

ONIE TAILS

KSSC Bimonthly Newsletter - July 14, 2018

KSSC is Affiliated with AKC and American Shetland Sheepdog Association

Executive Officers 2017-18

President: Jen McMakin Vice President: Alice Boyer Secretary: Mary Larmee Treasurer: Mary Jane O'Regan

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Next Meeting

Sunday, July 22 2:00 p.m.

Jim & Jane McCabe 4338 Ivy Crest Circle 40241 Phone409-5334

Directions on Google Maps

Messages from the **President:**

• Please remember to bring what you wish to drink to this meeting. Also, if you wish to bring munchies to share, feel free to to do that. (Melody and Murphy like carrots and apples for treats. LOL)



Who's herding whom?

Alice Boyer with 5 of the 15 (!) Shelties who had a rollicking good time together at the June KSSC Picnic.

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September. The Committee wants your ideas!

Photos from the Picnic

- Calendars have arrived. If you ordered one, bring your checkbook or cash to pay for it so you can take it home with you.
- It's time to make plans for our annual Christmas Party. We are looking at one of these dates: Saturday, December 15 or Sunday, December 16. Please be ready to share your preference. If you won't be at this meeting, let me know via email before the 22nd, so that your voice will count.
- Just as an FYI. Many of our Shelties are listed on the <u>pedigreelines.com</u> Website. It is for sale.

Member Spotlight: Meet Pam Karcher

'One Brave Soul'

"You are one brave soul!" That's what they told Pam Karcher at the ASSA 2018 National Speciality in Virginia Beach, VA, this April. She's not sure exactly why; perhaps it was



because she entered two dogs in Novice Obedience (one who had never competed, and the other with two legs from a ways back). But her braveness paid off, as Hank (9 yrs. biblack) and

Cajun (3yrs. sable) gave their mom a bunch of ribbons and some shiny bling! Hank won Third in Novice Obedience, completing his title while the younger Cajun got his first Q.

In the past, you would have found Pam with poodles or beagles, but since 1995 she is all Sheltie. Until Cajun, her dogs were all bi-black. She has stories about them all - Bandit, Blaze (her only girl), Rebel, Hank and Cajun.

Pam began Obedience work in 1974 when she was pregnant and wanted to make sure that her then rescue dog would be safe with the new baby. With her Shelties she added Rally and Agility to their dog sports. Now, she and the boys train three days a week - obedience at Shamrock Acres Training Center with Linda Coates and agility with Christina Wakefield at Agility Cues for You. (Ask Pam what husband Sonny says about her dogs.) Pam is semi-retired; still working 3 days most weeks in medical billing.

While Pam and her dogs may hang out at national speciality shows (this was her fourth), true to the breed, her dogs are wonderful pets and companions. The picture above shows them on the bed with their ribbons back at the hotel; but at home, you'd find them sleeping close to Pam. (TT did not ask what Sonny says about that.)

The boys are also good companions for each other, playing together a lot. You'll find Pam with her boys at other fun activities in the areathink *Sheltie Fun Day* in Lexington and at local and regional competitions.

Fun indeed! Just look at the smile and pride on Pam's face as she stands in the ring in VA with her boys. Perhaps they'll repeat next year in Oregon.



Congratulations Pam, Hank & Cajun!

June Minutes

Kentuckiana Shetland Sheepdog Club, Inc. Minutes – Sunday, June 10, 2018 (Draft)

Attending

Members: Jim McCabe, Jane McCabe, Brenda Wilson, Mike Shupp, Alice Boyer, Zane Boyer, Mary Larmee, Bill Sharp, Jen McMakin, Kerry S Begley, Dianne O'Regan, Linda Carden, Barbara Boylan, Mary Jane O'Regan, Madeline Naegele

Guests: Christi Ruble, Carol Hadley, Rachel Shouse

Shelties: Melody, Murphy, Lazer, Misty, Finn, Mac, JW, Belle, Memphis, Dovey, Diamond, Andre, Charade, Eclipse and Lincoln

The regular meeting of the KSSC was called to order by President Jen McMakin on Sunday, June 10, 2018 at the home of club member Linda Carden in Louisville, Kentucky, at 3:50 pm, following a potluck picnic lunch.

After everyone made an introduction, Jen welcomed newly elected offers and board members: Secretary- Mary Larmee; Board at Large Members - Jane McCabe and Dianne O'Regan.

