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Greetings ORKC members! We've had a lot transpire over the last month so here's the rundown on current items of interest to the best of my knowledge...

As you'll read in the minutes from the January meeting, there has been a **shift of officer positions**. Jeff Banta has resigned as 1st VP, and Teresa Pless has graciously accepted that position (again.) Teresa's seat on the Training Committee has been filled by me, Missy. And our beloved treasurer, Pat Vogel, passed away suddenly on New Year's day ☹ So Joyce Cardwell, Secretary, is also temporarily wearing the Treasurer hat as well.

Also at the January meeting, it was voted and approved to create a new look for ORKC. So, **we're running a logo contest** to allow members to submit logos for the Club. The timeline on the contest is very tight to allow us to use the new logo in the May show catalog. *Details and rules can be found on page 7.*

If you haven't **renewed your membership** (I'm guilty!) please do so quickly! You can mail your renewals to Mary Jo or bring to class on Tuesdays. Mary Jo's puppy class is 6-7 in the East building. **Do not walk in on puppy class**; plan to see Mary Jo either before or after class.

We had a **snow day**!! For future reference, if Oak Ridge schools are closed, it is ORKC policy to cancel classes that night. It'll probably not happen again for another 10 years, but it bears repeating just in case! ☺

Speaking of training, ORKC is expanding to **two nights of training classes** starting Spring session! *Details on page 4!*

A **"Five Year Plan" Committee** is currently being formed. If you have any ideas/suggestions for the committee, or would like to serve on the committee, please contact David Miller at dmiller117@comcast.net.

We're organizing some **work days**: we will be prepping/painting the interior of both class buildings, installing a fence to contain the agility area, and laying the sod for the agility field!! Wahoo!! This is HAPPENING!! If we can get the sod down in the next month or so, it is feasible that we can actually offer agility classes by Fall session!! Please keep your eye on the BLOG: <http://orkc.blogspot.com/> for Work Day and other scheduling stuff!!

Ku Ku Ka Choo, Y'all ~ Missy Neal, Editor

The info boxes you see below are new permanent additions to this page. If you're reading this online, you can click the link to get the Google map to Soup Kitchen or to the Training Center.

ORKC MEETINGS

First Thursday of every month, unless
otherwise announced.

[SOUP KITCHEN OAK RIDGE | 7PM](#)

**47 E Tennessee Ave
Oak Ridge, TN 37830**

TRAINING CENTER

Behind Girls, Inc. on the Turnpike.

[| CLICK FOR MAP |](#)

**1790 Oak Ridge Turnpike
Oak Ridge, TN 37830**

Oak Ridge Kennel Club Meeting Minutes: January, 2009

Because our regular January meeting night fell on New Year's Day, we moved the meeting to January 8, also the evening we needed to set up for the agility trial. Our meeting location was moved to the Expo Center in Harriman where more could attend. Three sets of minutes were approved; October had not been approved, November was approved at the Christmas Party/brief meeting, and the December minutes were to be approved at the January meeting (Harriman). Robert Pless made a motion to approve all three sets (all appeared in the *Woofers*), seconded by Mary Jo Steger. The vote was unanimous to accept all three sets of minutes as presented. Our Treasurer, Pat Vogel, passed away on 01/01. ORKC materials have been returned: Mary Jo has the checkbook and is an approved signature, so will write checks needed for the agility trial. President Donna Burchi will obtain signature cards for the new Treasurer.

Cluster: David Miller reported that the Committee has discussed the three clubs that are appropriate for ORKC to have cluster shows with – Kingsport, Chattanooga, and Knoxville are within 100 miles. If we combine shows with another club we will have to be flexible about giving up our site and our date and our superintendent. Expenses will be greater (lodging for volunteers, excessive site rental, travel), space for a cluster might not be available in our area (two weekends of three days each might be considered). The Committee was tasked with getting more information on options since we expect future travel expenses for competitors to determine where they choose to show.

Landscaping/ Grounds: Lesley Hardin reported that a committee is being formed that will schedule maintenance of our flower beds, agility field, and grassy areas around the parking lot. Nell Johnson volunteered at the November meeting to be Chair of the committee, which will include Lesley, Joyce Cardwell, and several others.

Building: Robert Pless reported that Pittsburgh Paint will donate some paint and sell the remainder inexpensively for completion of the building interiors. The beige and sage colors already used will be continued. Fencing between the buildings needs to be put in when the sod is installed so it will be protected. Minor grading is required before sodding, and training on the sod will probably begin in late summer or fall.

Correspondence: Approval of our show dates on 05/23 and 5/24, approval of our tracking event on 02/07, approval of Incoming our agility matches (received in November) on Thursday and Saturday, notice that Rally is not approved because there is a holdup with the obedience portion of our show.

