

# THE WOOFER

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## Nominating Committee Report

The nominating committee has presented its proposed slate of officers and Board of Directors for the May election. The proposed slate is as follows:

**President:** Mari DeCuir

**1st V.P. & Program Director:** Marg Ellis

**2nd Vice President:** Frances Hart

**Secretary:** Joyce Cardwell

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Tim Snow

According to the constitution, nominations can be made from the floor provided the person nominated accepts when his/her name is proposed. If the proposed candidate is not in attendance, the proposed must present a note to the Secretary at the meeting stating that the nominee is willing to serve if elected. A complete list of officially nominated persons will appear in the May issue of the Woofers.

Should further nominations be received at the April meeting, a ballot will be prepared and absentee ballots will be available from the Secretary no later than seven (7) days prior to the election and must be returned to the Secretary before the May meeting.

## ORKC APRIL MEETING

**Date:** Thursday, April 6th

**Time:** 7:00 PM...Come early and enjoy the soup

**Place:** The Soup Kitchen, Oak Ridge

**Speaker:** Sidney Sachs, Sleddog Rescue



Oak Ridge Kennel Club member, and founder of Sleddog Rescue of Tennessee, Sidney Sachs, will tell us about Troika and Nikki, and their journey from the streets of Knoxville and a puppy mill, all the way to Hollywood and stardom. Troika is one of the stars of the Disney movie, '8 Below.' Nikki is one of his stand-ins. They are both former residents at Sleddog Rescue.

# TRAINING NEWS

## Spring 2006 Class Schedule

### April 4 through May 9

4-5 Rally	Limit 10	Instructor: IoneSmith
5-6 Unstructured	Limit 8 (FULL)	
6-7 Level 2	Limit 12 (FULL)	
6-7 Conformation		
7-8 Conformation		
7-8 Beginners	Limit 12	Instructor: Marg Ellis/Bonnie Herrell
8-9 Level 1	Limit 12	Instructor: Barb Knowlton
8-9 Competition Class	Limit 11 (FULL)	

To sign up for classes call the training director at 865-688-6826 or email:  
woodsknows@comcast.net

**Everyone must register in advance.**

Please refer to the ORKC Web site for more detailed information and class descriptions

**Our CGC test will be held on May 16th.**

*Children must be 14 or older to sign up for obedience classes. Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult*

Mail checks for class fees to:  
Barbara Knowlton  
4004 Audubon Drive  
Knoxville, TN 37918  
(Make checks payable to ORKC)

### **!!PRICE CHANGES FOR SPRING CLASSES!!**

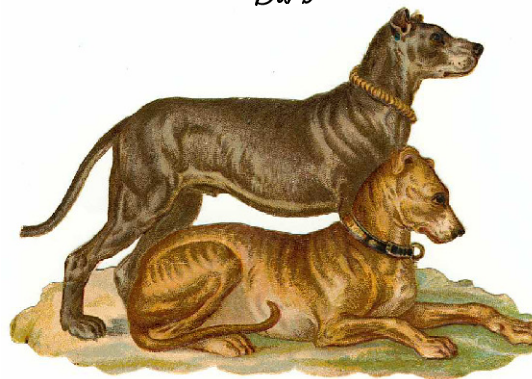
<b>Beginning in January</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Non Members</b>
4 week class	\$20.00	\$30.00
6 week class	\$30.00	\$50.00
8 week class	\$40.00	\$70.00
Conformation	\$5.00/night	\$7.00/night

### *From the Training Director.....*

On Sunday 3/18/06 we held an obedience show n go at the Armory in Oak Ridge. We had a great turn out from the club members and from others in the area. We were at the Armory showing from 9-12:30 and had a total of 48 runs between Novice, Open, Utility and Rally. I would like to thank all those that helped by being "judges", stewards and the set up/pick up committee. It was great to see some of our members do so well in Open, some trying it for the first time in a "show" type setting. The Novice turn out was great and our members again did a very good job of showing their dogs. Rally was set up outside with a great turn out as well. I would like to thank all the instructors that have helped our members get to the level of showing!

Our next Show and Go will be Sunday 4/30/06 beginning at 9AM.

