



# Timber Ridge Newsletter

November 2024 Issue

## The Barking Bulletin

### NEXT MEETING

Monday, November 11, 2024

6:30 pm meeting

Prairie Room – Portage County Public Library

Hospitality: Karyn Kopecko

### Upcoming

### Events

2024 Fall Obedience & Rally Trial

(November 2-3)

Remember to set your clocks BACK an hour so that you and your doggie will be on time for SUNDAY'S trials!



2025 Spring Obedience & Rally Trial

(February 1-2)

2025 Spring Agility Trial

(April 26-27 at OKC)

### Consider

### Volunteering

Volunteers are always needed for all our events. It is a great way to meet people and learn how these events run.

Plus, what could be more enjoyable than a day spent with dog people?

As events are posted here in the newsletter, please consider helping the club. None of these activities can continue without your help!



Mark these dates  
on your calendar!



## 2024 Timber Ridge Membership Meetings

(second Monday of the month)

**November 11, 2024** Stevens Point Public Library - Prairie Room  
@ 6:30 pm

**December 9, 2024** Holiday Party - TBD  
@ 6:00 pm

### Friday NIGHT Run-Thrus

Friday, November 1 OBEDIENCE

Sign up begins at 4:45

Run-Thrus 5 - 8

\$5 - 5 minutes

\$10 - 10 minutes



Those who do the set-up - sign up first!

Contact Dana if you want to help with set  
up set up begins at 4  
[nelson.dana22@gmail.com](mailto:nelson.dana22@gmail.com)



*NEW THIS YEAR: No treats in the ring!*

*Interested in a RALLY RUN THRU: please bring your own signs and  
do your own set up. \$10/10 minute minimum*

# FITDOG GROUP WALK

with Timber Ridge Obedience Club of Central Wisconsin  
Saturday, November 16th at 11am

Meet at intersection of Whiting Avenue and Sherman Avenue in Stevens Point (entry to River Pines section of Green Circle Trail)

Walk will include Green Circle and sidewalk sections and will be approx. 3 miles

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

Dogs must be leashed, no retractable leashes



Join us for our next FITDog Walk on Saturday, November 16th at 11am!

Meet at the intersection of Whiting Avenue and Sherman Avenue in Stevens Point, near the entrance to the River Pines section of the Green Circle Trail.

Walk will include Green Circle and sidewalk sections and will be approximately 3 miles long - longer than our previous walks.

All are welcome. Dogs must be leashed but no retractable leashes please.

Submitted by Asa Plonsky



# That's my dog!

## Wags & Brags

### MASTERFUL SNIFFING, JAYLAH!

Antea z Rodevachu (**Jaylah**) earned her AKC Scent Work Buried Master (SBM) title at the Marshfield trial September 21<sup>st</sup>. That was the last Q she needed to wrap up her overall Scent Work Master (SWM) title. The overall is Master level titles in all 4 elements: Interiors, Exteriors, Containers & Buried. Submitted by Joyce MacKay





## TITLING IN THE RAIN!

**Bramble** competed at the Fond du Lac County Kennel Club October agility trial and received his novice agility and novice agility jumpers titles! And he got a new experience - running agility in the rain! 😂

Submitted by Asa Plonsky

## REESE BOWLS 'EM OVER!



**Reese** (Reese de Hemert) added a new title to her ever-growing Do More With Your Dog list. She did 20 tricks using bowling pins to earn her 20 Tricks With 1 Prop title. Reese "spared" no effort while attempting her tricks....





# BEING JUDGED AND JUDGING!

Matthew and Carmen entered the State 4H obedience, Rally, and showmanship show the first weekend in October! Obedience was a challenge with the busyness of the venue. In Master Rally, the team earned 2nd place. Showmanship is divided into grade levels. They won their large grade level class and moved on to compete for the top Intermediate Showman. The 3 top winners competed to enter Best Junior Handler. Matthew and Carmen were selected to compete!!! The Best Junior Handler was chosen from the top handlers in each division, and although Matthew and Carmen were not selected, they were proud to be included in a very strong group of showmen and their dogs!

After Matthew was done showing he was able to be “on the other side “ and he and another 4Her judged the adult showmanship class!

So much fun to see. Maybe a future endeavor!

Submitted by Wendy Carlson



# MATTHEW CARLSON IS THE BEST!



Richard Pitman awarded **Matthew** Best Junior Handler at his first ASCA National! Matthew and **Carmen** also earned their Novice Obedience Title! Loving ASCA and the people who are a part of this great organization!

Submitted by Wendy Carlson

Braggs  
are due by  
**NOON** on  
November 30<sup>th</sup>  
for the  
December  
Newsletter!