Old Business: Robert Pless reported that he was able to obtain immediate event coverage for the agility trial. He has looked into obtaining liability coverage for approximately \$600/year from a new company that was listed on the AKC website. Coverage of \$250,000 for officer/directors, up to 15 people, is offered for \$540/year. A committee of Robert and Quinto Burchi will pursue insurance for the property and for the officer/directors. Mary Jo Steger, who has the ORKC checkbook, gave Robert a blank check to Overnight for liability insurance so we have coverage when our classes start on 01/13. She also reimbursed him for his credit card for the event insurance. There was discussion about the T-shirts which club members will order during the training class sessions. Need for a club color was discussed, and Lesley Hardin suggested this was a good time to work on a new logo. She and Missy Neal will work on an ORKC image/brand. If the new artwork is ready, we will use it on the shirts. Otherwise, the old design will be used. The customers will be asked to vote on a "team color" to represent ORKC, and the charge will be \$15 per shirt.

New Business: Missy Neal wondered if we would see increased interest in club activities if the *Woofers* was again mailed to all members. Mary Jo will calculate the increased cost, and we will discuss this again. Development of a brochure or flyer to post was also brought up. Joyce Cardwell volunteered to finish out the Treasurers term. David Miller moved that her offer be accepted, with discussion about whether one person should be permitted to hold two voting positions. There was a second by Bob Bardorf and the vote was unanimous to name Joyce as temporary Secretary/Treasurer. Teresa Pless has volunteered to take the 1st VP slot following Jeff Banta's resignation. Mary Jo Steger moved to place Teresa in this office, seconded by Marg Ellis, and the vote was unanimous. Since she will be preparing programs in her new role, Teresa resigned from the Training Committee. Robert Pless moved that Missy Neal be moved into that slot, seconded by Quinto Burchi, and it was unanimously approved. Mary Jo Steger will send a donation to Pat Vogel's Golden Retriever charity as requested. President Donna Burchi will request that our show in May be dedicated to Pat, and Mary Jo will summarize her contributions to the Club to be included. There were several other suggestions (planting a tree in her name, doing something additional for the family).

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30

MEMBER BRAGS

Poe's Rapping Tapping Raven, a black Labrador Retriever owned by Lisa Styles, earned a Judges Award of Merit in the Open stake at the December Snowbird Retriever Field Trial held in Boston, Georgia. Raven was handled to the JAM by her trainer Dave Smith of Shooting Star Retrievers. This was Raven's and Lisa's first field trial All Age finish.



Dan and Brenda Faulkner's Doberman Pinscher, **Kiss**, had a great weekend at the recent ORKC agility trial at Harriman. Kiss finished the last leg of her Versatile Companion Dog 1 Title by qualifying in 3 out of 3 runs in the Novice Standard Agility Ring. This, coupled with a Tracking Dog title achieved at Louisville, Ky in February, 2008, a Novice Agility Jumpers title at Harriman in September, 2008, and a Companion Dog obedience title at TVKC in November, 2008 completed the requirements for a VCD1 title from the AKC. Just to add icing to the cake she also qualified once in Open Agility JWW and once in Novice FAST at Harriman. Her 6 qualifying runs out of 7 attempts at Harriman also included several placements including 2 firsts. Kiss is now: **Smack-Dab's Here For The Party CD NA NAJ TD VCD1.**

Cobblestones Fairlight had a wonderful first agility trial in Harriman! She qualified 6 out of 6 runs, earning all first and second place ribbons. She earned her Novice Preferred Jumpers With Weaves Title.

Cobblestones Bliss earned her Novice Fast Title and qualified for her second Excellent B Standard Leg!

Bliss and Fairlight are Australian Shepherds owned by Bonnie Herrell.



Tim Snow's sheltie, **Ember**, completed her Open Jumpers Preferred Agility title at the ORKC trial on Jan 17, 2009. Her 1st qualifying leg was in the Kingsport KC trial in October where she finished in 1st place! Tim (who was recovering from an emergency appendectomy) wants to thank Dan and Brenda Faulkner who expertly handled Ember to a 1st & a 2nd place from the two legs of this title!

AREA EVENTS

FEBRUARY MEETING
THUR FEB 5 ~ 7pm
@ Soup Kitchen

ORKC TRACKING TEST
SAT FEB 7

Need volunteer for crowd control!
Mary Jo Steger
 376-4785 or
Jean Burdick
 423-369-2632

OCC SHOW & GO

Obedience/Rally
SUN FEB 15
 7:30am – 2pm | \$5/run
 Play Dog Excellent
 4113 Dayton Blvd
 Chattanooga, TN 37415
Fay Taylor
 423-886-2171
 423-364-9181

K-9 WEIGHT PULL

All-Breed Seminar
No Experience Necessary!
SAT FEB 21
 10:00am – 2pm
 Tractor Supply Company
 Oak Ridge
More Info on Page 6!