*Barb*



### **Woofers Submissions**

Submissions may be made by e-mail to: Tennoaks@aol.com

by mail to: Karen Pate  
2517 Steele Road  
Knoxville, TN 37932

or in person (in writing) at club meetings or training sessions.

**ALL submissions must be received by the 17th of each month.**

### **Please Note!**

#### New deadline for Woofers submissions

**beginning in March, all material for publication in  
*The Woofers* must be received by the 17th of the month.**

## *A Much Delayed Letter from Your President*

Dear Members,

I have wanted to send you a letter since before Christmas. My good intentions have been thwarted due to wearing too many hats this winter... rescue, hospitality, travel, Habit, Bulldogs, Opera, and a part-time job at UT, to name a few.

Anyway, I want to bring you up to date on our club happenings. First of all, if you missed the **Christmas party** you missed a good time and great food, hosted by Jean and Bob Bardoff in their lovely home. We should be grateful that Jean and Bob are so gracious to us each year. Thanks so much. I also want to thank the club for once again giving me such thoughtful and most appreciated Bulldog gifts. I love them but I will never be able to open and drink the "Bulldog Blush" wine but I am the envy of all my Bullie friends.

Next is the **Search**. Marg Ellis and her committee did a difficult and thorough job looking for first, a place to rent for classes and then looking for property and building to buy. After determining that there was no place in the Oak Ridge area that was either suitable or affordable for our classes, they began to look at property and metal buildings as a possibility if we had to move out of the Armory. Before Christmas we had a chance to bid on a highly suitable metal building from A & S Steel that Marv Ellis had located. Board members were concerned that we were bidding on a building when we had no place to put it. We have been in discussion with the city of Oak Ridge both the legal department and the Parks Department on the possibility of leasing land from the city at a nominal fee. We have also been to a bank suggested by the Parks Department supervisor, Mr. Josh Collins. All these things are still in the works even though we lost the bid on the building. Marg is now recovering from heart surgery and has temporarily turned the committee headship over to Robert Pless. He has been in contact this week with city officials who informed him that the city might have a buyer for the property it has originally offered to us. So we are back to having to locate property. I know Robert, Marg and Marv are VERY discouraged by this turn of events. However...

**Update on search:** March 14. Cheryl Bingham investigated the Lenoir City armory, it is NOT closing and they are willing to rent to us for the same amount as we are currently paying the OR armory! There has been so much talk that the OR facility will not be closing in the fall. That has gone back and forth many times. What I would like the club to do is have classes at the LC armory for the fall and then re-evaluate. At the same time I would like to find a realtor to help us locate property to buy. We can purchase that outright from the funds we have, use the land for agility classes and take the time to formulate a business plan to put up a building.

The **Tracking** trial in December was very well attended and I want to thank all the club members who came to help, watch and cheer. I really want to thank all the people who brought food for the event. It was a

cold morning and the hot soups and chili were so very welcome. Jean Burdick and Mary Jo are already planning the next one and not ones to rest on their laurels, are doing a tracking seminar April 8th.

The **Agility** trials in early January were very successful. We had two wonderful days. Frances Hart was pleased with the entries and especially with all the help from members who came to watch and work.

This event made a VERY LARGE profit for the club, which we can put to our now most pressing need—a new place to hold training classes. My deep thanks to all who came to help. Next year Frances is planning a **three-day** event and will need our support even more. We will be looking for a possible club member to temporarily join Jane Mohr's staff as a paid volunteer co-coordinator. Please see the notice elsewhere in *the Wocfer*.

Speaking of help we desperately need an **Obedience Co-chair for the May shows**. This person will need to be on-site for the two days, organize the obedience stewards and put up the posters with the entry numbers. Remember all obedience workers get that wonderful free lunch in the hospitality room. Please call Mary Jo or me if you can do this for the club. NO experience is necessary and you will gain valuable experience in obedience procedures.

As most of you may know, long-time member **Peggy Brown** has gone to Maryland to live closer to her daughter. Her address and phone number were in the March *Wocfer*. I hope those of you who know Peggy will send her a note or make a call to let her know we are thinking about her.

