



# Seward County Kennel Club

A CLUB FOR PERSONS INTERESTED IN DOGS AND THE SPORT OF DOGS.

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## KUDOS TO YOU, SCKC!

thank you!



Seward County Kennel Club, you had a great show in 2021. We want Tabitha Dvorak to know she did a super job her first time as show chair. CONGRATS!!!

Something new this year, the boy scouts consisted of 'webelos' (between boys & cubs). With adult help, these first time youngsters worked out well. \*\*Our exhibitors are very patient with these young people, kudos to them.\*\*

As chief ring steward, I'd like to thank all who helped in any way. Whether you steward, set up, cook, clean-up or drive judges, it's all part of the show's success.

### YOU ARE APPRECIATED.

Tabitha & Troy Dvorak, Linda Soukup, Mary Bristol, Kathy Jackson, Morgan Ehlers, Lester Breidenstine, Diane Crowder, Diane & Gerold Nitz, Cindy Hill, Vicki Nolte, Leon Jensen, Anita Jackson, Nancy Sedlacek, Ally & Ashton Wagner, Doug Eicher and Larry Schmidt. Lastly, a special thank you to my right hand PAT SCHNIDLER. She's always there to help me in a big way during groups.

### THANKS TO ALL!!!!

Our continued best wishes to Merlin Nolte, may he have a speedy recovery. Keep him in your prayers.

Tanya Williams, Chief Ring Steward & Trophy Chairperson

## NEXT MEETING June 17, 2021

### Dog Lover's Day!! Meeting 6:30pm

Independence Landing (by the pond at the Seward Fairgrounds)

Bring your dog, a chair and a dish to share!

# HEV'N SENT JASPER HOME AT LAST, BN, CD, PCD, RE, TKA, CGC, RATI

Owned and loved by Gerold and Diane Nitz

## Sept 15, 2007 to April 16, 2021

All dogs hold a special place in our hearts, and it's always hard to lose them. Jasper may not have been the greatest dog that ever lived, but he had a life that I think is worthy of noting. So for him and for me, I am writing this— his obituary.

I don't know all the details of his early life, but I know that he was adopted out of a shelter in central Nebraska. For some reason it didn't work out and he was returned to the shelter. He was then adopted by Noah's Assistance dogs to train as a seizure alert dog.

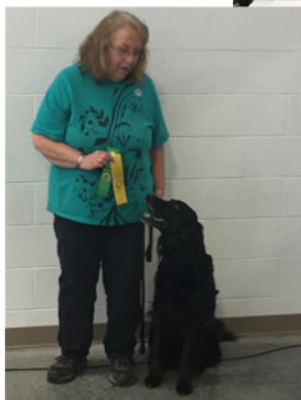
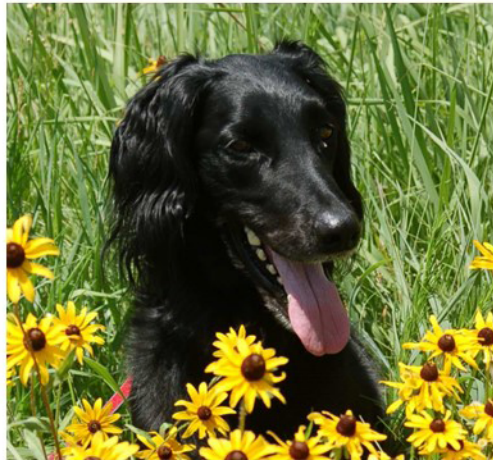
He first lived in Lexington with a trainer named Tedi. I got him to train shortly after— he was about 1 1/2 years old.

He excelled in his training, loved to visit Walmart. He would "bump" the Life cereal because he knew that's what I always bought. He could pick up a credit card off a tile floor, among many other tasks.

He was placed with a little boy who was having seizures and he did a great job alerting to the seizures, but he became overly protective of his boy, so he was returned to Noah's and was placed with a gentleman. This man later had an operation that cured his seizures, so Jasper was once again returned to Noah's. By this time he was getting close to being too old to place as a service dog, so we adopted him as our dog.

I started showing Jasper in Rally and Obedience. He earned many titles in both, as well as trick tiles and his barn hunt instinct. In all his time showing, he only had one NQ, at his first show. At the time of his death he also had 5 of 10 legs in Rally Masters, and one of three legs in Barn Hunt Novice.

He loved to travel, and visited Kansas, Wyoming, Colorado, South Dakota, Kansas and Missouri, as well as many camping trips in Nebraska. He lived to go hiking and exploring, and went for a walk almost every day up until about 10 days before he died. In June of 2020 he was diagnosed with bone cancer and had to have his left front leg amputated. The cancer claimed his life on April 16, 2021.



# MEETING MINUTES

SCKC Meeting March 18th , 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:32 by Tabitha

Members present: Tabitha Dvorak, Vicky Nolte, Sabryn Phillips, Diane Nitz, Tanya Williams, Mary Bristol, Linda Soukup, Cindy Hill and Morgan Ehlers.