"PERFECTING THE PUPPY" Seminar

Dr Joni Freshman
THUR FEB 26
 6:30pm – 8:30pm | \$25
 Franklin, TN
More info on Page 5!

HARBIT ANIMAL ASSISTED THERAPY PROGRAM
SAT MAR 28
 9:30am - Noon
 UTVM Room 118
Karen Armsey
 865-974-5633



Please email event submissions to:
woofers@kngc.com

NOTICE: Due to the weather cancellation on January 20, Winter session will extend to March 10. The 2nd Puppy Class will start on February 10.

SPRING SESSION CLASSES Member registration opens on Feb 2.

TUESDAYS ~ EAST BUILDING March 17 – May 5

TIME	CLASS/DATE	CLASS SIZE	INSTRUCTOR	MEMBERS / NON-MEMBERS
5-6 PM	Adv/Excellent Rally	10	Debbie Echols/Sidney Sachs	\$45.00 / \$75.00
6-7 PM	Drop-in Conformation	NA	Donna Burchi/Missy Neal	\$6 / \$8
7-8 PM	Beginners (Obedience)	8	Marg Ellis/Bonnie Herrell	\$45.00 / \$75.00
8-9 PM	CGC (Obedience Level I)	10	Joyce Cardwell	\$45.00 / \$75.00

TUESDAYS ~ WEST BUILDING March 17 – May 5

5-6 PM	Unstructured	4	NA	\$45.00 / \$75.00
6-7 PM	Puppy Class Week 1-4 or 5-8	7	Mary Jo Steger	\$22.50 / \$37.50
7-8 PM	Pre-Novice/Novice (Obedience)	8	Jeanne Ringe	\$45.00 / \$75.00
8-9 PM	Open (Obedience)	8	John Ambrosia	\$45.00 / \$75.00

THURSDAYS ~ EAST BUILDING March 19 – May 7

6-7 PM	Beginner Conformation	8	Missy Neal	\$45.00 / \$75.00
7-8 PM	Super Puppy	8	Missy Neal	\$45.00 / \$75.00

THURSDAYS ~ WEST BUILDING March 19 – May 7

6-7 PM	Novice Rally (Beginners)	10	Debbie Echols/Sidney Sachs	\$45.00 / \$75.00
7-8 PM	Beginners (Obedience)	8	Shannon Shepherd	\$45.00 / \$75.00
8-9 PM	Unstructured	4	NA	\$45.00 / \$75.00

REGISTRATION OPENS FOR MEMBERS FEB 2; NON-MEMBERS FEB 16:

Send registration requests to Shannon Shepherd at leashesbydesign@charter.net. Shannon will return your message to confirm your successful registration. **You are not registered until you receive confirmation from Shannon!**

PAYMENT: DUE BY MARCH 1, 2009

Send class payments to:

Julie Haase
8002 Lennox Dr.
Knoxville, TN, 37909

Make checks payable to ORKC. **If your payment has not been received by March 1, you will be removed from the class list, and your space will be given to the next person on the wait list.**

CLASS FEES

	Members	Non-members
4 week class	\$22.50	\$37.50
8 week class	\$45	\$75
Drop-in Conformation	\$6/night	\$8/night

When registering for a class, please include the following information in your email:

1. Handler and dog's name
2. Phone number
3. Email address
4. Which class you would like to sign up for
5. Classes the dog may have taken before
6. Age and breed of dog (important for beginners and puppy class)
7. If you are signing up for one of the 4-week classes, please specify which dates you are registering for.

You Are Invited to Attend!



Perfecting the Puppy: Arrival and First Three Weeks

Presented by
Dr. Joni Freshman

Hosted by
The Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association

Perfecting the Puppy: Arrival and First Three Weeks

This is the critical time for neonates – what a breeder can do to prepare and ensure all goes as well as possible – and when and how to seek help.

A must for the serious breeder!

**Thursday, February 26, 2009
6:30pm – 8:30pm
Franklin Marriott Cool Springs
Franklin, TN 37067**

**Registration Fee - \$25
Registration Opens 6:00pm**

**For more information please visit our website at
www.tvmanet.org**

K9 WEIGHT PULL ALL-BREED SEMINAR

Rat Terrier



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST
10AM - 2PM
TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY
OAK RIDGE STORE - 465 OAK RIDGE TURNPIKE
OAK RIDGE TN 37830(865) 425-7518**

Come out and learn a new activity for you and your dog, this seminar will be taught by UKC Weight Pull Judge, Gabrielle & Joe Lambert of Full Pull Kennels

Cost: \$20 per person w/dog, \$5 add'l dog(s)

(All dogs in attendance must be crated.)