**TIMBER RIDGE OBEDIENCE CLUB OF CENTRAL WISCONSIN, INC.**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

October 14, 2024 – 6:30 pm Meeting – Prairie Room – Portage County Public Library

Hospitality: Deanna Willems

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by President Karyn Kopecko

Members in Attendance: Ann Hanson, Chris Jarvis, Dana Nelson, Deanna Willems, Elaine Kirsling, Jocelyn Reid, Karen Lemke, Karyn Kopecko, Kathy Schuh, Laurie Bandy, Lisa Huber, Melanie Wiltse, Phyllis Christensen, Serena Menge. Via Zoom: Connie Wood, Karen Lee, Katherine Fox, Sarah Krueger. Guest: Cindy Rodeback

Minutes of last meeting/motion to dispense: Motion to dispense made by Dana Nelson, seconded by Serena Menge

President's and Board Report: none

Secretary's Report: none

Treasurer's Report (subject to audit): Checking: \$13,494.93 Savings: \$22,809.33 Christmas Club: \$0 CDs: \$8791.75

**Committee Reports**

1. **Website** – Jona Decker – none
2. **Awards Committee** –Serena Menge and Amy Sjomeling – Amy's address was updated on the order form.
3. **Sunshine Committee** – Chris Jarvis – none
4. **FIT Dog** – Asa Plonsky – next group walk is Sat Nov 16 at 11 am. Meet at the intersection of Whiting Avenue and Sherman Avenue in Stevens Point ( the River Pines section of the Green Circle Trail). Approximate length: 3 miles.
5. **Nov 2-3, 2024 Fall Obedience & Rally Trial** – 104 entries as of 10/14
  - a. Chairs: Jennifer Kressin
  - b. Chief Ring Steward: Dana Nelson
  - c. Trial Secretary: Rose Gottung
  - d. Judges: Pat Strong and Shirley Spall Noted that there will be extra hotel expenses as the judges are from out of the area.
  - e. Potluck Hospitality: Chris Jarvis – [Sign up here to help with hospitality.](#) Still looking for 1 main dish/hot sandwich provided for Saturday and 2 provided for Sunday. There are other opportunities available to sign up to bring food or supplies. Use the link above.
  - f. Venue: Camp Bandy
  - g. Individual Volunteer Sign-up: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\* Reach out to [nelson.dana22@gmail.com](mailto:nelson.dana22@gmail.com)
  - h. Raffle & Selfie-station

**Nov 9-10, 2024 Fall Agility Trial** – discounted rooms available at La Quinta in Oshkosh. You must mention TR. \$100 per night (\$95 if more than 12 rooms are booked). Pet fee of \$25 is waived.

- a. Chairs: Lisa Huber (Nov 9) and Janet Smith (Nov 10) – title and MACH ribbons have been ordered. Course builders are set for Friday setup.
- b. Trial Secretary: Lorah Marquardt
- c. Judge: Ronda Bermke
- d. Venue: Oshkosh Kennel Club



- a. Course Builder: Mark Besar
- b. Volunteer Coordinator: Karen Lemke (Nov 9) and Cindy Brick (Nov 10)
- c. Individual Volunteer Sign-up: [Saturday Individual Sign up Here](#) and [Sunday Individual Sign up Here](#)
- d. Hospitality: Rodney's Catering

**6. Feb 1-2, 2025 Spring Obedience & Rally Trial**

- a. Co-Chairs: Asa Plonsky and Kathy Schuh
- b. Chief Ring Steward: Mary Frisch (also ordering ribbons)
- c. Trial Secretary: Rose Gottung
- d. Committee: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\* Mary Frisch
- e. Judges: Laurel Stern (Rally) and Lynn Tamms (Obedience)
- f. Hospitality: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- g. Venue: Camp Bandy
- h. Individual Volunteer Sign-up: (link coming) \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*

**7. Apr 25-26-27, 2025 Spring Agility Trial AKC has been paid**

- a. Chairs: Karen Lemke
- b. Trial Secretary: [Lorah Markquardt](#)
- c. Course Builder: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- d. Committee: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- e. Judge: Terry Elger
- f. Venue: Oshkosh Kennel Club
- g. Volunteer Coordinator: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- h. Individual Volunteer Sign-up: (link coming) \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*

**8. Aug 31-Sep 2, 2025, Labor Day Agility Trial**

- a. Chairs: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- b. Trial Secretary: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- c. Course Builder: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- d. Committee: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*

- a. Judge: Han Yu
- b. Venue: Oshkosh Kennel Club
- c. Course Builder: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- d. Volunteer Coordinator: \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*
- e. Volunteer Sign-up: (link coming) \*\*\* VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED \*\*\*

### **Elections –**

### **Unfinished Business**

1. Training Seminar- Karyn Kopecko – planning a Spring Obedience seminar
2. Board Meeting – Karyn Kopecko - further discuss tiered membership, ways to increase membership, membership engagement financial goals and other topics TBD.