February minutes read by Tanya. Addition to the minutes to read handling clinic will be at 7pm. Motion to approve minutes with addition made by Diane and 2nd by Linda. Motion passed.

Treasures report read. Motion to approve report made by Linda 2nd by Tanya. Motion passed.

Membership: First reading for Nicole Cruz. She is from Seward has 2 Toy Aussies. Interested in obedience and conformation.

Audit: Tabitha and Cindy have not completed annual audit yet. To be completed after meeting.

Chief ring steward: Trophies are all set to go. Motion made by Tanya to have 2 ring stewards; 1 inside and 1 outside the ring 2nd by Diane. Motion passed. Notify Tanya if you would like to ring steward 1 or both 2 days of show.

Fun match: The phone number listed in the premium list for fun match is incorrect but the email is right.

Performance- 4 puppies, 8 basic, 2 confirmation.

Show: Judges are set up to stay at East hill. They have reserved the same number of rooms for next year. But they urged us to change the show days do to Concordia's graduation and reservations are made as early as a year in advance. Motion to table the switching of the date til next meeting.

Linda Soukup is taking over for Linda Riley for food manager.

Tabitha will get in touch with Quanas group that does the concession stand if they want to do concessions they can on Friday in 4-H building.

Mary made motion to have Diane redo the flowers for the winners photos Tanya 2nd. Motion passed.

Show committee meeting set for April 11th @ Pizza Kitchen at noon.

Food Committee- Linda is looking in to having limited

options due to COVID. Saturday Troy's Lasagna, Chicken casserole and vegetarian casserole and limited salad bar. Sunday Hotdogs and Sloppy Joes. Desserts are to be wrapped or bagged up.

New Business-

Idea to host virtual rally and obedience in the 4-H building Diane will put out feelers to see if it has interest.

Cindy reported that the sammoyed club have old ribbons that they want to repurpose. The club would only have to replace the middle streamers for the PeeWee show for future show.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Linda and 2nd by Vicky. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:03.

SCKC Meeting April 15, 2021

Meeting called to order by Tabitha Dvorak @ 7:40.

Members present: Chris Corum, Tanya Williams, Linda Soukup, Tabitha Dvorak, Mary Bristol, Morgan Ehlers and Cindy Hill.

March minutes read. Motion to approved minutes as read made by Tanya and 2nd by Cindy. Motion passed.

Report of the secretary- Morgan requested that the minutes of the previous month be put into the current months newsletter. To ensure all members are getting current information. Minutes not to be read at meeting since minutes are in the newsletter this will have make the meetings run more efficiently. There will still be a vote to approve minutes. Tanya made motion to have last month's minutes in the new month's newsletter. Motion 2nd by Cindy. Motion passed.

Treasurers report read and 2nd draft of the 1st quarters report. Motion made by Tanya to approve treasurer's report 2nd by Cindy. Motion passed.

Audit committee- Audit was conducted and everything is in order.

Awards & Trophies- Tanya has put together all the goody bags for the junior handlers and the peewees.

Chief Ring Steward- we will have 10 boy scouts both days of show, but still need a few more volunteers. Armbands

will be handed out by the stewards, to avoid people taking the wrong armbands.

AD HOC- Nebraska is green zone. We will encourage/require masks to be worn at all times in buildings. Encourage social distancing, have multiple hand sanitizer stations. Signs will be posted at the doors for masks and social distancing (Tanya is going to ask her friend if she has extra signs). Do not use signs will be hung on the bathroom blowers and paper towels will be supplied.

Membership- 2nd reading for Nicole Cruz, vote was unanimous. Welcome Nicole and family.

Performance- Chris reported that basic completion certificates will be handed out next week. CGC test April 26th. Those interested in testing will sign up for a time. Tanya will help with station 1-3. Volunteers for crowd are always needed. Puppy certificates will be handed out on the 26th. Puppy class has been working on tricks and will have contest the 26th Mary will give out a prize(s). Summer class dates are June 7th- July 19th or June 14th- July 26th Chris will check for building availability for those dates. Class sizes have been smaller but they are still enough to cover cost. Building rental is \$210. Show- Judge change for obedience/ rally Rick Garbin will be substitute judge.

Judges suppers Friday will be Café on the Square and Saturday will be La Carreta at 6pm  
Tabitha will call AKC and Jenny Kovanda about returning the show date to original date (the 17th weekend of the year). Tabled till next meeting.  
Setup starts at 9:00 am on Friday the 7th. Troy will be marking out grooming spaces. Silent Auction for the St. Bernard and Fenchie statue after deliberation bidding will start at \$25 for each. Bidding will start on Friday and go till noon on Sunday. Money raised will be used for scholarships.

Hospitality- Saturday will be chicken casserole and lasagna. Sunday will be sloppy joes and hot dogs. Desserts to be wrapped individually.

Website- Chris mentioned that the website still had the cancelled 2020 show on the main page.

#### New Business

Mary and Tanya -look into how much money there is in the CD for scholarships. Tabled till next meeting.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Tanya and 2nd by Chris. Meeting adjourned at 8:54.

Submitted by Morgan Ehlers, SCKC Secretary

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