



# RMKC Newsletter

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## November Meeting Program

The November meeting program will be another breed presentation. This month we will learn more about the swift & elegant Whippet, presented by RMKC member Julie Prentice.

If there are other members who would be willing to do a presentation on their breed, please contact President Vicki O'Neill.



## Cardigan Welsh Corgi Program.....submitted by Vicki O'Neill

Thank you to Diana and Mackenzie Mann for their in-depth presentation on the Cardigan Welsh Corgi at the October meeting. Diana shared the historical information on the breed dating back 3000 years to Wales along with the influences of the Viking invasion 1000 years ago. She also explained the differences between the Cardigan Welsh Corgi and the Pembroke Welsh Corgi, which many believe are more similar than actually being two distinct breeds evolving over several thousand years.

Mackenzie's part of the presentation was mainly devoted to the Cardigan breed standard and structure. This was an in-depth look at the Cardigan and, in my opinion, the quality of an actual judge's seminar. Mackenzie used wonderful visual aids and some of their own dogs to show specific parts of the breed standard. This was truly a professional presentation.

### Monthly Meeting Information:

Date: 2nd Monday of each month      Time: 7 pm  
 Location: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ~ 559 20th St SW, Rochester, MN  
 Directions from downtown Rochester: South on Broadway to 20th St SW (Kwik Trip on the corner) - turn right (W) - go approximately 5 blocks to top of hill - church is on the right, set back from the street.

*(During the months of February, August, & December meetings are typically held "off-site" due to special club events - watch the newsletter for location changes).*

## 2011 All-Breed Show Wrap-up

I'd like to thank everyone who helped with the 2011 all-breed and obedience show this year. I heard wonderful compliments on every aspects of the show and on the job everyone in the club deserves a round of applause.

Of course, I think we all have suggestions on how we could make the show even better for next year. The enthusiasm of each of our area chairs was apparent as each was already looking ahead and mentioning at the show Sunday how they could do even more or better next time around. I encourage you all to send those suggestions to our 2012 show chairs: Diana Mann and Julie Prentice. Their planning has already begun.

Once again, thank you ALL for a job well done!!

Amy Gau

RMKC 2011 Show Chair

## Allergies Unleashed

It turns out even "allergy-friendly" dogs can leave their owners sneezing. Researchers at the Henry Ford Health Center in Detroit collected dust samples from 173 homes with 43 types of purebred dogs and found no evidence that so-called hypoallergenic breeds - such as bichon frise, poodle, & Maltese - produce lower levels of allergens in their environment. "This suggests that a dog's grooming and behavior are bigger factors than pedigree," says study author Christine Cole Johnson, Ph. D. If your four-legged friend has you reaching for the tissues, ask your doctor about ways to control your symptoms. Be sure to wash your hands after petting the dog, have a nonallergic family member frequently brush the dog outdoors, and consider making your bedroom a pet-free zone. Go to [BHG.com/achoo](http://BHG.com/achoo) for more information on dog allergies.

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## Member Brags

- **Ladybug's Enchanted JD "Pip"** (Pomeranian) - Ron Elshaug - RMKC - Sunday - WD/BOW; Wright Co - Saturday - WD/BOW
- **Ladybug's Katelyn's Victory "Tori"** (Pomeranian) - Ron Elshaug - Wright Co - RWB both days
- **Rone's Return of the King at Jade "Viggo"** (Pomeranian) - Ron Elshaug - Fayetteville, AR - WD/BOW Saturday & Sunday; Amarillo, TX - WD on Friday
- **CH CovenTree Got To Believe I Am Magic "Piper"** (Airedale) - Margie Sinex - Mason City - Oct 16 - WB/BOS - *New Champion!!*
- CH Jakra's Poised for Mischief RN "Rowan" (Vizsla) - Jesica Foster - Vizsla Club of America National Specialty - earned his 3rd leg for his Rally Novice Title
- All Trade Easy On The Eyes "Stella" (Cardigan Welsh Corgi) - Mackenzie & Diana Mann - Sheboygan WI - Best Puppy & a Puppy Herding Group 2
- CH Cornerstone's Play'n With Fire "Rocket" (Chinese Shar Pei) - Carole Sorenson - RMKC - BOB both days
- Rabbit Run Mckenzie (Basset Hound) - Nancy Klenke - BOS in Junior Sweepstakes at the Basset Hound National Specialty.

## Newsletter Editor Wanted

I have been the newsletter editor since 2005, & am the one who took our newsletter thru the change from an all-paper to a digital publication. I have decided that it is time for me to step out of this position, & so the RMKC is in need of a new newsletter editor.

Some of the “qualifications” that would be helpful to have are:

- 1) computer knowledge; especially helpful if you are familiar with Microsoft Publisher
- 2) Ability/desire to create articles on RMKC happenings, as well as find articles on “dog news”

It's been a great run & I have enjoyed most of it :) I hope that I have provided a newsletter that has informed as well as made you smile once in a while. I want to thank all of the members who have been so supportive.

Thanks

Diana Mann, RMKC Newsletter Editor

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### Rochester MN Kennel Club – General Membership meeting – October 10, 2011

Members present: Vicki O'Neill, Diana & Mackenzie Mann, Pat Campbell, Linda Cornick, Carole Sorensen, Sandy Woodruff, Barb Hartmann, Ron Elshaug, Amy Gau, Mary Ferreter, Nancy Klenke, Chuck Kuhl. Guests present: Shannon Wilson, Shaina Carney, Jesica Foster.

Prior to the business meeting, club members Diana & Mackenzie Mann gave a presentation on the Cardigan Welsh Corgi, including breed history & structure.

Meeting was called to order at 7:50 pm by President Vicki O'Neill. The meeting agenda was presented for approval – motion to approve was made by Diana & seconded by Barb; motion carried. Minutes of the September meeting were presented for approval. Motion was made by Pat, seconded by Barb to approve the minutes; motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Diana presented account balances & the numbers from the all-breed show, pending any last minute receipts, like the bill from the hotel for judges.

Committee reports:

Newsletter: Diana has decided to step down as newsletter editor, a position she has held since 2005. If anyone is interested in taking on the position, they should contact Vicki.

Website: Diana will talk to John about updating some of the information on the website, particularly the dates for shows.

2011 All Breed & Obedience: Amy reported on this year's show. She also shared the thank you notes received from some of the judges.

Old Business:

RMKC Special Awards: Linda presented the committee's most recent revisions. The board will review their recommendations & award criteria at their next meeting.

Cleaning & reorganizing the storage space: Vicki reported on what the board had decided to do as far as some of the larger items, including rubber matting & obedience jumps (donated to Winona County 4-H program), and a 10x20 tent/shelter & a hand truck (list on craigslist). Several items were offered to members “first-come-first-served”, like several lengths of rope, some party supplies, AKC breed tapes, etc. Members who wish to help with final clean-up should report to the storage unit on Sat, Oct 22. Greg will be there with shelving units & finishing touches to organization will be made.

New Business:

Treats for Meetings: Pat provided treats for the October meeting; a volunteer is needed for November.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pat, & seconded by Linda; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Mann