

Brag
are due
January 31st
for the
February
Newsletter!



TIMBER RIDGE OBEDIENCE CLUB OF CENTRAL WISCONSIN, INC. MEETING MINUTES

December 4, 2023

Kelly's Bar & Grill, Custer, WI - Holiday Party

Meeting was called to order: at 7:05 pm by President Dana Nelson.

Members in attendance: Dana Nelson, Lisa Huber, Karyn Kopecko, Laurie Bandy, Steve Bandy, Drew Bandy, Kathy Schuh, Chris Jarvis, Jocelyn Reid, Wendy Carlson, Karen Lemke, Karen Lee, Connie Wood, Elaine Kirsling, Janet Smith, Phyllis Christensen, Asa Plonsky, Shelly Plucker, Barb Crowther, Damian Burke, Mary Burke, Linda Redfield, and Jared Redfield.

Minutes of the last meeting: Motion made by Laurie Bandy to dispense with the reading, was seconded by Karen Lemke, and the motion was carried.

Board Report: No updates.

Treasurer's Report: Provided by Ann Hanson - Read by President Dana, approved, subject to audit.

Committee Reports:

Website: Karen Lemke & Jona Decker. Karen will be stepping down from assisting on the website. Questions were raised re: inquiries thru search engines.

Awards Committee: Serena Menge & Amy Sjomeling - no updates. Applications for 2023 awards should be ready around February.

Event Reports:

1. **2024 Spring Obedience Trial:** (Feb. 3-4) Co-Chairs Cindy Bohnert & Kathy Schuh; Judges Chuck Klein and Anna Lorenz. Mary Fritsch- Chief Ring Steward. Premium being finalized. Volunteers will be needed for set-up. Also looking for a Volunteer to organize Hospitality.
2. **2024 Spring Agility Trial:** (April 27-28) Chair Jane Zank; Venue OKC, Judge Mark Rudd, Trial Secretary Lorah Marquardt.
3. **2024 Labor Day Agility Trial:** (Aug. 30-Sept.1) Karyn Kopecko and Jennifer Kressin volunteered to Co-Chair the trial. They will look into OKC as the venue and a Judge will need to be hired.
4. **2024 Scent Work Trial:** (Sept. 7-8) Co-Chairs Sherry Salzman-Scott & Joyce MacKay, Venue Rosholt Lions Camp, Judges are being hired. Committee is being expanded.
5. **2024 Fast CAT:** (Sept. 14-15) - **Chair/s needed**. Venues discussed.
6. **2024 Fall Obedience Trial:** (Nov. 2-3) Chair Jennifer Kressin, Judges TBD
7. **2024 Fall Agility Trial:** (Nov. 9-10) Chair Karyn Kopecko, venue OKC, Judge Ronda Bermke

Old Business:

1. Chairs needed for the Sept. 14-15 Fast CAT Trial to keep the newly acquired date. Chairs select the lure operator & venue. Deadlines for AKC applications are February 2024 as they must be submitted a minimum of 6 months prior to the event.
2. The slate of nominees for the open Board and Officer seats were read, floor nominations were called for each position by Dana, and the nominations are now set, with voting on January 8, 2024. Voting must be in person (no Zoom voting) and a Quorum (20% of membership) of approximately 14 members must be present, whether in person or through Zoom.
3. Agility and Obedience Run Thrus at CB will be paused for January & February.

New Business:

1. Zoom - someone is needed to operate the Zoom chat during meetings as Chris Jarvis had been, but will be moving into another role & unable to do both tasks.
2. Chris J suggested an external puck microphone be purchased to improve Zoom participants' experience. Karen Lee made a motion to allow Chris to purchase one for \$50 or less, Phyllis C seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.
3. Dana introduced the idea of TR offering Fit Paws programs. Asa P, Barb C and Connie W were all familiar with the program. They shared that TR can become a Fit Dog Club thru the AKC, the AKC provides a banner for events, & the different sets of completed skills lead to titles. Laurie B mentioned this could be an opportunity to invite community members for group dog walks that ask for \$5 donations that are collected for the Humane Society. Fit Paws could also be part of a TR Fun Day event along with demos, and with CGC and Trick Testing with Asa P as the Evaluator.
4. Lisa H requested a discussion in the Spring regarding creating new, smaller Club roles that are specific, share responsibilities across more people, and increase member involvement in a manageable way. Roles could include a Membership Coordinator, Hospitality Coordinator, Sunshine Committee, and so forth.