\$10 – for person only (participant w/out dog)

All breeds (large/small)/mixed breeds welcome, **no experience necessary** – if your dog has pulled before, this is a great opportunity to learn new techniques.

Terrier w/Cart



Fun for kids and puppies too!



Please pre-register for the event, onsite registration will be limited to what TSC can accommodate.

To register, contact: landrotts@comcast.net or 865-689-3523

SAVE THE DATE! *All Breed, ATTS Temperament Test Scheduled for April 25th – Cove Lake State Park – 25 minutes from Knoxville, TN*

For More Information on Both Events Visit: www.SMWRK.com



ORKC SPRING 09 CALENDAR

- March** 5 Thur ~ ORKC meeting
7 Sat ~ Work Day - Tentative
17 Tue ~ **Spring Session** starts
18 Wed ~ Board meeting
19 ~ Thur **Spring Session** starts
- April** 2 Thur ~ ORKC meeting
- May** 5 Tue ~ Last night of Spring session
7 Thur ~ ORKC meeting, Last night of Spring session
9 & 10 Sat & Sun ~ ORKC Agility Trial
20 Wed ~ Board meeting
23 & 24 Sat & Sun ~ ORKC Conformation Shows, Rally & Obedience Trials

ORKC LOGO CONTEST RULES

We have a tight window for this contest, so we can use the new logo in the catalog for the show in May.

1. Please submit 2 versions – a black & white version to be used in print, and a color version with no more than 3 colors.
2. Logo should reflect the versatile aspects of ORKC. Remember this is an all-breed organization and we support many AKC endeavors.
3. Electronic submissions to woofers@kngc.com - 300dpi jpg (please save a color separated version in PSD or PNG format).
4. If you have an idea for a black & white design and no access to a computer, draw it up and send it to Missy. It will be scanned and we can add color to it on the computer on your direction.
5. The ORKC Board of Directors will vote on the submitted logos and the top 3 will be finalists.
6. Deadline for submissions is February 21.
7. Finalists will be presented on the ORKC web site, in the March *Woofers* and on the BLOG. The Membership will vote electronically on the BLOG. One vote per member.
8. Voting will close at midnight on March 21 and the winner will be announced in the April *Woofers*.

ORKC T-SHIRTS!!

We're printing more T-shirts for ORKC – members only! The design is much the same as the last batch. We'll have a color image of the design along with a sign-up sheet at training classes.

T-shirt color choices are a smoky blue and sand. Joyce will have a sample of these colors, too.

T-shirt price is \$15 and payment is expected at time of order. Checks can be made out to ORKC and cash will be accepted.

We'll accept orders until about the 2nd night of Spring session, so anyone coming in at that time can get in on the action.

RAFFLE ITEMS FOR SPRING SHOW

As a reminder to all of our members our May show is approaching. I have the position of Ways and means Chairperson (Raffle). So I'm just putting out a reminder to everyone to help our club with any item you might want to donate for this good money maker. All proceeds go to our Club. Any item you would like to get rid of, please bring it to the Center or to our meetings. It does not have to be a dog item. If you have any thing of value we will put that in the silent auction. You can set the lowest price that you think it should sell for. If that price is not reached, you will have the option to get it back or to donate it for future auctions. We have had very good results in our past raffles and auctions. Just remember one mans junk is another mans treasure! I will be at the show site setting up Friday before the show, and will be accepting anything you do not want to leave at the property. If any one has any questions you can me at 865.494.8326 or email at tkpless@gmail.com

Thank you for your help!

Teresa Pless

1st Vice President

SAVE THE DATE!

All Breed, ATTS ([American Temperament Test Society](#))

Temperament Test

April 25th ~ 9-5
Cove Lake State Park
Hwy. 25 West
Caryville, TN 37714

– 25 minutes from Knoxville

For More Information Visit:

www.SMWRK.com

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Knoxville, TN 37934

www.discoveret.org/orkc/

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**UPCOMING WORK DAYS: WATCH
THE BLOG FOR DATES**

<http://orkc.blogspot.com/>

Prep the interior of both buildings for painting, start painting, install the fence along the agility field, and lay sod on agility field.



Pat Vogel

Feb 14, 1931 - Jan 1, 2009

Pat Vogel passed away suddenly on January 1, 2009. Her passing was unexpected and the Oak Ridge Kennel Club will truly miss her.

Pat was involved in the dog world most of her life, active in the

Guiding Eyes for the Blind, and one of the founding members of Heartland Golden Retriever Rescue. She was an active member of the ORKC. She was the treasurer of the club, taught conformation classes for years, and helped at shows and matches. Pat was a well-known breeder of quality Golden Retrievers (Devoe Goldens), and had the honor to judge Sweepstakes for both Regional and National specialties.

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