President's Report

Jen showed club members the show trophies that have been purchased with donations from KSSC members for the Bluegrass Classic Dog Shows in Lexington, Kentucky, Labor Day Weekend 2018. In addition, there was a discussion about using the recent ad that was developed for the above named show in the American Shetland Sheepdog Association bulletin board, Sheltie Online and the March 2019 Kentuckiana Cluster in Louisville.

Treasure's Report

The current report was outlined in an email sent to all KSSC members. The report was approved as published.

Secretary's Report

The draft of the previous meeting's minutes were published in the May Toonie Tails Newsletter. As there were no corrections, the minutes were approved as published.

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Committee Reports

- Kentuckiana Cluster Dog Show: Dianne O'Regan recently emailed a great report to all members.
- Calendar: Mary Jane O'Regan reported that eleven were ordered and none are yet received.
- AKC Liaison no report
- Web Master: Linda Carden stressed that we still need photos from everyone for the Website. She hopes to have the Website go live in July. Make sure Linda has everyone's email address.
- Newsletter: Dianne O'Regan will be the volunteer proof reader for the Newsletter
- Membership: Kerry Begley shared that Katie Grohowalski and Karen Scott have contacted Jen about becoming members and hope to attend next KSSC meeting.
- Health (No chair named at this time. We are still searching for a member to fill this position.): Jen explained that Jane McCabe would do a presentation on Canine Epilepsy during the next KSSC meeting.

Old Business

Liability insurance for March 2019 conformation shows held by KSSC has been submitted at a rate of \$180.00 for both shows. Also, AKC applications for the above named shows have been submitted.

Bark in the Park - September 22, 2018, 8:00 am 'til noon. Barbara Boylan still needs volunteers to help set up and take down. Duties will also include talking to people. You can take your dog. Linda Carden will make a sign on paper to use as a banner with KSSC logo on it.

New Business

Alice Boyer had a conversation with Letha Cupp who does massage therapy for dogs about a possible seminar as a moneymaker for our club. Alice will get more information and update us at future meetings.

Committee to update the 1991 KSSC Bylaws - Linda Carden will chair this committee. Mary Larmee, Kerry Begley, Jen McMakin volunteered to be part of the committee.

Brags and Cries

Brag- Jen McMakin's Lazer (Astro's Etched in Black at Bridgeway) got a Group 4 in conformation on April 7, 2018 at the Paducah Kennel Club Show. Lazer is owned by Jen, bred by Deborah Basham, and groomed and shown by Kristin Lawless and Cole Vanover.

Cry - Alice Boyer's Jackson (Gala Dark Side of the Moon) crossed over to the Rainbow Bridge on May 5, 2018.

Next meeting - Sunday, July 22, 2018 at Jane and Jim McCabe's home. (This is moved up from the anticipated August date because of member's summer schedules.)

Meeting adjourned at 5:05.

Minutes submitted by Mary Larmee, Secretary

July Meeting Agenda

- Read new Member Applications
- Reports from Committee Chairs
- Calendar Items (including next meeting and Christmas Party)
 - Brags & Cries
- Continuing Education *Epilepsy in Dogs* presented by Jane McCabe

Opinions and Suggestions, Please!

KSSC begins a Constitution and Bylaws review and updating process in September.

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KSSC's Constitution and Bylaws were last updated and submitted in 1991. It appears to have been typed on an old school typewriter! The Internet was just opened for public use on August 6, 1991, with an estimated 1 million users (3.2 billion estimated today). Smart phones didn't exist and most of us used email only at work if at all. It is a different world today. KSSC needs to review our governing documents to make sure they accurately reflect our organization's needs and work in this 21st century, as well as being aligned with our national affiliations (ASSS and AKC).

At the June membership meeting a volunteer committee was formed. Members are: Linda Carden, Chair, Jen McMakin, Mary Larmee, and Karen Begley. They will begin work in September with the goal of having a draft for review and approval as soon as possible.

The committee wants your input. President Jen McMakin will send a copy of the 1991 Constitution and Bylaws to the membership by the end of July. Think about how we do our work and read over the document. What questions, suggestions, ideas, or comments do you want considered? Please send those to lindacarden@mac.com by September 1. All voices and ideas will be included in the review process.

KSSC Picnic 2018 Sheltie Fun!

A Photo Gallery



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