Our **nominations committee** has put together a slate of officers for the coming year. If you have anyone you would like to nominate, come to the April meeting and speak up {just make sure that you have the person's permission (in writing) to nominate them}. We have many huge issues before the club this year and competent leadership is vital. I also want to tell all of you how much I have enjoyed being your president, how much I have appreciated your support and your willingness to serve when asked. 2006 will be my last year as president. It is time for me to step down and give others a chance to lead and discover new directions for the club. I find that calls on my time are beginning to wear me down—retirement was not supposed to be like this—and I am longing for a little more "me" time. I tell you this now so that you can be thinking about whom you would like as a leader for the next few years, as we hopefully move into a new era for the club. Sincerely,

*Mari*

# Show News



At the Kentuckiana Cluster held in Louisville March 16-19, **Ariel Kirk** earned his Obedience CD with two first places and a Highest Scoring Border Collie Award. **Chandler's Isle of Skye**, began her Utility Title climb with two first place legs. Kirk and Skye are Border Collies owned by Richard and Barbara Chandler.

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**CH Birchwood's Kalero Kickerz NAP NJP CGC** earned three legs in open agility at the Alpharetta agility trial March 10-12th. Kix earned two legs in jumpers with weaves and one in standard. Kix took first place twice and second place on the third leg. Kix is owned by Karen and Tom Orr and Rob Satoloe. Karen is Kix's handler.

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**Baxter Adams Knowlton JH UD MX MXJ RA** qualified on Friday 3/10/06 for his first UDX leg. Baxter received a 2nd place in his Open run and qualified in his Utility run. Baxter is a Labrador Retriever owned by Barb Knowlton.

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**CH Hyatt's Queen of Crime** finished her championship at the Louisville Shows, winning her 4th and 5th majors. Agatha is a Havanese owned by Mary Jo Steger.....now on to tracking.

# NEWS AND NOTES

*Thanks* to all who donated trophies for our upcoming show the end of May. Please be thinking about any breed items you may need to purchase in the next months. E-bay is a good source of items for specific breeds, as well as your local shops and pet supply catalogs for toys, leashes, or care products. More in next month's Woofers on who will take your trophy donations. Those purchasing gift certificates will be contacted during April.

## Help Wanted

WE need an  
Obedience co-chair  
For the May shows

No experience necessary  
(be on-site both days,  
organize the stewards,  
put up the entry number posters)

Call Mary Jo if you  
can do this

376-4785

Remember you get a great  
lunch as a reward!  
(food treats are the best)

### **To All Members!**

We are now accepting donations for the faffle and silent auction to be held at our show in May. Donations can be brought to training classes or contact Robert or Teresa Pless at  
865-494-8326

### **Catalog Advertising**

The club is conducting a contest. The winner will be the member who solicits and submits the most ads for the show catalog. The prize will be a numbered and signed lithograph donated by Nell Johnson.

At the next meeting after the show, there will also be a drawing for prizes depending on the number of ads submitted.

Deadline for ad submission is April 6, 2006

No late ads accepted.

For additional information contact:

Nell Johnson  
270 Herrel Lan, Powell, TN 37839  
865-945-2278  
ronssheltiemomma@yahoo.com

Donna Burchi  
PO Box 505, Sweetwater, Tn 37874  
423-337-9151  
quindon@compfxnet.com

## **Volunteer Co-ordinator Needed for next January's Agility trials**

**THIS IS A PAID POSITION! Part of Jane Mohr's staff.**

On-site for three days coordinating the volunteers during the agility trial.

Call Frances Hart for more information.

689-7140

Ed and Pat Gilberts'

## K-9 Structure and Movement Seminar

### *Enhancing Your Win Capability*

July 15 & 16, 2006

8:00 am to 5:30 pm

#### LOCATION

East Ridge Convention Center

1417 North Mack Smith Road

East Ridge, TN 37412

#### COST:

\$125.00 for Non-Members;

\$100.00 for Club Members

Space is limited. Register Early.

PLEASE NOTE: All participants must attend both days.

We cannot accept payment for 1 day only.

If you do not attend Day 1, you cannot attend Day 2.