### **New Business**

1. Nominating Committee – positions expiring Jan 1, 2025: Laurie Bandy – VP, Ann Hanson – Treasurer, Kathy Schuh - Board Member, Dana Nelson - Board Member [Please reach out to Karyn Kopecko if you would like to serve on the nominating committee. Three volunteers are needed. Nominations from the floor will take place at the December meeting.](#)
2. Blog posts – Chris (getting started in dog sports), Dana (obedience), Joyce (scent work), Asa (holiday gifts for dog owners), Asa (grooming) [Melanie \(Fast CAT\)](#). All members are encouraged to participate to help keep the website fresh. [Please submit your blog post to Jona Decker. When she has 3-4 posts in the backlog, she will begin posting on the club website. Questions about where they would be located on the website and whether we are paying for an alternate website hosting service were raised.](#)
3. Utilizing social media to promote upcoming trials [The suggestion was made to expand use of social media to advertise club events. If you have names of Facebook groups that are applicable \(Agility, Fast CAT, Obedience Scent Work, local kennel clubs, etc.\) where we could post our events, please send them to Karyn Kopecko](#)
4. [December Holiday Party location - Karyn Kopecko suggested we meet at Kelly’s in Custer, WI as we did in 2023. Another suggestion was Backwoods Bar & Grill in Stevens Point, WI. Karyn will be making the arrangements.](#)

**Next Meeting Hospitality:** [Karyn Kopecko](#)

**Next Meeting:** November 11, 2024– 6:30 pm meeting – Prairie Room – Portage County Public Library

**Meeting Adjourned** – at 7:08 pm, motion by [Laurie Bandy](#), seconded by [Lisa Huber](#)

**Braggs!** Send your brags to Sarah Krueger by [November 30](#) for the [December](#) newsletter.

# October 2024 Treasurer's Report

Opening Balance	13,494.93	
AKC	-1,704.50	FastCAT recording fees
Jennifer Kressin	-32.13	September agility misc.
Karen Lemke	-300.00	April '25 agility AKC apps
Mary Frisch	-400.85	November obedience ribbons
Storage Unlimited	-35.00	storage
Lisa Huber	-505.95	November '24 agility ribbons
Ann Hanson	-25.00	stamps
Camp Bandy	-540.00	4 <sup>th</sup> quarter arena rental for members
Oshkosh Kennel Club	-50.00	November agility deposit
	-3,593.43	expenses
Balance checking account	9,901.50	
Savings Balance	22,815.08	
Christmas Club	0.00	
Balance CDs	8,787.46	
Total Assets	41,504.04	
Pineries – CDs	2,799.31	
	2,899.60	
	3,088.55	
	8,787.46	



# Officers & Contacts

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<b>President:</b> Karyn Kopecko <a href="mailto:k.kopecko@gmail.com">k.kopecko@gmail.com</a>	2025-2026
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## Camp Bandy Members Only Training Times



### Sunday, November 10th

11 - 12:30 | Obedience, Rally & Individual Skills

12:30 – 2 | FULL COURSE Agility

### Sunday, November 17th

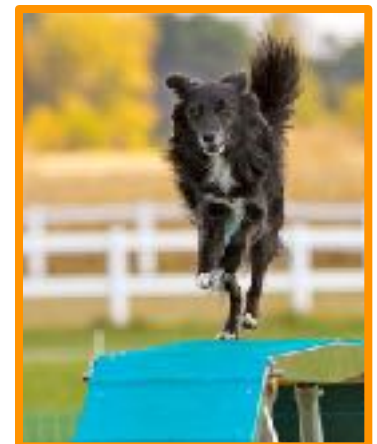
11 - 12:30 | FULL COURSE Agility

12:30 – 2 | Obedience, Rally & Individual Skills

\*Members set up rings and courses\*

### **GUIDELINES**

1. Please gate off the section you are working on during separate skills.
2. Please ask if the person is done using the equipment before you start working your dog.
3. Please have gating across the front while running full course agility.
4. Please have dogs on leash while entering and exiting the building.



## **A REMINDER FROM THE PAST PRESIDENT!**

**Because we have recently added many new members (YAY!!), here are a couple of reminders about training time:**

1. Members set up the rings and courses. If you aren't able to help or arrive later, please don't jump in and start using things that others have spent the time setting up before they have had a chance to use the ring/course. We have Camp Bandy for this time frame only. Many hands make work light.
2. Crate your dog(s) unless you are working them in the ring/course or in a spot in the arena. Be mindful of other people and dogs.
3. Agility time is for a full course. Agility time is set aside so people can run full courses. If there are a lot of people, work together to change jump heights, etc. Gate off the area by the door.
4. Obedience rings should be used to work your dog either on a 'run thru' or a set of exercises for a reasonable amount of time. Everyone should have time in the ring. If you wish to work on an individual skill for agility, great. It means one piece of equipment (so no multiple pieces of agility equipment during obedience time).
5. Communicate with each other. If someone is taking too much time, tell them. If you need to leave in 20 minutes - ASK if you can go next. If someone sets up a course or a ring say thanks. If you need help with something, ASK. This is a great group who is more than willing to help out.
6. If you put food on the walls to mark the go-out (or for any other reason) please clean up the spot, remove the food, etc.
7. If you are there alone or just a few people, work it out, if you don't need a ring, great. You don't have to set it up. You can be there for the full 3 hours or only 15 minutes.
8. Training time is meant to be used by any/all members. Keep in mind people use these times in different ways. Whatever way you use the time...enjoy training your dog!

**Many great friendships have been made during this time!**