

TENNESSEE VALLEY KENNEL CLUB

Promoting all breeds of purebred dogs

Our next meeting is MAY 20 at 7 pm. Board meeting AT 6 pm.

Meeting Location: Sequoia Room of the Pendergrass Library, University of Tennessee Veterinary School. Enter the Pendergrass Library from Joe Johnson Drive. Use the door on the left and use stairway to go to 2nd floor Sequoia Room. **Directions**

PROGRAM: To be announced later.

[Minutes](#) from previous meetings. [Minutes](#) from previous board meetings.

CLUB NEWS



Membership Dues - Pay by May 31!

Many members still need to pay dues. Mail check to Jean Dinkins.



Turn in Your 2013 Titles NOW!

Members who have had a dog complete an AKC title in 2013 should contact Jeanne Ringe at onyxk9@gmail.com NO LATER THAN MAY 10, 2014 to receive their award at the June picnic. It's best if you scan AKC's confirmation of title. Dogs receiving awards in June are eligible for a \$10 half-page ad in this year's show catalog.

5th Annual Pet Well Fair - May 3, 2014

Village Veterinary Medical Center, 11301 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN. Enjoy kids' teddy bear hospital, face painting, microchip clinic, rescue groups, meet pet friendly vendors and organizations and have some snacks! Kids see what it's like to be a veterinarian for the day!

Members who are able to represent TVKC are asked to coordinate thru DruAnne Nutzell. She'll have her mobile grooming truck there.

Officers and Board - To be Confirmed at May Meeting

No additional nominations were made from the floor at the April meeting.

OFFICERS NOMINATED FOR 2014-2015

President: Walter Sommerfelt
Vice President: Pat Hodges
Treasurer: Jean Dinkins
Recording Secretary: Neena Van Camp
Corresponding Secretary: Cheryl Kienast

BOARD nominated for 2014-2015

Keith Bailey, Paula Smiddy, Janis Flaherty, Pam Stanner, Beth White, Judy Hart (board member and delegate)

Puppy Kindergarten

Class completed. New class to be offered soon. Open to all puppies up to six months of age. Learn how to start your pups off on the right paw from the very beginning. Details and how to register --> [CLICK HERE](#)

Conformation Classes Going Strong - UT Mon. 7:15-8:15 pm

Call instructor EACH WEEK to confirm schedule. For details --> [CLICK HERE](#)

Canine Good Citizen Testing - Coming Soon

AKC's Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Program is designed to reward dogs who have good manners at home and in the community. The Canine Good Citizen Program is a two-part program that stresses responsible pet ownership for owners and basic good manners for dogs. All dogs who pass the 10-step CGC test may receive a certificate from the American Kennel Club. Many dog owners choose Canine Good Citizen training as the first step in training their dogs. The Canine Good Citizen Program lays the foundation for other AKC activities such as obedience, agility, tracking, and performance events. As you work with your dog to teach the CGC skills, you'll discover the many benefits and joys of training your dog.



An AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB Program

For additional info, contact: **Janis Flaherty** englishsetter1@me.com **773-415-9111**

http://www.akc.org/events/cgc/training_testing.cfm

Agility Fundamentals - Now Meeting every other week at UT

Every other Monday 7:15 - 8:15 pm For details --> [CLICK HERE](#). Please call instructor each week to confirm class schedule.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Tennessee Australian Shepherd Club to host: **Agility Trials - May 3 - 4, 2014**

The trials will be judged by Judy Boone. Two rounds regular & two rounds jumpers both days, two rounds gamblers and two rounds of pre-novice on Saturday and one round gamblers on Sunday. The trial will be at East Tenn Agricultural Expo Center, Harriman, TN, outdoors under cover on dirt. All dogs welcome. [Premium](#)

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club is now hosting

Next TVKC Agility Trials

Thursday - Sunday December 4 - 7, 2014

Friday - Sunday February 13 - 15, 2015

Premiums will be available at: <http://www.pawsabilitiestn.com>

BRAGS: Tennessee Valley Kennel Club member **Beth White** reports exciting news from the 2014 Poodle Club of America National Specialty. **MACH3 Menina De Prata CD RE MXG MJB2 MXF T2B2 CGC WC UWC HPC "Nina"** earned the distinction of being the first miniature poodle to pass the Poodle Upland Working Certificate Test held in Eden, Maryland. The test consists of:

- 1. Walk-Up and Retrieve.** The dog and the handler walk-up to a specified location, a shot is fired, a dead chukar is thrown out, and the dog must retrieve it.
- 2. Hunt-Em-Up Dead.** A dead bird is planted in a given area of cover. During a long walk-up, a diversion shot is fired. The dog is sent from a specified location and must find and retrieve the bird with no help from handler.
- 3. Quarter and Flush.** The dog has to quarter and flush two birds. The birds are shot as they are flushed, and the dog has to retrieve them.

Nina was the only mini, along with twenty-five standard poodles, to participate in the first upland hunting event to be held at the PCA nationals. Her Walk-Up was easily executed with her enthusiastically retrieving her first chukar. The Hunt-Em-Up was successful with Nina searching a dense brush patch and bringing back the bird like a pro. For the Quarter-and-Flush, she flushed and tentatively chased her first bird - a "get-away" as it turned out. They tossed out a dead bird, and she retrieved it with ease. When she flushed the second bird, she took off like a bullet, bouncing through the brush like she had springs under her feet. She had the gallery cheering with as much enthusiasm as she had. She quickly found the bird and proudly brought it back to her mom. She definitely liked this new game!



Along with the UWC title, this upland pass also earned her the honor of being the first miniature poodle to receive the Hunting Poodle Certificate (HPC), awarded to poodles who have earned a waterfowl retrieving working certificate (WC) and an upland hunting working certificate (UWC) from the Poodle Club of America, demonstrating a working capability in hunting, flushing, marking, swimming and retrieving.

"I am so proud of how this little dog gives her all in EVERYTHING I've ever asked of her. In addition to the hunting titles, Nina also brought home a first

place in Time to Beat Agility. It never ceases to amaze me what this special girl can do!"
Beth White, Maryville, TN