Guests/New Members: No new members voted in or guests in attendance.

Adjournment: 7:43pm

Hospitality: January - Wendy C & Laurie B

Next Membership Meeting: Monday, January 8, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Portage Public Library - downstairs in the Prairie Room. **VOTING**

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Lisa Huber.

December 2023 Treasurer's Report

Opening balance checking	4,315.95		
Jona Decker	-99.95	webpage	
Storage Unlimited	-35.00	equipment storage	
Deposit	80.00	fun runs	
J'Kelleys	-220.00	Christmas dinner/meeting	
Camp Bandy	-40.00	fun runs	
Ann Hanson	-99.95	webpage	
Camp Bandy	-30.00	fun runs	
Deposit	60.00	fun runs	
Deposit	180.00	dues	
Deposit	124.00	fun runs	
Camp Bandy	-62.00	fun runs	
IRS	-342.75	estimated payment	
Deposit	189.95	webpage/dues	
	4,020.25		
Savings Balance	22,792.20		
Balance CDs	8,632.72		
Total Assets	35,445.17		
Pineries – CDs	2,770.64		
	2,838.23		
	3,023.85		
	8,632.72		

Membership renewal reminder for 2024



Dues for 2024 are owed January 1, 2024 with a grace period to January 31st, after which a member is considered delinquent. Currently the requirement for membership is attendance at two meetings and payment of dues, which will be the requirement for reinstatement.

It is the sincere hope of your leadership that everyone will continue to be a member and support the club as you have in the past. Everyone is important and no contribution is too small.

Ann Hanson
Treasurer

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Camp Bandy Members Only Training Times



Sunday, January 7

11 - 12:30 | Obedience, Rally & Individual Skills

12:30 – 2 | FULL COURSE Agility

Sunday, January 21

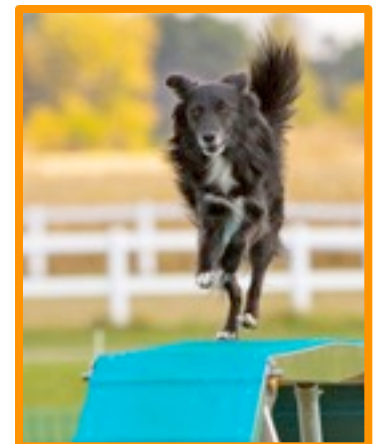
11 - 12:30 | FULL COURSE Agility

12:30 – 2 | Obedience, Rally & Individual Skills

Members set up rings and courses

GUIDELINES

1. Please gate off the section you are working on during separate skills.
2. Please ask if the person is done using the equipment before you start working your dog.
3. Please have gating across the front while running full course agility.
4. Please have dogs on leash while entering and exiting the building.



A REMINDER FROM THE PRESIDENT!

Because we have recently added many new members (YAY!!) here are a couple of reminders about training time:

1. Members set up the rings and courses. If you aren't able to help or arrive later, please don't jump in and start using things that others have spent the time setting up before they have had a chance to use the ring/course. We have Camp Bandy for this time frame only. Many hands make work light.
2. Crate your dog(s) unless you are working them in the ring/course or in a spot in the arena. Be mindful of other people and dogs.
3. Agility time is for a full course. Agility time is set aside so people can run full courses. If there are a lot of people, work together to change jump heights, etc. Gate off the area by the door.
4. Obedience rings should be used to work your dog either on a 'run thru' or a set of exercises for a reasonable amount of time. Everyone should have time in the ring. If you wish to work on an individual skill for agility, great. It means one piece of equipment (so no multiple pieces of agility equipment during obedience time).
5. Communicate with each other. If someone is taking too much time, tell them. If you need to leave in 20 minutes - ASK if you can go next. If someone sets up a course or a ring say thanks. If you need help with something, ASK. This is a great group who is more than willing to help out.
6. If you put food on the walls to mark the go-out (or for any other reason) please clean up the spot, remove the food, etc.
7. If you are there alone or just a few people, work it out, if you don't need a ring, great. You don't have to set it up. You can be there for the full 3 hours or only 15 minutes.
8. Training time is meant to be used by any/all members. Keep in mind people use these times in different ways. Whatever way you use the time...enjoy training your dog!

Many great friendships have been made during this time!