



PUPPY TALES

News & Views From
Erie Kennel Club



Announcements

Building Manager Update:

Lou proposed an idea that was voted on by the general membership. Instead of having the President (or Building Manager), the proposal broke the position into 4 sets of responsibilities. Board Members will each own one of the roles and share the responsibility of building management. The roles will be broken down as described below:

- Building Manager: responsible for lights, septic, security, water filters, heating
- Outside Maintenance: responsible for mowing, pond, and woods
- Inside Maintenance: cleaning, reducing clutter, organization, neatness
- Beautification, Parking Lot & Safety: response for spreading gravel, entrance, signs, salt (in winter), flowers/decorations, first aid kits, safety monitoring of areas and practices

Please note that it is not necessarily the individual's role to complete all of the tasks. It is the role of the individual to provide ownership and coordination to ensure the responsibilities are fulfilled.

Spring Cleaning:

A spring clean-up date has not been selected yet due to the infinite winter that Erie has been experiencing. As the weather turns, a spring clean-up date will be selected and posted.

Paws in the Park:

Therapy Dogs United has already begun to send out requests for vendors at the 2018 Paws in the Park. It will be on September 15, 2018, with more details to follow!

Sunshine Committee:

A box of candy was sent to Camboro Veterinary Hospital to thank them for hosting the spring eye clinic.

Calling for Small Dog Breeders!

Cindy has been getting a lot of requests through her breed referral for small dogs (Yorkies, Dachshunds, etc). If you know of any potential breeders, please reach out to Cindy so she can forward along the information.

Agility Trial (4/13-4/15):

In January AKC changed the number of runs each club's agility trial could have from 330 to 350 per day. With that change our April agility trial had some long days.

Wow! Erie Kennel Club had a great agility trial. Our judge was Sherry Jefferson. As you all know the judge pulls the exhibitors. Sherry was great with all the exhibitors and the ring crew. The courses were fun to run along with their challenges. I also received a very nice thank you note from Sherry.

Our agility trial had a total of 230 dogs entered. Friday, we had 298 runs, Saturday, 350 runs and Sunday 350 runs, a full trial! We even had a wait list for Sunday.

Many thanks go out to everyone who volunteered to help. Without our volunteers we couldn't put on a well-organized trial.

If I remember correctly we had several members getting legs & titles.

Congratulations to all of you!

Janet

Summer Picnic Host Needed:

The club is looking for someone to "host" the summer picnic in July. This would entail helping to plan the event, picking up the food/drinks, and coordinate activities (ie, music, cornhole, bocce, etc). If you are interested, please let a board member know!



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Gentle Reminder:

It was noticed that a few things were left out of order after some of the recent run-thrus and classes. This is just a gentle reminder to please clean-up after you are finished hosting an event. If you use the coffee maker (feel free to!), please empty any leftover coffee, throw away the grounds, and rinse the pot. Please wipe down the counter to remove any crumbs/residue from snacks. It's truly great that we have so many active volunteers willing to host events at the club. Let's continue to keep it clean for both members and non-members to provide an excellent training environment!

AKC Legislative Workshop:

Saturday, May 12, 2018 Farmington, NY

Erie Kennel Club Members, the Genesee Valley Kennel Club is offering a Legislative Workshop. We are looking for one or two persons to go to this event. Our Club would benefit from having a representative attend this Workshop. The workshop targets many of the subjects that EKC has had to deal with this past year, ie the Puppy Mill Awareness movement, researching and understanding legislative bills, how to use the AKC as a source, how to activate dog fanciers and clubs.

There is a very knowledgeable group of presenters including AKC's Jennifer Clark, Director of Legislative Outreach who has had many conversations with EKC about EPMA.

The flyer is attached to this newsletter. Please contact Anthony Stefanelli (text: 873-5062) or Cindy S (text: 873-5404 or email: funpupcls@juno.com) if you would like to participate.



