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Family: husband, Sam. No kids – just dogs.



Dogs: 3 black tri Australian shepherds: Meenzer Looking for Pie “Finn” (the new puppy), Meenzer Spins the Wheel CDX RE NFP OJP OAP RL2 CL4 “Sawyer” (6 years old), Sweet Miss Syd RN “Sydney” (8 years old), and our 11 year old golden retriever – Divine Miss Em RE OAP NJP NFP “Emmy”

Other pets: 3 horses (Blaze, Oakley and Lily) and Montana the cat



Occupation: dog groomer and co-owner at Bark, Bath and Beyond in Brookings

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Sandra Ladwig Obedience Seminar Report

The SEKC hosted Sandra Ladwig Obedience Seminar on June 13 – 14, 2015, at clubhouse. There were 21 working spots filled and 3 audit spots paid [\$3,375]; also 4 club instructor spots used compliments of SEKC. Attendees came from NE, IA, MN, SD and ND with many driving over 6 hours. Nice variety of dog breeds represented from Clumber Spaniel to Greyhound, Poodles, Golden Retrievers, Shelties, Collie, Belgian Tervuren, and mixed breed. Heard many favorable comments about this seminar and how much it helped in training, especially those who are new to competition dog training. Lots of comments by attendees regarding ... “My dog can’t do that!” ... turned into ... “Oh, yes, my dog can do that!” Very rewarding to watch handlers and their dogs become a team under the guidance of an expert like Sandra Ladwig and her assistants Gail and Pam. They brought two Border Collies, two Golden Retrievers, and Springer Spaniel to demonstrate different levels of dogs in training and their techniques used to train for competitive obedience.

Extra bonus to club as this seminar made over \$200!

Upward and onward for the SEKC with new excitement generated by this seminar in the area of competitive obedience training. Thanks to all club members who helped make the seminar a success; you are all appreciated and needed!

Carol Everetts
SEKC Seminar Coordinator

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What are your goals for your canine partners in 2015? I would like to finish Sawyer's CPE agility C-ATCH and get a UD on him. Finn will be in the ring soon starting WRCL and AKC rally... but mostly he is just getting socialized like crazy, and learning the basics of agility and obedience. The other dogs are retired and are holding down the couch at home.

Why did you choose your breed? We got our first Australian shepherd almost by accident – we were volunteering at the local humane society's adoption day – after spending the afternoon with a blue merle little girl, my husband announced "how hard would it be to have a 3rd dog?" I had always been intrigued by their athleticism and willingness to work – but I was worried that an Aussie would be too "crazy" for our family. Our dogs have a lot of drive (except for Sydney - she didn't get the working gene), but they have an off switch too. Plus, they are WAY more portable and have way less coat than the Newfoundland we used to have.



Is there anything that you will absolutely not eat? I had a bad experience with fish as a child!

If money was no object what would be your dream vacation? To get a really up close and personal tour of the Lipizzaner stallions in Vienna

Do you have any other hobbies? Bicycling, trail riding

What is the wildest thing on your bucket list? to load up the panniers on the bike, throw a dog in a trailer and just go on a long distance bicycling adventure



TREATS

Calendar of Events

AUGUST

6 BOARD MEETING 7 PM
 7-9 SEKC AGILITY TRIAL SPORTS DOME
 15 TENTATIVE POWER WASH THE BUILDING
 18 START LAYING THE FLOOR TENTATIVE
 22 BRING IN THE EQUIPMENT TENTATIVE

SEPTEMBER

3 SEKC BOARD MEETING 7PM
 7 LABOR DAY
 8 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING BIG PAWS 7PM

OCTOBER

TBD BOARD MEETING 7PM TBD
 7 ENTRIES FOR THE DOG SHOW CLOSE AT NOON
 13 SEKC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING CLUBHOUSE
 7PM
 23-25 SEKC FALL DOG SHOW AND OBEDIENCE TRIAL

Presidents Message

President's Message July 2015

I am having a difficult time with the fact that the summer is half over and I am seeing "back to school" ads. Where does the time go? So many things have been happening and there are so many things coming up. Thanks to Mert Kramer we now have pens and clickers with Sioux Empire Kennel Club on them and we are talking about a couple of other things to keep our name out there. Carol Everetts did a great job with the obedience seminar and we are looking at more seminars for next year. We hope that this can be something that becomes a standard offering of the club.

Brian and his crew did a great job with the Summer Obedience show and our entries were up from last year. It was a good idea to add rally and that looks like a keeper.

Now we have the agility trial coming up in August and I know that Denise Erger or Suze Frentz would love to hear from you if you can help out. It is a lot of work but having it at the Soccer Dome really works well and is very comfortable.

That finishes summer. I hope that you have all been enjoying the warm weather and doing fun things with family and friends. We need you to be back to business in September as we have a lot going on. Our September meeting will be held at Big Paws and you will be receiving information when we get closer. Tracy has the Fall Show in hand and we will be ready for that but again we will need lots of help. In addition, we have joined the Sioux Falls Chamber of Commerce and will have our official ribbon cutting during the Fall Show and that will be exciting.

I want to personally thank all of you for stepping up to help with everything. A club is only as good as the members that make it up. We are starting to do exciting things in Sioux Falls and we want to encourage everyone to be a part of a great dog club. None of these new ventures would have been possible without you.

Paula Spielman

Brags

Hirdler Hill's Life in the Fast Lane CDX RA BN CGC Aka Rev an English Springer Spaniel earned another lef of his Novice Standard title on June 27th at the Northstar Herding Group Club's agility trial held at Soccer Blast in Burnsville MN. Rev had 2 really nice jumpers runs but dropped a bar both times

Rev is loved trained and handled by Brian Schaffer

Faust a German Shorthair Pointer earned his rally novice title on July 19th at the SEKC obedience trial Faust is owned and loved by Hollie Gonseth

Gem recv'd her first two legs in Rally Novice with scores of 100 (and 2nd place) and 99 (for 4th place). Sadie qualified for her 3rd leg in Novice for her CD title (terrible score so not giving it out! But green is good and that's what counts with her!).

Sally Marum

DINO finished Rally Excellent title at SEKC Summer Obedience/Rally trials and also finished Rally Advanced title at KCKC both in three straight tries!

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Also won Rally High Point Rosette and his first RAE leg on July 19 at SEKC show with 1st RE and 2nd RA! Dino is now certified with TDI as pet therapy dog and also passed his CGC and CGCA titles on April 18! Good boy Dino!

DAVY finished his UDX3 & OM3 titles at KCKC trials and earned HIGH COMBINED obedience award on May 24, placing 2nd in UB (adding 5 OTCH pts for total 20 OTCH pts)!

DANDY is 13½ yrs and continues to do pet therapy visits at local hospitals, schools, library, and many assisted living centers.

DICKENS joined our family on April 15 and is now 5 months old from Powder Horn Golden Retriever Kennels in Tennessee!

Carol Everetts

Sawyer the Aussie got his 1st GO leg with a 1st place and a 196 1/2. Utility, here we come!!

Sawyer is loved and handled by Jenny Martens