For additional information, contact

Sandra Weigle

6333 White Tail Drive

Ooltewah, TN 37363

423-517-1453

ChattanoogaKC@yahoo.com

www.ChattanoogaKennelClub.org

### **Obedience Show'N'Go**

An obedience Show'N'Go will be held on

Sunday, April 30, 2006

at the Oak Ridge Armory on the Oak Ridge Turnpike.

Food treats, toys, praise and mild corrections limited to verbal or gentle guiding of the dog may be used to help train your dog in the ring with a "show atmosphere."

Weather permitting we will also set up an outside Rally Course

Building will open at 8:00 AM.

Registration on site: 8:00-11:00 AM - Judging begins at 9:00 AM.

Advanced registration is recommended.

*Registration for Rally will not be in advance.*

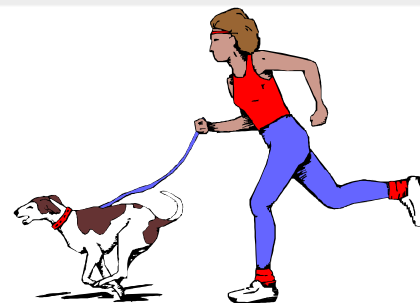
For questions or to register in advance contact Barb

Knowlton

by email at woodsknows@comcast.net

or by phone 865-688-6826

# Upcoming Events



## **Agility and Obedience**

### **Show & Go**

Saturday, April 22, 2006

Agility starts at 9:00 am

Obedience starts at 10:00 am

\$5 per run

### ***Rally Seminar and run-thru's***

***same weekend!***

Selina Edney (AKC judge)

Outdoors on grass. Rally ring is located in a large field with fenced perimeter.

Full refund if events have to be cancelled due to bad weather.

Agility Center of East TN (ACET)

1811 Holston River Road, Knoxville, TN

Email Ace Russell for more info

or call 865-523-7125

March 2, 2006

There were 20 people present when President DeCuir introduced our guest speaker a little after 7 P.M. Marty Cooke and his family are raising a yellow Lab puppy for Canine Companions for Independence, a national group that trains service dogs to assist people with disabilities. Kyber, now seven months old, will be with the Cookes until he is 14-17 months old, and then will receive advanced training for another 6-9 months in Orlando, the regional headquarters. An Animal Planet video explained the particulars of the CCI program.

The business meeting was called to order about 8:00; Tim Snow moved that the minutes of the February meeting and the Treasurer's report be accepted, seconded by Marv Ellis. The vote was unanimous, and the approved financial report is attached to these minutes.

Training: None

*Woof-er*: There was a reminder that the new deadline for including information for the Woof-er is the 17th of each month to assure timely delivery.

Show: The corrected premium list has been returned to Onofrio. A letter going out to the ORKC membership concerning catalog ad sales will be reviewed by President DeCuir and then given to Nell Johnson for mailing. An insert telling the "canine" public about our new building will be put in the catalog for prospective users. Marg Ellis made a motion, seconded by Robert Pless, that the proceeds from the silent auction/raffle at the spring show benefit the building fund. The vote was unanimous to apply those funds to that purpose. Teresa Pless and Nell Johnson will work on the auction/raffle, but many donations are needed.

Programs: There was a suggestion that Sydney Sachs might share with us in April how her Sleddog Rescue foster ended up in a starring role in a recent movie; the May program will be Dr. Julie Adams, Reproduction and Fertility Specialist.

HABIT/Hero: No report

Tracking: The tracking seminar will be well attended, with eight working teams and many others who wish to audit without dogs.

Agility: None

Search: Robert Pless projected itemized costs for construction of our proposed building, totaling \$154,862. Robert feels that ORKC members can do much of the labor required (except building erection) to make our building affordable. The next step seems to be to determine which area of the property we are interested in, and to arrange to have a survey done. The City requires that drawings be submitted before construction. To secure general membership support, a mailing will be sent explaining what we need to do to have the building. Members in good standing (quorum required) will vote March 21st at training class about whether they support construction of a new facility or whether they feel the Board is making a mistake in obligating the club.

Correspondence

Incoming: None discussed

Outgoing: None discussed

Old Business: None discussed

New Business: None discussed

Adjournment: The business meeting concluded at 9:30 because of the lateness of the hour.





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