Next Membership Meeting

7:30pm, May 18, 2018
9457 Wattsburg Rd, Erie Pa 16509



Upcoming Events:

- **Membership Meeting** ~ May 16, 2018
- **Spring Cleaning** ~ TBD
- **Membership Meeting** ~ June 20, 2018
- **EKC Summer Picnic** ~ July 2018 - TBD
- **Membership Dues** ~ September 1, 2018
- **Eye Clinic** ~ September 15, 2018
- **Membership Meeting** ~ September 19, 2018
- **EKC Agility Trial** ~ September 28-30, 2018
- **Membership Meeting** ~ October 17, 2018
- **EKC Agility Trial** ~ October 19-21, 2018
- **Membership Meeting** ~ November 21, 2018
- **EKC Christmas Party** ~ December 2018 - TBD



New Membership:

The following person has applied to the club for membership. Any objections must be filed with the Corresponding Secretary in writing. A vote will be taken at the May meeting:

Taylor Hayes
8134 Venshire Drive
Wattsburg, PA 16442
cellphone: 716-499-5018
email: taylorlehmanhayes@gmail.com
Breed: Miniature American Shepherd
Interests: Conformation, obedience, rally, agility



**2nd Annual Legislative Seminar
Hosted by the Genesee Valley Kennel Club in
conjunction with the American Kennel Club.**

May 12, 2018.

Finger Lakes Race Track Casino, 5857 NY-96, Farmington, NY 14425

Topics:

**Researching Legislative Bills & Understanding Them
Break out Session (Bills assigned and interpreted by group)**

AKC Action Center - Your resource.

**All About Creating Presentation Materials
Using Presentation Materials**

Writing Letters to Legislators.

Break-Out Session (Practice letter writing)

How to activate dog fanciers & clubs.

Letter Writing Analysis

“Over The Hump” Legislator Meet & Greet How to’s....

Over The Hump Legislator Meet & Greet Role Playing

Final Q & A

Speakers: Jennifer Clark; Director of Legislative Outreach of the AKC. Tom Delany; ADCNYS Lobbyist, President Shawangunk KC, VicePresident Associated Dog Clubs. Wanda Allen; ADCNYS President, President Saratoga Kennel Club. Jeffrey Ball; President New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs. AKC Delegate Ramapo Kennel Club. Susan Sholar; AKC Delegate for the Black Russian Terrier Club of America, Past President of California Federation of Dog Clubs for 10 years.

This Seminar will not be your average boring presentation. We are offering multiple opportunities for creative thinking, analysis and role-playing to help you gain the tools needed to stand up for your sport and preserve the right to enjoy your dogs.

Cost \$35.00 includes Lunch Buffet

Sign-In 8:30-9:00 AM. Ends at 5:00 PM

Reservation

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

State: _____ Zipcode: _____

**KC or Animal Affiliated
Organization** _____

This event is invitation only; invitation is extended to American Kennel Club affiliated clubs, delegates, approved dog clubs & performance organizations as well as cat & livestock organizations. Applicant must belong to approved organization to attend or have invitation extended by approved organization. All reservations will be verified.

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7637 NY-96, Victor, NY

Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham Victor
7498 Main St, Victor, NY

Best Western Inn & Suites
7449 St. Rt. 96. Victor, NNY.

Homewood Suites
575 Fisher Station Rd, Victor, NY

Lodging Information: BringFido.com. To book: 877-411-3436

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30 6 pm - Obedience	1 7 pm - Conformation	2 5:30pm - Rally	3 5 pm - APOTC	4 10 am - Obedience	5
6	7 7 pm - Conformation	8 7 pm - APOTC	9 5:30pm - Rally	10 5 pm - APOTC	11 10 am - Obedience	12
13	14 6 pm - Obedience	15 7 pm - Conformation	16 7:30pm - EKC	17 5 pm - APOTC	18 10 am - Obedience	19
20	21 6 pm - Obedience	22 7 pm - Conformation	23 5:30pm - Rally	24 5 pm - APOTC	25 10 am - Obedience	26
27	28 No Obedience	29 7 pm - Conformation	30 5:30pm - Rally	31 5 pm - APOTC	1 10 am - Obedience	2